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## How Much More!

General Superintendent Young

**T**HE BASIS of our assurance concerning the coming of the Holy Spirit to the believer's heart rests upon what? Not alone upon the desperateness of our human need, Jesus himself pointed out, but also upon the revelation of God as Heavenly Father. "If ye then, being evil, know how to give good gifts unto your children; how much more shall your heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to them that ask him?" (Luke 11:13.)

The argument here seems to be twofold: it is one of similarity and also one of contrast. Jesus seems to say that our Heavenly Father must be at least as good as an earthly father. He reasons: "If a son shall ask bread of any of you that is a father, will he give him a stone? or if he ask a fish, will he for a fish give him a serpent? Or if he shall ask an egg, will he offer him a scorpion?" (Luke 11:11-12.) An early Christian philosopher concluded: "God is most nearly like the best that I can think of." Jesus seems to say, "Cred-

it God, your Heavenly Father, with being at least as good as a normal parent." If we are persuaded that He is, we should be able to believe that God will give us the Holy Spirit according to His own love, wisdom, and power.

But the appeal is even stronger than that. It is an argument of contrast. God is better than the best we know. Parents are earthly, evil. Our Father is heavenly, good. His willingness is greater: "How much more!" Here the distance is both qualitative and quantitative—the distance between the created and the Creator, between man and God.

How often the gifts of earthly parents have proved to be gifts of self-indulgence, or at best of misguided love! But not so our Heavenly Father's. The gift of the Holy Spirit is as essential and vital to the inner man as bread, fish, and eggs to our physical life. May we ask with sincerity today, seek with earnestness, knock with abandon until He comes in answer to the divine promise. Our Heavenly Father will not fail!

## TELEGRAMS

Quincy, Massachusetts—One of the greatest revivals in the history of Eastern Nazarene College closed November 11, with Rev. T. E. Martin being mightily used of God.—KENNETH PEARSALL, *Executive Field Secretary*.

Kankakee, Illinois—Wisconsin District over the top again with combined Olivet's budget paid in full by October 31. District N.Y.P.S. support enlisted by Dr. C. A. Gibson, superintendent, is gaining 100 per cent cooperation of Wisconsin preachers. This marks the third year in succession that the Wisconsin District has paid their Olivet Budgets in full by October 31.—CHARLES D. IDE, *Field Secretary*.

Nampa, Idaho—Franklyn Road Church, Nampa, just closed greatest revival in history of the church, with Dr. T. M. Anderson of Wilmore, Kentucky. His Spirit-filled messages and magnanimous spirit attracted overflow crowds; many were won to the Lord. Dr. Anderson has been invited to return for a future date.—J. A. McNATT, *Superintendent of the Idaho-Oregon District*.

## NEWS IN BRIEF

Rev. Gilbert Wyatt, pastor at Sauk Centre, Minnesota, died Sunday, November 11. He was stricken with polio on October 9, was in the hospital, and seemed to be recovering; he died as the result of an acute heart attack and other complications.

Mrs. Myrtle A. (Pelley) Taylor writes to thank Nazarenes and friends everywhere for their prayers, cards, and letters during her long and serious illness following a major operation and several complications afterwards. Her convalescence, although a little slow, is a steady one, and she is now at their home in East Palestine, Ohio. She thanks God for His mercy, and "the assurance from the doctors and from Heaven that in time I will be well again."

Rev. Lindon L. Scales has resigned as pastor of the church at Alberta City, to accept the work of the church at Langdale, Alabama.

"Pasadena Central Church had 454 in Sunday school, and Berkeley First (California) had 196, on the closing Sunday of special revival services with a combination of evangelism

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### SPECIAL NOTICE

All orders or changes of orders for the 1952 special issue of the "Herald of Holiness" must be in our hands by December 1, 1951. This early deadline is necessary in order to insure sufficient paper stock for this huge issue of 1,500,000 copies.

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The Rev. Frank McConnell, pastor of the new Williams Memorial Church in Bethany, Oklahoma, reports that in their HERALD OF HOLINESS campaign they secured 92 subscriptions. Their quota was 52. This is a remarkable achievement for a church which had been organized only four months at that time.

"Send your pastor to the General Assembly at Kansas City next June" is the slogan being used for the HERALD OF HOLINESS subscription campaign on the Canada West District. We understand the churches of the district have been divided according to size into three groups, and the pastor of the winning church in each group will be sent to the General Assembly. This sounds like a wonderful plan and one which should get results. Angus MacLean and Ray Flater are the campaign managers; Dr. Edward Lawlor is district superintendent.

A report from Rev. A. Alan Gilmour, the HERALD OF HOLINESS campaign manager for the Pittsburgh District, states: "Though we did not reach our goal of 5,000 subscriptions, it appears that we exceeded the quota given us of 3,200. According to our records we have slightly over 3,600 subscriptions. Of course we shall be eager to hear in January how we stand in relation to the other districts in our zone."

We commend the Pittsburgh District, Rev. R. F. Heinlein, superintendent, and Brother Gilmour. That is a grand report.

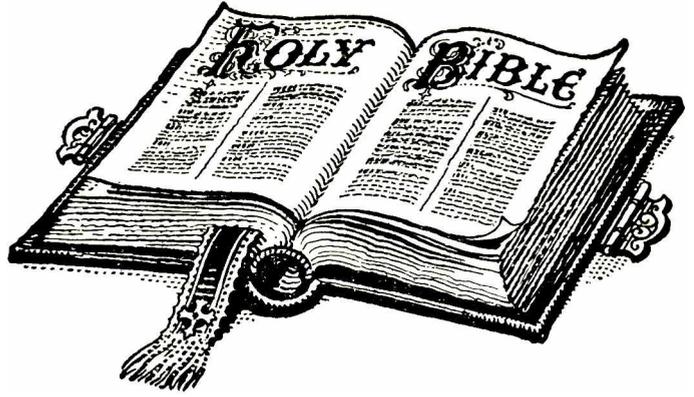
We, too, are interested in that January report for all the districts!

We watch all the campaigns with much interest. Managers, when your tabulations are complete, let us know the results. We should like to report them all in this column.

THAINE F. SANFORD,  
*Sales Promotion Manager*

# On Reading the Bible

By H. J. S. Blaney\*



**E**VANGELISM is Bible-centered, produces Christians who are essentially experience-centered, who in turn must be led into a Bible-centered way of life. Converts will seek to interpret their new experience, and without the Bible as their guide they are easy victims of heresies which through the ages have sprung from individual experience. An experience of salvation comes to one after the Bible pattern and can be understood and interpreted only with the Bible as one's guide. Fanaticism is an overemphasis upon experience at the expense of the authority of the Bible; and every child of God, if he would grow tall and true, will study carefully this most essential Guidebook for Christians.

The fear that we may be neglecting God's Word comes as a recurring sensation. What if we should develop a keener appetite for other literature and be satisfied with a few verses from the Bible at the close of each day? What if we should lose the sense of authority which attaches to the Bible, and each group or person become a rule unto himself? What if we should lose our love for it and allow the sinister doubts of the modern critic to seep in on us? What if—? But let us note a few reasons why Christians should be diligent students of the Bible.

First of all, *it is the Word of God to man*; not a message from God spoken into the vast reaches of eternity of which we catch some echoes but find nothing of tangible worth; neither is it the record of man's reach after God and salvation. *It is the revealed Word of God incarnate in human literature, in word and symbol, in history, poetry, drama, Gospel, and epistle, which we can read with the heart and with the understanding and through which God's will may be known.*

Second, *the Bible is the revealer of Christ, the Son of God.* Without the Scriptures we could not know Him; and while we can know Him in personal experience of salvation, the Bible still remains our great guide in coming to Him and in coming to know Him better. Christ is the Word of God incarnate in human flesh, and thus parallels the Word incarnate in the Book; and they perfectly complement each other. To neglect one is to neglect the other.

Third, *the Bible speaks directly to the individual.* The converted Hindu testified, "I know the Bible is true because it spoke to my heart. I felt that the One who had made me must have written the Bible." It reveals man to himself at his worst and at his best. It lets him see

himself in others, and by parable, symbol, analogy, implication, suggestion, and direct statement drives home the truths of sin and salvation. Social as well as personal guilt is revealed, and the remedy set forth in all its power and glory.

Who, coming to the Bible sincerely, desiring to know the will of God, will say that he cannot find it? Who, seeking to know the way of salvation, will say it is not made plain? Who, longing for food for his soul, will say there is no provision to be found? Who, seeking the way of life, will say it has not been marked out plainly?

Yes, the Bible is God's Word, spoken expressly for man, writ large for men of every age, clime, creed, and nation.

For these, and many other reasons, we should be diligent readers of the Bible. *We should read it systematically, not in piecemeal fashion.* The larger truths are found in paragraphs, chapters, and even in whole books, not alone in verses. We should read it *devotionally*, allowing its truths to throw light from many sides upon the tasks and problems of life, finding both meat and drink for our souls.

We should read the Bible *studiously*, remembering that some truths will shimmer on the surface like gold dust in the sand, while much more can be had only by digging long and deep and hard. Surface truths make surface Christians. We should read it *thoughtfully*, comparing truth with truth and lesson with lesson. A true spirit of criticism and analysis will save us from half truths, and seeming truths, and the consequent fanaticism that so often follows. The use of one's mental faculties in no wise discredits the work of God's Spirit, and the one who finds most is usually the one who has sought the hardest.

Then we should read the Bible *recreationally*. By this, I mean casual reading, for no specific purpose other than to read good literature, yea, the best of literature. If one likes history, here it is unmatched for the true interpretation of the ways of men and nations in the world, and for a preview of history as it continues to repeat itself. If one likes poetry or drama, stories or biography, the origin of things or their final end,

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he may read here to his heart's content. And, while he reads on earth, he will gradually find his thoughts dwelling on heavenly things; for no unprejudiced reading of God's Word is without its reward.

So read your Bible. Read it daily, prayerfully, and with a believing heart. Store it up within your heart and mind, and you will not fail to find it a lamp to your feet and a light to your path, and a never-failing source of spiritual supply.

## Is Eradication Practical?

By Leslie Parrott\*

**I**N THE Federal Bureau of Investigation Building in Washington, D.C., the agent showed us souvenirs of the raids made by government men on spy rings during World War II. To catch these villains, millions of dollars was spent because we believed that one enemy on the inside was worse than a regiment of black-shirted Germans on the field in Europe or in the air over Britain. If it is expedient to victory that war spies be eradicated, how much more important is it to the Christian to be victorious over sin by having the villainous sin nature cleansed from within!

The salmon that are caught out of the salt water off the coasts of Washington and Oregon have to be artificially seasoned before they are served. They are fresh even while living in salt water. As God keeps fish fresh in salt water, He too can keep a soul pure in the midst of dirty, evil surroundings.

The final test on the doctrine of heart purity is, "Does it work?" Even if the doctrine is logical and the experience needed, it is nil unless it works. There are thousands of Christians in many denominations who will testify to the experience of heart cleansing. Everywhere there is a new awakening of interest in the Spirit-filled life. A preacher in the Cathedral of Saint John the Divine in New York recently preached a week-night series of sermons on the experience of heart purity as taught by Wesley. Heart purity is being recognized as the foundation stone for living victoriously in these times.

The Mid-Century Crusade in our church has brought to us a new realization that the growing, soul-saving church is the sanctified church. In our local churches, the laymen who are counting most for Christ are those who testify to a pure heart.

The Spirit-filled life works at home, in the classroom, at the office, down at the mill, on the street, or at church. This spiritual garment is custom-made for every Christian, young or old, large or small. It is practical and it will work for you!

## LINKED BY LOVE (2)

By T. M. Anderson\*

*If ye love me, keep my commandments* (John 14:15).

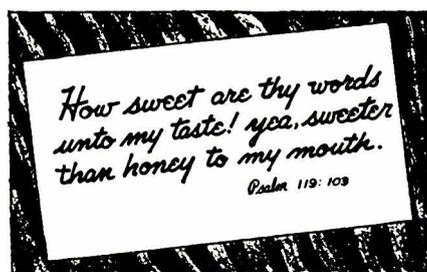
**I**N A PREVIOUS article we studied the truth that love is the link of our relationship to Christ. We come now to meditate upon the truth that love is the link of our responsibility to Christ. "If ye love me," said Jesus, "keep my commandments." We place the emphasis upon His words, "Keep my commandments," for in these words Jesus fixes upon us the responsibility of obedience to His teachings. Obedience is not a proof of love; it is a principle of love, as love for Christ is the motivating cause of our obedience to Him. Jesus did not ask them to prove their love by keeping His commandments; He enjoined upon them the responsibility of practicing the precepts of God's holy law embodied in His teachings.

We cannot evade or escape this responsibility without violating the law of divine love. To this fact our Lord testified, saying, "If ye keep my commandments, and abide in his love" (John 15:10). Evidently our Lord meant we should consider that the keeping of His commandments was the condition for our abiding in His love, and that failing in this obligation meant to forfeit our relationship with Him.

The word "keep" is a word of great import. It means to preserve or protect something as one would preserve and protect a treasure of great value. Furthermore, it means to practice, and to keep practicing or continue to perform the duties enjoined upon us. If we love Christ, we will preserve His truth as a treasure in the soul; we will not compromise with friend or foe. We will consider it to be a treasure greater than a world; and if we gained the whole world and lost this priceless possession, we would have labored in vain and derived no profit out of living.

The performing of the teachings of Christ react upon us in a beneficial manner—when we keep them they keep us. We find them to be a guide to our feet and a light on our pathway. They govern us in our labors and guard us in our living. Blessed Lord, we do love Thee. We will keep Thy commandments.

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# Why I Believe the Bible

By A. S. London\*

**T**HE BIBLE is the living Word of the living God; it "liveth and abideth for ever." It is satisfying in its contents. "Thy words were found, and I did eat them; and thy word was unto me the joy and rejoicing of mine heart: for I am called by thy name, O Lord God of hosts."

The Bible is sure in its promises. "Then said the Lord unto me, Thou hast well seen: for I will hasten my word to perform it." It is secure in its guidance, "Thy word is a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my path." It is given for our enrichment. "The law of thy mouth is better unto me than thousands of gold and silver." There are some things better in life than riches—the Bible is one of them.

The Bible is milk and meat for our strengthening: "As newborn babes, desire the sincere milk of the word, that ye may grow thereby." And again, "But strong meat belongeth to them that are of full age, even those who by reason of use have their senses exercised to discern both good and evil."

Strength comes from a continual use of the Bible. George Mueller of England said: "I count that day lost when I have not carefully read the Word of God." He cared for twenty-five hundred children at one time, and raised eight million dollars for his orphanage.

The Bible is a fire to warm our poor, cold hearts. "Is not my word like as a fire?" Also, it is "more to be desired . . . than gold, yea, than much fine gold: sweeter also than honey and the honeycomb." It is constantly with us, giving strength for the duties of the day. Just read this beautiful passage: "When thou goest, it shall lead thee; when thou sleepest, it shall keep thee; and when thou awakest, it shall talk with thee."

The Bible presents us with the wisdom that is from above, which "is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, and easy to be entreated, full of mercy and good fruits, without partiality, and without hypocrisy." It appeals tenderly to the heart, and "takes the pain out of parting, the sting out of death, and the gloom out of the grave."

Jesus is the Alpha and Omega of the Bible; He himself is the theme of the Bible. The name of Jesus runs through the Bible like a glimmering light and like a crystal river. The whole Bible tells of Jesus. The Old Testament promises Christ. The New

Testament proclaims Christ. He is the secret of its unity, its beauty, and its strength.

The Bible tells that God is supreme. Only fools say there is no God. He is the supreme fact of nature, of history, of personal life. He is eternal; He is the great I AM. "He is the Rock, his work is perfect: for all his ways are judgment: a God of truth and without iniquity, just and right is he."

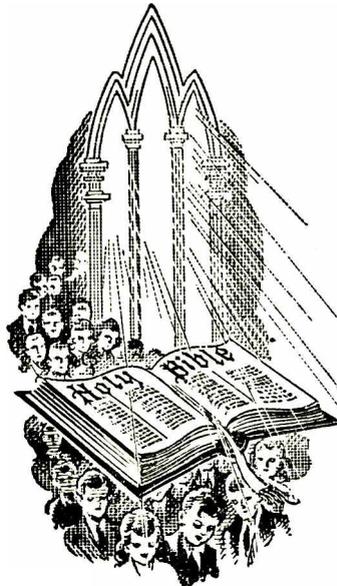
The Bible tells us to pray: "Call unto me, and I will answer thee, and shew thee great and mighty things, which thou knowest not." Then again, "Call upon me in the day of trouble: I will deliver thee, and thou shalt glorify me." "Evening, and morning, and at noon, will I pray, and cry aloud: and he shall hear my voice." I am sustained through prayer: "I laid me down and slept; I awaked; for the Lord sustained me."

The Bible will keep us from wrong living. "Thy word have I hid in mine heart, that I might not sin against thee." It is immune to the ravages of time, withstanding the tests of infidelity, and is the custodian of the heritage of all ages. It is a complete code of laws, "The law of the Lord is perfect." It is the final court of authority.

The Bible gives assurance that God is with His children, "Though he be not far from every one of us"; "In him we live, and move, and have our being." "The Spirit itself beareth witness with our spirit, that we are the children of God." "For the which cause I also suffer these things: nevertheless I am not ashamed; for I know whom I have believed, and am persuaded that he is able to keep that which I have committed unto him against that day."

The Bible tells of the final home for the Christian: "Father, I will that they also, whom thou hast given me, be with me where I am; that they may behold my glory." "Beloved, now are we the sons of God, and it doth not yet appear what we shall be: but we know that, when he shall appear, we shall be like him; for we shall see him as he is."

*For ever, O Lord, thy word is settled in heaven.*



Keep a regular time each day for Bible reading. Read thoughtfully and prayerfully. Try to imagine the situations.

Read expectantly, with anticipation. Seek a personal message in each day's passage.

Let God through the Bible speak directly to you, ever willing to receive and practice. Your inner response to God's message is vital. When He condemns, bow penitently. When He offers light, place your hope on it. When He guides, follow. When He commands, obey.

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## EPHESIANS (Art. XXVI)

By H. Orton Wiley

### Followers of God

*Be ye therefore followers of God, as dear children* (cf. 5:1-13). Macknight paraphrases the first verse of this section as follows: "Be ye therefore, in respect to this forgiving disposition, imitators, not of the heathen deities, but of the true God, as children beloved of him on account of your constant care to imitate him in all his moral perfections." The Apostle, having set forth the true standards of Christian experience in the previous chapter, now proceeds to expound the principles of holy living as the natural outflow of this inner experience.

Since righteousness is conformity to the will of God, and holiness, conformity to the nature of God, it follows that the principle of holy living lies in following God. The Greek word here translated "followers" is literally "imitators"—imitators of God. However, the Apostle, by his use of the particle "therefore," is careful to show that the motive of this imitation is the forgiving love of Christ by which they were established in holiness, and not merely outward and fleshly attempts at imitation. Only those who are "dear children" can become true "imitators" or followers of God. As the child looks to its father for counsel and guidance, for fond protection and defense, so those who have become the children of God through faith in Christ are constantly to look to Him who gives us all things richly to enjoy. The Apostle therefore lifts up Christ as the worthy Example for imitation and inspiration, as over against the degrading influence of the heathen deities.

The historical background of heathenism from which the Ephesian church had been delivered shines out through the nature of the warnings and exhortations of the Apostle. It is well known that the character of the objects of worship determines the moral standards of the worshipers. Saint Paul therefore warns against the following as opposed to the holiness of God and the nature of Jesus Christ.

*First*, fornication, uncleanness, and covetousness were not to be once named among them as becometh saints. This meant a complete break with the licentiousness of their former worship.

*Second*, all conversation of an obscene nature was to be put away—again a reference to their former worship. Instead, the "giving of thanks" to the true God was to be substituted for the vile conversation which was so integral a part of heathen worship. The word "jesting" as here used has no reference to mere pleasantries of a wholesome order, but indicates speech "nicely balanced"—speech that can be interpreted in a

manner suggestive of evil. The so-called "risque jokes" which sometimes creep into wholesome magazines are a good example of "jesting" as forbidden by the Apostle.

*Third*, they were to have no fellowship with the unfruitful works of darkness. This is a reference to the heathen mysteries, which the Apostle declares were so abominable that it was an offense against modesty even to mention them.

*Fourth*, because the heathen justified such practices by references to their deities, Christians were ever to keep before them the holiness of the true God and the unspotted character of Jesus Christ, as patterns for their lives in all purity.

Last, they were to "walk circumspectly" (5:15), that is, they were to walk so correctly that they might not by ostentation of their religion provoke undue persecution; nevertheless, they were in no wise to conciliate their neighbors by entering into or having any part in their bacchanalian feasts. Instead, in their meetings for worship, they were to sing "psalms and hymns and spiritual songs," and were to give "thanks always for all things unto God and the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ" (5:19-20). In this section, therefore, the contrast between true Christianity and worldly standards is set forth in no uncertain manner.

### WHY PRAY?

By Ed. Bennett\*

**WE PRAY** because it is the Christian's way of communing with God; also the act is the very highest thing of which the human mind is capable. It is the most blessed privilege one may have after Christ is enthroned within the renewed heart. There are many reasons why God's children should pray.

One reason is that Jesus himself devoted much time to praying. If He felt His need of prayer, can we be rightfully called true followers of the Lord and neglect to follow the pattern laid down by Him?

St. Luke writes, "And it came to pass in those days, that he went out into a mountain to pray, and continued all night in prayer to God." St. Mark tells us that Jesus arose early in the morning, "and departed into a solitary place, and there prayed."

Jesus had the habit of praying in His earthly life as He dwelt down here amid trying circumstances and temptations. He loved to get alone and commune with His Heavenly Father.

In Gethsemane's garden, upon the Mount of Transfiguration, at Lazarus' tomb, in the Galilean villages, and on numerous other occasions, Christ prayed.

Knowing the importance of prayer, Jesus

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## In Its Work of Proclaiming "unto You . . . . a Saviour"

### The American Bible Society During the Last Year

- distributed at home and abroad 711,221 Bibles, 1,094,710 Testaments, and 9,250,653 portions, a total of 11,056,584, an increase of more than 25 per cent over the previous year;
- surpassed the previous year by more than 50 per cent in the annual distribution of embossed volumes and Talking Book records for the blind, with a total of 28,110;
- published over two million copies of the Gospel of Luke in magazine form, with 64 illustrations and two maps;
- supplied Testaments in nine different languages for the men in the United Nations forces fighting in Korea;
- reached the total of 3,000,000 volumes distributed in Japan, the quota set for the year;
- sent to Japan the "Good Will book" containing the original signatures of over 33,000 American people who had contributed to the fund for supplying Scriptures for the Japanese;
- saw the celebration of World-wide Bible Reading, Thanksgiving to Christmas, spread in the seventh year of its observance to thirty-eight nations;
- received gifts in excess of the largest budget it had ever adopted, and in faith adopted for the next year a still greater one;
- but the task increases every year. Never before have so many people been eager to read the Word of God. If even the most urgent requests are to be met, the Society must receive more gifts in the coming year than ever before in its history.*



## NOTICE TO PASTORS:

### American Bible Society Offering

**T**HIS YEAR the General Council of the Nazarene Young People's Society has designated Bible Sunday, *December 9*, as the date for receiving the annual offering for the American Bible Society.

For the past four years this special project has been cared for during *Youth Week* in January. But from this time on the plan is to receive the offering on the regular date of *Bible Sunday*, which this year comes on the *ninth of December*.

Dr. L. J. Du Bois, secretary, and the General N.Y.P.S. Council will greatly appreciate your co-operation in this matter. Check with your N.Y.P.S. president and see that a freewill offering is taken in your church for this worthy enterprise.

In this day when the souls of men are starved for lack of the bread of life, certainly we want to do our best to see that the Holy Scriptures are made available to many nations in their own tongue.

Send your offering to our general treasurer, 2923 Troost Avenue, Kansas City, Missouri. Mark your gift, *For American Bible Society*. If you will make out your checks or money orders direct to "The General Treasurer," or Mr. John Stockton, it will greatly facilitate the handling of these funds. Thank you.

S. T. LUDWIG, Representative,  
American Bible Society



**I have esteemed the words of His mouth more than my necessary food. Job 23:12**



# The Church Is You!

By C. L. Rodda\*

**W**HEN JESUS said, "The kingdom of God is within you," He was not only emphasizing the "inwardness" of vital salvation, but He also taught a lesson often needed by Nazarenes and Christians everywhere regarding their relationship to the Church, the body of Christ.

Too often people speak of the church as if it were something completely separate from themselves. They speak of the church as being without the "old-time fire," or not being all it should be, or as "cooling off," or losing out. To all such, I appeal for a rethinking of your relationship in this connection.

The church is not an abstract something, separate from you and from me—we are the church! The church is not some group, a board, a council, a preacher, a choir, an orchestra, a song leader, a family, a group of Sunday-school teachers—it is you! If you did not pray earnestly this morning as an individual, the church did not pray. If you did not try to get someone saved this week, the church is unevangelistic and has failed to obey Christ in the Great Commission. If you are unsanctified, the church is unholy.

If you complained this week, the church is a complaining church. If you used your tongue to gossip (pass on items about another that are neither necessary, kind, nor profitable), the church is a gossiping church. If you played bingo this week, the church is a gambling church. If you drank beer this week, the church is a drinking church. If you used tobacco, the church is a smoking church. If you used slang or profanity during the week, the church is a profane church. If you pulled a shady business deal, the church is a crooked church. If you told untruthful things, the church is a lying church.

If you did not tithe this past payday, the church is an unfaithful church in stewardship. If you do not attend prayer meetings, the church will someday be without a prayer service—by your own decision and vote. If your Bible is unread this week, the church is a guide-less church. If you are late for services, the church is a tardy church. If you absent yourself from Sunday evening services, the church is crippled evangelistically. If your talent hasn't been used by the Lord and for the church this week, your church is unconsecrated. If you do not attend the morning worship service, your church doesn't worship.

If you went to the theater or dance this week, the church is worldly. If your television set entertained you by theatrical performances, by nudism, by sensual suggestion, by cruelty, then the church has lost its standards and needs to

confess its sins. If you spent your time in selfish pursuits this past week, the church is selfish. If you are asleep right now, the church is asleep. If you are unfriendly, the church is unfriendly. If you do not take part in testimony, the church doesn't testify. If you are not enthusiastic, the church is unenthusiastic. If you only criticize and do not boost, the church is a critical church. If you do not vote in church elections, your church is not expressing itself.

*The church is you.* What you are, it is—no more, no less. You dictate how spiritual, how useful, how godly, or how weak and empty the church is. Apart from you, the church is only a notion.

Let me emphasize it—you are the church! When you talk about the church, what you say is a revelation of yourself and what the church is becoming. *You are the church!*

Many of you have talked, testified, complained, criticized as if the church were a separate entity. Rethink this subject—it is as false as sin, a lie to ruin you and damn the world. *You are the church!*

## WHY PRAY?

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taught His disciples the model prayer. This we call the Lord's Prayer.

And again, we should pray, for the carrying on of God's kingdom necessitates prayer. Christ's own disciples and apostles learned the value of prayer, as did the patriarchs and prophets of old. The early Christians prayed much. If we are to be mighty for God, and if we are to help bring back a lost world to Christ, we must also pray.

Men and women are saved through the intercessory prayers and supplications of the saints of God. Would to God that all of us realized the power that lies within our reach. Prayer is more powerful than the atomic bomb. It is also the greatest unused power.

We must come to the throne boldly and with unflinching trust, knowing that God will not withhold any good thing from those that love and trust Him.

Without prayer, churches will dry up, ministers will die spiritually, laymen will backslide, mission stations will close, and the general work of the church will cease to function properly. Sinners will continue their way hellward if no one is concerned. May God help us to be faithful and pray.

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We have a big God. He has to be to carry so many little people like us around—all of our troubles and difficulties and problems. He's equal to any situation.—DOROTHY B. KIDNEY.

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# "When Ye See . . . Know Ye"

By E. P. Ellyson\*

**W**E MAY HAVE eyes and see and yet not really see—"have eyes to see, and see not" (Ezek. 12:2). But there is a seeing that really sees; and when one thus really sees, there is knowledge. Seeing is thus knowing. To see thus is more than guessing, is more than thinking that it might be true. It is knowing that it is or will be true. It is certainty, it is fact, it will certainly be true. And what is this that is thus certain? It is that which you really see.

"When ye see these things come to pass"—the things He has been telling them. Jesus has been answering their questions (see Luke 21:7 and Matthew 24:3), two questions in one. "When shall these things be? and what shall be the sign of thy coming, and of the end of the world?" He had told them of the destruction of the Temple, and to them this would be the end of the age. It would be the destruction of Jerusalem, and later the dispensational end—Christ's second coming. Some of these signs were even now beginning to take place, and the Temple would soon be destroyed. And then after several centuries, some of these signs would be repeated and others be given, and then Christ would come to earth again and the dispensation end.

The signs came and the Temple has been destroyed and Jerusalem has fallen. And now we are watching for the signs again. "Unto them that look for him shall he appear the second time without sin unto salvation" (Heb. 9:28). It will be unto a full salvation and the temporal kingdom of Christ. Are you looking, are you expecting, have you seen any of the signs? Do you know? These signs are as certain as even the others. It is just as certain that Jesus is coming back to earth again, and the time is drawing near. How do we know? Because "these things" are now being seen by those who are really seeing. And the only uncertainty is the exact time. But this is certainly drawing near.

Are these things all matters of fact in your faith? No one knows or can know the exact time. But Christ is surely coming to the earth again; and does not faith based on what we are saying suggest the time is very near? Are you ready? "They that were ready went in with him to the marriage" (Matt. 25:10). This is the time to "lift up your heads; for your redemption draweth nigh" (Luke 21:28). What an awful mistake if you miss this!

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He that handleth a matter wisely shall find good: and whoso trusteth in the Lord, happy is he (Proverbs 16:20).

## T H A N K S

I am taking this medium to reach the thousands of people who mourn with us the passing of my beloved mother.

On behalf of my family and myself I wish to express our deep gratitude for the kind sympathies expressed by your many cards, letters, telegrams, and flowers, and most of all for your prayers.

We have lost a loving and devoted mother, and you have lost a true friend and one that gave her life to her church and missions, and above all to God.

I thought I would like to pass on to you my mother's last message to her children:

*You will see, my precious children, that I have not given to you largely of material things, knowing that you have abundance. However, I feel, through the grace of our blessed Redeemer and Lord, I have left you an inheritance of far more value than money—the influence of a godly life and thousands of earnest prayers that God will answer if you but meet the conditions.*

*My last prayer is that we may all be united in the Father's home above. "Prepare to meet thy God."*

W. C. FITKIN

When we pray we are lifted from the environment of present stress into the place of enthroned peace, the presence of God, whose peace is perfect. What comfort there is for the troubled soul in communion with the God whose way is peace!—Selected.

## Jesus Dwells Within

By Pearl B. McKinney

*Inner peace! Though many be the conflicts  
Ever raging with a ceaseless din,  
In my heart I feel a calm assurance;  
All is well, for Jesus dwells within.*

*Fullest joys! What matter if earth's sorrows  
Would assail, and bitter tears begin?  
Calm and steadfast are the joys from heaven;  
All is well, for Jesus dwells within.*

*Friendships fail. Yes, oftentimes the tempter  
Will o'er some a subtle victory win.  
Though forsaken, there's one Friend unfailing;  
All is well, for Jesus dwells within.*

*Perfect love! Oh, heaven-sent indwelling!  
Praise the Lord for freedom from all sin!  
As I journey on life's busy pathway,  
All is well, for Jesus dwells within!*

# Speaking of Our Music

By Haldor Lillenas\*

**T**HE FRIENDLY USHER met us at the door of the church with a smile and a song sheet. The evangelistic service began with a familiar song directed by the efficient and gifted singing evangelist. The regular evangelistic songbook of the church had been removed from the hymnbook holders and a song sheet was being used as a substitute. Since this sheet contained only a limited number of songs, they must of a necessity be numbers well known by everyone. As a result there seemed to be a lack of interest in the regular congregational singing, but this was counterbalanced by the rendition of special numbers by the choir and the soloist. It was a heart-warming and inspiring service which led up to the scriptural and eloquent appeal of the highly esteemed evangelist.

In examining the pages of the song sheet used in this meeting, I found not less than a dozen copyrighted songs which showed no copyright notice. I assume they had been used without securing permission from the copyright owners. There seems to be a rather widespread opinion among Christian workers in general that a song can be reprinted without permission if the words only are used. It should be emphatically stated that both the words and music are covered by the copyright and that to reprint such a work without permission is both unethical and illegal, and any transgressor is subject to very heavy fines should the owners of these valuable copyrights desire to press the matter.

May we earnestly urge all who feel they must issue a song sheet to be sure that all the songs they use are in the public domain or, if it is desired to use copyrighted works, be certain that written permission is secured from the owners. These people have spent large sums and expended much labor and time in promoting and popularizing these songs that are so well loved by the singing public. If you lack the required information regarding these matters, any legitimate church music publisher will gladly advise you.

There may be those who will say, "Our song sheets are not offered for sale and therefore are not published for personal gain." That may be true, but nevertheless it is illegal to use the songs without permission. When a song sheet is substituted for a songbook, which has been published at a heavy expense to the publisher, it becomes a substitute for such a book and to that extent diminishes the demand for the book. Furthermore; when a copyrighted work is printed without the copyright notice, the public is led to believe that such a work is no longer protected by copyright, and to that extent the copyright in question is damaged. Therefore, when you print and



distribute such a work without showing the copyright notice, you not only injure the sale of the book of the copyright owner, but you also damage his copyright.

It is doubtful that the general public is aware of the high cost of producing a first-class gospel song or hymn book. Aside from the vast amount of labor and expense with regard to securing permissions, there is the extremely heavy outlay for music plates, the cost of paper, printing, and binding. The books are sold at a very low margin of profit, and it should be remembered that if it were not for the faithful and persistent work of the gospel song writers and publishers, who have given most earnest attention to the promotion of our well-loved songs, these numbers would never have been known by the singing public, or the church or world at large. These publishers could not possibly continue their work if the songs they have spent years in promoting and on which they expended large sums were to be used by anyone without permission. It must be concluded that in this field of Christian work also "the labourer is worthy of his hire."

It is to be hoped that our evangelists and singers will use the very excellent gospel song books now available. Most churches have a good supply of these. In the opinion of this writer, there can be no substitute for a stirring song service into which the entire congregation enters with heart and soul. Most of these books have a sprinkling of good new songs which, if used judiciously, will add inspiration and blessing to a revival campaign. Again, if you feel that you must use a song sheet, be sure that you use only songs in the public domain, unless you secure permission for the use of copyrighted numbers.

I am fully convinced that no one has any intention to transgress in these matters, but should we not be most careful, as professing Christians, to show the Christlike spirit in all things? May we so live that we may glorify the name of Him whose we are and whose name we bear. "Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly in all wisdom; teaching and admonishing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing with grace in your hearts to the Lord" (Col. 3: 16).

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# FOREIGN MISSIONS

*Remiss Rehfeldt, Secretary*

## Current Flashes

Rev. and Mrs. Paul Hetrick and their three children sailed from Capetown, South Africa, on October 29. They are scheduled to arrive in the United States during the latter part of November.

Miss Irma Koffel and Rev. and Mrs. Russell Lewis are scheduled to leave Africa on November 18, arriving in New York approximately December 5. The Lewises have one child, Linda Lee, age three.

## Alabaster Giving

It is not always possible for those who give to see and feel the deep sense of gratitude which the people on the foreign field have when such an expression of love is received. There is no doubt that the Alabaster giving is proving one of the most self-sacrificing offerings in our church. The results for the advancement of the kingdom of God cannot be fully estimated at this time. To all who are supporting the church in its Alabaster giving, I want to say a big "Thank you" for all the Nazarenes in Syria.—DON DEPASQUALE, Syria.

## Happy in the Battle!

We are happy to be in the battle. Things are moving forward, especially in Chiclayo, where hardly a week goes by without several seekers in some of our services. In the public services of the church, in W.F.M.S. cottage meetings, in our student-directed services, and even in Sunday-school classes souls pray through. Some of our pastors in the recent convention also had real victories to report. Here and there there is persecution, but it seems to serve to raise the spiritual thermometer of our people.—IRA N. TAYLOR, Peru.

## An Open Letter of Thanks

When I accepted the call to teach at the Nazarene Bible Institute of San Antonio, I had no idea of the great many blessings that God would pour on our lives while being there. Despite countless days of toil and tears, I am very glad that we went there. If I had to make it again today, the choice would be the same. The pastorate at the Burbank Street Church also was one of great blessing and happiness to my wife and to myself. We will always have a place in our hearts for that loving people of the Burbank Street Church.

Now, even as I have left San Antonio, I want to express my gratitude to the church for having chosen me, inexperienced and unprepared as I was, to be a teacher and a pastor. Thank you for that opportunity. I say this from the bottom of my grateful heart. Thank you for the experience, for the tears, for the growth, and for the blessings.

I must also mention dear Brother E. G. Wyman, or "Don Eduardo," as

I prefer to call him. He has been my superior in the work of the district and of the Bible school. For my mistakes, he was patient; for my errors, he was kind and ever true to God and Bible, practical holiness. Every time that I needed help, asked or unasked, he gave it to me. And he was always very charitable. I firmly believe that he does his best to promote God's kingdom beyond his own interests. He is one of us, a real brother and friend. It was an honor and satisfaction to have his confidence and love. He inspires his workers to work unselfishly for the Master.—SERGIO FRANCO, Spanish Department.

## THE QUESTION BOX

*Conducted by Stephen S. White*

*Q. With the doctrines and standards which we as members of the Church of the Nazarene are supposed to uphold, why is it that more emphasis is not put upon Bible study, both collectively and individually, among our laymen as well as our ministers? Or have I just happened to get into churches where they were short on this phase of the Christian life?*

A. No doubt some of our churches are better at this point than others, but it may be that it has been your misfortune to come into touch largely with the other type. Nevertheless, I am sure that as a church we could improve in our study of the Bible—I know that I could. One of the best ways for you and me to help out in this is for us to give more time to the reading and study of the Bible ourselves. As we do this, let's think more of understanding the truth of the Bible than of a mere parrot-like ability to quote numerous verses or passages without much thought as to their context. Don't misunderstand me here. I think it is wonderful to store one's mind with portions of the Bible, but we must do it intelligently, or so we can use them in harmony with the whole drift of Bible teaching.

*Q. Would you explain, as much in detail as space allows, how John Wesley's teaching as to holiness differs from that of the present-day holiness movement? If space does not permit you to go into this so that an ordinary layman can understand it, please refer me to a book which will*

*point out the differences. Please do not answer, "I think," or, "I do not recall."*

A. I know of no essential, or fundamental, difference between John Wesley's teaching as to holiness and the view of this doctrine, or truth, which is taken by the present-day holiness movement as represented by the Free Methodist, Wesleyan Methodist, Pilgrim Holiness churches, the Church of the Nazarene, and the National Holiness Association. To prove this, I would have to give you the common view of holiness held by the above-named organizations and then show you by direct quotations that Wesley believed the same. This would demand too much time and space to be done in the "Question Box." However, I can give this to you very briefly as follows: I believe that all of the organizations mentioned would agree on these points as to holiness, or entire sanctification: (1) It is a second blessing, that is, comes after regeneration. In other words, you must be saved before you can get sanctified wholly. (2) It comes by faith and not by works, and is instantaneous and not a gradual growth, or attainment. (3) It cleanses the heart from the sin nature, inbred sin, or the carnal mind, and fills it with perfect love. (4) This work is done through the agency of the Holy Spirit, who witnesses to the fact that the work is done. (5) This experience of entire sanctification or perfect love is attainable in this life—one does not have to wait till death to get it.

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# The Living Word

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# Stephen

*In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God . . . . And the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us, (and we beheld his glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father,) full of grace and truth (John 1:1, 14).*

**I**N JESUS, the Word of God became the living Word. He was the Truth as well as the Way and the Life. His life spelled out the truth of the Bible revelation. Man had become so blinded by sin that it was not enough for him to hear the truth; he must see it embodied in a person who lived and walked before him. This is the explanation of the Incarnation, the Son of God becoming man.

Jesus' life manifested the holiness of God. He was tempted in all points like as we are and yet without sin. This transpired right here in this sinful world. Thus the Son of Man proved by His life that the holiness of God is unchangeable, is without variableness or turning, even in the worst of earth's circumstances.

Jesus revealed the love of God. He went about doing good, serving others. He so loved that He gave until He finally gave His life on the Cross.

This same Christ declared the power of God—the all-power of the infinite God. He unstopped the deaf ears, opened the blind eyes, cleansed the leper, and even raised the dead. He also stilled the tempest, and thus showed that He possessed unlimited power over nature. Better than all this, He manifested the power of God to set the captive sinner free.

Jesus set forth the all-wisdom of God. Never man spoke as He spoke. His words brought to us the supreme and final message of God. But He did not stop here. He not only told men the truth of God; He also—as we have already indicated—gave a living example of this truth. His life embodied what He taught—it was the truth.

Jesus was the living Word! He put into deeds the teaching which the Bible gives about God. But He is on earth no longer and cannot be the living Word as He was when He walked among men with His physical body. Now He must depend upon you and me to be the living word. His followers must take His place since He has ascended to the Father. How can we do this?

First, we must be saved. Then, in order to give the world the best picture of the living truth, we should have the Holy Spirit in all of His fullness. Nevertheless, this is not enough in itself. We must be readers of the written Word if we would become examples of the living Word. The Bible gives the Christian directions as to how to live the truth which it teaches. Therefore, we must read the Word and hide it away in our hearts if we would live the Christian life in its fullness.

Jesus Christ was the living Word, and the Christian is to be the living word today. This can be achieved only as Christians expose themselves to the Bible, the written Word, until they are permeated with its content. When the Christian gives the Bible a chance, it truly becomes a lamp unto his feet, and a light unto his path.

## Not God, but Like God

**S**OME TIME AGO I presented to you "A Ten-Plank Platform on Entire Sanctification." Then I told you that later I would discuss each of these ten planks in an article. Already I have brought the first plank to you under the caption, "A Clean Heart, Not an Empty Heart." At that time I emphasized freedom from inbred sin and fullness of divine love. Now I bring to you the thought of the second plank, and my subject is "Not God, but Like God." This truth was originally stated thus: "It [entire sanctification] does not make a God of the person who gets it. After one is sanctified wholly, he is still subject to mistakes and still within reach of temptation and sin, even though he is definitely strengthened in his fight against conscious sinning." I add now that this fight also strengthens its possessor in his passion for positive holy living.

**O**PPOSERS of the doctrine of entire sanctification often try to refute it by overstating what it does for a person. They leave the impression that those who

### The Limitations Of Entire Sanctification

teach this blessed experience claim that when one obtains it he becomes a God. In other words, they lift the standard of this experience so high that they make it impossible for any human being to achieve it. For instance, a certain religious thinker declared that if one person really got this experience the whole city where he lived—a city of many thousands of people—would be turned upside down by his life and efforts. This might be the case if the person who obtained this second blessing was a Paul in natural gifts. Otherwise, there would be little chance that the individual would turn his home city upside down. His life would certainly tell for Jesus more than it would have if he had not been

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sanctified, but the whole city would not necessarily feel the impact of his life.

Entire sanctification will not add one inch to your stature; neither will it change the color of your hair or eyes. It will not make a physically young person out of a physically old one. It will not change the homely individual into one who is beautiful or handsome. Disease, weariness, and death will still be your lot.

Entire sanctification will not make a genius out of you. It will not bestow upon you a higher intelligence nor shower you with natural gifts which were unknown to you before. You will continue to have limited capacities and abilities. You will still make mistakes, face temptations and problems, and know what it is to pass through the deep waters of sorrow. This blessed experience will not place you beyond the human, nor make a God out of you.

**O**N THE OTHER HAND, entire sanctification will strengthen you in your fight against conscious sinning. It will definitely make it easier

## The Glory Of Entire Sanctification

for you to withstand the onslaughts of temptation. In addition, it will intensify your daily loyalty to God and His kingdom and your zeal for holy living. When this second change has come to you, the Christian life will become the center of all of your thinking and living.

The New Testament especially is full of passages which point to something that can come into the Christian's life and enhance it, or make it spiritually above the average. From the spiritual standpoint, it will bring you into an extraordinary life although it will not in any sense make a God out of you.

The Christian can be cleansed from all sin; made pure in heart; perfected in love; perfected as the Father is perfect; holy since God is holy; empowered by the Holy Spirit; strengthened, or established, by a new inrush of divine grace; or baptized with as well as born of the Spirit. These are a few of the different ways that the New Testament uses to describe what happens when the Christian receives entire sanctification. Thus we are transformed into godlikeness, but not into God.

When God created man, He did not make another God out of him. Instead, God created

man in His own image, or like Him in certain respects, or in a way in which no other part of His creation was like Him. When man fell, or sinned, he marred the natural image of God, which he possessed, and lost the moral image, or the holiness, with which God had endowed him. In entire sanctification this moral image of holiness is restored—and again man can be described as “not God, but like God.”

## "It Was Good to Be There"

“Nothing other than that it was good to be there.” This was the answer that the Sunday-school superintendent of the St. Paul's Church of the Nazarene of Kansas City, Missouri, gave when asked what especially impressed him about a recent Sunday morning service. Another member, a young married man who was in the service, said: “I never saw a service like it before.”

The vice-president of the teen-age group gave this comment: “I can't describe the spirit that fell upon the service—it certainly helped us teenagers.” A Nazarene Theological Seminary student who worships at St. Paul's Church of the Nazarene had this to say about the underlying cause of the service: “The people have been giving so freely and self-sacrificingly that it was easy for God to bless in a special way.” The prayer meeting, the Wednesday evening before, was mentioned by one present as preparing the way for the Sunday morning service. That prayer meeting had been devoted to a season of prayer around the altar, and then to testimonies as to the personal meaning of prayer.

The pastor, Rev. J. W. Ellis, chose as his subject for a series of sermons “One in a Million.” This topic was suggested to him in one of his classes at the seminary by Dr. Mendell Taylor. Dr. Taylor called attention to the fact that the 120 who received the Holy Spirit at Pentecost represented about one in a million from the standpoint of the total population of the world then.

The sermon that Sunday morning emphasized the purifying phase of the work of Pentecost. God came upon the preacher in a special way; as one described it, “We did not see him; we only heard his message.” When the pastor finished his prayer of dismissal, he stepped off the platform and started for the door to shake hands with the people. But as he left, he noticed that a young man had come to the altar. Checked by the Holy Spirit, he went back to the platform and opened the altar to others. Twenty-five responded—some Christians who felt the need of a special touch, others who longed to be sanctified wholly, and some to be saved or reclaimed. Among those in this last group were several who never had been to an altar of prayer before. The altar call was short, and no pressure was put on anyone to come. The service was spon-

taneous. At night they had another glorious service, with a number in the altar.

I was not in this service, but I heard about it. Services like these are not the rule in our churches—and I am not at all sure that they could be; but I am certain that something after

this order could and should happen oftener in our churches than it does. Still, I can report that I believe that meetings somewhat of this type are increasing in our churches. God is breaking in on us around the world, and if we will but give Him a chance He will do more of it.

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## Home Missions and Evangelism

*Roy J. Smee, Secretary*

**T**HE FOLLOWING is the prize-winning oration in the Northern California District N.Y.P.S. teen-age oratorical contest on home missions. It was given at the District N.Y.P.S. Institute on August 31, 1951, by Phyllis Bonds, a fifteen-year-old high school student from Richmond, California, who had been converted in a revival meeting seven months before. She had been reached originally through the Nazarene Girls' Club. The church she refers to as "my church" is the Church of the Nazarene at Richmond, California, of which Rev. Robert I. Goslaw is pastor. The new church is at San Pablo, California.

### The Romance Of Home Missions

A pyramid of clean, white lumber stands on a plot of earth. Sturdy hands and willing hearts take up that pyramid and mold it and fashion it and build a house. The people assemble between its walls, a minister of the Lord stands before them, and this simple wooden building becomes the house of God.

You know, many people think that this business of organizing a new church is pretty cut and dried. The donations are collected, the land is bought, the church is built, and the new congregation is organized. But there is more to it than that, much more. When a church is founded by our home-mission movement it is an exciting, a holy, and a romantic occasion. I know, because I have seen a Church of the Nazarene created, not just out of lumber and concrete and mortar, but out of the hearts and the minds and the souls of its founders.

I saw my church experience a wonderful revival, which brought many souls to God; so many, in fact, that we began to think about enlarging our church. But before we got started a new idea presented itself—the idea of starting a new Church of the Nazarene. The idea was God-sent, for it captured the imagination of the pastor and people of my

church; and their enthusiasm grew as the new church emerged from a dream into a reality. By the time the final plans were completed the entire church was caught up in the romance of home missions, a romance which has stirred the souls of prophets and missionaries since the creation, a romance that takes us back to the early days of the Christian Church, and a romance that is just as important and just as sacred now as it was in the days of Jesus.

One by one the obstacles of building the new church were overcome. The money was donated by the district N.Y.P.S., the funds for building were provided by the R. T. Williams Revolving Fund, and the building materials were donated by a lay brother.

Who can tell how many persons received spiritual rewards from helping build this new temple of God? and how many got spiritual gladness by just *watching* the Word of God triumph over the evils of the world?

The romance of home missions gained momentum like an onrushing wave, reaching its height at the altar of the "mother" church, where the call was sent out for the missionaries who would start the new church.

One by one, as the voice of God spoke to their hearts, sixteen Christians came to the altar and prayed

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### Strength for Today

By M. Louise C. Hastings

*God give me strength to meet the hours,*

*Whatever they may bring;  
Help me to face unexpected things;  
Show me the song to sing.*

*God help me bear whatever comes  
With courage all the day;  
Let me feel Thy arms around me,  
Showing me the way.*

*Let me know that Thou art close—  
I would not need to see—  
Just to feel Thy loving hand  
Always leading me!*

to God to give them a strong body, a courageous heart, a determined spirit, and a faithful soul, so they might successfully carry out the holy office they had accepted.

The romance which established this church is the same romance that has founded hundreds of churches in our country; and while we still possess this romance, God's Word will continue to be spread throughout our nation. For the romance of home missions is the romance of the spirit and of God.

No one knows this better than the sixteen missionaries who set out to build another Church of the Nazarene with their own hard labor and high faith.

A pyramid of clean, white lumber stands on a plot of earth. Sturdy hands and willing hearts take up that pyramid and mold it and fashion it and build a house. The people assemble between its walls, a minister of the Lord stands before them, and this simple wooden building becomes the house of God!

### THE QUESTION BOX

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*and Ethics* gives an outline of the Methodistic, or Wesleyan, view of Christian perfection, or entire sanctification. As you read it you will see that it does not essentially disagree with the above outline. Here is the gist of it:

(1) It is not absolute, Adamic, or angelic. No one is infallible while he remains in the body. (2) It is perfect love. (3) "Perfect love is the one law stated in the gospel to which we are now subject in the Christian dispensation; this is not a mitigated law, but a higher law than that contained in ordinances; it is the only law possible for us to obey and by which we can be judged. Because it is the royal law, the law of Christ, obedience to it constitutes Christian perfection in the Methodist sense." (4) It is sinless in that the carnal mind is destroyed. It is not sinless in that we are free from mistakes, infirmities of judgment, involuntary negligences, and ignorances. (5) Perfection is received instantaneously by faith. (6) Perfection is possible in this life. (7) We get the assurance that the work is done.

# THE SUNDAY-SCHOOL LESSON

By *Norman R. Oke*

## Topic for December 9: Moses' Charge to the People

### Scripture: Deut. 29-34 (Printed, Deut. 30:15-31:3; 33:27-29)

**GOLDEN TEXT:** *The eternal God is thy refuge, and underneath are the everlasting arms (Deut. 33:27).*

#### Tattletale Gray

Tattletale gray—a soap company made this phrase famous. The implication was that the only clothes that got really white were those washed by that particular brand of soap, which I doubt very much. However, the slogan suggested that other soaps left clothes a *tattletale gray*, neither really dirty nor really clean. Now let's forget the soap aspect and turn to the moral situation.

From the largest to the smallest spheres of life we face a virtual epidemic of moral *tattletale gray*. Pure

white has been toned down and deep black has been toned up. Nothing seems to be really bad, and so nothing seems to be splendidly good. Moral indistinction is a national plague, from the national capitals to small hamlets. When the history of our times is written, it should be put on paper that is off-white.

Even in religious circles there are spots where it is unpopular to hold any positive convictions, and to be dogmatic on moral issues is just not the thing to do. So as a result nothing is sinful and very few things are holy.

The same old problem was alive in Moses' time. He faced it repeatedly,

but now he came to the end of life. He did no bragging about the length of his leadership, but spoke with a justified pride about the quality of his leadership. He reminded them that he set before them in clear contrast "life and death, blessing and cursing." Since he had done this, the people knew full well the difference between black and white. If they groped in a gray moral fog, it was not his fault. I would rather minister in small places and to small congregations and know that I had left a clear and unmistakable path than to influence great throngs into a moral uncertainty. Oh, for a clear trumpet! Oh, for men who hold a noble dogmatism on issues of clearly understood right and wrong! God give us many, for this is a day when they will shine like bright stars in a dark sky!

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## The Young People's Society

*L. J. Du Bois, Secretary*

### The Practice Of Reverence

**I**T IS SAID that "practice makes perfect." Nowhere does this prove itself more completely than in conduct. The highest concept of reverence and the most perfect manifestation of that concept in life come as one diligently practices reverence. In a real sense, the careful following of the principles of reverence builds a habit. Much of the irreverence that is in evidence is not malicious but is habitual. It comes from bad habits which have been formed.

The young person, then, should begin early in his Christian life to practice reverence. To do this he should bring into his consciousness the rules of reverence and then set about to live by them. At first he will have to give them some attention and consciously *choose* to follow the rules rather than the suggestions of the moment. However, as he does what is right again and again, he will form the habit of reverence and it will become a part of the pattern of his Christian life.

But this habitual Christian living is more than living by rote or by duty. As reverence is practiced, there opens

up in the inner consciousness a greater sense of reverence and an abiding consciousness of the fitness of being careful in the presence of the sacred.

To practice reverence is to *feel* reverent. Christian habit is more than the power of automatic motor action; it stamps itself also upon the inner heart on a deep and permanent part of true Christian character.

Why not each reader take the following pledge to guide his actions in the days and months to come?

I hereby promise myself and God that, out of respect to Him, to others, and to myself, I will be reverent at all times and in every aspect of my life.

I will regard sacred things with care—the Bible, the altar, the pulpit, the furniture, and the song-books of the church.

I will have respect for persons called of God or those who are leaders in the church—the minister, the evangelist, the musician, or the teacher.

I will conduct myself at all times in the services of worship in such a manner as becomes a Christian—I will be reverent as I enter the house of God; I will not whisper during the services; I

will be reverent during the message.

God helping me, I will be an "example of the believer" in every phase of attitude and conduct.

### Prayer Tower Requests

November 26—December 1

*Blaauwberg Field*

Within two years this new field in Northern Transvaal, South Africa, has seen remarkable progress under the leadership of Brother and Sister George Hayse and Miss Kathyren Dixon. A 40 x 60 church has been built, a dispensary, a nurses' home, and a missionary home. Let us pray that God will continue to bless and that souls will be won to the Lord.

December 2-8 *Bible Society Offering*

Let us pray, as we approach our annual offering for the Bible Society, that God will not only inspire our hearts to give, but also open our eyes to the power of the Word of God at work in the world. Pray for the great work of the Society and those who are crying for the Word.

*For if we would judge ourselves, we should not be judged (I Cor. 11: 31).*

Keeping our own lives and deportments examined and condemned serves to give us little time in which to criticize the lives of others.—EARLE F. WILDE.

# NEWS OF THE CHURCHES

## NEWS IN BRIEF

(Continued from page 2)

and Sunday-school promotion. The churches were stirred, and many souls prayed through to definite victory. Rev. Lyle K. Potter conducted these two Sunday-over-Sunday campaigns."

Rev. Edward G. Wyman has resigned the work as superintendent of the Texas-Mexican District so as to give full time as director of the Spanish Nazarene Bible Institute, where he has been filling in since last March. He invites all people passing through San Antonio to stop by the Spanish Nazarene Bible Institute, at 700 Yombrano (tel., Plaza 56508). His new address is 2030 Cincinnati Ave., San Antonio, Texas.

After twelve years of successful ministry, Rev. C. E. McCracken has resigned as pastor of the Kenwick Church in Lexington, Kentucky, to accept the pastorate of First Church in Columbia, South Carolina.

Evangelist Jack Houts is leaving the field to accept the pastorate of the church in Laverne, Oklahoma.

Rev. W. W. Rose has resigned as pastor of First Church in Norwood, North Carolina, and is entering the evangelistic field, as of January 1.

Mrs. Gould, the wife of Evangelist Arthur W. Gould, died on October 27, at Banning, California.

Borger, Texas—In October we had the greatest revival the church has experienced for eight years—some said it was the greatest in the church's history. Pastor and people felt it was God's time to give a revival. Rev. Orville Jenkins, our district superintendent, was secured for a week. We had such preaching as you seldom hear. God came, and by the closing of the service all were convinced that the meeting should continue. We secured Rev. Austin Moore, of Amarillo, and his messages seemed to be what was needed for the continued outpouring of God's Spirit. The altar services were victorious, with some sixty or more people praying through; confessions were made, wrongs made right, and fellowship restored. The Spirit came with such a deluge that it was almost more than we could stand; while people shouted, the lost wept their way to Calvary. A fine class of twenty-two, most of them adults, was received into the church.—Amos R. Meador, Pastor.

Wausau, Wisconsin—Recently our church had a very good revival with the Hoot Evangelistic Party. Their music and singing were greatly appreciated by all, and Brother Hoot's messages touched the hearts of both young and old. A goodly number of seekers found God both to the saving and sanctifying of their souls. Several new contacts were made, and they too sought the Lord at the altar of prayer and seem much interested in the things of the Kingdom. Our own people showed a beautiful spirit in every way, especially in bringing people to the services and in caring for the finances and entertainment.—Charles W. Weagley, Pastor.

Belington, West Virginia—Recently we had a very successful revival with Rev. Miss Ruth Reynolds as the evangelist. There were 13 who prayed through to salvation and sanctification, some renewed their relationship with the Lord, and 25 new men and women attended the services for their first time in the Church of the Nazarene. On the closing day, 125 people assembled for an old-fashioned testimony and praise service. One man was gloriously saved—his first time in the Church of the Nazarene. The entire membership voted to have Miss Reynolds return next year; she carries a burden for souls, and puts her all into His work.—Lida Strickland, Pastor.

Altadena, California—In September, Evangelist Roy Lewis was with us for a week's meeting; and, although the time was short, much good was accomplished, and twenty-one seekers bowed at the altar. Brother Lewis is a soul winner, and has the anointing and unction of the Holy Spirit upon his ministry. The work of Mrs. Margaret Higgs as soloist and music director added much to the inspiration and effectiveness of the campaign; besides her music, she carried a real burden for souls. A definite work of grace was accomplished in hearts, saints were encouraged, and the kingdom of God built up.—Reporter.

In October, the South Flint (Michigan) Church had a good and profitable revival with Evangelists J. Lester and Edna M. Seel as special workers. They are an efficient and effective team, and their ministry was much appreciated. Mrs. Seel's art work, also her solo singing, was a source of great inspiration and attracted good crowds each evening. Brother Seel's sincere and unctuous preaching was a means of convicting many of their need, and more than fifty people sought God at the altar. We thank God for His blessings upon this church.—George L. Johnston, Pastor.

Evangelist Joseph Bierce writes: "My winter meetings are all in the North, and I have one open date that I'd like to slate in that section—January 30 to February 10. Write me, Prater Road, Chattanooga, Tennessee."

Evangelists Clifton T. Thomas and wife report: "Recently we have been enjoying wonderful times of revival, and we thank God for the privilege of working with some of the finest pastors and people. We enjoyed working with Pastor Richard Lewis at Spring Valley; then to New Berlin, with Pastor Wm. Chase, where many found Jesus able to meet their every need; and on to Tonawanda, New York, where we had another great time of revival with Pastor E. E. Heron. Then we went to Walbridge, Ohio, with Pastor Fish. Here God gave us an old-fashioned breaking-up time, with the church revived. At this writing we are at Mineral City, Ohio, with Rev. F. E. Williams and people. Last night God broke in on us and souls were helped, with no need of preaching. We soon journey on to Dunkirk, and to Owego, New York. The Lord is blessing, the Holy Ghost is dealing faithfully, and souls are praying through. We are now well into our second year of evangelism, and God is helping. We have some good open dates this winter and next spring. Write us, St. Petersburg, Pennsylvania."

Halifax, Nova Scotia—It was our privilege to have Dr. B. F. Neely with us for a revival meeting. His messages were pungent with old-fashioned, Holy Ghost conviction, and also contained food for the soul of the believer. There were many outstanding conversions, as well as many individuals reclaimed and sanctified. The people were especially touched by the kind, godly spirit of Brother Neely. Truly, his coming our way has been a blessing to our church.—Harvey P. Amos, Pastor.

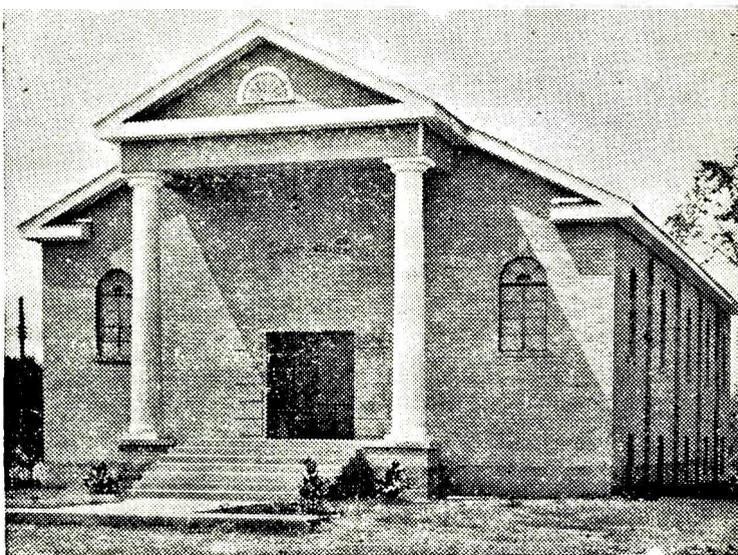
Evangelists Fred G. and Ima Viola Stockton write: "We will be in a meeting in Goldthwaite, Texas, December 6 to 16. God is blessing and giving revivals, for which we praise Him. We have open time, January through the middle of March, which we'd like to slate in the South, as we will be in Texas and Louisiana for some work. Our home address is 1616 Third St., Enumclaw, Washington."

Confluence, Pennsylvania—Rally day in our Sunday school met with great success—an attendance of 230, breaking all previous attendance records. Our Sunday-school superintendent challenged us to go all out for victory. This attendance gained for Confluence, for the second consecutive year, the tenth district Sunday-school association banner. The church is prospering in every way. This is a large field, and we are believing God for victory.—Harold M. Brown, Pastor.

Evangelist Andrew Johnson writes: "The Lord has given me a good and busy year in camps and revivals, for which I praise Him. Recently I had two revival campaigns in Michigan, and at this writing am in a campaign in Pine Grove, Pennsylvania; then go to Fort Wayne, Indiana, the last of November. I would like to slate a few meetings in the Southwest during the winter—January and February. Write me, Wilmore, Kentucky."

First Church, Cleveland, Ohio—The blessing of the Lord has been upon our work this fall. We began our activities with a one-week campaign conducted by Mrs. Eva Gardner. The response to this meeting was most gratifying. A number of new people were converted, and between thirty and forty people have been engaging in our visitation program each week since. We have had only one barren Sunday night altar service since the first of September. A fine class of new members was received into the church recently. Our Sunday-school attendance on the last rally day was the largest in several years. Dr. H. C. Benner, president of Nazarene Theological Seminary, visited us recently, and received more than \$2,500 in pledges for that institution; nearly \$900 has already been paid. Our church leads the Akron District in total number of subscriptions for the *HERALD OF HOLINESS*. We have three radio broadcasts each week, which are being presented from our sanctuary and paid for by our congregation. Our minister of music, Mr. Vesy Stemm, has been enjoying wonderful co-operation in his work with our choir and music. Attendance and interest are on the increase at Cleveland First Church.—James E. Hunton, Pastor.

## Wurtland, Kentucky



On last July 23 this congregation began worshipping in the new church pictured here. Under the able guidance of our fine pastor, Rev. Howard Lobb, we were able to build this lovely church without too much debt. Our church has grown wonderfully

under the splendid leadership of Brother Lobb; he is now beginning his fifth year with us. We are happy to be a part of the great organization—the Church of the Nazarene, and give God praise for all His blessings.—Mrs. E. H. Heaberlin, Sr., Reporter.

Rev. W. W. Rose reports: "First Church in Norwood, North Carolina, was blessed with a revival, closing November 4, under the leadership of Evangelist William Deal. This old warrior of the Cross is loved and appreciated. God came and helped, and two members were added to the church on the closing night. I have pastored here more than thir-

teen years, and have received a unanimous recall, but am resigning to enter the evangelistic field and will be available for meetings after Christmas. Will answer calls anywhere; I ask only for a chance to serve God and my generation. I also play the guitar and sing. Write me, 102 Phifer Street, Monroe, North Carolina."

## Johnstown, Pennsylvania



The church and parsonage pictured here has been conservatively ap-

praised at \$75,000. The day it was dedicated there was a debt of \$19,000,

but this has been reduced several thousand dollars. The pastor, Rev. A. H. Elsey, supervised the construction of the church and parsonage, and also worked thousands of hours on the buildings. Also, many of the men of the church worked untiringly throughout the building campaign. This church had its beginning in 1927, as the result of a tent meeting conducted by Rev. J. A. Rodgers; the church was organized with eighteen members. During the pastorate of Rev. H. V. Kyer (1941-47), a parsonage was purchased, also the property on which the church is now located. Brother Elsey came in 1947, and since that time the old parsonage was sold, and the present church and adjoining parsonage have been constructed. Pastor and people can be proud of a job well done. This has been made possible as a result of prayer and faith in God, also faithfulness on the part of members and help of many friends.

R. F. HEINLEIN,  
District Superintendent

Pastor M. W. Kemper reports from Indianapolis, Indiana: "After spending a little more than three years with our First Church in Hot Springs, Arkansas, we felt we were in divine order in accepting a call to our Ray Street Church here. God gave us many souls while at Hot Springs, and we left there with many pleasant memories of friends made and victories won. Never have we been more wonderfully received than here at the Ray Street Church. Rev. Wm. R. Thompson, former pastor, left a solid foundation on which to build. The church and all departments are moving forward for God and lost souls. Within a few days after our arrival the church entered into a revival with Rev. H. N. Dickerson as evangelist, and Kenneth and Geneva Ashby as the singers. God gave us a very gracious revival, and the people appreciated our workers. Since the close of this meeting we have received seventeen fine new people into church membership. We especially appreciate the splendid work of our Sunday school. God has blessed us with a fine superintendent and other officers and teachers, as well as a

visitation group. The Sunday school averaged 280 last year; in September of this year we began by having an average of 306, and closed the month of October with the average attendance climbing to 425—the high was 540 present for the October rally. We praise God for all He is doing for us."

Rev. Guthrie Hughes, pastor at Princeton, Indiana, writes: "After much prayer and waiting on the Lord, I am planning to enter the full-time evangelistic field as of July 1, 1952. I am looking to God to give revivals, save sinners, and sanctify believers. My address will continue to be Princeton, Indiana."

Denver, Colorado—On September 1 we began our fourth year of ministry with Denver First Church. We have enjoyed our work with this great church, and the people have been very considerate and kind to us. In September we had a successful revival meeting with Evangelist Sammy Sparks. He proved to be a great blessing to our people, and God gave 175 seekers at the altar; also 17 new members were added to the church.

First Church has adopted the "10 per cent" plan of giving to world evangelism, and we feel we are being blessed in so doing. Last year our giving for all general interests amounted to more than 15 per cent. We have a live group in the W.F.M.S., who keep the church stirred up on the matter of missions. We give God thanks for all His blessings upon the work.—J. B. Miller, Pastor.

Catlettsburg, Kentucky—First Church is moving forward for God. Coming here on September 20 we found a fine group of people, and the Sunday school in a contest with the one at Olive Hill; it was for the months of September and October. Our school won the contest with an average of 125 per Sunday, and Olive Hill close to us with an average of 120. The church is purchasing a good modern house for a parsonage, in a good residential section (318 Tenth Street); also there is a nice block garage on the property.—W. M. Hodge, Pastor.

Salina, Kansas—Recently we enjoyed the best revival this church ever has had. Rev. A. F. Balsmeier was the evangelist, and God used him in a mighty way to get to the hearts of the young people. Some twenty men and women, also some children, found God at the altar of prayer; six are ready to be received into church membership. Brother Balsmeier is an old-time holiness preacher, and God uses him in a special way.—James L. Hull, Pastor.

Sylacauga, Alabama—In October, First Church had one of the outstanding revivals of our pastorate. The messages of Evangelist C. W. Davis were timely and inspired of God. The attendance was splendid during the entire meeting. The altar was lined in several services, with a number praying through to definite victory. On the closing Sunday, all previous Sunday-school records in the present building were broken, with 405 present. God has helped us to break the record three times since coming here three years ago. A good class was received into church membership. A spirit of harmony prevails between pastor and people, and we thank God for the privilege of working with this fine group of folks.—T. A. Shirley, Pastor.

Rev. Edward E. Mieras reports: "Over two years ago we came to the beautiful little city of Altadena, California, and under God were able to help in erecting a new sanctuary. Thus with enlarged facilities, we were able to push ahead, slowly but steadily. Feeling the call of God to a new field, we have terminated our work in Altadena. For some time there has been felt a need for a Nazarene work in Azusa, about fifteen miles east of Pasadena. This suburb of the great metropolitan area of Los Angeles is making a spectacular growth,

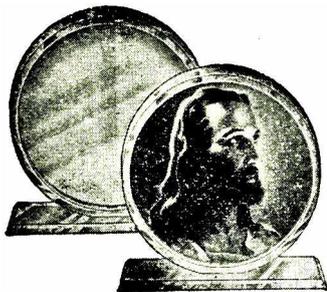


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and as a result the District Home Mission Board has negotiated for the purchase of four lots for our work. Having been appointed pastor, I will be glad to contact any of your friends and relatives living in this area. Write me, 238 W. Fifth St., Azusa, California, also please pray for this new project."

Stockton, California—First Church has been greatly blessed by the fine evangelistic ministry of Evangelist C. William Ellwanger and wife. Many seekers found victory at the altar of prayer during the revival services which were concluded on Sunday night, November 4. Our congregation appreciated the spiritual and talented leadership of the Ellwangers.—Floyd W. Hawkins, Pastor.

Evangelist Charles H. Kennedy reports: "Since entering the evangelistic field, God has given us some very good revivals with souls praying through to definite victory. Recently at Barry, Illinois, God gave twenty seekers for pardon and heart purity, and the people said it was the best revival in the history of the church. They are in the process of building a nice new church in a good residential section of the town. On October 28, we closed a meeting at Grand Blanc, Michigan, with Pastor Kermit Boyce. God blessed and gave fifty-two seekers praying through and shouting the praises of the Lord. Brother Edward Stevenson, wife, and daughter were the singers, and we appreciated working with these good folks. On one Sunday in the meeting, they led their district in percentage gain in the Sunday school. We have some open dates which we would be happy to slate with any church as the Lord may lead. Address, Box 65, Griggsville, Illinois."

Benton, Illinois—Our church had a fine fall revival with Rev. R. M. Banning as evangelist, and Rev. and Mrs. Paul Hodge as the singers. Brother Banning was at his best, and preached with the power and anointing of God. Brother and Sister Hodge did a fine job of singing and caring for the special music. Several souls sought God at the altar for pardon and heart purity. Some of the older people said it was the best revival the church has enjoyed for many years. A generous love offering was given to the pastor, Rev. O. F. Zachary.—Reporter.

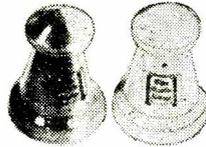
Pastor W. F. Masters reports from Macon, Georgia: "One year ago we canceled our evangelistic slate to accept the call to pastor Macon First Church. Here we have a group of loyal and devoted people who support their church and pastor well. God has been with us, resulting in a continuous revival spirit, with many souls saved and sanctified, and a fine class of new members added to the church. As we begin a new year we accept a unanimous call with confi-

dence and vision. Pastor and people are united to win souls for Christ and the church. We are praying for a 25 per cent increase in Sunday school, and at least twenty-five new souls saved, sanctified, and added to the church this coming year. A soul winners' band has been organized, and already we are seeing results."

Evangelist A. G. Weiss reports: "Since our Kansas City District Assembly, I have labored with great joy at Connor Avenue Church, Joplin, Missouri, with Pastor Silvey; Bril-

liant, Ohio, with Pastor Sterling; one night each at Olathe, Kansas; Tiltonville, Ohio; and at New Matamoras, Ohio. I am now in the closing week of a meeting with Rev. and Mrs. C. L. Stanley. It has been a real pleasure to work with all these pastors and their people. My heart is deeply stirred for a genuine revival of old-time religion in our beloved Zion, as well as in our nation as a whole. I am now making up my slate for 1952, and will be happy to accept calls for meetings anywhere. Write me, 212 E. Santa Fe, Olathe, Kansas."

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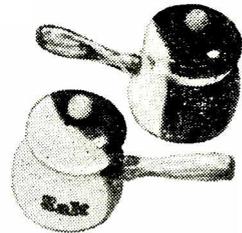
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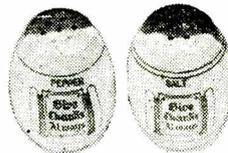


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New Brighton, Pennsylvania—Our church has had a stirring revival with Evangelist Edward R. Ferguson and wife as the special workers. Night after night, determined seekers made their way to the altar and became

happy Christians. We carry on an active visitation program, and this will mean new recruits. The Fergusons are unexcelled in the field of evangelism. They are unsparing of themselves, conduct two services each

day, fast and pray, and stay at the altar until the last seeker has prayed through. We have slated them to return in January of '53. As a result of this meeting we are receiving a fine group of new members into the church.—A. Alan Gilmour, Pastor.

## Sunday-School Attendance Report

Districts by Groups	1950 or 1951	October 1951	%
<b>PURPLE STAR DISTRICTS (10,000-15,000)</b>			
Northern California	12,383	12,880	104
Akron	8,936	10,056	113*
<b>BLUE STAR DISTRICTS (7,500-10,000)</b>			
Washington-Philadelphia	8,500	9,652	114*
West Virginia	8,574	9,247	108
Southern California	8,001	9,083	114*
Southwest Indiana	7,945	8,920	112*
Northeastern Indiana	8,541	8,760	103
Illinois	7,472	8,218	110
<b>GREEN STAR DISTRICTS (5,000-7,500)</b>			
Kansas	6,907	7,475	108
Kansas City	6,372†	7,418	116*
Arkansas	7,243†	7,094	98
Oregon Pacific	5,904	6,552	111
Alabama	6,160	6,550	106
Northwest Oklahoma	5,499	6,009	109
Northwest	5,214	5,960	114*
Florida	5,455	5,953	109
Idaho-Oregon	5,514	5,790	105
Colorado	5,573	5,758	103
New England	5,826	5,689	98
Iowa	5,546	5,686	103
East Tennessee	4,954†	5,675	115*
Northwest Indiana	5,049	5,587	111
Dallas	4,563	5,127	112*
<b>RED STAR DISTRICTS (2,500-5,000)</b>			
Louisiana	3,846†	4,379	114*
Georgia	4,251†	4,225	99
Washington Pacific	3,717	4,183	113*
Canada West	3,885	4,051	104
Southeast Oklahoma**		3,600	
Arizona	2,827	3,584	127*
North Carolina	3,122†	3,472	111
South Carolina	3,148†	3,426	109
Albany	2,815	3,003	107
Houston	2,714	2,990	110
New Mexico	2,602	2,751	106
Virginia	2,407	2,659	110
Nebraska	2,535	2,516	99
<b>WHITE STAR DISTRICTS (Under 2,500)</b>			
Mississippi	2,353†	2,328	99
Rocky Mountain	2,264	2,285	101
Minnesota	1,957	2,055	105
Ontario	1,829	1,881	103
New York	1,686	1,828	108
North Dakota	1,492	1,523	102
Nevada-Utah	663	618	93

October reports were not received from the following districts in time to appear in this issue: Abilene, Central Ohio, Chicago Central, Eastern Oklahoma, Eastern Michigan, Indianapolis, Los Angeles, Maritime, Michigan, Missouri, Northwestern Illinois, Pittsburgh, San Antonio, South Dakota, Southwest Oklahoma, Tennessee, Western Ohio, and Wisconsin.

Estimated total average attendance for October for all districts: 335,814. Gain: 16,652, or 5 per cent.

\* One of eleven highest in percentage gain in October.

\*\* New district. Last year's average not available.

† 1950 figures used when 1951 figures not available.

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

Pontiac, Michigan—Zion Church recently had a glorious revival with Rev. P. E. Kuykendall as the evangelist. It was the greatest revival this church has had. The Lord blessed from the first service. Under the ministry of Brother Kuykendall the church was spiritually deepened, and souls were saved and sanctified. The Sexton Trio sang the glory down. What a breaking-up time we had—never witnessed before during the three years we have been in our new church. Finances came easily and the workers were well paid. We feel that God is directing us here under the leadership of Pastor C. E. Thornton.—L. Vandecar, Reporter.

### Boys' and Girls' Camps Michigan District

The Michigan District campgrounds, on the shores of Indian Lake near Vicksburg, set the scene for two great youth camps during the last week of July and the first week of August. Previous attendance records were broken as 186 boys and 234 girls attended Camp Nazarene.

There were 350 boys and girls who knelt at the altars and found Christ under the anointed ministry of the chaplains, Rev. Drell Allen and Rev. Erma Pierce. Rev. Paul and Helen Mayfield, with their splendid musical program, and Brother Van Houghton, with his beautiful chalk drawings, endeared themselves to every one in camp.

Rev. Ezra Hendley, chairman of the District Church School Board. Mrs. Hendley, the fine staff of counselors, Rev. R. L. Major and his kitchen staff, and Rev. and Mrs. Vernon Ward as caretakers, were tireless in their efforts to make the camps the success they were.

Our good district superintendent, Rev. O. L. Maish, is an enthusiastic booster of Camp Nazarene. Through the prayers of our fine pastors of the district, and their people, God gave us great youth camps on the Michigan District.

H. T. STANLEY, *Reporter*

### Midyear Convention New Mexico District

The annual midyear convention of the New Mexico District was held at the church in Artesia, Monday evening, October 22, through Wednesday evening, October 24, with our beloved district superintendent, Rev. R. C. Gunstream, presiding.

Rev. C. B. Cox, superintendent of the Colorado District, was the special worker. God poured out His anointing upon this great Christian gentleman, enabling him to preach just the messages which were needed by our

people. Holiness was the major theme of Brother Cox's preaching, and several souls were moved to seek God for pardon or cleansing from sin. Everyone who attended the services was made to do some clear and serious thinking as to what holiness means, and all were drawn closer to the Master.

Attendance at the convention was exceptional; all but two pastors of the district were present, and a number of evangelists were in the convention. The departmental meetings were well attended, and much help and inspiration was received from the good programs presented by our district chairmen. The crowds which came for evening services packed the church auditorium, so that extra seats had to be brought in. New Mexico Nazarenes are doing their part in spreading the gospel and building the kingdom of God through the means of our church.

Special thanks go to Brother and Sister William McMahon, pastors, and the fine people of the Artesia church for their efficient handling of the convention entertainment. They left nothing undone which would contribute to the comfort of their guests.

ROBERT D. TROUTMAN, Reporter

### North Dakota

#### District Midyear Convention

From October 22 to 24, the North Dakota pastors and many good laymen met in the New Rockford church, with Rev. Wm. Dickson, as host pastor, providing us with free rooms.

Dr. Remiss Rehfeldt, foreign missions secretary, was the guest speaker. His effective method of presenting truth caused every person present to realize the challenge which is before each of us in this day.

The theme of the convention was "More Effective Workers," and the program was divided into three main groups: the Church, the Minister, and Our Departments. Papers presented for each section were a blessing and inspiration to all.

On Tuesday evening the Christian Service Training Guild met for dinner. Again, Dr. Rehfeldt spoke and encouraged each pastor and layman to return home to plan a bigger and better Christian Service Training class.

Each department head or officer presented his paper on various phases of the work. God is blessing and the work moves forward.

We do thank God for our fine district superintendent, Rev. Harry F. Taplin, and his hard and faithful work to make the Church of the Nazarene the blessing needed in North Dakota. Business Manager L. Wesley Johnson, of Northwest Nazarene College, spoke several times, bringing us up to date on the work of our college.

We thank God for men like Dr. Remiss Rehfeldt, and we go forward with a spirit of optimism, believing God is going to continue to help us.

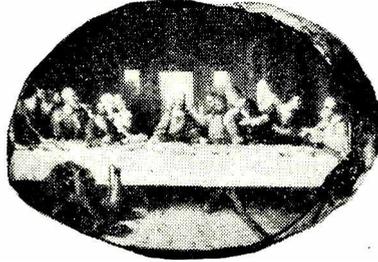
CLAIRE W. KERN, Reporter

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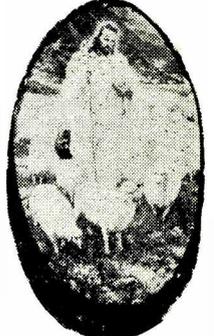
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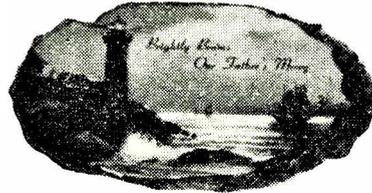
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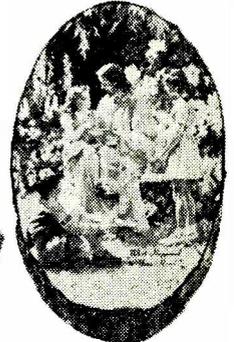
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### The Maritime District

It was my happy pleasure to spend a week on the Maritime District with the superintendent, Rev. J. H. MacGregor, and the chairman of the Church School Board, R. O. Johnson.

Here we have a new and growing district, making splendid progress in

every way. Brother MacGregor has surrounded himself with a fine band of workers, and certainly God is with him in every way.

The Maritime District is composed of New Brunswick, Nova Scotia, Newfoundland, and Prince Edward Island, having a population of 1,500,000.

It was a great pleasure to meet and speak to the splendid corps of Sunday-school workers of the district, and see their splendid progress. Brother Johnson has fine goals in every department of the Sunday-school work.

In this new and growing section of our church, we have given to us a great opportunity for home-mission endeavor. If you are interested in going to a fine field and investing your life as a preacher, contact the Maritime District superintendent, Rev. J. H. MacGregor, 55½ Havelock St., Amherst, Nova Scotia.

E. O. CHALFANT, Superintendent  
Chicago Central District

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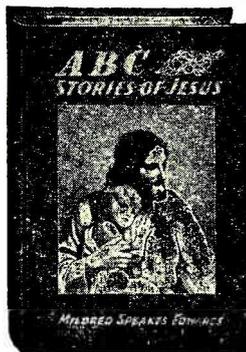
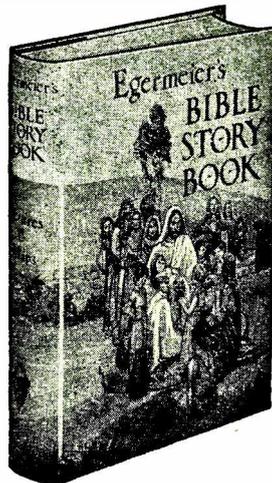
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### Eastern Nazarene College

One of the finest revivals in the history of Eastern Nazarene College (Wollaston, Massachusetts) closed recently with scores of decisions being made for Christ, and the College Church built up in the faith. Such a wonderful spirit between the administration, faculty, students, and community folk prevailed that those with spiritual needs felt free to seek God.

The "Crusade for Christ" seemed to be a culmination of many things that led to one purpose. Before the opening of school, Dr. Edward S. Mann, president of the college, urged the entire faculty to make the school year one of spiritual emphasis. Dean Bertha Munro was the speaker at the annual faculty banquet, and her entire theme was that of imparting to the students by Christian example the need for deep spirituality in the world today. The opening convention, with Rev. Roy F. Stevens, of Washington, D.C., helped many to make spiritual adjustments in the beginning of the school year. Under the preaching of Rev. J. Glenn Gould, the college pastor, in the regular Sunday services, many decisions were made for Christ.

All of this, together with prayer meetings, both on and off campus, plus the six-thirty prayer meeting each morning during the Crusade (which was very well attended by students and community folk), made this special series of meetings a real success.

Rev. T. E. Martin, superintendent of the Ontario District, was the evangelist for this fall revival. Under the anointing of God, and with a keen understanding of student needs, Brother Martin preached Christ-centered messages. The truth was presented in such an appealing and logical way that many who came with little or no spiritual insight soon became seekers for God.

Mr. Greg Larkin, minister of music for the College Church, did much to stimulate real enthusiasm for the revival in leading the congregational singing and by using many different choral groups.

All in all, we are thankful to God for His unusual blessing thus far in this school year upon Eastern Nazarene College.

REPORTER

## Canada West Preachers' Convention

More than one hundred and ten pastors and wives of the Canada West District gathered in Calgary, Alberta, for the annual preachers' convention, October 23 to 25. It was an occasion of rich blessing and intense challenge, one that inspired an increasing desire to achieve for God and the church.

Dr. Roy F. Smee, executive secretary of home missions and evangelism, was the central speaker. His messages were pointed, pertinent, and practical. God blessed, as he developed day by day his theme, II Timothy 2:15.

Rev. George Coulter, superintendent of Northern California District, spoke each morning. He was engaged in a district-wide home-mission tour, and we were glad he could be with us.

One of the genuine high lights of the meeting was the address given by Rev. Robert Chung, of Seoul, Korea. We were thrilled as we saw and heard this heroic man of God.

Our fine district superintendent, Dr. Edward Lawlor, presided at all sessions; he had planned a program that never lost its interest and appeal. During the convention, gifts were presented to Dr. and Mrs. Lawlor,

## AN ANNOUNCEMENT

Dr. I. C. Mathis has been appointed district superintendent of the newly formed Northeastern Oklahoma District, Church of the Nazarene. He may be addressed temporarily % General Delivery, Tulsa, Oklahoma.

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tokens of the pastors' love for and confidence in our great leaders.

Proof that Canada West pastors stand behind their college came when Dr. E. E. Martin, president, reported concerning the work of the school, and pledges for more than one thousand dollars were quickly received.

Many thanks are due our pastors and people of the two Calgary churches. Dr. Oscar F. Reed, recently arrived pastor of First Church, and Rev. D. George MacDonald, pastor of North Hill Church, provided excellent entertainment and assisted in every way to make the visit to Calgary a pleasant one.

The pastors of the district, only two of whom were missing, joined in acclaiming this to be as profitable and blessed a convention as had been held on the Canada West District.

W. B. AIRHART, *Secretary*

## DEATHS

ALFRED H. MILLS was born January 29, 1880, at Brooklyn, New York, and died at his home in Bellrose, New York, October 13, 1951. He was connected with the Church of the Nazarene for more than fifty years, where he served as member of the church board, Sunday-school teacher, and director of the choir and orchestra. He was a man given to helping the poor and needy, and a faithful supporter of the church. He is survived by his wife, Martha J.; one daughter, Mrs. John Phillips; and a grandson. Funeral service was held in the Richmond Hill Church of the Nazarene, with his pastor, Rev. Lyman P. Wood, officiating, assisted by Rev. R. W. Visscher, a former pastor. Interment was made in the Flushing, Long Island, cemetery.

JOHN WILLIAM GRINROD was born January 25, 1876, in England, and died in a hospital in Providence, Rhode Island, October 18, 1951. More than sixty years ago he came to this country and made Providence his home. He was a faithful member and attendant of the People's Church of the Nazarene; and served for many years as financial secretary of the church, also as a Sunday-school teacher. He was always ready to do whatever he could for the advancement of the Kingdom. His first wife, Sarah, died a number of years ago; in 1938, he was united in marriage to Miss Isabella Innis. Besides his widow, he is survived by two sons, John and Raymond, also three grandchildren. Funeral service was conducted by the pastor, Rev. A. Lewis Payne.

WILLIAM A. UPDIKE was born July 20, 1878, in Huntington County, Indiana, and died October 20, 1951, in a hospital at Bluffton, where he was a patient and victorious sufferer for three weeks of a heart ailment. Deliberately and with an anxious expectancy, step by step he arranged for his home-going. Prayers of his loved ones seemed to hold him in this world, and at the end of the third week he reminded them he was already a week overdue in heaven. He was a member of the Huntington Church of the Nazarene, serving God and the church faithfully in various capacities. He is survived by his faithful companion; one son, Paul, superintendent of the Northeastern Indiana District; two grandchildren; and four great grandchildren. Funeral service was conducted at the church by his pastor, Rev. I. F. Younger, assisted by Rev. Mrs. Edith Kerr. Burial was in the Lancaster Cemetery.



## SERVICEMEN'S CORNER

"I was very happy to find a few back issues of the HERALD OF HOLINESS and *Come Ye Apart* aboard the ship that brought me here to Japan. I read all I could of them word for word and enjoyed them very much. The chaplain on our ship had Bible classes every morning at 0900, which were attended by approximately fifty to seventy-five men. Quite a few officers were also present.

"I have been attending chapel services every Sunday and they are very spiritual. The services are broadcast over our AFRS Kyushu network. Our first sergeant is a very fine Christian and really spurs the men on in going to church."—RANDALL M. KRAUSS.

"I do appreciate your periodicals very much. Some of the Okinawan girls read English very well, so they enjoy the *Standard* with its stories of young people.

"The villages are now on limits to all the occupation forces. I plan to visit them every chance I get, as the people are very eager to learn our language and about our God. I feel that I can help in some way to bring them closer to God."—JOHN STRAUSS.

"I want to thank you for the swell papers that I have been receiving since I have been in the army. They have surely meant a lot to me in the past few months. They also have served as good reading material for some of my buddies that don't know the Lord.

"God has surely blessed me in many ways since I came into the service, and I am sure that He will be with me while I am over here. I have no better opportunity to serve God than while I am in the army. Christ reigns supremely in my heart."

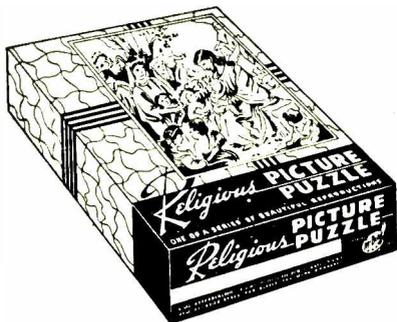
JOE CLAYTON

"Each Sunday morning I take an offering, which I plan to use for missionary work out here. I have already given some to the Salvation Army. As soon as I can hear from Dr. Eckel concerning our work in Fukuoka, I hope to be able to help them along in their work there. Next Saturday I plan to have a picnic for the Methodist and Presbyterian churches in town. I am sure the soldiers will enjoy it more than the children."

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J. F. BURKETT, age seventy-six, died October 29, 1951, at his home in El Dorado, Arkansas, after a lengthy illness. He was born at West Point, Mississippi, on February 22, 1875. He was a member of Central Church of the Nazarene in El Dorado. He is survived by his widow, Mrs. Margaret C. Burkett. Funeral service was conducted by his pastor, Rev. M. M. Snyder, assisted by Rev. Carl Prentice; and the body was shipped to Jackson, Mississippi, for burial.

LONES HUMAN was born January 25, 1906, at Clinton, Tennessee, and died suddenly of a heart attack at his home in Stillwater, Oklahoma, in October of 1951. In October of 1928 he was united in marriage to Nona Ash; to this union were born two children. In early life he gave his heart to God, and there never was a faltering or turning from the Christian way. He was a faithful and loyal member of the Stillwater Church of the Nazarene, and was treasurer at the time of his death. Funeral service was conducted by his pastor, Rev. Ellis Teasdale, assisted by Rev. H. E. Alsop, in the Stillwater church; with interment at Fairlawn Cemetery.

MRS. EVA A. BATTIN was born July 20, 1877, at Belforte, Arkansas, and died October 26, 1951, at Lubbock, Texas. She was converted early in life, and was a devout Christian. She is survived by her husband, two daughters, and two sons, one of whom is Rev. Buford Battin, Nazarene evangelist. Funeral service was held in First Church of the Nazarene, Lubbock, with her pastor, Rev. R. B. Kelly, in charge.

MRS. AGNES YOUNG SINDT was born February 8, 1862, in Clinton County, Iowa, and died October 25, 1951, in Detroit Lakes, Minnesota. In 1880 she was united in marriage to Jacob Sindt. To this union were born nine children, three of whom preceded her in death. She is survived by four sons, two brothers, and one sister. Funeral service was conducted in Detroit Lakes by Rev. G. E. Feighner, and in St. Paul by Rev. E. M. Culbertson. She was laid to rest beside her husband, in St. Paul, Minnesota.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

NOTICE—I would like to contact some good men, young or old, called of God into the ministry. We have some challenging towns and cities, without a Nazarene Sunday school. If you are interested in going into a place and digging out a work and pastoring on the old fashioned lines, write me.—Ray Cloer, Superintendent of South Carolina District, 511 Dogwood St., Columbia, S.C.

### WEDDING BELLS

Miss Mary Elyn Powell of Hollydale and Mr. David A. Berry of Rosemead, California, were united in marriage on November 2, at the Hollydale Church of the Nazarene, with Dr. R. J. Plumb, district superintendent, officiating.

Miss Hazel Lovaas and Mr. Calvin Kring, of Lansing, Michigan, were united in marriage on October 26, at the Lansing South Church of the Nazarene, with the pastor, Rev. James A. Weeks, officiating.

Miss Ruth Waggle and Mr. Louis Ansell were united in marriage on October 21, in the Church of the Nazarene at Vanderbilt, Pennsylvania, with the pastor, Rev. Lawrence V. Hastie, officiating.

Miss Beatrice Fay Parsons of Baltimore, Maryland, and Mr. James G. Binkley of Bridgeton, New Jersey, were united in marriage on October 6, at the Baltimore Brooklyn Heights Church of the Nazarene, with the pastor, Rev. J. W. Parkins, officiating, assisted by Rev. W. H. Binkley, father of the groom.

BORN—to Mr. and Mrs. Leo E. Birdwell of Bethany, Oklahoma, a son, Lyle Eugene, on November 7.

—to Rev. and Mrs. Louis W. Cobb of Clare, Michigan, a daughter, Sherry Lynn, on November 6.

—to Rev. and Mrs. Walter W. Attig of Dubuque, Iowa, a son, Ronald Leigh, on October 30.

—to Rev. and Mrs. Rudy Sauter of Hurdsville, North Dakota, a daughter, Joanne Gay, on October 29.

—to Rev. and Mrs. F. B. Whittaker of Jefferson, Pennsylvania, a daughter, Ramona Ruth, on October 27.

—to Rev. and Mrs. Elmer Schrag of Brighton, Ontario, a daughter, Judith Ellen, on October 23.

—to Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth D. Hill of Springfield, Massachusetts, a son, Keith Leon, on October 20.

—to Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Koch of Denver, Colorado, a daughter, Gail Cynthia, on August 17.

SPECIAL PRAYER IS REQUESTED by a wife and mother in Ohio, that God will get to her husband's heart and save their home from being broken up;  
by a lady in Indiana, that God will get to her husband and heal him in mind and soul, that she may have grace to go through, and that God may save their home from being wrecked;  
by a mother in Ohio for their little girl;  
by a lady in Alabama for several physical needs and problems, also for her family, and for the small rural church in that community;  
by a Nazarene mother in Kentucky for the salvation of her son in the service, also an urgent unspoken request in his behalf, and for the salvation of two other sons and their families, and that the Lord may undertake in her home and give her courage to walk on with Him;

by a lady in Arkansas, that God will send them an old-fashioned preacher to help in the small work there, also for a son-in-law and two small children (the wife and mother died in October), and for the sanctification of her husband.

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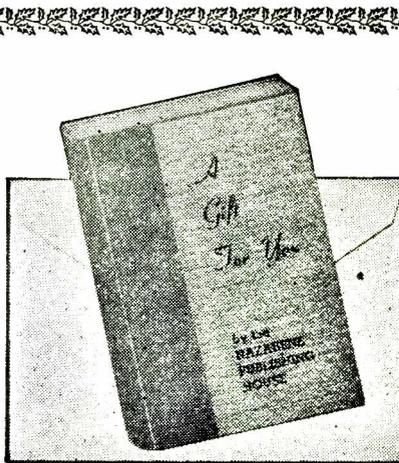
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