

# "Not of the World"

#### General Superintendent Benner

No element in the teachings of Jesus Christ is more clear than the call to separation from the world. In a day when this line of demarcation, in so many groups, has become blurred, if not completely obliterated, it is in order to declare with certainty and vigor the continuing validity of this basic Christian truth and standard for life.

Jesus said to His disciples, "If ye were of the world, the world would love his own: but because ye are not of the world, but I have chosen you out of the world, therefore the world hateth you" (John 15:19). This same theme is repeated again and again by the New Testament writers. The passing of the centuries has changed neither Jesus Christ nor the spirit of the world. This diametric opposition continues.

It has been the uniform testimony of devout, serious, spiritual Christians of every period that as they have drawn closer to God, as they have sought earnestly His full will, the consciousness of this truth has become more keen. The ministry of the Holy Spirit never leads toward carelessness at this point, but always toward greater carefulness. Growth in divine grace does not increase indifference to this issue, but makes the individual ever more sensitive and alert to it.

"Not of the world" involves the inner heart life. To exemplify the attitudes of Jesus becomes the deep concern and highest goal of the sanctified. That perfect love may rule the personality becomes the consuming desire. There is a constant vigilance against the worldly elements of pride, envy, self-will, legalism, carnal self-assertion, and vindictive self-defense. "Love, joy, peace, long-suffering, gentleness, goodness, faith, meekness, temperance"—these are the normal fruitage of the sanctified life.

But "not of the world" also affects the outward life. True Christian modesty, scriptural restraint in attire and adornment, basic simplicity in living, and consistent courtesy characterize those who are "hid with Christ in God." It is not enough to say, "God looketh on the heart," and therefore appearance is no issue: for it is just as true that "man looketh on the outward appearance."

"Not of the world" then is constitutional in the teachings of Jesus. "Not of the world" is basic in scriptural holiness. Thus "not of the world" is fundamental in the spiritual and moral concepts of the Church of the Nazarene. So it has been. So it is now. And by the help of God, so it ever shall be! Amen!



Evangelist H. D. Burson of Houston, Texas, died in his sleep on the night of March 5. He was in a revival meeting with Oakland Church, Topeka, Kansas, and had preached that evening.

Rev. Curtis F. Cook, pastor of our First Church in Camden, Tennessee, has been elected to the office of vicepresident of the Camden Ministerial Association.

Rev. W. D. Ferguson has resigned as pastor of the church in Lawrence to accept the call to pastor Quindaro Church, Kansas City, Kansas.

Rev. Kenneth T. Meredith has resigned as pastor of Kansas City North Church, Missouri, to accept the call to pastor the church in Lawrence, Kansas.

Rev. Modie M. Schoonover has resigned as pastor of Countryside Church, Centerview, to accept the call to Kansas City North Church, Missouri,

Rev. J. C. Wallace, pastor of First Church in Charleston. West Virginia, has been selected to bring the message in the city-wide Easter sunrise service; this service is sponsored by the City Ministerial Association.

#### I FEEL LIKE PRAYING

#### By ILA R. MONDAY

When sky and sea are blue as robin eggs, When cool grass beckons underneath a tree,

When peace blankets the world in silken swath.

And I'm in tune with all-and all with me-

When sad things come: a bird's winged flight is stilled.

When fall sends bright leaves whispering to the ground,

When tragedy strikes, spreading all the

With darkness and no comfort can be found . . .

In all ways-whether joy or sadness comes.

If feet seem light-or heavy on life's sod.

I feel like fraying . . . for He understands.

I feel like praying . . . still and close to God.

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Remember, God will judge us, not by great results, but according to our faithfulness.-Selected.

In this world of constant change, many situations arise which alter our lives and make continual adjustment necessary. Personal adjustment to our circumstances and maintenance of our spiritual equilibrium during change can be accomplished only by a daily tuning of our wills to the will of God and a determination not to let an upset routine keep us from family and private devotions. May we resolve to keep the fires of God burning on the altars of heart and home no matter how unfavorable the surroundings and circumstances.-MRS. JACK HAWTHORNE,

Preserve me, O God: for in thee do I put my trust. . . . The Lord is the portion of mine inheritance and of my cup: thou maintainest my lot. The lines are fallen unto me in pleasant places: yea, I have a goodly heritage (Psalms 16:1-6).

### Are You In a Time of Waiting?

By GRACE V. WATKINS

"You won't be able to work for a year," the doctor said, "possibly longer than that."

"You mean I won't be able to do anything?" Dismay filled my heart.

"Oh, I didn't say that," the doctor replied. "A year of waiting can be the most enriching year of your life." "What do you mean?" I asked.

He put a gentle hand on my shoulder. "Quietness doesn't mean inactivity. The quiet times of life are the times to drink deep of inspiration and prepare to serve more fully. Many fine and wonderful people have gone through a year like the one you're facing."

"It can be like that for me?"

The doctor nodded. "If you're willing to dedicate this year to spiritual enrichment, at the end of that time your capacity to serve humanity will be vastly increased-far more than it would be by a year of work." He paused, then asked, "Have you ever climbed a mountain?"

I shook my head.

"Men who climb mountains," he told me, "know that the nearer they get to the top, the more they discard. If it's a very high peak, by the time they reach the summit, they have little but their own selves,"

"They get rid of nonessentials," I offered.

"Yes," the doctor answered. "But when they reach the crest, the view is sublime, so sublime and inspiring that nothing else matters. At the crest they don't strive or struggle or work. They just look. Looking at those vast distances, being in the company of those mighty fastnesses does something to them. When they come down, they are new men better prepared to serve than they have ever been before."

The doctor smiled a farseeing smile. "Something like that can happen to you."

And it did. Now, looking back, I am grateful for the year when I couldn't work. For it was truly the most enriching year of my life. In those long quiet times on the mountain peak of deeper fellowship with God I found peace, strength, and understanding for all the years that lie ahead.



#### By NORMAN R. OKE

Haven't we all heard that stone is dead and voiceless? That is not always so, for today I heard a sermon pour forth from a granite shaft—fluent, dramatic, and clear. Let me share it with you.

The setting is Pilot Point, Texas: the date, October 13, 1958. Thousands of people gathered around a small, fenced, well-landscaped plot; circle sidewalks arched in front of a tall monument, still veiled in white. The great crowd expectant, hushed. Overhead the blue, kind skies of Texas smiled. Then two tall men (tall of stature, taller of soul) began the slow unveiling. All eyes were on John Stockton and M. Lunn as the covering was raised higher and higher and then there it was—a glorious monument standing clear and clean. And amid the shouts and weeping, that pink granite began to preach. It would not be silenced! There was a message in its soul that this Nazarene assemblage must hear.

A striking figure was that tall, lean slab of granite. There it was so close to all of us, yet separated eternally from us all.

"Look," it said, "at my polished sides." And so they were, smooth as silk, polished till every roughness was removed, no flaw remained. Those two sides were mirror-clear and reflected the landscape and the happy faces of the assembled hosts. Meticulous had been the care to insure a high and perfect finish. "Remember," the monument went on, "there is a fitting smoothness in heart holiness." And I heard St. Paul speak of "a glorious church, not having spot, or wrinkle." And I recalled that fifty years before the founding fathers and mothers sang those very words in unpent hilarity at this very spot.

Yes, refinement and culture are not enemies of holiness. The Early Church did find "favour with all the people." Not compromise, never, on essentials, never; but carefulness not to be abhorrent or repulsive. Carefulness in appearance; tidy churchyards; neat, clean church facilities—all this I heard as the sermon flowed from the polished sides of the tall granite marker.

But now it was time for the other two sides to speak. They too had a message, and, oh, so needed in our modern day! These two edges were as rugged as the others were smooth. No tool had touched them, the roughness left by the breaking of the granite in the quarry—and how fluently it pleaded! Here is what I heard. "There is an essential ruggedness in holiness." Remove it and there is left only a spurious holiness. Refinement, yes; but ruggedness too! Both must blend, never compete. And as they were both part of one sleek granite monument, these are meant to combine in every sanctified man or woman.

The rough edges, the unpolished surfaces spoke and I heard Amos of Tekoa thundering in Samaria and I heard John the Baptist as he strode forth in camel's skin and stinging the souls of the fleshly, flabby priests by the Jordan. And remember, Amos and John were both God-anointed men!

You can't remove the thunder and lightning from the Bible and have a Bible left. The pulpit that is all sweet and polished and smooth is only half a pulpit; the one that is all edgy and harsh is pitiful and unscriptural. The monument was saying in permanent tones, "Ruggedness and refinement are twin ingredients of all worthy holiness." And I responded a deep "Amen."

Then the granite marker drew my gaze to its upper surface and I pray I shall never forget what I saw. The upper edge was natural, raw, unpolished. And what a sermon that made! It was saying, "Keep the upper edge of your soul real, natural, without pretense. God looks on you there. Be bared toward God in stark, unassuming sincerity." I prayed as that thought-thrust struck to my heart.

Then, the sermon ended, the waiting thousands broke forth into song:

"We'll girdle the globe with salvation, With holiness unto the Lord."

And how they sang! The music bounced from the sides of that granite monument; it moved out in waves across the well-kept grounds of Rest Cottage, and spread over the Texas prairies. Hands were uplifted, hearts fairly splitting with joy; tears ran down cheeks unhindered. What a scene! What a moment! What a priceless privilege was ours!

Let's see to it that as we girdle the globe with

holiness, we retain the blend of ruggedness and refinement symbolized by that marker at Pilot Point, Texas. And every time a Nazarene from Seattle or Miami, from Halifax or San Diego drives by this bit of sacred ground, gazes on the inscription, stands to view again that majestic and fluent marker, may it say the same again and again to him:

Beauty mixed with bluntness; culture which

scorns compromise. Above all let's be sure that the upper edge of the soul is bared toward God in unfeigned naturalness.

No! Granite is not dead and voiceless. At least the tall, lean, timeless marker at Pilot Point is vocal; I was there and I know. It will preach to generations yet unborn these simple truths.

Why not drive by sometime and listen?

# An Old Testament Dulles

By ALBERT J. LOWN

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The American Secretary of State is no stranger to hospital life or the operating theater. In recent years John Foster Dulles has known frequent examinations and a major operation for cancer, and is now—at the time of writing—recovering from surgical treatment for hernia, with further medical attention needed to combat the second attack of malignant disease upon his body.

It is impossible for a politician of world standing constantly facing major issues to escape criticism as well as approval for his words and decisions; but even his most bitter opponents must join with his friends in admiring Mr. Dulles' courage. Fully knowing the need for urgent operative treatment, the seventy-one-year-old Secretary did not flinch from an important trip to Europe and an exacting tour of the Western allies. Concealing his weakness, Mr. Dulles placed his vital task before his painful and grave thorn in the flesh, the inspiration of duty before his physical infirmity.

The same spirit is revealed in even greater measure in the obedience of Ezekiel to a strange and express command of God that he should betray no grief and make no sign of sorrow upon the death of his beloved wife. "Son of man, behold, I take away from thee the desire of thine eyes with a stroke: yet neither shalt thou mourn nor weep, neither shall thy tears run down. Forbear to cry, make no mourning for the dead, bind the tire of thine head upon thee, and put on thy shoes upon thy feet, and cover not thy lips, and eat not the bread of men" (Ezekiel 24:16).

Did God ever give stranger command for the purpose of bringing His message home to the hearts of rebellious men? The law of Moses permitted the priest to mourn only for his close relations; but in this case tears and crying, covering of the head with dust and baring of the feet and acceptance of the food portions given by sympathizing friends were completely forbidden. To the

private heartbreak of desolating grief was added the public heartbreak of delivering a message of overwhelming judgment upon God's own people. Yet Ezekiel resolutely placed his own feelings and difficulties upon one side and unswervingly fulfilled the task God had entrusted to him. The sacred record states:

"So I spake unto the people in the morning: and at even my wife died; and I did in the morning as I was commanded" (Ezekiel 24:18).

Does this imply that God expects us to be dryeyed, stonyhearted, without natural feeling, as others, when heart and eyes would run o'er? Is the Christian denied the greatest relief of the sorrowing heart and strained nerves—the precious boon of tears? Remembering the tears of Jesus over Lazarus and a lost city, the weeping of Paul over carnal unbelief and the prayer of David, "... put thou my tears into thy bottle," the suggestion is immediately repelled by the mind.

This unnatural command was given for an unusual purpose. Jerusalem was about to die, a city so defiled and rebellious that God could neither mourn nor weep! In Ezekiel's graphic pronouncement of judgment God had endeavored to boil the scum away from His holy city by the fires of chastening, but the pot itself was rusted beyond repair and must be condemned and cast away. As a sign of God's attitude to the sinful city, Ezekiel was to give not the slightest indication of sorrow over his wife's passing. His loss and God's were parallel. Both were losing their dearest earthly possession, the One a city, the other a companion and helpmeet. Ezekiel was to be a living parable of God's attitude to a people dying through sin that could have been cured. "And ye shall do as I have done," commanded the Lord.

When the amazed and bewildered populace inquired the reason for this complete absence of grief on the part of a man whose wife had died barely twelve hours previously, Ezekiel's answer was a message of doom. To those who love God and keep His commandments the prophet's strange conduct brings a message of discipline!

### THE MESSAGE OF GOD COUNTS MORE THAN OUR MOODS

If ever a man felt unfit to preach, it was Ezekiel on the morning of the day the angel of death visited his home. The dreaded visitor's coming was foretold by God himself; a burdened man would also be a lonely man before nightfall. If ever a man was "not in the mood to preach" because of a heavy heart and distraught mind, it was surely Ezekiel. His own mood counseled silence; but the message of God compelled speech. "So I spake unto the people in the morning."

There are times when we all question our fitness to preach or pray, to testify or exhort: perhaps with the nervous immaturity of Jeremiah, or the heaviness of William Carey, who confessed, "For the first seven years of my stay in India I went to my task like a soldier expecting to be defeated in the battle." But for both the message counted more than personal moods. Jeremiah was there when Jerusalem was captured, decades later, and Carey influences India today.

In weeping mood as we bear precious seed or, mysteriously dry, our faith is not in ourselves but in the seed! Heart and flesh may fail as the task of Sunday school teaching is contemplated for yet another week, but our sufficiency is of God! Ezekiel exemplifies the victory over moods we need in every realm of service and devotion.

#### FAITHFULNESS COUNTS MORE THAN FEELINGS

"At even my wife died; and I did in the morning as I was commanded." Obedience and feelings were completely at variance, but for Ezekiel spiritual duty had first claim upon conscience and will. Duty—that much-misunderstood word—had priority in the ordering and obligations of life. Excuses would have been possible, reasonable, and accepted, but God had commanded!

The impression is sometimes foolishly given that duty involves only the first mile of obedience—love goes the second; that duty implies the bondage of regularity, and going off at a tangent at the expense of duty is a permissable pathway to unusual blessing.

Duty is the hallmark of love! "If ye love me, keep my commandments," said Jesus. Feelings may or may not be the inspiration of duty; they are often the reward of duty well done. But the only solid foundation for spiritual living and service is love's duty. The man who was fed only according to his wife's feelings would stand a good chance of going slim; the minister who preached only when he felt like it would lapse from the pulpit

as often as some of his feeling-ruled members do from their pews. Duty—that noble word, that blessed privilege—is the anchor of the soul, the grandeur of service. No man can offer God more and no man dare offer Him less; for, as the catechism gloriously teaches, the whole duty of man is to love God and live in obedience to His commandments.

"England expects," signaled Nelson at Trafalgar, "that every man this day will do his duty." Victory followed the fulfillment of that expectation as men of every rank gave their all to their admiral and the battle. To every Christian, Paul gives a similar signal, "Be ye stedfast, unmoveable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, . . . [knowing] that your labour is not in vain in the Lord." Faithfulness to spiritual duties cancels out every trace of "stuckfast, unmanageable, always excusing spirit," a sure prelude to defeat.

"Why," questioned the friends of a deaf worshiper, "do you never miss a service when your minister mumbles into his sermon manuscript and you never hear a word?"

"If he does not know his duty, thank God, I know mine," was the brave reply. With this spirit

## EVERY EVENT IN LIFE CAN BECOME PROFITABLE EXPERIENCE

The sudden and shattering blows of sorrow and loss are not intimated to us by divine prediction as to Ezekiel-neither are we called upon to bear them as stoically and unnaturally as he did. But his behavior in bereavement at divine behest teaches us that we may so conduct ourselves in the outstanding events of life, in sorrow and in joy, that God will speak through our experiences to other hearts. As Joseph endured successive trials, with quiet, brave endurance, God spoke in turn to Potiphar, the jailer, the imprisoned butler and baker, and to Pharaoh himself. As Jesus endured the Cross, His seven cries became seven perfect messages to every human soul. As Ezekiel conquered circumstances and crushing burdens, his loyalty to God's message and obedience to the command of God still speak to our hearts today.

When life falls in, when moods and feelings are suspect, let us remember Ekeziel's fateful and faithful twenty-four hours. Let us recall also the Monday morning experience of F. W. Robertson, the famous British preacher of a former generation. Assailed by "spiritual blues" of the most depressing character after Sunday's ministry, the thought of resignation was very inviting to the depressed servant of God. "Resign, resign," taunted the blueblack mood.

"Not resign, but *re-sign!*" said the Spirit of God. Robertson's renewed consecration to every privilege and duty of ministry turned temptation's hurt into victory with honor.

# Oppressed by the Mystery of Circumstances

By CHAPLAIN JOHN T. DONNELLY

Osan, Korea

Michelangelo defined sculpture as "the art that works by force of taking away." This also seems to describe the method of Almighty God in dealing with some of His children. Sometimes it appears as if He goes very far indeed with the painful process. The greater portion of a block of marble weighing many tons will have to be sacrificed before the sculptor's ideal can be realized. By a thousand blows, by the chiseling away of one flake after another, by endless grinding and rubbing, the marble is chastened into an object of form and beauty, and by a corresponding process of deprivations many of God's people are disciplined into maturity. Yet all the while this process of humiliation is going on with the righteous, the believers do not always find it easy to reconcile themselves to the spectacle of the suffering saint and the flourishing sinner. The profound view is not realized all at once.

The present world is the workshop of the Almighty: full of noise, dust, and confusion: the whole ground littered with the splinters of fallen greatness, frustrated ambitions, broken health, and blighted hope. The pure heart, the right spirit, the beautiful character, however, are His glorious workmanship. When this is once understood, we

submit with confidence, and more than resignation to all the adverseness of the years. The perfection of our spirits is the one last absorbing question with all who comprehend the meaning of human life, and we are very sure of the Sculptor!

The enlightened, instructed follower of our blessed Lord may reason thus with himself:

The scheme of the divine government is too vast for me to comprehend, its methods too intricate for me to follow. I am often staggered by what God ordains and permits. Yet I know that the eternal God has been with me, and no matter how my earthly lot may be, nevertheless He is continually with me (Psalms 73:23). Nothing can make me doubt the fact of His guiding, saving hand in all my experiences.

All the way my Saviour leads me. What have I to ask beside?

My consciousness of God and my relationship to Him are the most real things in my life—my strength in conflict, my peace in trouble, my hope in death, my assurance for eternity! My circumstances may seem unfortunate, but I have an inward prosperity unseen within my soul! Oppressed by the mystery of circumstances! Overcome by the marvelous mercy of Christ!

# Add to Your Faith

#### By GRACE CAIN

Are you acquainted with descants? I'm sure that you have seen them many times. Descants are those small notes found in many hymnals. When added to a hymn they intensify and add emphasis to the principal melody.

Are you acquainted with the descants of faith, or the graces of the Spirit which God has provided in order to add emphasis to your spiritual life?

Christ has given unto us "all things that pertain unto life and godliness" (II Peter 1:3). However, the things of the Spirit are not all wrapped in one gift package and offered to the newborn child in

Christ, but the gifts are selected and offered one by one according to the child's maturity.

Suppose an earthly parent were to present to his child at birth all of the gifts which he would normally receive in sixteen years. You would have a right to say that the parent was somewhat unbalanced. Have you ever smiled when you saw a toy football dangling from a baby carriage? But the time will come when the child will graduate from his toys and building blocks, and will grow into the more adult field of football.

You are not born into God's family a full-grown man, but the new man is born in you, a babe. In

II Peter 1:5-7 you will find seven provisions which God has provided for the nurture of the new man.

#### "ADD TO YOUR FAITH VIRTUE"

Faith is required as an antecedent. When you petitioned God for salvation, the act required faith. As a babe in Christ you may often feel that you are standing on wobbly legs. However, you have within you the mighty weapon of faith that will open the door to God's abundant provision.

In pagan ages virtue did not mean chastity or purity, but strength and courage. It was this virtue which enabled Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-nego to testify: "Be it known unto thee, O king, that we will not serve thy gods, nor worship the golden image which thou hast set up" (Daniel 3:18).

One day a young Christian came to a crisis in herlife. "There was one thing I couldn't do," she told me. "I couldn't pray out loud in a public meeting. But," she determined, "I knew that, even though I couldn't. Christ could take this halting tongue of mine and pray through me. I knew that if I were ever to serve the Lord on the mission field I would have to receive strength for the little battles at home." This young Christian went forward to victory. Her faith supplied the needed virtue. Do not be content with only one of the Christian graces. Each one gained will help you to gain another.

#### ADD TO VIRTUE KNOWLEDGE

Through the appropriation of virtue you take your first step toward a victorious life in Christ.

The strength gained through its appropriation will give you a desire, an enabling to become a student of the Word of God. With the knowledge gained you will be able to seek the will of God for your daily life. This knowledge is not limited to an understanding of the Word. Did you ever despair and say, "I like my job, but I just can't get along with people"?

Perhaps King Solomon had this same feeling when he said, "Give therefore thy servant an understanding heart to judge thy people, that I may discern between good and bad: for who is able to judge this thy so great a people?" (I Kings 3:9)

Solomon, aware of a lack of wisdom, turned to God and asked for this gift. God honored his prayer and said, "I have done according to thy words: lo, I have given thee a wise and an understanding heart" (I Kings 3:12).

God sets a great value on wisdom. In Proverbs 8:10-11, He declares that wisdom should be desired above gold, silver, and rubies. All the things that you may desire are not to be compared to it.

Wisdom and knowledge are gifts of the Spirit. It is not something you can "work up" or "grow into." (See I Corinthians 12:8.) Solomon prayed for this gift. You too may pray for it. "Teach me good judgment and knowledge: for I have believed thy commandments" (Psalms 119:66).

#### ADD TO KNOWLEDGE TEMPERANCE

With a knowledge of God's Word and with that inner wisdom you will, through faith, know how to manage yourself wisely, so that there shall never be any excess.

Temperance does not necessarily mean abstinence. I once knew a man who wouldn't allow his children to attend a public school or a public Sunday school, fearing that their lives might be influenced for evil through contacts with the unsaved.

The true Christian is one who lives in the world but is not of the world. Never does he allow the things of the world to become his master. Through faith he is the master. Through faith he is able to win the lost for Christ, and his garments do not become stained in the process. Jesus ate with publicans and sinners, endeavoring to win to himself those whom He had come to save. But at all times He was the Master, exercising self-control.

#### ADD TO TEMPERANCE PATIENCE

Having learned self-control you can through faith gain the next step, patience or endurance.

"Beloved, think it not strange concerning the fiery trial which is to try you, as though some strange thing happened unto you: . . . but rejoice, . . ." (I Peter 41:12-13).

On the desk of a Christian man of my acquaintance is this motto: "Count it all joy." This man, a great soul winner, has gone through sufferings which Christians in this day know little about. But he has found the glory in becoming a partaker of Christ's sufferings. Only the mature Christian, having learned previous lessons of faith, is ready to "count it all joy."

#### ADD TO PATHENCE GODELNESS

If through faith you have become a partaker of Christ's sufferings, it is only another step to God-likeness. It has often been said that the Christian's life is the only Gospel that the world reads. Can others see Jesus in you? Is your fellowship of such close communion with the Master that you mirror His presence wherever you go?

Consider the testimony of the rulers and elders of Israel at the trial of Peter and John. "Now when they saw the boldness of Peter and John, and perceived that they were unlearned and ignorant men, they marvelled: and they took knowledge of them, that they had been with Jesus" (Acts 4:13).

#### ADD TO GODLINESS BROTHERLY KINDNESS

If you mirror the image of Christ, then faith will enable you to have the right relationship with your brethren—those who enjoy "like precious faith with us." "Do good unto all men, especially unto them who are of the household of faith" (Galatians 6:10).

#### ADD TO BROTHERLY KINDNESS LOVE

From brotherly kindness you embrace all of mankind in love. Love, the seventh of the Christian graces, is the fulfillment. Find a Christian who is rich in love toward his fellow men and you will find in him all of the other Christian graces personified. "Though I speak with the tongues of men and of angels, and have not charity [love], I am become as sounding brass, or a tinkling cymbal" (I Corinthians 13:1).

God desires that through faith you will supply the needed graces to your spiritual life, not only for your own growth, but that your life may become, like the descant, a melodic obbligato. Such a life is enabled through the graces of God's Spirit to be humbly, though effectively, used by Him.

"For if these things be in you, and abound, they make you that ye shall neither be barren nor unfruitful in the knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ" (II Peter 1:8).

An Unusual Outpouring of the Spirit

# At Eastern Nazarene College

(A Student's Impression\*)

Why can't it happen here? These were the words that troubled my mind as I slowly made my way out of chapel service at Eastern Nazarene College. It was Tuesday morning, February 3, 1959, and the second day of our annual three-day missionary convention was upon us. Rev. Paul Hetrick had just brought a heart-warming service to a close. In his message Brother Hetrick had realistically described to us a revival that had taken place in Africa just prior to his leaving for furlough to the United States. He related how the blessed Spirit of God had fallen upon the people of one of our Nazarene missionary stations.

It all began with an outpouring of the Spirit upon young boys and girls in a schoolroom. These young people were in class when the Spirit of God fell. Waves of glory passed over them, and with tear-stained faces turned towards the heavens, they moved about the room crying, "I'm so glad that Jesus has come! I'm so glad that Jesus has come! The Spirit of God then proceeded to move on to one of our Nazarene Bible schools. Public con-

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fessions were made—restitution became the order of the day. God blessed and continued to bless. And His Spirit was not confined to the Christian students and missionaries of the station. No, indeed! Instead, He moved about the surrounding areas and numbers of African natives were moved to repentance. These included some who were considered to be the extremely "hardened" sinners of the area and had been the subject of the Christians' prayers for years. There was rejoicing and praising at this missionary station. God had come in all of His glory. Things are happening in Africa and Christ is being glorified.

Why can't it happen here? The words kept running through my mind. My heart was heavy and I hungered for such an outpouring of the Holy Spirit upon our campus. I was not the only one who longed for such a visit, for I heard others voicing the same desire and it could be read in the faces of still others.

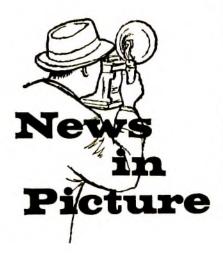
And then it happened! Wednesday evening, February 4, 1959—Brother Hetrick closed another inspiring message. There was no pressure being applied from any source–except from God. God

### **Parson to Person**

# Coffee-Break Religion

In that short rest period, so well established in offices and factories, you will have your "wayside" ministry. Across the table the conversation will include the weather, Russia, morning headlines, sports, inflation, personal loss, subtle innuendoes, character assassinations, petty gossip, clever surface questions masking a hunger ill-disguised. And you as a Christian will have your opportunity. What you say and what you don't

say, how you say it, your poise, your comments revealing an inner knowledge will all be weighed and evaluated, silently and surely. You will make an impact of one type or another. May the Holy Spirit guide all of us, so that our "off-guard moments" will be used to lean our influence with courage and tact, with sympathy and strength in the direction of all that would make the church respected and our Christ worshiped.





OUR CHAPLAINS VISIT THE HERALD OFFICE at the publishing house during the General Board meeting and review plans to make "Every Church Home a HERALD Home." Left to right: Captain J. Lowell George, Major Claude L. Chilton, Captain Samuel R. Graves, Lt. Col. Paul E. Winslow, Lt. Commander Reginald A. Berry, Captain Lyle W. Robinson. Others who were in Kansas City, but not present for the picture: Lt. Leroy Bevan, Major George C. Laurie, Chaplain Archel Meredith (Veterans' Administration).

was there in a mighty and revealing way. Three or four young people quietly made their way to an altar of prayer. And then it happened! A fine, brave young man obeyed God—walked to the platform and requested permission to speak. Permission was granted, and as this broken young man confessed before God, the faculty, and the student body that he had been hiding a wrong and desired their

CALLING ALL CHURCH TREAS-URERS! April 30 is the close of the fiscal year for the General Board. It will greatly help our general treasurer, Mr. Stockton, and give a true picture of our finances if you mail the Easter offering from your church to Kansas City before the month of April closes.—Stewardship Committee.

forgiveness, God came. The altar filled. Young men and women in the congregation rose to their feet and confessed their sins against God and their fellow men. They asked forgiveness of the wronged and then made their way to an altar of prayer. Some walked—some ran. There was singing, there was shouting, there was victory after victory. Men and women accepted God's call to the mission field, to the pastoral ministry, and to other phases of Christian endeavor. As men and women prayed the glory down, they moved away from the altar to make room for others.

The service was six and one-half hours in duration, but the impact and full consequence of such an occasion will probably never be known. Lives that were touched will never be the same, and consequently our campus will never be the same. What has happened? Men and women have obeyed God and He has come.

This is the morning after. As I walked across campus, I could not but sense the expectant atmosphere—and it was beautiful. Everyone I met smiled and gave a greeting that could be given only by one who had been touched by God. Some shook my hand, some said, "Praise the Lord!"; others just smiled from the depths of their hearts.

God made an appeal! Men and women obeyed the Spirit—and then it happened!

# Salvation Through Sacrificial Love

For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life (John

Our meditation upon the birth of Christ forcibly brought to us the truth that God has done something of eternal significance for the world. "While we were yet sinners, Christ died for us." By Jesus Christ, God has reconciled us to himself. God, through the impulse of His eternal love, provided through Christ the rescue and salvation of the world. Well did Calvin say that "Christ brought life, because the Heavenly Father loves the human race, and wishes that they should not perish."

#### By EVANGELIST RUPERT CRAVENS

Pharisaic interpretation of the Old Testament had left the outside world in judgment and to cursing and severe punishment, looking upon Abrahamic descent and sacramental privilege as the conditions of life, honor, and royal freedom. But the text reveals that the poor world was seen to be the object of such love that the Father delivered up His Son to humiliation and shame upon the Cross, willing that He should suffer all that was involved in the great work of saving mankind.

The true origin of salvation is found in God's love-"God so loved . . ." His love is infinite, eternal,



## Caravans Pay!

#### By LYLE K. POTTER

Sunday School Evangelist

It was Wednesday evening, the last night of the Sunday School Crusade services at Muskegon, Michigan, First Church. Someone said, "We are going to have the members of our Caravans in the service tonight." This made me feel good but did not excite me too much, for we have often had the Caravans co-operate with the special services.

At just 7:20 the organ was playing and the members of the four Caravans began to march into the auditorium with their Guides and assistant Guides. Twenty, thirty, forty, fifty, sixty . . . between eighty and ninety! Nothing thrills me more than to see from eight to ten adults dedicate an hour and a half of their precious week and their busy lives to the youth of the community. I could not help but notice that the faces of the Guides were beaming as they walked in with the group. Of course they were happy; they had found a place of service that was very rewarding. While these eager and enthusiastic youth (which I understand had come by the Sunday school bus, private automobiles, etc.) were filing into the auditorium I looked at the Sunday school register. The previous Sunday there were 401 present in Sunday school, and a last year's average attendance of 304. That figures! Go "all out" for the Caravan program and watch the Sunday school grow. It is a tremendous feeder for the Sunday school.

Is that all? No, you haven't heard anything yet. At the close of the service when the invitation was given to all who would like to know Christ as their personal Saviour, over fifty of those Caravan young people crowded around the altar and the front seats seeking to know Christ. What a tremendous climax, and how all felt repaid for their time and efforts! I thought, Eternity alone can measure the results of the investment of time and energy by these dedicated workers with boys and girls. Truly, Caravans pay!

and unchangeable. Salvation does not have to be wrung from the Father. The atonement was the effect, not the cause, of God's love. The Son was delivered over to death that we might have everlasting life.

The means of salvation lies in God's infinite sacrifice for the world-"He gave his only begotten Son." It was the Son who was given by the Father. In the verses preceding the text Jesus speaks of himself as the "Son of man," pointing to His humiliation. In the text the title used recalls His divine dignity. There is an infinite value in the sacrifice of the Mediator who had the union of the two natures in His Person. The gift of the Son implies His sacrificial death. That Jesus knew of His coming death, by which He was to atone, is implied in John's testimony to Him about the time of His baptism, "Behold the Lamb of God, which taketh away the sin of the world" (John 1:29). It is quite probable that our Lord had discussed with John His coming sacrificial death.

The universality of salvation is found in the design of the sacrifice of Christ—"that whosoever believeth in him should not perish." His incarnation is not enough; neither is His ministry enough—He must die in order to bring to man eternal life. Man must receive the life of God to enter the kingdom of God. Thus, that the divine life may become ours, the Son of God must die.

While Jesus came to preach the gospel, His chief object in coming was that there might be a gospel to preach. His Sermon on the Mount, though it contains much of the gospel, is silent on the new birth, on the living and enduring relation between Christ and His disciples illustrated in the parable of the vine, and in the necessity of faith in himself as the condition of eternal redemption. The greater revelation was not in what He taught but in what He was, in what He did, and in what He suffered. How significant is Paul's statement: "But we preach Christ crucified"!

The channel of divine life, issuing in universal salvation, is opened to faith. By faith man accepts the divine testimony that Christ is the Redeemer; faith is the instrument of our justification; and faith is the means of apprehending the righteousness of Christ. In the complete sense, faith is the root principle of the Christian life. Paul declared that the life which he lived in the flesh he lived by the faith of the Son of God, who loved him and gave himself for him.

Salvation may become the personal possession of each one who will believe in the only begotten Son of God. Let every soul credit what God has spoken concerning Christ, His sacrifice, the end for which it was offered, and the way in which it is to be applied. Let everyone trust in His grace and be saved from sin. Thus will God's sacrificial love issue in personal salvation.

# He Is Coming!

#### *by* MELZA H. BROWN

The New Testament writers all give emphasis to the glorious truth, Our Lord is coming back to this earth again. Jesus himself declared, "I will come again." The Apostle Paul gave us the outline of the events at the time of Christ's coming in I Thessalonians, chapter four and verses fifteen to eighteen.

The Lord is to descend from heaven. According to the words of the two men who stood by the disciples as the Lord was taken up, He shall so come in like manner as they saw him go into heaven.

The resurrection of the dead in Christ shall then take place. "For this we say unto you by the word of the Lord, that we which are alive and remain unto the coming of the Lord shall not prevent them which are asleep. . . . the dead in Christ shall rise first" (I Thessalonians 4:15-16). What comfort these words should be to those who have loved ones who have gone on before in death and who died triumphantly in the faith of our Lord Jesus Christ!

The translation of the living saints or living believers then follows immediately. "Then we which are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air: and so shall we ever be with the Lord" (v. 17).

Paul then takes up the time of His coming in the next chapter. He tells us that we have no need of teaching concerning the times and seasons. Why? "For yourselves know perfectly that the day of the Lord so cometh as a thief in the night" (I Thessalonians 5:2).

As a thief in the night? Are we then not to know anything relative to His coming or the events that give evidence of the approach of this great crisis in world history? Far from it, for hear the Apostle exclaim: "But ye, brethren, are not in darkness, that that day should overtake you as a thief. Ye are all the children of light, and the children of the day: we are not of the night, nor of darkness" (vv. 4-5).

The true believers are awake. They see the day approaching. They read the happenings of our day in the light of Holy Writ. Tremendous changes have come in our day, but the end is not yet. The greatest event is still ahead. Let us live always in the consciousness of the glorious fact, "He is coming!"



### Springtime Is in the Air!

March isn't very far along yet (as I write this), but two weeks of sunshine and a little warmer weather has suggested that springtime is in the air. There are other signs too—March wind, house cleaning, jonquils coming up, talk about gardening, yard work, and kites—I've seen three or four in the air or on the ground. Still, no robins have made their appearance, and there has been no marble playing in my part of the world. But I have caught sight of one group spinning tops. Spring is in the air! To use another figure, spring is beginning to show its face a little, and that much is noticeable as we come to the close of a hard winter.

We must guard against becoming temporary casualties as spring moves in upon us. Spring fever is terrible! At the first touch of it, you should order sassafras and begin to drink the wonderful tea which comes from it. It is the best antidote that I know of for spring fever, and I ought to be an authority on this subject. I drank it every spring for a number of years as I grew up. Of course there are some people who seem to be affected with spring fever the year around—especially when it comes to the church and religion. By the way, spring fever sometimes slows up a fellow almost as much as the hookworm. Beware of spring fever. It is never so prevalent as during March, April, and May.

Here are some recommendations for this time in the year:

1. Get as much fresh air and sunshine as possible. If you've been largely shut in during the winter, get out now. Garden and yard work will be good for you. It will help to ward off spring fever and keep you up to par physically. If there is no garden work at hand, do some walking. Don't ride all of the time. Nature is very beautiful during

spring, and this is one of the best times to get better acquainted with it.

- 2. The special issue of the Herald of Holiness should be in your hands by now. Read it, and you will be strengthened by its message. Its theme is "Rejoice and Sing." As a number which emphasizes gospel singing, it will be especially helpful. Also, read the other issues of the Herald of Holiness as they come. They will be a blessing to you. One other thing I want to mention in this connection. Elsewhere in this issue of the Herald of Holiness you will find an advertisement about church libraries. Read it carefully. It suggests something in which every church should participate. It will help your people to be reading Christians!
- 3. Don't forget the Palm Sunday and Easter programs which are planned for each spring by the Nazarene Radio League. They may be used without cost by stations which will air them without charge. Three hundred such programs are being presented this year in the United States and Canada.
- 4. By the way, I received my "Witness to One" pin and pledge a few days ago. It was sent to me by the Department of Evangelism and is one of the church's most significant activities during this spring. You take the pin and wear it and then sign the pledge to witness to at least one person each week for Christ. What a glorious springtime undertaking! Let's begin it at once and keep it up during the year.
- 5. The Department of Church Schools always has an extensive program on during the springtime. It began to get ready for this during January and February by urging the Sunday schools to enlist or re-enlist one family for each family. This is being followed by a "Baby Hunt" during March and April, when the purpose is to enroll fifty thousand

new babies in the Cradle Roll. This means getting into about ten new homes per church in this way. Then in May and June we are to go after the parents of these babies and the older brothers and sisters. This should put us in touch with approximately one hundred thousand fathers and mothers and fifty

By Stephen S. White ....

thousand brothers and sisters. What a program! Let's all get in on it!

- 6. 1959 is Music Year for the Church of the Nazarene, and during this springtime we are being made especially conscious of this fact. As a part of this celebration there is the Song Writers' Contest during March, April, and May. The winner will get a semester's tuition in one of our schools or \$250 in cash. Another big feature of this Music Year is the National Church Musicians' Institute, which will be held on the Indian Lake Campgrounds of the Michigan District, near Vicksburg, July 7 to 10. A most unusual program is being arranged, and Dr. Hugh C. Benner, general superintendent, will be the keynote speaker and serve as counselor.
- 7. The Nazarene Publishing House, which has much to do with the work of all of the departments of our church, is very busy putting the finishing touches on several new books. They will be ready for the first district assemblies. Watch for these books—they are A-I. Among them is a fiction book which already has been chosen by three book clubs outside of our church. The title of this book is *Orphan by Choice*. It is an unusual book and has a tremendous message. Nazarenes everywhere will want to get it and read it. Also, many of them will want to make a copy of it available to their relatives and friends outside of the church.
- 8. Remember the Herald of Holiness, Conquest, and Other Sheep campaigns, some of which will be conducted during the spring months. These magazines play a very important part in the activities of our church. Further, there is no better time to organize home mission churches than spring.
- 9. Then there is the Easter Offering for world evangelism, and a special emphasis upon Pentecost as we come up to that time of the church year. The whole church should join in making these redletter occasions.
- 10. Finally, we must always keep in mind the one great objective of every department of our church, and that is to get people saved and sanctified and then do all we can to build them up in the Christian life.

### The American Idea of Democracy

The editor has not been able to get away from a quotation which he came across recently. It was by Henry Ward Beecher, and reads as follows:

"The real democratic American idea is not that every man should be on a level with every other man but that every one shall have liberty without hindrance to be what God made him."

Real democracy doesn't mean that I'm going to have everything that everybody else has. It doesn't mean that I'm going to be rich because somebody else is rich. It doesn't mean that I'm going to have the most expensive automobile that can be found because someone else happens to have one. It doesn't mean that I'm going to wear as costly clothes as somebody else wears. That isn't what democracy means. It doesn't put us all on the same plane from the standpoint of what we eat and wear and possess.

True democracy, the kind of democracy that America has been built upon and for which it must always stand, is that everyone shall have the liberty, the possibility, of being what God made him to be. It will be made possible for him to realize his potentialities, his capacities, not somebody else's. It means that every human being should have a chance at an education, an opportunity religiously, and an opportunity to work must be placed within his reach-that is, every possible potentiality, so that he can develop that which is within him. He may not be able to rise as some rise through these opportunities, but he must be permitted to advance as far as he can. He must be so surrounded with possibilities and opportunities that he can make the most of his talents. This is all that a democracy can and should do. It can't transform a two-talent man into a five-talent man. Thus it is the obligation of a democracy to give one-talent, two-talent, and five-talent men a chance, a free opportunity to develop the possibilities that lie within them, to make the most of the talents which they have.

Not only should we stand for this as a nation, but we should take this into consideration as individuals. One of the basic causes, I believe, of so many crimes today is the fact that people want everything that everybody else has regardless of the fact that they do not have the capacity for that; and more than that, if they were to obtain these possessions, they wouldn't know how to use them as they should be used. Real American democracy means then, as Beecher said, that everyone "shall have liberty without hindrance to be what God made him."



V. H. LEWIS, Secretary

#### **EVANGELISTIC HONOR ROLL**

The following churches have been presented a certificate for "new Nazarenes" received into membership this assembly year. Each church listed has qualified according to the regulations of church membership for its group as follows:

		GAIN			GAIN	
GROUP	MEMBERSHIP	REQUIRED	GROUP	MEMBERSHIP	REQUIRED	
I	1-24	5	IV	150-299	18	
H	25-74	9	V	300-499	25	
111	75-149	12	VI	500 & over	35	

The Crusade for Souls Commission joins the entire church to express congratulations to these pastors and their churches!

Church		Present	
	Pastor	Membership	Gain
Monrovia	G. Goode	22	5
Indpls. Fountain Square	D. Myrick	4.1	13
Indpls. College Avenue	W. Thompson	50	11
Indpls. Friendly	E. Rothman	53	17
Rising Sun	E. McCormick	56	12
Bridgeport	J. Ford	80	14
Indpls. Speedway	I. Chandler	80	32
Indpls. So. Irvington	S. Lynn	84	14
Southport	J. D. Stafford	116	24
Indpls. Winter Avenue	T. W. Stofer	130	21
Indpls. East Side	E. Short	135	15
Connersville First	M. E. Scutt	164	25
Martinsville	E. Marvel	176	20
Indpls. Ray Street	J. Bean	241	20

#### **Moving Nazarenes**

The story of our "moving Nazarenes" continues:

Texas: "They promised to attend and are within three blocks of our church." Missouri: "Had a good visit with Mrs.——. She seemed interested."

California: "Mr. --- is out of the hospital and needs to get back to the Lord. I had prayer with him and he appreciated the call. I will follow this up."

NORTH CAROLINA: "They seem interested in getting started in attending our church and I believe with a little more encouragement will do so,"

TENNESSIE: "They promised to attend our church."

Indiana: "Very wonderful folks. They

WISCONSIN: "Mrs. —— and two children were in Sunday school last Sunday. Help us pray that we may win these folks to God and the church. I appreciate this service of contact by your department."

MASSACHUSETTS: "They plan to worship with us."

Nebraska: "They seemed very interested, and said they would be in church next Sunday. Thanks for the contact; we certainly appreciate the work your department is doing."

OREGON: "Mr. —— has found work here. He was very cordial in his reception of me. He lives with a non-Christian family and I have invited them all to our church. Thanks for sending his name."

ILLINOIS: "She was thrilled and surprised to see me. I'll get her and maybe two other families to come. They really appreciated my call."

MICHIGAN: "I was well received. They are not going anywhere to church and promised to come sometime."

PENNSYLVANIA: "The results of the call were gratifying and they have promised to attend services tomorrow. Thank you for this wonderful service to the Kingdom."

LOUISIANA: "A contact was made. Results cannot be determined as yet. Definite spiritual need evidenced."

FLORIDA: "They promised to attend, perhaps services tomorrow. Young lady seemed anxious to come and believe they will."

# Nazarene Young Seofile's Society and PONDER W. GILLILAND Executive Secretary Nazarene Junior Society

#### Regional Conference Schedule Opens

Over one hundred youth leaders from over the Bethany Zone groped through the fog Monday night, February 9, to attend the kickoff dinner of their annual Regional Conference. But the fog was all on the outside, for there was nothing hazy about the way the conferees tackled the fundamental problems of the N.Y.P.S. and Junior Society work and shared their ideas for the solution of them.

In his opening address Rev. Ponder Gilliland set the pattern with a realistic appraisal of our changing times and the urgent need for added emphasis in the younger age brackets of the organization. His subject was "The N.Y.P.S.—

1960-85." This prompted a realistic, gloves-off approach to the various aspects of the youth program throughout the conference. The buzz sessions on the opening night were related to the problems faced at the local level, principally, programs and leadership.

The Tuesday morning session opened with brief reports from district presidents, Junior Society directors, and Conquest campaign directors with workshops following in these three areas of interest, led by Rev. Ponder Gilliland, Miss Betty Barnett, and Rev. Fred Parker, respectively.

The first part of the afternoon was devoted to the basic problems of weekly programs, with a healthy sharing of ideas as to both subjects and methods. A second session of worshops followed.

The Tuesday evening meeting dealt

principally with the general program of the N.Y.P.S., with specific emphasis upon the plans for the General Convention in 1960.

The hospitality of the local leaders, chiefly Bob Green, director of religious education at Bethany First Church, was much appreciated. The facilities of their new annex were ideal for the meeting. Rev. Jack Lee, zone representative on the General N.Y.P.S. Council, was chairman of the conference and the mechanics of the meeting ran smoothly under his able leadership. Without question, it was the most profitable meeting of its kind yet held on the zone. There was the broadest representation of youth leaders present (only Kansas, with a conflict in their district schedule, failed to have a delegation), and there was an unexcelled spirit of co-operation and dedication to the tasks at hand.

J. FRED PARKER, Reporter

#### Zone Youth Week

Central Zone N.Y.P.S. in Nampa, Idaho, recently enjoyed a five-day youth revival with Rev. Mark Moore, evangelist, and Brother Paul McNutt, singer. It was truly a wonderful week, blessed of God, and filled with the presence of the Holy Spirit.

Services were held at College Church. hosted by Rev. Eugene Stowe and Northwest Nazarene College. There was interesting competition between the churches as each night was turned over to one of Nampa's six churches for ushering, special song, teen-age testimony, and a count from that particular church. Attendance was based on percentage of N.Y.P.S. enrollment and the results were outstanding. Percentages ranged from 91 per cent to 250 per cent, including Nampa's largest churches. More than 1.100 were present for the Wednesday evening service.

The preaching of Rev. Mark Moore was God-anointed and pertinent to the needs of youth. Brother McNutt sang beautifully and in the Spirit each night. Central Zone in Nampa feels a keen responsibility to its hundreds of teen-agers and college young people. We give God the praise for His continued blessings in our midst.

DICK J. EDWARDS, Zone Chairman



#### Those Auxiliaries

A spiritual grammar lesson)

I heard a message last evening on the I must's of Jesus: \* "I must be about my Father's business": "I must work the works of him that sent me, while it is day"; and so on. Run down the list. What are your "must's?". The same as His, your inner compulsions? Well for you if your heart is so adjusted. And are you ordering your life so as to keep free to obey them? Maintaining their burning quality by active commitment? (Luke 2:49; John 9:4.)

Tuesday:
"I can"-how about that? How do you measure your ability? Paul said, "I can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth me." And Jesus: "I give you power . . . over all the power of the enemy." Then the infinite, ". . . lo. I am with you alway." (Philippians 1:13; Luke 10:19; Matthew 28:20.)

Wednesday:

What is the direction of "I will." your will? Set against God's and toward your own wishes? A secret inclination to indulge self? You'll never make it. Futile, wasted effort. But set to catch the wind of His purposes, invincible and advancing. Don't waste your Godgiven power of free choice. (Joshua 24:15; Hebrews 10:9.)

Thursday:
"I may ado the right thing)." Too weak! I may slips easily into I might, and before you realize, into indecision of character. Change it quickly to that good I will. And "I may, or I might (yield to temptation, just this once) "-don't even think it.

Do you stand sentry to your thoughts? Are the wrong may's and might's strictly verboten? (Psalms 141:3; Colossians 3:17: Philippians 4:8.)

Rev. James Jones.

## Servicemen's Corr



Why Do You Stay In?

"When are you coming back into the ministry," Do you ever get a chance to preach?" Then this question to a minister who was entering the navy chaplaines. "But why are you going into the chaplaince? I thought you were getting along well with your church." Yes, these questions and many others of a similar nature come to us as Nazarene chaplains. It isn't that we're personally misunderstood but rather that the nature, scope, and challenge of our work just aren't known.

If I am to answer why I stay in. I must first of all answer why I came in. There are three main reasons for it-prior military experience, a clear call of God, and the great need of the field. Most of our chaplains had prior military experience, and personal reasons, as I did, which directly led to salvation and the promise to live for God. In my case, as a prisoner of war, with a gun in my back, I promised the Lord I'd serve Him the rest of my life if He'd spare me. That was the first step on the trail.

College, Seminary, and four years serving on the North American Indian District were all in the Lord's plan for me. The call to the chaplaincy came slowly but clearly and I've never doubted it. The past five years of service in the chaplaincy have borne out the reality of the call. One calls it "the greatest home mission field in America today."

Why do I stay in? First, because I love the Lord Jesus Christ and am determined never to step out of His will, which is for me, now, the chaplaines with all of its challenge. Second, I love my work. Where else can I preach and witness to so many unsaved men of all races and creeds, many of whom would never enter a gospel church? Where else can 1 preach the simple message of salvation and present a call to holiness of heart and life, then have a sergeant come and tell me it was the first gospel message he'd heard in over fifteen years in the service? Where else could I have so many counseling opportunities (I average sixty per month) and point the way to Jesus Christ?

Finally, I stay in the service to represent my church. I have come to appreciate it and feel more a part of it. Our Servicemen's Commission does more for our Nazarenes in service than any other denomination. I'm proud and thankful to be a part of it. Why do I stay in? How could

CHAPLAIN (CAPL) SAMUEL R. GRAVES, JR., Fort Leonard Wood, Mo.

MAZARENE SERVICEMEN'S COMMISSION Ponder W. Gilliland DIRECTOR

#### Friday:

"I could (if I would)." Dangerous to stop there. If the thing you're facing is right, make it personal, immediate, actual, by changing I could to I can—to I will. A "less vivid future" soon becomes never. (Colossians 3:1-3.)

#### Saturday:

"I would, if—"Finish it at your peril. Is any "if" valid when confronted by a challenge of God? Be honest and face yourself: "I would if I cared." I would can cheat you with a complacent dream that never materializes. (Matthew 6:24.) Sunday:

An honest "I should; I ought" brings us back to our first "I must; I will." It faces God's Word and God's will without excuse or self-deception. "Recognized ideals are imperative." There is no turning back from light. (I John 1:7.)

Modal auxiliaries express modes of thinking which drift into attitudes to life. Where do you find yourself? Where do 1?



#### From Korea

This has been a busy year for us. We have tried to familiarize ourselves with our people, their customs, and with Korean society. We have been observing, asking questions, and trying to learn how to be useful and relieve the Owenses of some of their heavy responsibilities.

Then we have been giving hours and hours in language study—a full-time job in itself.

We have been visiting churches. Almost every Sunday one or both of us visits one or more Korean churches. Eldon preaches nearly every Sunday and has had a very heartening response. He has held some revivals and shorter meetings. We took part in a very successful V.B.S. workshop and spent a week with our young people in the first District N.Y.P.S. Retreat at scenic Kwang Nung National Forest.

We completed a term of teaching in the Bible school, and Eldon has taken over the task of learning the intricacies of the mission treasurer's duties.

We rejoice especially in God's wonderful answer to prayer concerning the moving of our Bible school. We had no room for expansion here in the center of Seoul, and were searching for a location outside the city. God answered your prayers and helped us to secure a beautiful location, wooded now with young pines-twenty-one acres of land. with ample room for growth. It over looks the mountains, the Han River, a country village, and rice paddies, as well as the city of Seoul in the distance. God sent us a carpenter who would undertake the building project at a reasonable cost. He also helped us to sell the old building in Scoul. We now have ten neat, practical, and attractive buildings on our new campus. There are dormitories for men and women, an administration building, houses for Korean workers and for the missionaries, and facilities for dining for the students. All these are only in answer to your

REMISS REHFELDT, Secretary many prayers on our behalf.—Marcella Cornett, Korea.

#### In Lourenco Marques

By Oscar Stockwell, Portuguese East Africa

Just before Christmas, Pastor Manuel Dias and I had a very profitable two Sunday meeting in Lourenco Marques, during which the average attendance was twenty-seven, the minimum being twenty-one and the maximum forty-one. Seekers came every evening, including six new people. Numbers of new people entered the church for the first time, and twelve persons never missed a service.

We prepared for the service by visitation, handing out Testaments and loaning the phonograph with good gospel records so that folk could listen in private.

Farrings, neck chains, and face paint disappeared and thirty-odd evil books with some tobacco were burned outside the church in a special service.

Five persons were received into full membership, and the pastor's small baby was dedicated in a service which many of these people had never witnessed before. The planned emphasis for these meetings was holiness.

Two of the persons received into membership were named "Mary of the Light" and "Mary of the Glory." We thank God for the light and glory in Lourenco Marques and may it increase.

#### Note from Brazil

You may well understand what it is to begin a work among a foreign people, in a foreign tongue, where Americans are not especially appreciated; where prices are high, where there are no Sunday school superintendents, no Sunday school teachers, no youth workers, no national pastors, no Sunday school youth journals, no Heralds of Holiness, no holiness tracts or literature. Or maybe you had never thought about such a situation.

We are preparing some twenty-five tracts. They are translated and we have had some designs drawn to make attractive cuts for the covers—now for publication.

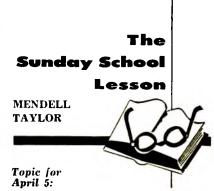
The other day an electrical engineer was converted and is testifying everywhere. There are others who have expressed hunger, requesting prayer. Last night a laboratory technician said, "I'm seeking. Who can give me wings? The good that I would do, I do not, and the evil that I would not do, that I do."

Pray for a permanent location for our mission in Brazil, for 300 people genuinely converted in 1959, for some holiness-preacher material, including some English-speaking Brazilians.—Earl. Mostiller, Brazil.

Answered Prayer for Ronald Bishop

Thank you for the request for prayer. God has met my need and I'm feeling fine now. The two attacks so close together caused a bit of anxiety to my family, but I've already decided long ago to live for Him as long as He allows me, and then go to Him; so it's just Jesus all the way.—RONALD BISHOP, British Honduras.

Rev. Harry Flinner, missionary on furlough from Peru, who has been hospitalized as the result of an automobile accident, has been released from the hospital and returned home (West Virginia). He has recovered very well. Thank you for your prayers. One of the persons in the other car passed away a week later; the other person is recovering.



Samuel as Judge

SCRIPTURE: I Samuel 3:19-21; 7 (Printed: I Samuel 7:5-16)

GOLDEN TENT: Moreover as for me. God forbid that I should sin against the Lord in ceasing to pray for you: but I will teach you the good and the right way (I Samuel 12:23).\*

A Praying Ruler: Samuel was the Lord's representative for running the government of the children of Israel. Samuel would receive instructions from the Lord and then relay them to the people. The Lord was recognized as the Head of the government.

On the occasion under consideration Samuel called the people together at Mizpeh for an extended period of prayer. (The word Mizpeh means "Watchtower." Perhaps it received this name because it was the highest point in that area. Its elevation was 2,933 feet. It was an ancient sacred place of the tribe of Benjamin, located about five miles northeast of Jerusalem.)

The expressed purpose of the convocation was stated in these words: "I will pray for you unto the Lord." A praying leader will usually inspire his people to pray.

A Prayer of Repentance: The people indicated their sincerity by pouring water before the Lord. Water was a scarce and expensive commodity in this desert area. They were willing to make some economic sacrifices to get the attention of the Lord. They also observed a season of fasting; then they prayed a prayer of repentance. They acknowledged their wrongdoing, assumed full responsibility for the same, and pledged that such acts would not be repeated.

A Philistine Raid: Praying people have always attracted the attention of the world. The Philistines heard of this prayer program and became fearful lest this united action turn into a campaign to overthrow Philistine rule.

The Philistine control was so complete that the name of the country was Palestine, and Palestine is a corruption of the word "Philistia." The ruling group would not tolerate a resurgent minority movement. The threatened minority appealed to its praying ruler and urged him to do everything possible to save the people from defeat.

A Philistine Retreat: The Philistines drew up for battle. However, the Lord entered the situation. He used "General Storm" to spread consternation among the Philistines. The men of Israel marched forth from the place of prayer and won a major victory. The well-disciplined troops of the Philistines gave way to mutiny, and a total defeat was inflicted upon them.

The praying judge, Samuel, gave the Lord all of the credit. He hallowed the site of the battle by creeting a historical marker. This stone monument was named "Ebenezer." The meaning of the term is "Hitherto hath the Lord Felped us."

The inspired and inspiring leadership of Samuel gave him such stature among the people that they placed his judgeship on a life tenure basis.

\*The Golden Texts as printed in the second quarter "Advanced Quarterly" and lesson leaflets, and in the April "Bible School Journal" are incorrect. The verse printed here is correct.

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What is synergism?

Synergism is a theological word which is set over against monergism. The latter term has been associated with those in the past who have claimed that regeneration, or the new birth, is the work of the Holy Spirit, or God, alone. The first part of the word monergism means "one" and the last part "energy or power." Thus it is one energy, or power, which saves a person, and this one energy, or power, is God. Man has no part in his salvation. Synergism, on the other hand, literally means that

someone works with someone else in achieving an objective. Thus when synergism is used as to regeneration, it means that the latter is a co-operative affair in which both God and man have a part. On the one side there is the Holy Spirit, while on the other there is the will of man. Monergism is Calvinistic, placing the responsibility of man's salvation wholly on God, while synergism gives to man a part of the responsibility.

#### Will human beings who make it to heaven become angels?

In some respects we may be like angels, but we will not be angels, even after we get to heaven. Angels are a different order of beings. Also there will be no redeemed angels in heaven. They will have always been holy and will, therefore, have no need of redemption. Finally, they are generally regarded as a little higher order of beings than men.

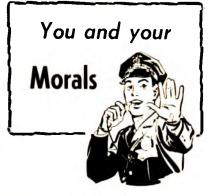
Are the fruits of the Spirit a sufficient sign of the indwelling Spirit when the experience has been earnestly and specifically sought, even though there has been no noticeable internal change?

Here you are really dealing with the witness of the Spirit, and Wesley has been clearer on this subject than anyone else. He speaks of the direct and the indirect witness. By the former he means the mystical meeting of God's Spirit with our spirits. Thus the Holv Spirit, in some indescribable way, makes me to know within that the work is done. This experience is explained in Romans 8:16: "The Spirit itself beareth witness with our spirit, that we are the children of God." The indirect witness is the manifestation in our lives of the fruit of the Spirit. Either of these witnesses points to a change within, it seems to me. To this double witness, I would add a third-the witness of the Word. Some who have had difficulty in believing have been helped by it. It emphasizes believing the Word of God. If a person is sure that he has met all of the conditions, he has a right to step out on the promise and believe that God does the work. I never suggest this unless I believe that the seeker has met all of the conditions. This witness plus the indirect witness, the witness of a changed life externally, ought to be quite convincing. In fact, he who has made the journey this far will not usually have to wait long for the direct witness. It may be easier for some to be confused about the inner witness than about the other two witnesses. The Word of God certainly never can fail. We need not hesitate to rest our faith on it.

Will you please tell me what happened to Joseph when he was sent by his father to visit his brethren? Was he with his brothers when they sat down to eat bread? Did the Midianites lift him out of the pit and sell him to the Ishmeelites for twenty pieces of silver or did Joseph's brethren sell him? Did the Midianites or the Ishmeelites sell Joseph to Potiphar, an officer of Pharaoh's guard?

The story which you ask about is given in Genesis 37, especially verses 12 through the remainder of the chapter. As one reads the account he does find it a little difficult to get all of the facts clearly in mind. However, I'll try to help you with your questions after reading carefully Genesis 37 and a Bible dictionary's account of what happened. Joseph was disliked by his brothers because of his dreams, which he had told rather freely, and the fact that he was his father's pet. Joseph was not with his brothers when they sat down to eat

bread. They had already cast him into the pit, which was probably close by. While Reuben was away from the other brothers. Joseph was lifted out of the pit by them and sold to the Midianites, who were a part of a caravan of Ishmeelites. Then the Midianites later sold Joseph to Potiphar. The Ishmeelites were traveling carriers between Gilead and Egypt, and it was to certain Midianite merchantmen in this Ishmeelites caravan that Joseph was sold. The Midianite merchantmen later sold Joseph to Potiphar, as I have already indicated.



SOME LOOSE ENDS ON LIQUOR—

1. In a recent local plebiscite two issues faced the voters: whether they would fluoridate the water and whether liquor could be sold. The heated discussions prior to the election chiefly revolved around the treating of the water for the health of the populace. Fluoridation lost 40-60 and liquor won 60-40. A commentary, perhaps, on the sinfulness of the unregenerate heart.

2. Comes the word as of January 27, 1959, that the New Mexico Senate OK's the use of Peyote, an intoxicant made from a desert plant, in religious ceremonies. Bingo, also, is lawful in many areas if the gambling is under the auspices of a church—a certain church always. Something is amiss when religious institutions are excepted in our laws against vice.

3. Always the distillers have wanted distinguished men and youthful athletes to represent their degrading products. Now Seagram and Schenley and other companies want to put more glasses, well filled, into delicate hands. The woman-reachingfor-a-drink is beginning to appear in pictures and in person. For along with ads, some companies are using women to go from place to place to plug their products. Schenley has announced that it will engage five saleswomen to call on retailers in order to suggest sales promotion and address women's groups on hints for entertainment. Seagram has employed Betty Murray, who will make talks on the use of liquor in recipes.

Not just the Syracuse Federation of Women's Clubs has opposed these new advertising inroads. Even the Women's Association of the Alcoholic Beverage Industries is reportedly asking for a call-off on the new prac-

4. According to figures released January 22 it is estimated that Americans drank 84,250,000 barrels of beer and ale in 1958—about one-half barrel for every man, woman, and baby in the country!

5. Christian Brothers Distillers, the Roman Catholic makers of liquor, have paid no more tax than the clandestine moonshiners of Kentucky and clsewhere during Prohibition days. They have been tax-free, since they are an institution of the church. But a few months ago they were ordered to begin paying tax, to the tune of \$479,000 for 1958. They have appealed instead of paying, and it remains to be seen whether the Department of Internal Revenue, Washington, D.C., will make it stick. The Department is sure to receive much pressure from the Roman Catholics, since this distillery is one of their institutions. Many of us will want to write the Department asking that it maintain its decision to tax the so-called "Christian Brothers." For while we wish they would not distill liquors at all, we certainly do not like to see them do it with a free hand-and right out in the open at that.

J. KENNETH GRIDER
for the Committee on Public Morals

## NEWS

# of the Churches

Marion. Ohio - Kensington Place Church recently closed a most successful revival campaign with Evangelist James Leonard. Under the old-fashioned, truly scriptural, holiness preaching of Brother Leonard the people were led to greater spiritual heights. The altar services were fruitful, with many finding God in salvation and entire sanctification, and our people are encouraged. Pastor and people feel that this was one of the most spiritual rewarding revivals we have witnessed in this church. Plans are now being made to begin construction of a new church building in the near future.- PAUL Pusiv. Pastor.

Evangelist W. H. Davis writes that he has "a choice date open. April 16 (brough 26; would like to slate in the South or Southeast." Write him, Route 3. Box 228-A. Henryetta, Oklahoma.

The Leichty Family (Elvin, Marge, Dianne, and Donald), evangelist and singers, report: "Since our entering the field of full-time evangelism last fall, the Lord has blessed in many ways. We have seen many souls come to Christ and many backsliders get back to God. We have served in nine revival campaigns and three special week-end meetings since last September 7. Our children—Dianne, thirteen; and Donald, ten—travel with us and help in the singing and plaving. Write us. R.F.D. 1. Farl Park, Indiana."

Evangelist Robert Winegarden writes: "The doctors have informed me that I have had an excellent recovery from a recent heart attack and that I am now able to resume my efforts for the Lord in the field of evangelism. I shall be glad to hear from any church desiring my services. Write me. Route I. Cayuga, Indiana."

Corbin. Kentucky—Our church recently enjoyed a wonderful youth revival with Evangelist C. H. Dooley. The church was greatly blessed and inspired by the Spirit-anointed messages of Brother Dooley. A good number of seekers found victory at the altar of prayer. We thank God for Brother Dooley and for this meeting.—Simos GORMAN, Pastor.

Evangelists Alvo O. and Gladys Estep write: "The year of 1958 was a good one and God kept us busy-one of the busiest years we have had in our near twenty-five years in the evangelistic field. We especially rejoice in the rich blessings of God upon our work during the fall and thus far into the new year. We have labored with some of the best pastors and people in the church. In every meeting God has given us a real breakthrough, with seekers at the altar and victorious finders. Victory was found, restitution was made, shouts were heard in the camp, and many of these people united with our church. We have a good slate for '59 and into the spring in 1960, with a few exceptionsMay 20 to 31, June 3 to 14, September 2 to 13, and November 11 to 22 for this year, with some time open in the spring and winter of 1960. We love the Lord and the Church of the Nazarene more than ever. Write us. Box 238, Losantville, Indiana."

Pastor Harvin L. Shuck writes: "After pastoring in Seminole, Texas, for a short time we resigned to accept full-time work in our First Church. Tucumcari, New Mexico. We have a fine group of people here, the church and parsonage are debt free, and there is a tremendous opportunity for the Kingdom. We are also happy to be back on our home educational zone, since Wife and I both attended our Pasadena College."

Little Rock, Arkansas-Since our coming to Westwood Church some eight months ago, the Lord has wonderfully blessed in the services. We have seen some thirty professions of faith, with twenty-four members added to the church. Recently we had a youth revival with Buddy Prentice and Clarice Smith, students from our Bethany Nazarene College, as the workers. blessed and gave fifteen fine young people praying through at the altar. These fine young folk from our college worked. fasted, and praved until God came in mighty power. God honored the prayers of His people and the preaching of this young man from our school.-Doyle D. WHSON, Pastor.

#### Central Ohio District Preachers' Meeting

Lively interest and a deeply spiritual tone marked the sessions of the Central Ohio District preachers meeting held at Elvria. February 16 to 19.

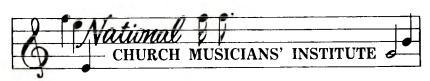
Dr. G. B. Williamson, general superintendent, and Dr. Ralph Earle, professor at Nazarene Theological Seminary, were the special speakers. Both men, wellknown in their high positions of leadership in the church, certainly distinguished themselves further as preachers and teachers of the Word during this great convention. Central Ohio pastors and their wives and friends who attended returned to their local fields challenged and inspired to do more effectually the work God has assigned.

Dr. Harvey S. Galloway, district superintendent, skillfully arranged the daily schedules so that there was not a weak or wasted hour on the program. An extra special feature enjoyed by all was the presence of Rey, Merrill S. Bennett, missionary from Japan, His graphically illustrated messages were deeply appreciated. Mr. Elvin Hicks rendered cheerful service as the publishing house representative.

The host pastor, Rev. John Hanson, and his people did a fine job of caring for the physical needs of all the guests. Elyria people are friendly and hospitable.

Following recent custom, the P.W.A. (Preachers' Wives' Association), under the leadership of Mrs. Harvey S. Galloway, enjoyed some times of special fellowship together and contributed greatly to the convention by providing a very inspiring musical program on Wednesday evening.

 $\hat{\Lambda}$  communion service, presided over





MEET Dr. Hugh C. Benner, general superintendent of the Church of the Nazarene, who will deliver the keynote address, conduct a panel discussion, and direct his own choral composition, "Prepare Ye the Way of the Lord," during the festival. He will counsel pastors and musicians on church music problems.

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#### A Sacred Music Camp on Indian Lake, near Vicksburg, Michigan

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by Dr. Williamson and Dr. Galloway, brought the meeting to a close at noon on Thursday.—Patt. K. Hayman, Reporter,

North Arkansas District Preachers' Meeting

The ministers of the North Arkansas District met at Favetteville, February 23 to 25, with Rev. A. D. Martell and the Morrison Davis Memorial Church serving as wonderful hosts.

District Superintendent J. W. Hendrickson presented a prayerfully workedout program for each service, and God's presence was felt from the first. The ministry of our special worker, Dr. L. T. Corlett, president of Nazarene Theological Seminary, was the high light of every service. Dr. Corlett presented acutely and frankly some of the problems facing ministers today, along with God's answers to those problems.

Also present to bring reports of our missionary work in Africa was Miss Avanell McNabb, missionary nurse on furlough. She gave a thrilling account of her own call and the place of medical work in the evangelistic program of the church.

Dr. Roy H. Cantrell, president, brought a report on the work of Bethany Nazarene College. Other speakers scheduled in the three days' services were district leaders who caught the spirit of God's blessing and presented the various aspects of the church work in an inspiring way. Mrs. J. W. Hendrickson, N.F.M.S. president, challenged us to do more for missions. Rev. John Maybury and the church school board presented new challenges in Sunday school work. Rev. Eugene Hulsey, NA.P.S. president, presented this phase of the work, and Rev. John Fechner, pastor of a home mission church in Newport, gave us a thrilling challenge in reporting the results of personal visitation.

Nearly all the ministers of the district were present from the first service to the last, also a number of visitors. Among the visitors were Rev. and Mrs. W. H. Johnson: he is a former superintendent of this district.

The convention closed Wednesday morning with a service especially anointed of God when a number of ministers who were ill presented them selves for special prayer for divine healing. God came and moved in a wonderful way. [or A. Dickens, Reporter,

Ashland, Kentucky—Grace Church had a very successful revival in February with Evangelist "Billy" Frickson, who carried a burden for the lost and preached each night with the anointing of the Holy Spirit. Old-time conviction settled upon the services, gripping the hearts of the people, and a great number of souls found their way to an aftar of prayer. The unsayed were converted, the believers sanctified, and the saints blessed by the old-time. Holy Chost revival.—Heles Lewis, Reporter.



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DEAN WESSELS, Secretary

#### A RETIRED ELDER WRITES FROM AN EASTERN STATE:

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This elder gave nearly thirty-two years of service to the Church of the Nazarene. The reward for those nearly thirty-two years consists of at least two things: first, the memory of a fruitful past; and second, (and in this we all have a share) the knowledge that her church still loves and appreciates her. You can show your appreciation in a tangible way by giving to the Nazarene Ministers Benevolence Fund.

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Sarasota, Florida-Our church recently enjoyed a wonderful revival with Evangelists C. C. and Flora Chatfield. The splendid Bible messages and singing were blessed of God in reaching the hearts of the people. Both young and old were helped and many were saved and sanctified during the meeting. We are now in our fourth year here and the good people of the church have given us a call for another year. Many new people are coming our way. If you have friends in or near our city, write me (P.O. Box 1981) and I'll be glad to contact them.-ROBERT E. DAVISSON, Pas-

The (Thomas) Fowler Family Evangelistic Party reports: "We had a wonderful revival with Rev. W. R. Sessions and the fine people of West End Church in Birmingham, Alabama. There were about fifty seekers for pardon, heart purity, or healing, and on the closing Sunday night God came in a great way with 15 at the altar. We had a touch of Pentecost. Then on February 22 we closed a wonderful revival with Rev. C. Harry Huff and his fine people at First Church, Sumter, South Carolina, Great crowds, many seekers at the altar, 326 in Sunday school the last Sunday, and the altar filled on the closing Sunday night. This is a great church and Brother and Sister Huff are among the finest. We have a few dates left in 1959 and 1960; we carry the whole programpreaching, singing, and music. Write us, 3906 Ninth Avenue, Parkersburg, West Virginia.'

Evangelist Marvin S. Cooper writes: "I am now building my spring and fall slate. I will be in Michigan during the month of May, and have open dates. May 19 to 31, and June 2 to 14; would be glad to give this time to some pastor or district superintendent. The Lord is honoring our efforts to win men for the Kingdom. Write me, 1514 N. Wakefield Street. Arlington 7. Virginia."

Evangelists Eddie and Ann Burnem write that they have June 17 to 28 available. Write them, Box 1007, Ashland. Kentneky.

Inez, Kentucky-Recently First Church experienced one of the greatest revivals they have had in a number of years.

We thank God for the old-fashioned, Spirit-anointed preaching of Evangelist Larry Ritchie. Truly this was a Heavenborn revival with great spiritual depth. Brother Ritchie is a forceful, dynamic preacher with a vision for the lost and a burden for souls.-John P. Salver, Pas-

Ft. Worth, Texas-River Oaks Church had a very fine revival recently with Evangelist and Mrs. H. F. Crews as the special workers. Their ministry in music and preaching was deeply appreciated by the people; they were given a call to return in the fall of 1960. God blessed and gave a good number of seekers, with 7 new members received on the closing night. The closing day of the revival was the second anniversary of River Oaks Church and we were thrilled to have 265 present in Sunday school. Our church is located near the Carswell Air Force Base here.-Charles R. McCall, Pastor

Barry, Illinois-On February 1 we closed a wonderful meeting with Evangelists W. W. and Wilma Geeding. In spite of cold weather, snow, and ice, God broke in upon us and gave a time of victory around the altar amidst the shouts of the saints. There were several seekers; also God gave us an outstanding healing service. We give Him the praise.-John Haley, Jr., Pastor.

Nashville, Tennessee-On February 1 the Third Church closed a youth revival sponsored by our N.Y.P.S., with Ralph and Joann Dunmire doing fine work as song evangelists. Our pastor, Rev. Gordon V. Woods, was the evangelist, bringing dynamic messages each night. We had a wonderful meeting with several young people being converted and others reclaimed.—Precy Sullivan, Reporter.

Freedom, Pennsylvania-In our recent revival meeting with Evangelist C. H. Harley God met with us in a gracious way. Many seekers found God at the the altar, and the Lord gave us a glo-rious climaxing time of victory on the closing night. The Holy Spirit came with convicting power in such a way that the altar service continued until midnight. The Harleys are among the best in service for Christ and lost souls. -E. J. HASTIE, Pastor,



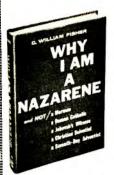
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Abbotsford, B.C., Canada-We are glad to report progress here. Last September we enjoyed a good revival with the Dee Rushing Trio, and our pastor as the evangelist. Our church participated in the "Week of Witnessing." adding new scholars to the Sunday school, and climaxed the Golden Anniversary year with a wonderful thanksgiving service on October 12. Later that month we had a ten-day revival with Evangelist L. T. Edwards. His prophetic ministry, illustrated by charts and colored slides, was well received, and God blessed in giving a number of souls praying through at the altar. Also, in October we were hosts to the Canada Pacific preachers' meeting with District Superintendent Bert Daniels in charge, and Dr. L. Guy Necs of Los Angeles, California, as guest speaker. As a fitting beginning to the new year we gave Pastor M. Westmacott a unanimous threeyear recall. We rejoice that he and his good wife have accepted, and God is blessing in the work here.-Marjorie E. Martin, Secretary,

South Pasadena, California-February 8 marked the close of one of the best revivals our church has ever experienced. Under the Spirit-anointed ministry of Evangelist and Mrs. C. W. Davis the altar was filled a number of times with hungry seekers and happy finders. Their positive preaching of holiness produced some definite experiences of entire sanctification. The Davises endeared themselves to both young and old, and the church has given them a call to return in 1961. Ten fine members were received into the church, giving us an increase of nineteen new members this year. The church is moving forward in every department, for which we give God praise. -James M. Whitley, Pastor.

Evangelists Jack and Ruby Carter write: "Within a few months we will have completed thirty-five years in the ministry, of which twenty years have been spent in the evangelistic field. During 1958 it was our privilege to work with some wonderful pastors and people, and see many people find God at the

altar of prayer; the churches were helped and blessed and new members added. We traveled and worked in eighteen states and conducted twenty-one revivals, doing both the preaching and singing. We have some time open this summer and fall which we would be glad to give to any church needing our services as preacher and singers. It is a joy and privilege to work for our Saviour in the task of winning souls. Write us, 609 N. Mueller Street, Bethany Oklahoma."

Whitefish, Montana—Recently a profitable evangelistic meeting was held in our church by Evangelist Kenneth H. Wells. He is a gifted song writer, singer, and musician, as well as being a strong and sane preacher of holiness. God blessed and gave thirty-eight seekers, a good number to be saved and an equal number to be sanctified. One evening we had the wonderful privilege of seeing a father and mother and their seven children all seeking God at the altar. We greatly appreciated Brother Wells's ministry with us.—WM. G. Collier, Paster

Ithaca, New York—I came to South Hill Church here early in January, and the youth council requested that I conduct the revival, January 25 through February I. The church had been without a pastor for four months and I began preaching holiness. The Sunday night before the meeting started five the week, resulting in thirty-one praying through—seven saved and twenty-four gloriously sanctified. Some were saved for the first time, and others saved one night and came back to be sanctified. Both old and young were reached, and some "hard" cases were won for God. The spirit of the revival continues with us. Some of the other Nazarene pastors, with their people, came and gave us a boost in the meeting. This is my first pastorate and I thank God for His help and blessing.—Chris. Christopher, Pastor.

Evangelist Gerald Worcester writes: "I hold evangelist's commission from the Idaho-Oregon District. I am now in a meeting with our Lowell Church, Denver, Colorado, and God is giving good results. The days of revivals are not over. I will be in the Midwest in October and would be happy to conduct a ten-day or Sunday-through-Sunday meeting in that general section. Write me. Route 2, Twin Falls, Idaho."

Nampa, Idaho—First Church reports a wonderful Golden Anniversary year of progress and spiritual blessing. In a recent Sunday morning service our pastor, Rev. Raymond C. Kratzer, was given a unanimous recall with more than 300 members voting. The unanimous opinion of the church membership is symbolic of the unity that prevailed in the

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people were gloriously sanctified. On the first Sunday morning of the meeting we had fifty-five people present, but everything seemed so "dead." We fasted and prayed, and God came with Holy Ghost conviction that night—seven people sanctified and one saved for the first time. Some of the church members joined me in fasting and prayer, and God broke in on the services during Early Church at Pentecost. During the Golden Anniversary year the church membership increased from 731 to 765 with more than one-half of this gain represented by profession-of-faith gains. The Sunday school enrollment increased from 755 to 863, a gain of 108; the Sunday school showed a 50 per Sunday gain, climbing from 525 to 575 per Sunday. Missionary offerings are the high-

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#### Deaths

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MRS. EMILY R. MANGUM, wife of Dr. Thomas E. Mangum, Sr., of Nampa, Idaho, died January 22, 1959. With her husband she was instrumental in founding the Samaritan Hospital and School of Nursing in 1920, and for more than thirty years was active in preparing nurses for missionary service. For twelve years she was a member of the W.F.M.S. General Council, and for five years served as president of the Idaho-Oregon District W.F.M.S. She is survived by her husband and six children, Funeral service was held in College Church of the Nazarene, Nampa, with her pastor, Rev. Eugene Stowe, officiating, and Dr. D. I. Vanderpool bringing the message. Others assisting in the service were Dr. John E. Riley, Rev. I. F. Younger, Miss Mary Scott, and Rev. Raymond Kratzer. More than six hundred people attended the funeral service honoring this one who had devoted so much of her life to the cause of Nazarene missions. Interment was in the Kohlerlawn Cemetery in Nampa.

M. T. CRAWFORD, age ninety, a retired merchant and the father of Dr. James L. and Dr. John Crawford of Sulphur Springs, Texas, died in November of 1958. He was the last surviving member of a large family of pioneers who came west in covered wagons. He married Ida May Adair. He was born in Arkadelphia, Arkanasa. He was a member of the Church of the Nazarene. Besides Dr. James and Dr. John, other survivors are W. L., and three daughters: Dr. Pauline Herron, Dr. Ruth Jones, and Dr. Mary Dale. Funeral service was held at the Church of the Nazarene in Sulphur Springs, with Rev. E. H. Hendrix in charge, and burial was in the Restlawn Cemetery.

MRS. BEN J. BIXBY, Sr., was born April 26, 1886, and died August 11, 1958, at East Palestine, Ohio. She was a charter member of First Church of the Nazarene, East Liverpool, Ohio; had been a Nazarene for fifty years. She was the mother of three sons and two daughters, who, with her husband, survive her. Mr. and Mrs. Bixby celebrated their fiftieth wedding anniversary in August of 1956. She was an active member in the N.F.M.S., the Sunday school, and a faithful attener at church. The children are—Mrs. Bonnie Stitler, Mrs. Betty Averitt, Rev. Ben J. Bixby INszarene pastor at Smithton), Fred, and James E. Funeral service was at the East Liverpool church with Rev. James E. Hunton officiating.

VIOLET ANN LYLE GRAVES of Warren, Pennsylvania, died October 18, 1958, at the age of forty. She was the mother of five chitdren, one preceding her in death. She is also survived by her husband, Richard, and her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Gail Lyle. Funeral service was in charge of her pastor, Rev. John Andree, assisted by Rev. A. C. Spencer.

ELLINGTON CLARK MESSER was born January 3, 1914, at Austin, Texas, and died November 21, 1958. He was beautifully converted and gave glowing evidence of his salvation. He is survived by his widow, Mrs. Eleanor Leah Messer, of Clearwater, Florida; a son, Arthur Ja-Eu; and a daughter, Mrs. Edsei Brown; also his parents, Rev. and Mrs. E. D. Messer, of Clearwater; two brothers, Bradford W. and Donald W.; two sisters, Mrs. R. E. Summers and Mrs. C. R. Armstrong. He was preceded in death by a brother, Joe Ed, Just two years 490.

MRS. MARY L. COLLINS (nee Mary Lyda Knight) MRS. MARY L. COLLINS (nee Mary Lyda Knight) was born December 31, 1866, at Leona, Texas, and died June 26, 1958, at Midwest City, Oklahoma. She was converted at the age of nine, and became a member of the newly organized Church of the Nazarene at Batson, Texas, in January of 1909. From there she moved har membership to Fort Worth and Burkburnett, Texas—a faithful Nazarene through nearly fifty years until God called her home. Her life was a blessing and inspiration to her family and many friends. She was the gody mother of five sons—Jesse, Claude, Thomas, Clarence, and an unnamed infant; and three daughters—Mrs. Myrtle Neison, Mrs. Janueta Goodlett, and Mrs. Mary Pratzer. Mrs. Mary Pratzer.

#### Announcements WEDDING BELLS

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Miss Carol E. Kapigian of La Canada, California, and Rev. David E. Gorton, 1958 Nazarene Theological Seminary graduate, of East Lansing, Michigan, were united in marriage on January 31 in the Church of the Nazarene, Glendale, California, with the pastor, Rev. Charles Higgins, officiating, assisted by Rev. Gene King.

BORN—to Q. S. and Barbara (Milstead) Clingerman of Nazarene Theological Seminary, Kansas City, Missouri, a daughter, Vicki Lynn, on March 1.

-to Bob and Fran (Johnson) North of Kansas Missouri, a son, Terrence Allen, on Febru-

—to Airman 1st Class Allen and Janice Brarden in Chandler, Arizona, a son, Albert Allen, on February 25.

---to Mr. and Mrs. Charles Guscott of Jefferson, Ohio, a son, Dean Douglas, on February 24.

—to Mr. and Mrs. William Gray of Bourbonnais, Illinois, a son, James Clayton, on February 21.

—to Mr. and Mrs. David Davidson of Bourbonnais, Illinois, a son, David Scott, on February 21.

—to Mr. and Mrs. Don Parker of Bourbonnais, Illinois, a daughter, Janice Elaine, on February 14.

—to Mr. and Mrs. Paul Miller of Bourbonnais, Illinois, a daughter, Cassandra, on January 3.

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for a revival in their church; by a reader in Ohio for healing of his wife and son, for a problem in his own life—that God will give victory over it, that God will give them a revival in the local church, and for a very special

revival in the local church, and for a very special unspoken request;
by a Nazarene in Idaho for a young couple expecting their first child, and a serious problem has arisen over the baptism of the child—the mother is a Protestant Christian and the husband almost persuaded—the parents of the mother also have requested prayer for themselves and the young daughter and her home—this is an urgent request.

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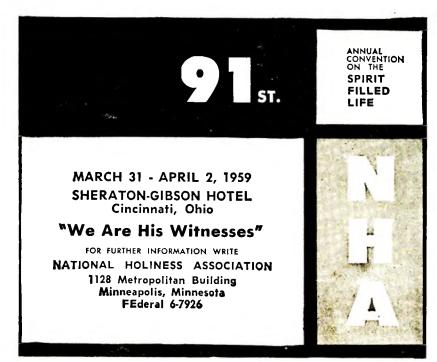
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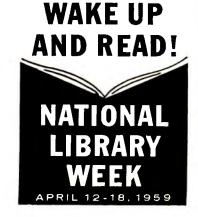
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