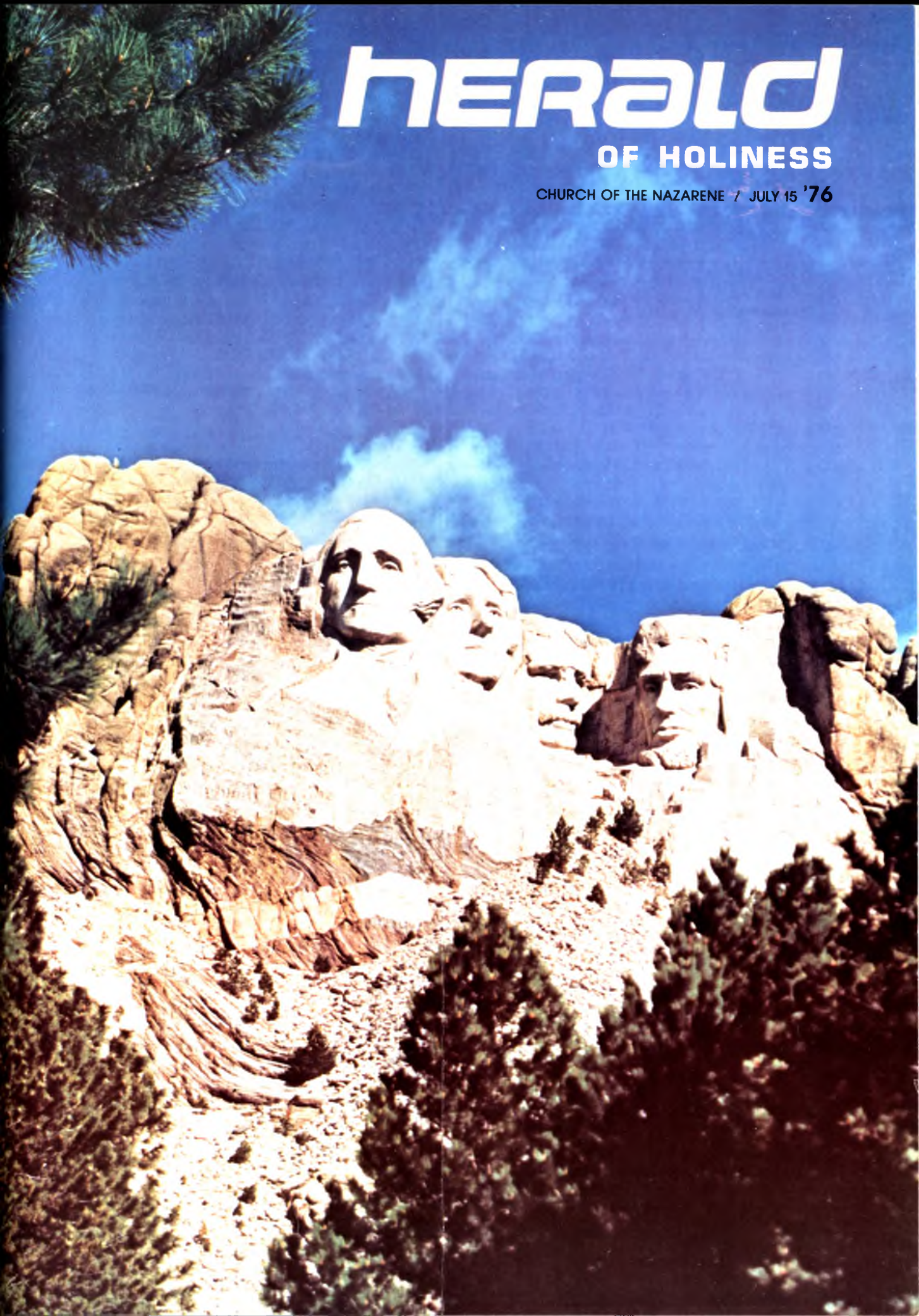


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by General Superintendent Charles H. Strickland

God's Dwelling Place

IT IS INTERESTING to observe the dwelling places of God on earth throughout the eras of biblical history. Among the early patriarchs—Noah, Abraham, Jacob, and Moses—the presence of God was revealed at the altar.

A special room was constructed in the Tabernacle in the wilderness which became known as the holy of holies. On the Day of Atonement, the high priest entered this room to sacrifice and pray for the forgiveness of sins. Here in the presence of the glory of God, man found God's forgiving presence.

This room was also incorporated into the Temple which was constructed at Jerusalem. Beyond the veil which set this room apart went the high priest once each year to make atonement for the sins of the people.

God's Son, Jesus, came to earth, took the form of human flesh, and finally completed the supreme atonement on the Cross. Then the veil "was rent in twain from the top to the bottom" (Matthew 27:51). At that moment the dwelling place of God was changed from a room in the Temple to the hearts of all believers.

Paul declares this in his famous Mars' Hill sermon when he stated that God "dwelleth not in temples made with hands" (Acts 17:

24). This is reiterated in 1 Corinthians 3:16, "Know ye not that ye are the temple of God, and that the Spirit of God dwelleth in you?" Also in chapter 6, verse 19, Paul says it again: "Know ye not that your body is the temple of the Holy Ghost?" Thus do all believers become the temple of the Holy Spirit—God's dwelling place.

Three characteristics are found in the temples where God dwells. First is revelation and manifestation. God revealed himself to the old patriarchs and through the priesthood during the era of the Tabernacle and the Temple. In these times God manifests himself through the lives of the people in whose hearts He dwells. "Christ liveth in me," says Paul in Galatians 2:20.

There is also fellowship where God dwells. This characteristic can also be traced throughout biblical history. As God dwells within us, we create a spirit of fellowship both within ourselves and outward toward others.

Sacrifice is also a characteristic of the dwelling place of God. At the ancient altar in the Tabernacle and in the Temple, sacrifice was made. Our response to the indwelling presence of God is always a spirit of sacrifice.

Let us strive to be worthy temples of the Holy Spirit. □

THE CONSTITUTION of the United States guarantees the right to pursue happiness because this drive is basic to man's nature. The Bible has much to say about happiness.

Eliphaz the Temanite said, "Happy is that man whom God correcteth" (Job 5:17). Amazing! . . . Happiness because of correction?

When parents correct their children, it should be because they love them and desire their best welfare. When the coach or professor explains to the musician, artist, or athlete his faulty execution, it is not so much a criticism as it is a means to gain the ultimate objective of excellence. Correction may provide the difference between being brilliant or mediocre.

Happy is the one whom God disciplines.

Happiness is found in God. The Psalmist said, "Yea, happy is that people whose God is the Lord" (Psalm 144:15).

Happiness is not a do-it-yourself job, not a mind-over-matter project by effort of will. Nor is it a Pollyanna attitude of a passive resignation that all things are going to come out right. It is not a government assistance program of benevolence.

It is hope in God.

"They who handle a matter wisely shall find good: and whoso trusteth in the Lord, happy is he" (Proverbs 16:20). One does not find happiness by pursuing it, for happiness is not a pot of gold at the end of a rainbow.

Happiness is a deep, inward, abiding sense of God's presence.

The words *hale*, *heal*, *whole*, *holy*, *wholly*, *halo*, and *happy* are from the same Medieval English word *hal*.

Hale means to be whole or healthy;

Heal is to make whole;

Holy is to make healthy (spiritually);

Wholly is to be made complete;

Halo is to surround completely;

Happy is to be favored or blessed.

To be happy is to be holy. It is apparent that true happiness is found only in being holy and is a condition rather than a pursuit.

Holiness is happiness.

The happy person is described in Jesus' beatitudes

in Matthew chapter 5. An old South African translation of the word "blessed" (KJV) rendered it as *wel-geluk-salig*. *Wel* is similar to the English word "well"; *geluk* is "happiness"; *salig* means "saved."

With these ideas, verse 8 may be read, "'well-happy-saved' are the pure in heart: for they shall see God." True happiness is a "well-happy-saved" experience of wholeness or holiness.

Purity of heart is not merely something to be received in a moment of time. It is a continuing relationship and communion with the living God.

Happiness—that elusive concept of life.

Oh, to be happy! "If only I had . . ., I would be happy." But happiness is giving, not receiving. The Word of God states explicitly that the one who despises not the poor is happy (see Proverbs 14:21).

Happiness is found not in pursuing but in obedience: "I delight to do thy will, O my God: yea, thy law is within my heart" (Psalm 40:8). "Where there is no vision, the people perish: but he that keepeth the law, happy is he" (Proverbs 29:18).

Happiness, blessedness, or holiness is doing the will of God.

Goethe, well-known German author, gave eight requisites for contented or happy living:

Health enough to make work a pleasure;

Wealth enough to support our need;

Strength to battle with difficulties and overcome them;

Grace to confess your sins and forsake them;

Patience to toil until some good is accomplished;

Charity to see some good in your neighbor;

Faith enough to make real the things of God;

Hope enough to remove all fear of the future.

There is difficulty, however, in finding guidelines for happiness in the thought of such thinkers, because one is likely to contradict the other.

But the Bible does not leave any doubt as to where true happiness lies. It is in acknowledging God's right to our lives, and letting Him control us and fill us with himself.

Happiness is allowing the Holy Spirit to cleanse and lead us into all truth. □

Happiness Secrets

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THERE ARE nearly 24,000 people in the community where I live. Close to 1½ million individuals make their residence in the greater metropolitan area. Some are really living; many are simply existing.

At night I look out across the flickering lights, symbolic of the way people bravely struggle on in a cold, dark world. It's easy to be bright and cheery when the sun is shining and all is going well. Unfortunately like the rain, darkness falls on the just and the unjust.

For those who have accepted Jesus as Lord of their lives, there is the Comforter whom He has sent and, hopefully, there is support in the body of Christ. You see, the Church, the body of Christ, is part of the Good News. It is to be viewed, not as an option, but as a benefit and responsibility.

Within the human body each organ has its unique function, yet all share the common purpose of keeping the body alive and well. A diseased body is not able to grow. When one part of the body is injured, the entire body shares the pain. To the individual organ, the body is both a benefit and a responsibility.

The organ cannot long survive if separated from the body. The body supports it. It was designed with specific functions for the organs, and the organs have a responsibility to the rest of the body.

The analogy of the body is used in the Scriptures to describe the Church. The Christian is designed to support the other members of the body. He is not to stand alone; he is to take his place in the body. It is his responsibility, but it also is his benefit when darkness falls over his life.

"That's wonderful," I tell myself, and then I consider all of the burdens that unbelievers must bear—alone. I stop my car at a stoplight and notice the driver next to me is sobbing beyond control. I wonder how she will be able to guide the car to her destination, and I wish that she could know the Comforter and my human comforters. The light changes, and our paths will never cross again.

Yes, 1½ million people. Jesus said that I am to go and make disciples of them, including the 24,000 in my community. It's rather like trying to pick up a globe 20 feet across. There just doesn't seem to be any place to get hold of it.

The easy way is to become involved in the activities of the church and assume that the ongoing activity will somehow evangelize the community. But then, that's not much different than the priest and the Levite who stepped around the bleeding, wounded man on the road to Jericho. Stopping to help might have gotten them soiled and made them unfit for official religious observance.

I think about all of the admonitions urging me to "be faithful to the services," and realize that it's possible to be faithful to the services and unfaithful to lost, hurting individuals who have neither Comforter nor comforters.

Where can I start?

Jesus' parable about the Samaritan who accepted a suffering man as his neighbor reduces the 1½ mil-

The Ministry of Encouragement



lion to about 4 or 5. That is just about how many people I know personally who are hurting in some way. Some of these are in the church. That leaves 2 or 3 outside the fellowship who are wide open to the ministry of encouragement.

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You and I are much alike. You already know someone who needs help. What can you do? That will be determined by what is causing the discouragement or suffering. You may know an elderly person who has no way to get to the doctor. An hour spent drinking coffee with that friend who has lost a loved one may prove more valuable than some of the direct witnessing you have done in the past. Try writing a short note of appreciation to one who may be feeling that life is futile. Take a young couple struggling financially to the ball game with you. Ways to encourage are numberless.

Consider what your local church would be like with that kind of ministry going on. Lonely people would find friendship. Boys without fathers could be shown parental love while learning to fish. Heavy burdens would be lightened. Persons who are despondent and ready to give up would see new reasons to live. This kind of church is best suited to persuade men and women to commit their lives to Christ and become responsible members of His body.

You are already equipped to help someone who probably has no contact with the regular activities of the church. You may never get them to come to church to hear about Christ, but you can show them Christ living in you.

When Jesus finished the parable, He said, "Go and do thou likewise" (Luke 10:37).

The challenge of presenting the gospel to 1½ million people is so great it makes us feel inadequate. But we can reach out in Christ's name to just 1 discouraged individual at a time.

The Great Commission is more than this. However, it may well be the best place to begin to fulfill it. □

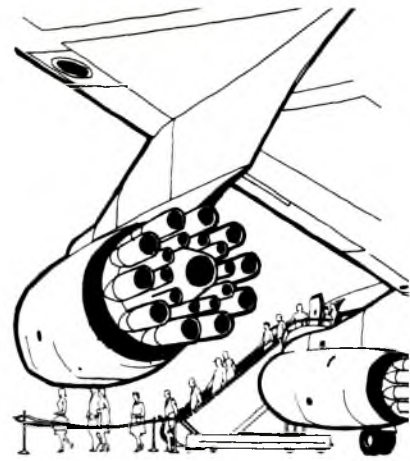
TIME IS FLEETING; LET'S REDEEM IT!

*Time is fleeting;
Let's redeem it
For the glory of the Lord,
Marching forth
Beneath His banner;
For our Guide, the Spirit's Sword!
May His Word
Dwell in us richly,
As we daily work and pray,
By the shield of faith
Protected,
As we seek to point the Way!*

*Let no lesser aim
Deter us,
From our God-appointed goal.
Is there one thing
More important
Than the winning of a soul?
Let us buckle fast
Our armor,
To delay we can't afford.
Time is fleeting;
Let's redeem it
For the glory of the Lord!
—ALICE HANSCH MORTENSON
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It Took A MIRACLE

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WE WERE GATHERED at Kimpo International Airport, Seoul, Korea. The airplane had landed and we were waiting for our special speaker from America to clear customs. A district superintendent, many pastors, and the missionaries were on hand to welcome Rev. James W. Tharp to Korea.

Several pastors gathered around Rev. W. S. Hahn, and they were talking excitedly. I drew closer to listen in on the discussion. Superintendent Cho seemed to be counselling Brother Hahn. I learned that the latter's oldest son, Kil-yong, had been overcome by the deadly carbon monoxide gas which claims so many lives in Korea.

The famous Korean warm floors are heated by large, round charcoal briquettes. As the smoke and heat flow through flues under the floor, the house is warmed. But if there is even a tiny crack in the floor, there is the danger of carbon monoxide filling the room.

That is what happened to Kil-yong. It was a week earlier as he slept. And for that reason his father was being advised by his fellow pastors.

Kil-yong had not died. But time is critical in such cases. The victim needs oxygen and intravenous fluids as quickly as possible. Without them, those who survive have often been left insane or invalid.

Yet a week had passed and the young man had gone without medical attention. For lack of money the father had not hospitalized his son. His first son would evidently be an invalid for life.

We got together a little over \$100. Placing it in the hands of Pastor Hahn, we instructed him to rush Kil-yong to the best hospital.

In my heart I knew it would take a miracle to save the young man. But God specializes in miracles. And His Spirit seemed to assure me that the Lord wanted to give us a miracle.

Kil-yong Hahn was a special young man to many of us. For four years he had been studying on the campus of Korea Nazarene Bible College. Now he was the student body president. He was a leader among the 70 young people training for Christian service. One more semester and he would be graduated near the head of his class.

Soon our guest speaker appeared at the airport and was greeted by pastors and posters. Upon arrival at our home, a reception was given for Rev. Tharp, enabling all of us to become acquainted.

Missionary Bill Patch shared with our guest the

news of Kil-yong. Ken Schubert explained that the young student did not know his own parents. Also he did not have normal control of his body. To most people the situation seemed hopeless. That evening we united in prayer for Kil-yong.

In the interval before the opening of the Pastors' and Wives' Retreat, I sensed that God wanted us to have a healing service. And though it is not the custom in Korea, I felt that we should follow the biblical directive of anointing with oil (James 5:14). But we were in Seoul, and Kil-yong was in a hospital in another city. I offered to be his substitute.

The idea of praying over one person in the place of another was strange to our Korean brethren. But under the direction of Rev. Tharp, they laid hands upon me and anointed me with the symbolic oil. Most important was the prayer of faith springing from their hearts and heard in heaven. We petitioned for a miracle. Assurance came—"The Lord shall raise him up."

Pastors and wives from 100 churches across both districts were not disappointed that they had taken time to come for three days. The Holy Spirit was freshly outpoured. There was spiritual feasting and a new urgency to fulfill the Great Commission.

On the last day, word arrived that our prayers for healing were being answered. Kil-yong was miraculously improved. He was beginning to recognize and respond to family members. Excitement raced through our gathering. We had all been in the market for a miracle. And God was providing one for us.

In the final evening service Superintendent Cho announced that Kil-yong was being restored in answer to our prayers. Then he introduced something without precedent among us. It was a love-offering for our young brother. And to our amazement over \$200 in cash and promises came in.

Soon after the retreat was over, some of us stood by the bedside of Kil-yong. He was resting peacefully. His father beamed as he told us that his son was now walking around the hospital and regaining use of his mental faculties. Our hearts overflowed with praise to God.

Yesterday Pastor Hahn called me to announce that Kil-yong was leaving the hospital. How grateful he was. The offering had been just the amount needed for medical treatment. Soon Kil-yong would again be among us as one "back from the dead."

It took a miracle. But God is in the miracle business. □

BEWARE THE GRAPEVINE!



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You can get statistics for practically everything except the number of human reputations tarnished and blackened by evil gossip. So prevalent is this kind of tongue-wagging that Ogden Nash was prompted to claim that the human race may well be divided into two classes: the gossipers and the gossipees.

Gossip is one of Satan's cleverest tactics to tear God's family apart. "The devil made me do it" is not really a humorous saying. It does highlight, however, and unmistakably so, the identity of the one who uses evil gossip as oil to keep the machinery of his dark kingdom functioning.

Is there no cure for gossiping? Some chronic gossipers have overcome their evil inclination by the use of various methods. Here are five such methods to help anyone get off and stay off the grapevine:

1. Watch your thinking. Jesus said that the mouth speaks out of the abundance of the heart. A sage of ancient Greece warned that we should be as careful to remove wrong thoughts from the mind as we are careful to remove tumors and abscesses from the body. This surely indicates how cautious we should be to bid unkind thoughts depart. If they stay, they'll all too soon clothe themselves in unkind words.

2. Be a good "gossiper." There is such a thing as *good gossip*. If our thoughts about people are the kind of which Paul speaks approvingly in Philippians 4:8, then we can verbalize them and pass them on to others for their upbuilding. If we want to speak about someone, let it be honorable, pure, lovely, gracious, excellent

in the telling. This opens up quite a large area of "good gossip" for our mutual edification.

3. Look for the good points. It's possible to focus so much on others' flaws that we completely lose sight of their positive traits. The practice of looking for good in one's fellowmen is something beautiful in God's sight, and for it He will bless abundantly. We never hurt our eyesight looking for good in anyone.

One woman who heartily disliked her employer and was always griping about him behind his back was advised to start looking for good points in him. She did so, discovered much to her liking, and finally married the man!

4. If you can't sign it, don't say it. A chronic gossiper related unsavory matters about a member of the congregation to the new minister. He pulled out a notebook. "This should go down in black and white, so I'll have the record straight. With your signature, please." The person blushed, walked away, and never indulged in evil gossip thereafter.

5. Keep busy. Some people get on the grapevine because they have little else to do. Now, as in Paul's time, there are those who "get into the habit of being idle and going about from house to house. And not only do they become idlers, but also gossips and busybodies, saying things they ought not to" (1 Timothy 5:13, NIV).

An idle mind is you-know-whose workshop. Conversely, and happily, busy souls have no time to be busybodies! □

Understanding Ourselves Spiritually

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JOHN WESLEY SAID, "There are two extremes in lifting a standard [of holiness]. We can put it too high, or we can put it too low. If we put it too high, we drive people to despair; if we put it too low, we drive them to hell."

DISTINGUISH MISTAKES AND SIN

Someone has commented, There are three classes of people who never make mistakes—the dead, the unborn, and those who never try to do anything. The plain truth is, sanctified people do make mistakes just like everyone else!

Entire sanctification has to do primarily with the cleansing of the carnal mind. After we have been cleansed from inner sin, we still have our personalities, including faulty judgment and misunderstandings.

It has been suggested that Christian perfection is (1) not the perfection of manners but of motives; (2) not the perfection of practice but of purpose; (3) not the perfection of judgment but of love. The tempter may seek to confuse us at this point, but there is a distinction between making a human mistake and a deliberate action in defiance of God's will.

DISTINGUISH FAITH AND FEELING

Some make their feelings the criterion for distinguishing between victory and defeat. They keep their finger on their spiritual pulse; and if it doesn't beat so many times a day, they are thrown into terrible doubt! Feelings are like window shades; they constantly go up and down.

C. W. Ruth said, "Feelings depend on the way you look." He explained that looking at the hypocrisies and faults of others will eventually make skeptics out of us. (Most of us probably have little trouble finding the faults of others. They are so much like our own, we know where to look.)

Ruth also observed that we can look at ourselves, our limitations, and infirmities until we become discouraged. While a healthy inventory is good, constantly to put oneself down can leave one defeated. If we would be an overcomer, we must look to Jesus, the Author and Finisher of our faith!

While feelings fluctuate, the fact remains that our sins are under the blood, and all the promises of God are still true. That is a *fact* we must learn to trust, rather than the way we feel in any given moment.

DISTINGUISH NATURAL TIMIDITY AND CARNAL FEAR

Some by nature are bold and loud, while others are quiet and unassuming.

If we were an introvert before being entirely sanctified, in some degree at least we will continue to be so afterward. But the indwelling Spirit will help us to overcome our timidity in becoming witnesses for Him.

DISTINGUISH THOUGHTS OF EVIL AND EVIL THOUGHTS

A common device of Satan for creating doubt is to tell the newly sanctified Christian that if he had a pure heart, he would never be bothered by an evil thought. But there is not an experience this side of the skies that will do this! It is often said, "You can't keep the birds from flying over your head, but you can keep them from building a nest in your hair."

Temptations, which sometimes arise from evil thoughts, can become sin if harbored; and if harbored long enough, they will become a part of our plans. Most people who backslide do not do so with one stroke of sin. They usually become careless in their thought life until sin creeps in and begins to eat away like termites devouring a great tree.

To be tempted is not to sin. To entertain that temptation until the will succumbs to it is to become the victim of sin. "Resist the devil, and he will flee from you."

DISTINGUISH A CARNAL SPIRIT AND PHYSICAL INFIRMITY

Dr. Howard Sweeten has said, "We make two mistakes at this point. One has been that of confusing nervousness with carnality; the other, that of excusing carnality under the guise of nervousness."

Expressions of the carnal mind can be identified by willful rebellion (Romans 8:7). The human nature is recognized through its *weakness*.

I spoke sharply to a pastor about facing up to his responsibilities. It was at the last service of a 10-day period of camp meeting, conventions, and assembly combined. I was tense and tired. He was pressing hard to find out how much money his church would get from the district home mission budget for their new building program. I really didn't know the answer, but he acted as though I were trying to avoid the issue.

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After my words of rebuke, I saw him dejectedly walking to his car to leave for home. The next day I traveled to a camp where I was scheduled to preach (terrible timing). As I prepared for my assignment, the image of that dejected pastor filled my mind! The accuser of the brethren had a field day, and I suffered intensely.

I apologized to the pastor—and I asked the Lord's forgiveness, too—and we supported his building program generously. However, the point that brought

peace to my heart was an honest examination of my motives. I loved the pastor and fully intended to assist him. My reaction, though inexcusable, arose from a combination of bad timing, poor communications, incomplete knowledge, and a tired body. The entirely sanctified person refuses to justify himself.

There is a difference between carnal rebellion and human blundering and weakness. In our tensed-up pressure age, the blessed Spirit of Truth can and will teach us this understanding also. □



Preventive Maintenance

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THERE IS no better place than a garden in the South to observe the practical truth of something we learned in physics classes: "Nature abhors a vacuum."

The southern climate favors rank and rapid growth. Something fills up every last space, no matter how regularly you weed and dig. Cultivation only helps nut grass and weeds, while your flowers and vegetables turn weedy.

The St. Augustine grass in these southern lawns surges across walks and barriers to invade flower beds and vault up into shrubs. My lawn would turn into another Big Thicket within a year if I let it. Oak, pecan, chinaberry, and wild cherry seedlings spring up uninvited along hedges and fence lines or wherever else birds perch.

Mulching helps to control the weeds in your flower beds and your vegetable patch. You simply cover the spaces you want to stay clear with a medium, like bark chips or pine needles.

You can also lay down black plastic sheeting between your rows of vegetables. The same black plastic can be used around your shrubberies, and you simply pour a suitable ornamental gravel on top of it to make a border that needs *no maintenance*.

One way or another, filling up those bare spaces keeps the weeds from taking root.

A useful or victorious Christian life does not come about without some care and forethought. That first decision in faith does not handle everything for us all by itself. Surely Jesus had this in mind when He told His disciples about the man with a demon (Luke 11:14-26).

Nature may well abhor a vacuum, but evil loves every one it can find. It is not only idle hands that are used by the devil; his workshop includes idle thoughts and empty souls, which suit him even better.

"Since, then, you have been raised with Christ, set your hearts on things above, where Christ is seated at the right hand of God. Set your minds on things above, not on earthly things" (Colossians 3:1-2, NIV).

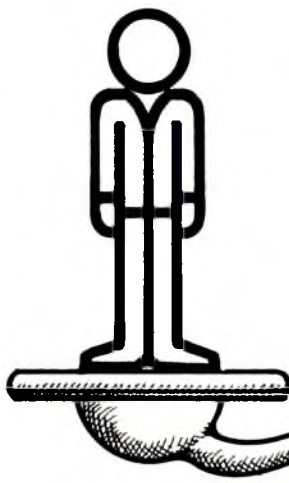
My pastor tells me that he knows of no cases of broken homes among families who read their Bible together daily. He has been on the job for 35 years. Exceptions there must be, but they are a tiny fraction in comparison with all the broken homes where the Scriptures never had a living place. "Families who live close to God stay close to each other."

This pastor's experience gives one obvious example of the many blessings that can fill the life of every Christian. It is also an example of those good things which are not likely to happen all by themselves.

Begin with a conscious decision to read and reflect daily on the Scriptures, and choose a time and a plan that fit you. Then stick to them. "No Bible, no breakfast," has been the motto of many a well-known Christian leader.

Suit yourself, because you are not taking on another religious chore. This is your daily visit with God. It can fill your life with all of the habits and attitudes, all of the mental and spiritual resources, that make you fruitful in Christian living.

Preventive maintenance will cause the evil one to look somewhere else to sow his weeds. □



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Dividing THE WORD

THE INSUFFICIENCY OF FAITH

Second Peter is the Epistle of growth in grace. It includes with what is probably the most famous verse in the Bible on this theme: "But grow in grace and in the knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ" (3:18).

And its beginning is positively startling: "Add to your faith" (1:5)—and then follows a sevenfold list of qualities with which faith must be supplemented (1:5-7).

What is this strange teaching? Have we not been taught that salvation is "by faith alone"? In what sense then is faith not enough?

Peter's second letter is addressed to Christians who were under pressure from false teachers (2:1-3). Clever distortions of the true nature of Jesus as well as of His return were part of their stock-in-trade (1:16; 3:3-5); and, as always, false doctrine led to false living, including—in this case—immorality of the worst kind (2:13-16, 18-19).

Now the only adequate answer to false teaching is true teaching; the only sufficient reply to misrepresentation is clear explanation. Faith by itself will not suffice. Not that Peter is in the least disposed to underrate it. On the contrary he recognizes from the start that it is faith in God's great promises that delivers us from the corruption of the world and enables us to become sharers in the very nature of God himself (1:4).

But no sooner has he said this than he urges his readers to go beyond it. His words read, not "And beside this, giving all diligence, add to your faith" (1:5, KJV); but (as in RSV) "For this very reason make every effort to supplement your faith."

Precisely because the gift by faith is so great, we should add to it. There is a logic in faith which requires us not simply to accept God's gifts, but to supplement them in the measure that lies within our power.

The Greek word translated "add" is illuminating.

It is derived from the root meaning "chorus," because in ancient Athens the expenses of the chorus in a play were often paid by a wealthy individual known as the *choregos*. The production of a play was an expensive affair, and very often a *choregos* would "add" his contribution to those of the poet and the state in order to see the play produced. In the same way, says Peter, we are to "add" our efforts to God's in the production of an effective Christian life.

What is it, then, that lies within our power to add? The list of graces that follows arises directly from the circumstances of the readers. People under pressure from false teaching require certain qualities, including strength, self-control, endurance, love, and, above all, knowledge.

The emphasis on knowledge is one of the distinguishing characteristics of this Epistle, not merely in the number of times it is referred to, but particularly in the sense in which it is referred to. The knowledge of Christ is, of course, a moral and spiritual thing as many passages show (e.g., 1:8; 2:20-21).

However, it is also a mental thing, and the man who has no sound understanding of the fact of Christ has an insufficient foundation for placing his faith in Christ. There is a point at which the distinction between faith in the sense of trust (as in the phrase "I believe in God") and faith in the sense of "the Christian faith" vanishes, so that the man who does not know *what* he believes has nothing to put his faith *in*.

Now it is this aspect of knowledge which is most stressed in this Epistle. Thus, the foundation of the belief that Jesus is the Christ and that He will return in glory is God's own approval of Jesus, expressed on the Mountain of Transfiguration (1:16-18). This is no

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invention, for Peter saw it with his own eyes and heard it with his own ears; it is grounded on firm, historical testimony.

Again, the recommended safeguard against corrosion of their expectation of the return of Jesus is a clear comprehension of the teaching of the apostles and prophets (3:2ff.) Indeed, the most secure safeguard against any of the dangers that threaten them is a straightforward understanding of the Scriptures, including the writings of Paul (3:15-16).

So sure is Peter of this that he warns them of their own need in this respect: "You therefore, beloved, knowing this beforehand, beware lest you be carried away with the error of lawless men and lose your own stability" (3:17, RSV); a danger which he believes will be averted if they will "grow in grace and in the knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ" (3:18).

For this reason then, it is indispensable for them to "add to their faith." And at this point it becomes plain why "adding" is spoken of as a continuous process (compare "growing" in 3:18): because knowledge does not come overnight. The increase of understanding is a continuous thing, and Peter evidently regards the addition to faith as something that should go on constantly.

What are some of the other qualities that should be "added" to faith? "Virtue" is the first he mentions. It means "excellence." The excellence of a knife is to cut; the excellence of a ship is to sail; but what is the excellence of man?

The question was more debated than answered in the ancient world, but Peter gives his answer here. He tells us in verse 3 that Christ has "called us to his own glory and excellence" (RSV); in a word, the excellence of man is to be like Christ. And while we shall not be perfectly like Him until we see Him (1 John 3:2), we should be becoming more like Him each day (2 Corinthians 3:18). Christlikeness is one thing we should constantly be adding to our faith.

Temperance or self-control is another. Full salvation does not mean the installation of an automatic pilot, or a spiritual computer which clicks out the right Christian responses. The Christian is still a moral being, not a machine, and he still possesses instincts and appetites which will run away with him if he will let them.

Hunger, sex, the herd instinct are by definition amoral and rise up to find what level they may. It is for the Christian to control them as Paul did his body (1 Corinthians 9:27) so that hunger does not explode into gluttony, sex into lust, self-care into self-centeredness. Self-control must be "added" to faith; and Paul tells us that it is the "fruit of [i.e., grows by] the Spirit" (Galatians 5:22-23).

Patience is yet another item on Peter's list. In Greek as in English, it denotes the ability to endure—in this context, the ability to remain steadfast under persecution. No man's spirits are constant; all are subject to fluctuations of feeling; and by conscious reflection on the values of eternity and the grace of God shown in Christ, the Christian must ever renew his steadfastness and add it to faith.

Godliness is not dissimilar. The Greek word was the regular term for "religion," and the religious man was he who was careful in performance of his religious duties. "Reverence" is perhaps a close equivalent, and the maintaining of a reverential attitude to life in

the clamorous pressure of a secularized, materialistic society is a pressing obligation for every Christian.

Finally come "brotherly love" and "love" itself. Love of the brethren was one of the most conspicuous characteristics of the early Christians, and it is repeatedly enjoined in the New Testament (1 Peter 1:22; 1 John 4:20; Romans 12:10).

But that is relatively easy, since it is, in essence, loving those who love you. The crowning virtue therefore is love of the divine quality—divine because it is evoked by no promise of return nor even of anything desirable or attractive in the one loved.

Such are some of the qualities to be "added" to faith. It is the Christian's responsibility to add them. But if that seems an impossible task, remember that it is to faith that they are to be added. It is not to an unredeemed, unregenerate soul that they are to be joined, but to one who by faith has received great and precious promises, and more than that has become a partaker of the divine nature. Faith is itself the soil in which such fruit can grow. □

PEN POINTS

SPIRITUAL HANG-UPS

"I'm too sensitive," a woman said to her psychiatrist.

"The word is 'selfish,'" he answered. "Selfishness, not sensitivity, makes you respond to others the way you do."

Selfish persons cannot love. They cannot accept others the way they are.

Our chief problems center around relationships. Christ came to restore right relationships with God and others. He came to break down barriers between us and God and between us and other persons.

The sign of Christ's Spirit in our lives is we are enabled to love the unlovable. Any sinner can respond positively to kind, gracious, cooperative, and unoffensive persons. One test of the Spirit's control over us is this: the ability to love—with Christ's kind of love which actively seeks the well-being of another—those who in some way repel us.

It is easy to justify sins of the Spirit by calling them "hang-ups."

Even so, God doesn't want us hung up. The noose will, in time, choke us.

We can "grieve the Holy Spirit" by un-Christlike attitudes toward, and hurtful talk about, others (Ephesians 4). The Holy Spirit always leads us to love and speak well of others. He desires us to "... accept one another as Christ accepted us" (Romans 15:7, NEB).

Perhaps no other thing so hinders our love for the Word and prayer and our freedom in spiritual sharing as our negative feelings toward others, whether they arise out of fear, frustration, envy, or out of our hang-ups the way they are.

To overcome a selfish spirit or a hang-up, confess it and ask God for cleansing and an inflow of Holy Spirit power and love. □

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The Day “BIG BOY” Couldn't Roll

Almost unbelievable—yet true.

Even more startling and true is the exclamation of the Psalmist: “Yea, they turned back and tempted God and LIMITED THE HOLY ONE OF ISRAEL!” (Psalm 78:41). He referred to the Israelites who, as they had come to Kadesh-Barnea, chose to accept the pessimistic report of the 10 spies rather than the faith-filled report of Caleb and Joshua. The latter two had brought a minority report, insisting that in spite of difficulties, God's people were well able to possess the Promised Land.

“Agnostic” is an unwelcome label in church circles, for agnosticism and atheism are identical in the minds of many people. However, an agnostic does not say there is no God; he limits God to what can be proven through human experience and logic.

In this sense Peter once bordered on agnosticism. As he saw Jesus walking on water, he asked Jesus to bid him come from the boat. When Jesus told Peter to come, he started and did very well until he noticed that the waves were rolling and the winds were howling. Then he realized that what he was doing was not possible—it defied all the laws of nature and human experience! His lack of faith limited the Master.

Think also of what the people of Nazareth missed when Jesus returned home to visit. There must have been blind people, sick people of all kinds, just as

there had been everywhere Jesus had gone. Yet Matthew relates that “he did not many mighty works there BECAUSE OF THEIR UNBELIEF” (Matthew 13:58).

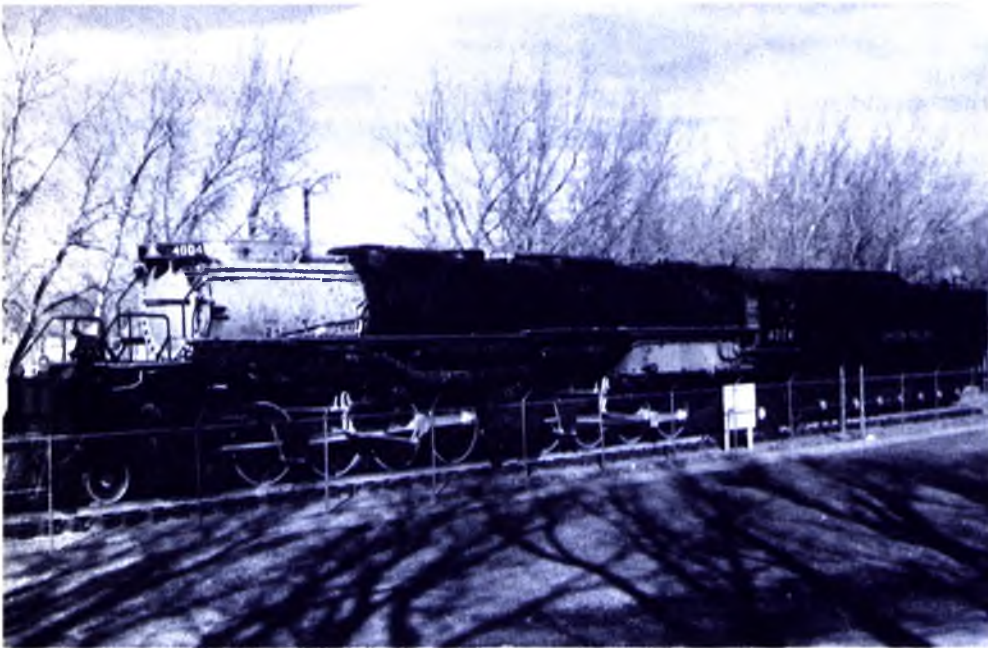
It boggles the mind to think that finite man can limit or hold back the power of God. Yet that is what the Scriptures teach and experience confirms.

On the contrary there are limitless possibilities to those who take God for what He says, and trust His power and might. God can take an untutored cowboy with a speech impediment, teach him to read the Bible and talk, and come up with a Bud Robinson. He can make a shoe salesman who chooses to believe God's promises into a D. L. Moody.

That faith which “unlimits” God is not an automatic result of our salvation. What former General Superintendent J. G. Morrison called “achieving

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BIG BOY” is the name railroad men gave to the largest steam locomotive ever constructed in the service of the Union Pacific Railroad line. A 600-ton behemoth, with fuel capacity of another 28 tons, it was designed to pull trainloads of freight up over the Rocky Mountains between Cheyenne, Wyo., and San Francisco, Calif.

On this day “Big Boy” just stood there, unmoving. The engineer and the fireman were in their usual places; the steam gauge indicated that there was normal operating steam pressure. But when the engineer opened the throttle, nothing happened.

Upon investigation it was found that some of the yard crew had capriciously taken the nuts from ordinary three-quarter-inch bolts and pushed those nuts tight on the track against the drive wheels of the locomotive. Those tiny obstructions, weighing mere ounces, were sufficient to inactivate all the horsepower of that mighty engine. When the nuts were moved an inch or so forward of the drive wheels, the engine rolled over them, mashing them flat.

faith" is the faith by which a Christian lays hold of God's promises and witnesses the miracles of grace which are unexplained by human logic or experience.

This kind of faith arises out of three factors:

1. **Past experience with God.** This verifies the dependability of His promises. The new Christian knows that he trusted God to lift him out of the miry clay of his miserable, sinful estate; and God came through just as He said He would. The mature disciple has trusted God's reliability continuously, even for material and physical sustenance, and has found God's promises to be unailing.

2. **The Word of God.** God has committed himself to His children. The terms of the "contract" are given

in the Scriptures. The contract is operative so long as we live up to its stated terms.

3. **A firm commitment of ourselves to God in spite of all circumstances.** It is at this point that our greatest battles are fought. Only as we trust God to glorify himself in the seemingly impossible situations of our lives is His power released.

Full consecration and self-relinquishment are prerequisites to "achieving" faith. If one's faith, though small as the nearly microscopic grain of mustard seed, can become mighty to the removing of mountains, the converse is equally true: Unbelief can bring to a halt all of God's great power and thereby limit "the Holy One of Israel." □

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Is God In Everything?

THE TITLE is from a chapter in Hannah Whithall Smith's book, *The Christian's Secret of a Happy Life*. Hannah answers in the affirmative as she describes our relationships with our Heavenly Father and His ever watchful care for us.

What about the things which cause Christians to suffer? What about the hurtful arrows that the enemy hurls at us? What about the reversals of the good plans we had and were so sure would glorify God? What about all the adverse experiences we have had when we were trying to do our best?

First, let us remember that "the angel of the Lord encampeth round about them that fear him, and delivereth them" (Psalm 34:7). This angel is always there, even though we may not be conscious of it. Were it not for the presence of this heavenly body-guard, we would not be where we are today. We shall be forever indebted to His wonderful protection and intervention.

In "The Traveller's Psalm," Psalm 121, it is said, "The Lord shall preserve thee from all evil: he shall preserve thy soul. The Lord shall preserve thy going out and thy coming in from this time forth and even for evermore" (Psalm 121:7-8).

Someone has said that driving a car is a whole lot like playing baseball. It's the number of times we get home that counts. So it is in the Christian life.

There is a related truth in Titus 2:14, which reads: "Who gave himself for us, that he might redeem us from all iniquity, and purify unto himself a peculiar

people, zealous of good works" (Titus 2:14).

The word "peculiar" comes from two words meaning "around" and "to be." The idea can be illustrated by making a large dot and then drawing a large circle around it. The dot represents the Christian, and the outer larger circle portrays how the Lord completely surrounds His own.

Satan knew of this protective area when he wanted to get at Job. He called it a "hedge." He knew it was something he could never get through unless he were given permission.

The songwriter expressed a universal response to the negative experiences that come to us:

*And we wonder why the test,
When we try to do our best.*

Yet as we grow spiritually we understand better. In retrospect we recall times when the winds were contrary and Jesus came to us walking on the waves. In moments of great fear or anxiety, He spoke softly and said, "It is I. Be not afraid."

Is God in everything? Well, yes.

That is according to His own Word. "Now we know, that to those, whose final purpose is to love God, that God himself works out everything, so that it results in good to the ones called according to His purpose" (Romans 8:28, free translation).

A rather skeptical man said to a missionary: "You Christians have a philosophy in which you always win, don't you?" To this the man of God replied, "Yes. This is true, because as God's children, He is always there to see that it works out just that way." □



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number of hours of television that you watch each week. Also, take note of the types of programs you watch—news, soap operas, documentaries, police dramas, etc.

What kind of window have you developed, without your even being aware of it? Is it the kind of window which enables you to perceive more clearly: interpersonal tenderness, honesty, and sacrifice? Or do you tend to see interpersonal cruelty, deception, and selfishness?

Is the window such that you may more clearly perceive faith, joy, and peace? Or is the overall effect such that you tend to see distrust, despair, and disquietude?

These questions are not meant to reject realism as a legitimate art form. But it is not enough to see things "as they are" without also seeing things "as they might be." We enter the workaday world disadvantaged in spirit if our view of the brutality and suffering in life is not counterbalanced with a vision of the heroic and healing forces that are also at work in reality.

But isn't this taking a few hours of entertainment too seriously? Not at all! Its potentially adverse effects on human behavior and thought are already under close scrutiny by psychologists and learning-theory specialists.

But to return to our window metaphor, television does not cease to be a window for us when we turn it off. It accompanies us, unobtrusively, wherever we go; and thereby it continues to color our perception of every interpersonal relationship. Because television, like a window, affects what we perceive, it sharpens or blunts

our sensitivities to what is really important.

Television not only affects *what* we perceive, but also *the way* we perceive it. That is, it affects our values. We may observe at least three of the interrelated ways by which it affects our values.

First, it induces us to value that which the TV characters value—especially those with whom we identify. Reflect a moment on the TV characters to whom you are most drawn. Do they value other peo-

TELEVISION IS A WINDOW

TELEVISION IS A WINDOW through which we see our world. Television programming, like all forms of entertainment, shapes the way we view things. Like a window, it does not change what is "out there," but only colors it or refracts its appearance to us. Like a window, it affects what we can and cannot see. It alters our attention by enabling us to see some aspects of reality and to overlook others.

Stop a moment and take inventory of the total

IN THE BOOKSTALL

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I Love the Word Impossible

Ann Kiemel

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Ann Kiemel writes with a different style that I find refreshing. She has a way of getting right down to the real marrow of life and making you feel it.

This book is a sequel to her book *I'm Out to Change My World*. They are similar. This book takes one on Ann's adventure of living, witnessing, feeling, and responding to life's opportunities and obstacles.

I Love the Word Impossible is really a diarylike resume of one woman's encounter with her world. The refreshing thing about Kiemel is that she never backs away from life but forces it to yield some opportunity, some unique moment, some happening into which she can throw the love of God.

Two themes run through this volume—caring and witnessing. There are others. These two, however, are interwoven into the context. These are helpful in that they show how the average, day-to-day situations can be blessed with care and turned into sharing moments.

This book is simply one woman's way of witnessing, caring, and living in her world. Her life-style is not for everyone. But to have a window opened on a world like hers, and life like hers, is an adventure in reading. □

Hansi's New Life

Maria Anne Hirschmann

Fleming H. Revell Co., 1975, \$4.95.

Hansi, as Maria Hirschmann is known to us, gives us her second book. It is a follow-up to *Hansi: The Girl Who Loved the Swastika*.

I struggled, a bit, with the first half of this book, feeling the author a little too sensitive and critical. But, never having walked where Hansi walked, nor having lived through what she suffered, I stayed with the book and gave her the benefit of the doubt. I was not sorry.

This book is a look at America—its pleasures, its possessions, its people—from one who has not grown up in America. And that probably gave her the credentials for objectivity.

When I had finished the book, I could see how good a job Hansi had done in her bit of surgical analysis. I feel the book especially helpful this year of the Bicentennial.

The last chapter is worth the price of the book. Hansi tells of her meeting, for the first time, Corrie ten Boom. These pages are filled with beauty and with healing.

Sometimes God sends those among us from the state of suffering, to awaken and to advise. Hansi may be such a person. □

ple as ends in themselves—with intrinsic worth—or merely as means? Do they value authentic relationships or artificial ones? Do they respect the human mind and educational achievements; or do they scarcely recognize (perhaps even ridicule) the value of intellectual excellence?

Second, it instills values by the kind of rewards given. Ask yourself if the rewards given to your characters are the kind of rewards you think are really worth your effort. Are money, power, or romance lifted up as the ultimate reward? Is the satisfaction that comes from a job well done seen as a worthy reward in itself, or must there always be recognition or some other external kind of reward?

Third, it instills or reinforces values by the way certain types of characters are portrayed. Frequently, the characterization of certain vocations are brutal caricatures. For example, blue-collar workers may be pictured as stupid, college professors as eggheads, executives as stuffy, and salespersons as slick.

Do your programs stereotype roles and thereby

slant your evaluation of some legitimate vocations? Or is freshness and originality shown in characterization and casting? Do your programs prejudice you against any minority by routinely filling "bad guy" roles with one particular race, sex, or subcultural type?

Considering that television is not *just* entertainment but is a window through which we perceive the world, and by which our values are molded (and all of this with the subtlety of subliminal persuasion), we cannot but seriously evaluate the kind of window each of us now has.

If we find it wanting, and other options in commercial and educational programming cannot provide the material we need in order to change our "view" sufficiently, then we must turn to other forms of recreation and relaxation—with equal caution, for they *all* affect our "window."

And the kind of window we use both reveals the kind of persons we are and determines the kind of persons we become. □

I HAD FINISHED the eighth grade and business college and had a good job. Yet I was not wholly at peace with myself, for I remembered the day that God made clear to me His call to preach.

I had come up through every department of the business and was on my way to the top in the Cheney Silk Mills. As I sat at my desk in the office to which I had recently been promoted, a voice spoke to me.

I looked around but saw no one. I decided it was my imagination, so went on about my work. But the voice spoke again, "Remember that day at camp meeting when you were 15 years old, and in a dedication service you promised Me that you would preach My gospel? Well, what are you going to do about it? It is now or never."

I knew God was not kidding, that He meant what He said. So I decided to make Him a deal. I said, "If I receive a letter from Dr. H. V. Miller, I will take that as a sign that I am to quit my job and go to Eastern Nazarene College."

I had gone to business college rather than high school, which meant I would have to do my high school work first. This would not be easy, for I was 23 years old, and 6 feet 3½ inches tall.

I had no reason to think that Dr. Miller would even think of me, much less write me a letter, so I safely dismissed the idea from my mind. But to my great surprise, in the mail the next day there was a letter addressed to me from Dr. Miller. At that time he was district superintendent of the New England District and was promoting the interests of the college.

It was a form letter which had been sent to every member of the Nazarene Young People's Society of the district. However, I had not bargained that the letter had to be a personal one, so here was the letter I had requested. I picked up the telephone and asked to speak to the head man of the company. When he answered, I asked him if it would be convenient for him to see me for a few moments. He said I could come right up.

"He who hesitates is lost." So as soon as I went into his office, I called him by name and said, "I'm sorry, sir, but I am quitting my job and going to college."

He looked at me and said, "Phillips, you're crazy. Here you are on the way to the top in this company.

EDITOR'S NOTE: For 15 years Dr. E. S. Phillips was pastor of the First Church of the Nazarene, Bethany, Okla. At the time of his death in 1973, he was serving as executive secretary of the Department of World Missions. This account of his call to and preparation for the Christian ministry was prepared by his wife as she heard him tell it many times.



You can quit and go to college; but when you come back, I can't promise that you can even start in where you are now."

I said, "Sir, I do not plan to come back, for God has called me to preach the gospel, and I am going to college to prepare."

Without hesitation he looked at me and said, "If God has called you to preach the gospel, don't stoop to be a king." □

THE GREATEST LIFE

*The greatest honor gained by man
Is working for the Lord,
Knowing of the love He gives,
And what His grace affords.*

*The greatest light a man may find
Is in searching for God's will,
To find the treasures of the soul,
And to know that God is real.*

*The greatest road a man may tread
Are the byways of the Christ—
Ways of love and truth and hope
Where flesh does not suffice.*

*The greatest life a man may lead
Is a simple, faithful life,
Where pride is not a cherished thing,
And the heart is kept from strife.*

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A Christian Woman's World

SEX EDUCATION: IT'S UP TO YOU, MOM AND DAD

Studies indicate that most of what young people know about sex is learned, not from their parents, but from their peers. And a lot of what their peers tell them is *wrong*.

Scripture clearly defines the role of parents in teaching God's ways to their children. According to the Bible, Christian education begins in the home; and it should include, as a worthy part of God's good creation, human sexuality. Both Deuteronomy 6 and Ephesians 6 instruct parents (actually fathers) to assume personal responsibility for passing on their faith to succeeding generations.

In her book *Sex Is a Parent Affair* (Regal), Letha Scanzoni gives some guidelines for parents in teaching their children about sex.

Establish In Your Home a Climate for Sex Education. Provide a loving atmosphere where from infancy the child is cuddled and caressed and learns that it is pleasant to be physically near someone you love and who loves you.

A mother and father can illustrate to children that sex is not just an act but a relationship. Children should see their parents' love for each other, their enjoyment of one another, their devotion, concern, affection, and delight in each other's company. This is crucial. The kids may joke, hide their eyes, and talk about how silly "smooching" and "lovey-dovey" stuff is, but underneath they feel good because they are secure in knowing that Mom and Dad are deeply committed to each other.

Openness is also important in establishing a climate for sex education in your home. Children should be convinced that Mom and Dad are willing to talk about whatever interests them. Remember, kids WILL talk about the things that have their interest; and if they don't talk to you, they will talk to their peers.

Be Alert to Teaching Opportunities. "A good teacher doesn't see his task merely in terms of sitting by and waiting until questions are asked," says Ms. Scanzoni. Christian parents don't say, "We won't discuss God or the Bible until the children ask." On the contrary, most Christian parents look for opportunities to tell their children about God's love and His plan for salvation. Then why should sex be placed in the "we'll wait until they bring the subject up" category?

Be Prepared. It takes knowledge, understanding, and conviction to speak with authority; so know about sex and the biblical principles that apply to it. Read some books dealing with the Christian perspective of sex. Make sure you know the correct terminology with regard to sex-related topics so you can speak about sexual matters without stammering or groping for the right words.

Develop a healthy, positive attitude toward sex yourself. Remember that God created sex for the good and happiness of human beings. His guidelines enhance rather than hamper sexuality.

Be Sensitive. It is important to be sensitive to what your child is really asking when he asks you a question about sex. Are there hidden questions he doesn't dare ask, or is he just curious and seeking simple questions?

Sensitivity also means fitting your answer to his age level. It means patience in answering the same question over and over. Sex education is gradual and involves repetition. No child understands totally every bit of information he receives at a particular time.

Don't Fail to Stress the Uniqueness of the Christian Message.

Children need to learn that God knows, cares, and understands everything about their bodies . . . after all, He designed them. They can learn that our God provides guidelines and then helps us live up to them. Teen-agers are not abandoned on a sea of sexual confusion. In their struggles with sexual temptation, they can know that Jesus Christ understands, sympathizes, and stands ready to help them because He knows what they're experiencing (Hebrews 4:15).

"In helping our children learn about sex within a framework of the gospel message, we help them see the truth that God created sex, and the often unrecognized fact that God wants to guide and help us in this powerful and beautiful gift" (Letha Scanzoni).

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editorially SPEAKING

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“Shew Us the Father”

This weighty request of Philip addressed to Jesus still expresses the deep hunger within every man. It capsules the yearning of saints and martyrs, philosophers and moralists, and men of faith of every age. It also is the soul cry of sinners and secularists, skeptics and men of doubt everywhere—even of those who are unaware of it.

OUR WORLD, which echoes this plea for transcendence, is a complex and changing world. Men circling the globe in space stations observe lands still occupied by primitive peoples who live in the Stone Age. There are over 200 countries and territories, and over 3,000 different languages and dialects.

Approximately 4 billion people live on our planet, joined by 76 million each year. It has been projected that the world's population will reach 7 billion by the year 2000.

Half of the world's people are in Asia alone. In 1970, nearly 40 percent of the world's inhabitants lived in urban areas. In the United States, the urban portion of the population is already 75 percent. As is well known, the world's wealth and general standards of living are distributed unequally.

These facts challenge every Christian who is genuinely concerned about the mission of the Church and lifting up Christ for all to see.

Even understanding the term *Christian* in a broad sense to include all adherents to any form of historical Christianity, Christians comprise only about 30 percent or 1.3 billion persons.

ALL MEN—Christian and non-Christian alike—need to see the Father. All long to know what God is really like. Many who name the name of Christ do not truly know Him. They, like Philip, are rebuked by Jesus' question: “Have I been so long time with you, and yet hast thou not known me . . . ?” (John 14:9).

Nominal Christians cannot be ignored in the Church's evangelistic task. Dr. Ralph D. Winter has rightly pointed out, “Every new generation has to be reevangelized, and hollow, minimal Christianity is a massive, urgent problem, even in the so-called mission lands, where unevangelized second and third generation Christians are as nominal as the average citizen of the western world.”

JESUS' ADDED word to Philip staggers man's imagination and reason: “He that hath seen me hath seen the Father.” Jesus is the Revelation of God. As William Barclay has said, Jesus “brought God's accent, God's message, God's mind, God's heart to men.” While the Father is seen in Christ, no one is transformed by the revelation until he sees Jesus personally as Lord.

Because of who He was and what He did, Jesus was exalted by God, and given “a name which is above every name: that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, . . . and . . . every tongue should confess that *Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father*” (Philippians 2:9-11).

THIS CONFESSION is both the door of entrance into the Church and the foundation for its discipleship. To say it with one's heart and will is to accept Christ's absolute authority over one's life. Its utterance, where genuine, is more than mere mental assent. It is the full commitment of one's whole life—ambitions, activities, and attitudes—to the lordship of Christ.

This yielding up of oneself is a work of God, for “no one can say, ‘Jesus is Lord,’ except by the Holy Spirit . . .” (1 Corinthians 12:3, NIV). All manmade devices for finding acceptance with God are seen to be the futile things that they are. One's self-righteousness is viewed as but filthy rags in comparison with Christ's righteousness. The glad confession is made:

*None other Lamb, none other Name,
No other hope in heaven or earth or sea,
None other hiding place from guilt and shame—
None beside Thee.*

For this purpose, said Paul, “Christ both died, and rose, . . . that he might be Lord . . .” (Romans 14:9).

JESUS IS LORD whether or not He is acknowledged to be so. But man finds fulfillment only when he acclaim Him as such.

For this reason man's perennial request “Shew us the Father” and the church's new quadrennial theme, “Lifting Up Christ”—unveiling Him as Lord—seem suited for one another, like question and answer, hand and glove.

Our society is tired of hearing of its ills, its problems, its coming doom. It is anxious to hear about and see the Christ.

The way to belief in Jesus is not to argue about Him, but to look at Him. And He is seen in those who minister in His name.

Lifting up Christ involves the manifestation of the virtues of Christ in us by His Spirit. The same Jesus who said, "He that hath seen me hath seen the Father," also prayed to His Heavenly Father for His disciples, "As thou hast sent me into the world, even so have I also sent them into the world" (John 17:18).

Only in our ministries of love will men see Christ. To lift up Christ is to go where people are and to bring them to the point where they can view Him in all His attractiveness and radiance.

MEN CATCH a glimpse of Christ by our service, by the fulfilling of our servant role as individuals and as a Church. To Philip Jesus said, If you cannot believe that I am in the Father, and the Father in Me because I say it, "believe me for the very works' sake" (v. 11). If Jesus' truth claims were supported by His deeds of mercy, surely ours must be also.

The way to belief in Jesus is not to argue about Him, but to *look* at Him. And He is seen in those who minister in His name.

All who would lift Christ take seriously God's standard of conduct: "I desired mercy, and not sacrifice; and the knowledge of God more than burnt offerings" (Hosea 6:6). They have seen the vision of God. "He hath shewed thee, O man, what is good; and what doth the Lord require of thee, but to do justly, and to love mercy, and to walk humbly with thy God?" (Micah 6:6-8).

By the Spirit the Church proclaims the lifting character of the gospel. When Christ's message of love and forgiveness is proclaimed, He is exalted.

SHEWING THE FATHER by "Lifting Up Christ" is a mission worthy of our fullest commitment. Some think the mission impossible, doomed to failure. C. Neil Strait has observed that there are those who think the Church is "outdated" or "outnumbered." "The real problem," he adds, "is that the Church is *outrun*—outrun by those of other ranks who are more involved with their beliefs (strange though they be) and more concerned with their mission (limited though it be) than we within the Church."

But to those who faithfully lift up Christ, Isaiah gives promise of assurance and prophecy of hope: "How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of him that bringeth good tidings, that publisheth peace; . . . that publisheth salvation; that saith unto Zion, Thy God reigneth! . . . Break forth into joy, sing together . . . The Lord hath made bare his holy arm in the eyes of all the nations; and all the ends of

the earth shall see the salvation of our God" (52:7, 9-10). □

Former Editor Honored

Dr. W. T. Purkiser, editor of the *Herald of Holiness* from 1960 until 1975, was honored at the annual meeting of the Evangelical Press Association, which met in Philadelphia in early May. EPA is composed of 228 member periodicals and 19 affiliate members.

Along with several outstanding Christian writers and journalists, including Dr. Carl F. H. Henry, past editor of *Christianity Today*, Dr. Purkiser was awarded an Honorary Life Membership in the association. The plaque given to him reads, "In recognition of meritorious editorial service."

In Dr. Purkiser's absence, it was my privilege to receive the award in his behalf. We are always pleased when one of our own is acknowledged for excellence in service.

Long a teacher and expositor of the Word, Dr. Purkiser is the author of numerous books and pamphlets.

He is now retired with his wife in Point Loma, Calif., where he writes and teaches part time at Point Loma College.

Nazarenes everywhere congratulate Dr. Purkiser on this significant recognition. □

New Feature Writer

During the first half of 1976, Dr. Harold W. Reed, president emeritus of Olivet Nazarene College, has written a column entitled "This I Believe." His rich experiences and convictions which have guided him during many years of Christian leadership have inspired our readers. Dr. Reed, we thank you.

Beginning with the August 1 issue of the *Herald* and continuing for the balance of the year, Dr. Ted Esselstyn will be expressing some basic affirmations of his faith.

Dr. Esselstyn is president of South African Bible College. Earlier he was president of Acornhoek Nazarene Bible College, Republic of South Africa North District.

Born in Manzini, Swaziland, of missionary parents, Dr. and Mrs. William Esselstyn, he grew up in Africa. He is a graduate of Eastern Nazarene College, Nazarene Theological Seminary, and Yale University, where he earned a master's degree.

It is a joy to commend him to our readers, who will know him also by the missionary study book on Africa for 1975-76. □



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Local subscription campaign manager Mrs. Talmadge Haggard was responsible for the following script and display. During the district drive the church tallied 170 *Herald of Holiness* subscriptions—39 of which were new.

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Sunday School Superintendent John L. Dorsett (r.) watches as Pastor Harold W. Newby of the Bloomington, Ind., Eastside Church congratulates Bill Philpott for 17 years of perfect attendance in Sunday school. Bill joined Eastside Church on November 8, 1948. He has served as Sunday school superintendent, assistant superintendent, NYPS president, board of trustee member, and on the church school board.

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James A. Feltar and Grace "Clithero" Feltar celebrated their sixtieth wedding anniversary at a reception in their honor, given by their children, at the Student Center of Northwest Nazarene College, Nampa, Ida., April 4. They were married in Kansas where they were teaching in 1916. They moved to Yakima, Wash., in 1920. Mr. Feltar taught in the public schools there until 1949, when they moved to Nampa, Ida. He was Sunday school superintendent of Yakima First Church for 20 years, and served two terms on the NNC Board of Regents. Mr. Feltar served on the faculty of NNC from 1949 to 1971. Their children are: Mrs. Howard (Bunny) Dobbs of Caldwell, Ida.; Mrs. Gordon (May) Brown of Elmhurst, Ill.; and Mrs. Harry (Ruby) Boyd of Ontario, Ore. They have five grandchildren, five great-grandchildren, and one great-great-grandson.

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Youth Minister David Wine, center, records the gifts of the Mount Vernon, Ohio, First Church congregation. Pastor Jack Archer (*l.*) and Mr. Fletcher Lawrence, secretary of the church board, assist. Over \$70,000 was pledged to pay off the present church debt and allow the church to add sanctuary and education space that will accommodate 1,000.

LOS ANGELES DISTRICT ADDS LAYMAN TO STAFF

The Los Angeles district advisory board has voted to add Mr. Richard T. Willis to the district staff as the administrative assistant to District Superintendent Paul Benefiel. Mr. Willis began his duties with the district June 1.



Dick, as he is affectionately known by his friends, has long been active on the Los Angeles District. As a layman from Los Angeles First Church, he has served on the district advisory board, the district home mission board, the laymen's retreat committee, and the district NWMS council.

Mr. Willis is taking early retirement, having served 33 years with the Security Pacific Bank, where he was vice-president and branch manager. His experience included all positions in branch banking, and at one time he was in charge of marketing and busi-

ness development of over 50 branches for the bank.

District Superintendent Paul Benefiel stated that Dick will be an asset to the district, applying his expertise in business and finance in assisting local churches as well as the district. □

CHEMISTRY GRANT AWARDED TO PLC

Dr. V. L. Heasley and Dr. D. F. Shellhamer, members of the Point Loma College Chemistry Department, have received notice that a \$1,000 grant has been awarded by the Union Oil Company of California to support the undergraduate research program at Point Loma College.

J. D. McCawley, chairman of the Graduate Fellowship Program at Union Oil, stated, "Union Oil is not normally involved in undergraduate grants. However, we are impressed with the projects you and your students are working on because they could be of practical interest to the petroleum industry."

Union Oil has awarded over \$6,500 for support of research to the chemistry department since 1968. □



The Covington, Ky., Eastside Church celebrated its thirty-fifth anniversary May 16. District Superintendent John May of the Eastern Kentucky District and Rev. Riley James, a former pastor, were the special speakers. Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Hancock were honored for serving as church treasurers since 1953; Mrs. Mabel McMillan was honored for serving as NWMS president since 1948; and Mr. Herbert McMillan was honored for serving as Sunday school superintendent since 1944. Presently the church has 159 members and facilities valued at \$150,000. Pictured (*l. to r.*) are: Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Hancock, Dr. John W. May, Rev. Norman K. Phillips, and Mr. and Mrs. Herbert McMillan.



General Superintendent Edward Lawlor dedicated the new Bay Shore-Brightwaters Church of Long Island, N.Y., May 2. The church was built with donated labor by the congregation at a cost of \$75,000 under the direction of the pastor, Robert A. Rapalje, and is debt free. The sanctuary is equipped with baptistry, air conditioning, and audio equipment. District Superintendent M. V. Scutt of the New York District offered the dedicatory prayer.



General Superintendent George Coulter dedicated the new Family Center of Lubbock, Tex., First Church, May 2. The new building is a gift of Mr. and Mrs. Vaughn Bates, members of Lubbock First. It has been named the Bates Family Activity Center in their honor. The new building has 10,000 feet and houses a gymnasium, a church parlor with fireplace and kitchen, a youth minister's office, two restrooms with showers, five classrooms, and a storage room.



Hannibal, Mo., First Church dedicated a new building May 2. Dr. Donald J. Gibson was the special speaker. Others taking part in the service were: District Superintendent Arthur E. Mottram; Rev. John Bouldrey, pastor of Hannibal Riverview Church; Norman Lawson, chairman of the Building Committee; Raymond Sanders, chairman of the Board of Trustees; and Pastor Artie H. Whitworth. The building is 16,000 square feet, fully carpeted and air-conditioned. The church was designed by Zion Church Designers, with a sanctuary seating 450 and an additional 150 in overflow. Also, it has 30 classrooms, a kitchen, a fellowship area, a gym, and an office area. The building was constructed at a cost of \$295,000. The total indebtedness is \$165,000.



The four sons of retired evangelist H. N. Dickerson have established a series of lectures at Nazarene Bible College in honor of their father. H. N. Dickerson was an effective soul winner in the Church of the Nazarene for more than 50 years. The lecture series will emphasize pulpit evangelism. Pictured (*l. to r.*) are: Don Dickerson; Harry Dickerson; Rev. H. N. Dickerson; Dr. L. S. Oliver, president of NBC; and Cline Dickerson. Meredith Dickerson was not able to be present.

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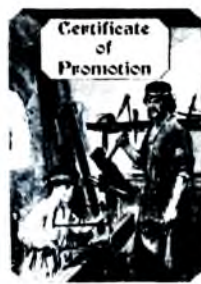
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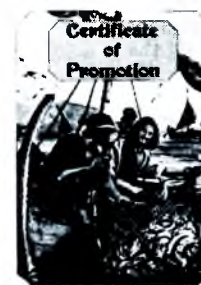
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Jesus and Fishermen



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Department to Department
Jesus Fishing with Peter



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Recognition
Jesus Teaching



Mr. and Mrs. Virgil W. Burgess celebrated their fiftieth wedding anniversary May 11 at a reception given by their children in Champaign, Ill. They have been members of Champaign First Church for over 40 years and have held many offices in the church. Their children are Eugene of Champaign; William V. of Dewey, Ill.; and Robert of Kansas City. Their daughter, Patricia Burgess, missionary to Taiwan, was killed in a plane crash in 1969. They also have 11 grandchildren and 3 great-grandchildren.



Rev. and Mrs. A. L. Roach recently celebrated their fiftieth wedding anniversary at a dinner with their son, James Edward; Mrs. Roach's sister; and a small group of their older friends. The Roaches are retired from active ministry. He teaches the Senior Adult Bible Class in the Overland, Mo., church, where they have their membership.



A golden wedding anniversary celebration was recently held in the Eagle, Ida., church honoring the T. Orman Clarks. The Clarks have been active members in the Eagle, Ida., church since the church was organized in 1923. Orman and Leola were married March 3, 1926. They are the parents of 4 children, grandparents of 12, and have 1 great-grandchild.



Rev. and Mrs. Thomas W. Tate of Delaware, Ohio, were recently honored with a celebration of their fiftieth wedding anniversary. Rev. Ernest B. Marsh officiated in the renewing of the vows. The Tates have a son, Thomas W. Tate, Jr., of Memphis, Tenn.; and a daughter, Miss Iva Tate, of Delaware, Ohio, who was the host for the open house. Rev. Tate pastored for 22 years and still fills in where needed.



Rev. and Mrs. Ernest Armstrong celebrated their fiftieth wedding anniversary February 8 at Clovis, N.M., First Church. District Superintendent Harold W. Morris read the golden anniversary vows to the couple at the altar of the church following the Sunday morning service. They were joined at the altar by their three children and several grandchildren and a sister of Mrs. Armstrong. Rev. Armstrong was president of Canadian Nazarene College and pastored churches on the Oklahoma, Arizona, and New Mexico districts. They now reside in Roswell, N.M.



A golden wedding anniversary celebration was recently held at Waycross, Ga., First Church, honoring Rev. and Mrs. W. L. Snellgrove. Their son, Pastor H. G. Snellgrove of Panama City, Fla., First Church, conducted the ceremony in which they repeated their wedding vows. A program of wedding music was presented by their granddaughters, Mrs. Danny Helms, of Albany, Ga.; and Miss Ruthie Bonnett of Miami, Fla. They were assisted in receiving their guests by their children: Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Bonnett, Brunswick, Ga.; and Rev. and Mrs. H. G. Snellgrove, Panama City, Fla.



Rev. and Mrs. J. W. Hoffert recently celebrated their fiftieth wedding anniversary in the dining hall at Pinecrest Camp, Fredericktown, Mo., sponsored by their son and his family. More than 200 persons attended. The Hofferts pastored churches at Union, Sikeston, and Rolla, Mo. They now reside at Pinecrest Camp.



Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Williams celebrated their fifty-sixth wedding anniversary quietly at the nursing home in Boise City, Okla., where Mrs. Williams is a resident. Mrs. Williams had supplied the pulpit a number of times before illness confined her to the nursing home.



Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Millard of Ottumwa, Ia., were honored at an open house April 11, on the occasion of their sixtieth wedding anniversary. Approximately 225 family members and friends gathered to help them celebrate. A bouquet of 60 red roses was a gift of the Millards' four children. Mr. and Mrs. Millard have been active in numerous capacities in the Ottumwa First Church since becoming members in 1950.



EVANGELISTS' SLOTS

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Evangelism is future oriented. It is pointing to the coming Kingdom. We must move with Christ into an open future. We like security, clinging to the rock of what has been, and thus are in danger of reducing evangelism to our own agenda.

- ALLEN, "JIMMIE":** Salina, Kans. (1st), Aug. 27-29
ANDREWS, GEORGE D.: Dothan, Ala. (1st), Aug. 24-29; Langdale, Ala., Aug. 31—Sept. 5
BAILEY, C. D.: New Albany, Ind. (1st), Aug. 10-15
BAKER, RICHARD C.: Wrightsville, Ga. Aug. 10-15; Dublin, Ga. (Graham Mem.), Aug. 23-29; Cochran, Ga., Aug. 30—Sept. 5
BATTIN, BUFORD: Morrilton, Ark., Aug. 8-15
BELL, JAMES R. & JEAN: Philadelphia Dist. Camp, Aug. 7-15; Port Arthur, Tex. (Grace), Aug. 24-29; Baytown, Tex., Aug. 31—Sept. 5
BOHI, JAMES: E. Mich. Camp, Aug. 1-8; Chicago Central Camp, Aug. 9-15; Tabor, Ia. (camp), Aug. 16-22; N.Y. Dist. Camp, Aug. 27—Sept. 5
BOND, GARY C.: Carey, Ohio (Ridge Chapel), Aug. 10-15; Peru, Ill., Aug. 17-22; Potomac, Ill., Aug. 24-29; Chesaning, Mich., Aug. 31—Sept. 5
BOWMAN, RUSSELL: Mt. Orab, Ohio (Wes.), Aug. 29—Sept. 5
BROOKS, RICHARD: Bay City, Mich. (city-wide), Aug. 22-29
BROWN, ROGER: W. Va. Dist. Camp, Aug. 1-8; Ridgeway, Pa., Aug. 20-22; Richmond, Ind. (indoor camp), Aug. 23-29
BUCKLES-BURKE EVANGELISTIC TEAM: Kendallville, Ind., Aug. 13-15; Wabash, Ind. (interdenom. tent) Aug. 15-29
BURKHAMMER FAMILY, SINGING: Dumas, Tex., Aug. 1-7; Pueblo, Colo. (Fairmont), Aug. 15-21
CAUDILL, STEVE & SUE: N. Cent. Ohio Dist. Camp, Aug. 16-22; Wallonsburg, N.Y. (Boquet Chapel), Aug. 24-29; Corning, N.Y. (1st), Aug. 31—Sept. 5
CAYTON, JOHN: Riceville, Pa., Aug. 25-26-28-29
CLARK, GENE: Hickory Hills, Ill., Aug. 2-8; Chrisman, Ill., Aug. 9-15; Mt. Vernon, Ind. (Pt. Township), Aug. 16-22; Seymour, Ind. (1st), Aug. 23-29; Hannibal, Mo. (1st), Aug. 31—Sept. 5
CLIFT, NORVIE O.: Sunnymead, Calif., Aug. 1-8; Barstow, Calif. (1st), Aug. 8-15; Vista, Calif. (1st), Aug. 16-22; Cottage Grove, Ore., Aug. 23-29; Canby, Ore., Aug. 30—Sept. 5
CLINE, JERRY: Morrow, Ohio (1st), Aug. 29—Sept. 5
COOK, LEON & MARIE: Louisville, Ga. (1st), Aug. 31—Sept. 5
COX, CURTIS B.: Copper Hill, Va., Aug. 17-22; Roanoke, Va. (Camp Summers), Aug. 28—Sept. 6
CRANE, BILLY D.: E. Tenn. Dist. Camp, Aug. 2-8; Albany, Ky. (Northside), Aug. 31—Sept. 5
CREWS, H. F.: Olton, Tex., Aug. 3-8
CRUTCHER, ESTELLE: Manhattan, N.Y., Aug. 8
DARNELL, H. E.: Stoneboro, Pa. (camp), Aug. 17-26; Cardington, Ohio (Camp Gilead), Aug. 27—Sept. 6
DELBRIDGE, JAMES: Little Rock, Ark. (Univ. Park), Aug. 4-8; Holyoke, Colo., Aug. 12-15; Rocky Ford, Colo., Aug. 17-22; Rocky Ford, Colo. (County Fair), Aug. 23-29
DELONG, RUSSELL V.: Month of Aug. reserved
DIXON, GEORGE & CHARLOTTE: Gospel Concerts in Maine & Ohio dists., month of Aug.
DUNMIRE, RALPH & JOANN: W. Tex. Dist. Camp, Aug. 2-8; Columbia, Miss., Aug. 10-15; Andalusia, Ala., Aug. 24-29; Crothersville, Ind., Aug. 31—Sept. 5
DUTTON, BARRY & TAVIA: Damascus, Md. (interdenom. hol. camp), Aug. 5-15; Brunswick, Me. (Calvary Mission), Aug. 17-22; Remainder of month reserved
EDWARDS, LOU: Cincinnati, Ohio (tent crus.), Aug. 4-15
ELLINGSON, R. LEE: Toccoa, Ga., Aug. 31—Sept. 5
ELLWANGER, C. WILLIAM: Moorhead, Minn., Aug. 3-9; W. St. Paul, Minn. (Grace), Aug. 11-15; N. Little Rock, Ark. (1st), Aug. 31—Sept. 5
EMSLY, ROBERT: Johnson, Vt. (Ithiel Falls Camp), Aug. 4-15
ERICKSON, A. WILLIAM: Martinburg, W.Va., Aug. 17-22
FELTER, JASON & LOIS: Circleville, Ohio (CCCU Camp), Aug. 13-22
FILES, GLORIA, & ADAMS, DOROTHY: Philadelphia Dist. Camp, Aug. 6-15; Skowhegan, Me. (children's crus.), Aug. 24-29
FLORENCE, ERNEST E.: Lewistown, Ill. (Waterford Un.), Aug. 23-29
FORD, RUTH: Indianapolis, Ind. (Central), Aug. 16-22; Indianapolis, Ind. (Meridian St.), Aug. 23-29
FREEMAN, MARY ANN: Lewistown, Ill., Aug. 16-22
FRODGE, HAROLD: La Harpe, Ill., Aug. 23-29
GAWTHORP, WAYLAND & JOAN: Greenville, Tenn. (1st), Aug. 24-29; Cairo, Ga., Aug. 31—Sept. 5
GLAZE, HAROLD J.: Medina, Ohio (1st), Aug. 9-15; London, Ohio (1st), Aug. 16-22; Springfield, Ohio (Central), Aug. 23-29
GREEN, JAMES & ROSEMARY: Modesto, Calif. (1st), Aug. 3-8; Fairborn, Ohio, Aug. 24-29
GRIMES, BILLY: Flint, Tex., Aug. 23-29
GRINDLEY, GERALD & JANICE: Va. Dist. Camp, Aug. 9-15; Portage, Ohio (hol. camp), Aug. 19-29
HAINES, GARY: Central Ohio Camp & Columbus, Ohio (area), Aug. 1-8; Little Rock, Ark. (Central), Aug. 15-22; Gosport, Ind. (area crus.), Aug. 24-29
HALL, BILL & SHARON: Vacation, month of Aug.
HALL, CARL N.: Cullman, Ala., Aug. 10-15
HANCOCK, BOYD C.: Ozark, Ark., Aug. 16-22; Cleveland, Miss., Aug. 23-29; Memphis, Tenn. (Calvary), Aug. 30—Sept. 5
HAPPINESS SINGERS: Va. Dist. Camp, Aug. 9-15
HARROLD, JOHN W.: Georgetown, Ind. (1st), Aug. 31—Sept. 5
HECKER FAMILY: Baltimore, Md. (Marley Pk.), Aug. 13-15; Arlington, Va. (1st), Aug. 20-21; Arlington, Va. (Calvary), Aug. 27-29
HOLLEY, C. D.: Lanett, Ala. (Huguley), Aug. 3-8; West Branch, Mich. (Am. Hol. Camp Mtg.), Aug. 13-22; Granite City, Ill. (St. Paul), Aug. 24-29
HOLLOWAY, WARREN O.: Vassar, Mich., Aug. 18-29
HOOTS, BOB: S.W. Okla. Dist. Camp, July 30—Aug. 8; W. Tex. Dist. Camp, Aug. 9-15
IRWIN, ED: Aiken, S.C. (1st), Aug. 23-29
JACKSON, CHUCK, SINGERS: Miltonvale, Kans. (Wes. Camp), Aug. 3-8; Cullman, Ala. (1st), Aug. 10-15; Concerts in Ga., Aug. 20-22; Concerts in Tenn., Aug. 27-29
JACKSON, PAUL & TRISH: Canada Central Dist. (Family Camp), Aug. 1-8; Saskatoon, Sask. (Family Camp), Aug. 19-22; Saskatoon, Sask. (1st), Aug. 24-29
JANTZ, CALVIN & MARJORIE: Colorado Springs, Colo. (Security), Aug. 17-22; Englewood, Colo., Aug. 24-29; Colorado Springs, Colo. (Indian Hgts.), Aug. 31—Sept. 5
JEWETT, LARRY & PAT: La. Dist. Camp (Ft. Jessup), Aug. 2-8; Reserved, Aug. 10-15; West Monroe, La. (Hudson Camp), Aug. 16-22
KESLER, JAMES O.: Frankfort, Ky. (1st), Aug. 2-8; Nebo, Ill. (1st), Aug. 16-22
KRATZ, ELDON & KAY: Ia. Dist. Camp Meeting, Aug. 2-8; Ft. Dodge, Ia., Aug. 9-15; Des Moines, Ia. (1st), Aug. 16-22; Olathe, Kans., Aug. 29
LASSELL, RAY: Eckerty, Ind. (hol.), Aug. 5-15; Milan, Ind. (camp), Aug. 19-29
LAXSON, WALLY & GINGER: S.W. Okla. Dist., July 31—Aug. 8; Cedar Rapids, Ia. (1st), Aug. 11-15; Langley, S.C. (1st), Aug. 31—Sept. 5
LECKRONE, LARRY: Hamburg, Ill. (Hillcrest Hol. Camp Mtg.), Aug. 2-8; Garfield Hgts., Ohio, Aug. 9-15; Merrillville, Ind. (1st), Aug. 16-22
LESTER, FRED R.: Delta, Ohio (Calvary Hol. Camp Mtg.), Aug. 5-15; Tulsa, Okla. (South West), Aug. 24-29; Bonham, Tex. (1st), Aug. 31—Sept. 5
LINDER, LLOYD P.: Van Buren, Ind. (Fletcher's Chapel), Aug. 22-29
LOMAN, LANE & JANET: Fishertown, Pa. (camp), Aug. 4-15; Centralia, Ill. (Free Meth.), Aug. 24-29; Parrish, Ala. (Sardis), Aug. 31—Sept. 5
LOWN, ALBERT: Emporia, Kans., Aug. 4-9; Pittsburgh, Pa., Aug. 17-25; Cape May, N.J., Aug. 27—Sept. 5
LUSH, RON & MYRTLEBEL: Ariz. Dist. Camp, July 30—Aug. 15; San Luis Obispo, Calif. (city-wide cru.), Aug. 31—Sept. 5
MANLEY, STEPHEN: N.W. Ohio Dist. Camp, July 30—Aug. 8; S.W. Ohio Dist. Senior High Camp, Aug. 9-14; Fort Wayne, Ind. (1st), Aug. 15-20; Dickinson, N.D., Aug. 24-29; Sawyer, N.D., Aug. 31—Sept. 5
MARTIN, PAUL: Akron Dist. Camp, July 31—Aug. 8; Kans. Dist. Camp, Aug. 9-15; Dayton, Ohio (Parkview), Aug. 17-22; N.Y. Dist. Camp, Aug. 27—Sept. 5
McABEE, JAMES: Washington, Ind., Aug. 30—Sept. 5
McKINNEY, ROY T.: Hamberg, Ill. (Hillcrest Camp Mtg.), Aug. 2-8; McConnellsburg, Pa. (Pleasant Ridge Camp), Aug. 11-15; Portage, Ohio (hol. camp), Aug. 19-29
McWHIRTER, G. STUART: Hartselle, Ala. (camp), July 29—Aug. 8; Louisville, Ky. (Hikes Point), Aug. 17-22
MEREDITH, DWIGHT & NORMA JEAN: Dunkirk, Ind. (hol. camp), Aug. 12-22; Wichita, Kans. (Olivet), Aug. 30—Sept. 5
MERRELL, RICHARD L.: Reserved, Aug. 2-8; Beardstown, Ill., Aug. 16-22; Minn. Dist. Camp, Aug. 23-29; Minn. State Fair, Aug. 30—Sept. 5
MERRITT, HERBERT & ANN: Dallas, Tex. (North), Aug. 2-8; Augusta, Kans. (1st), Aug. 16-29
MICKEY, BOB: Port Townsend, Wash. (Discovery Bay Camp), Aug. 6-15; Moses Lake, Wash. (Evang. Meth.), Aug. 17-22; La Junta, Colo., Aug. 24-29
MILLER, RUTH: Philadelphia Dist. Camp Mtg., Aug. 7-15
MILLHUFF, CHUCK: Pittsburgh Dist. Camp Mtg., July 23—Aug. 1; E. Mich. Dist. Camp Mtg., Aug. 1 (p.m.)-8; Sapulpa, Okla., Aug. 15; Odessa, Tex., Aug. 16-24; Camden, Tenn., Aug. 25-29
MULLEN, DEVERNE: Canada West Camp, Aug. 1-8; S.E. Okla. Dist. Camp, Aug. 31—Sept. 5
NEFF, LARRY & PAT: Va. Dist. Camp, Aug. 9-15; Waynesfield, Ohio (Mt. Lookout Hol. Camp), Aug. 19-29
NEUSCHWANGER, ALBERT: E. Tenn. Dist. Camp, Aug. 2-8; Watonga, Okla., Aug. 23-29
OVERTON, WILLIAM D.: Livermore Falls, Me. (Waconda Camp), Aug. 2-7; Caribou, Me., Aug. 11-15; Gardiner, Me., Aug. 18-22; South Portland, Me., Aug. 24-29; Reserved, Aug. 31—Sept. 5
PASSMORE EVANGELISTIC PARTY: Vilonia, Ark. (camp mtg.), Aug. 1-8; Herndon, Va. (Dranesville Camp Mtg.), Aug. 12-22; Mansfield, Ill., Aug. 31—Sept. 5
PEMBLE, AL, FAMILY GOSPEL TEAM: Reserved for concert tour in Wis., month of Aug.
PERDUE, NELSON: Willshire, Ohio, Aug. 30—Sept. 5
PHILLIPS, GENE E.: Des Moines, Ia., Aug. 1; Winfield, Ia. (Hudson Camp Mtg.), Aug. 16-27
PORTER, JOHN & PATSY: Monroeville, Ala. (1st), Aug. 3-8; Rock Mills, Ala. (1st), Aug. 10-15; Bradyville, Tenn. (Hollow Sprgs.), Aug. 19-22; Columbiana, Ala. (1st), Aug. 24-29; North Pekin, Ill. (1st), Aug. 31—Sept. 5
QUALLS, PAUL: McConnellsburg, Pa. (Pleasant Ridge Camp), Aug. 11-15; Lake View, Ohio, Aug. 31—Sept. 5
RAKER, W. C. & MARY: Eldon, Mo. (1st), Aug. 4-15; Calamine, Ark. (camp mtg.), Aug. 20-29
RAYCROFT, R. N. E.: Mich. Dist. Camp, Aug. 1-8
ROTHWELL, MEL-THOMAS: Ia. Dist. (Tabor Camp), Aug. 16-22
SHUMAKE, C. E.: Robertsdale, Ala., Aug. 2-8
SLACK, DOUGLAS: Bare Branch, Ind. (Olive Branch Bapt.), Aug. 15-20; Lewistown, Ill. (Waterford Union), Aug. 23-29
SMITH, CHARLES HASTINGS: Biloxi, Miss. (1st), Aug. 10-15; Jasper, Ala. (1st), Aug. 24-29; Albany, Ga. (1st), Aug. 31—Sept. 5
SMITH, DUANE: Reserved, month of Aug.
SMITH, OTTIS E.: Johnson, Vt. (Ithiel Falls Camp), Aug. 4-15; Egg Harbor City, N.J., Aug. 17-22
SPARKS, ASA: Home Missions Tenn. Dist. Tour, July 15—Aug. 29
STAFFORD, DANIEL: Granite Quarry, N.C. (Salisbury Camp), Aug. 13-22; Westminster, S.C. (Wes.), Aug. 29—Sept. 5
STONE GOSPEL SINGING FAMILY: Imperial Valley, Calif. (interdenom. hol. camp), Aug. 12-22
STRICKLAND, RICHARD L.: W.Va. Dist. Camp, Aug. 1-8; Ossian, Ind., Aug. 10-15; Ia. Dist. (Tabor Camp), Aug. 16-22; Enon, Ohio, Aug. 24-29; Lakeview, Ohio (Indian Lake), Aug. 31—Sept. 5
SWANSON, ROBERT: La. Dist. Camp Mtg. (Ft. Jessup), Aug. 2-8; Altus, Okla., Aug. 10-15; Taylor, Mich. (Eureka), Aug. 17-22
TAYLOR, CLIFF: Richland, Wash., Aug. 9-15; Oakdale, Calif. (VBS), Aug. 23-29
TEASDALE, ELLIS & RUTH: New Ringgold, Pa. (Lewistown

Valley Meth. Camp), Aug. 27—Sept. 6
TRIPP, HOWARD: Damascus, Md. (camp), Aug. 5-15; Timber-ville, Va., Aug. 17-22; Crothersville, Ind., Aug. 31—Sept. 5
TURNOCK, JIM & D. J.: Wis. Dist. Camp, July 29—Aug. 1; Va. Dist. Boys' & Girls' Camp, Aug. 2-6; Elkins, W.Va. (1st), Aug. 9-15; Roanoke, Va. (Grandview Hghts.), Aug. 17-22; Minn. Dist. Camp, Aug. 24-29; Bedford, Tex.

(Hurst), Aug. 31—Sept. 5
VARIAN, BILL: Bay City, Mich. (city-wide), Aug. 22-29
WEST, C. EDWIN: San Francisco, Calif. (1st Chinese), Aug. 4-8
WILLIAMS, LAWRENCE: Enid, Okla. (Peniel), Aug. 30—Sept. 5
WISE, F. FRANKLIN: Ladoga, Ind., Aug. 25-29
WISEHART, LENNY & JOY: Ia. Dist. Camp Mtg., Aug. 2-8; Indianapolis, Ind. (Fall Creek), Aug. 15; Camby, Ind.

(Youth Camp), Aug. 16-20; Rock Island, Ill. (1st), Aug. 22-25; Excelsior Springs, Mo., Aug. 31—Sept. 5
WRIGHT, E. GUY: Coraopolis, Pa. (McDonald), Aug. 13-22; Follansbee, W.Va. (Hooverson Hghts.), Aug. 24-29; Weirton, W.Va. (Colliers), Aug. 31—Sept. 5
WYLIE, CHARLES: West Plains, Mo., (1st), Aug. 3-8

NOTE: The evangelists' slates are printed in the *Herald* monthly. The full directory is published quarterly.

NEWS OF REVIVAL

Los Angeles First Church had a revival meeting with Evangelist Ben Lemaster. Pastor Randal E. Denny reports, "Many people received spiritual help, backsliders were wonderfully reclaimed, the heart of the church was warmed and blessed." □

Eau Claire, Wis., First Church had a fruitful revival with Evangelist John Beegle. Pastor David F. Sorrel reports there were seekers in all but one service during the April 6-11 meeting. □

A week of revival was held March 16-21 at the **Kaibeto, Ariz., mission**. There was a spiritual awakening with over 100 seekers, and 8 new members were received into the church at the close of the meeting. Revs. George and Charlotte Dixon were the workers. Rev. Bertha Boyd is the missionary to this Navajo mission. □

Pastor Duane Snavely of the **Hicksville, Ohio, church** reports the Lord gave them an outstanding week of evangelistic services with Evangelist Curtis Whited of Olathe, Kans. There was record attendance of 122 in the Sunday morning services, and 25 persons were saved or sanctified during the week. Of these, 18 were first-time seekers. □

The Heber Springs, Ark., church recently had a week of revival with seminary student Evangelist Dave Wise. Pastor Loy D. Jones reports there were times of spiritual refreshing around the altar in a number of the evening services. "On Easter Sunday morning the altar was filled with both young people and adults for salvation, renewal, and some making full consecration for holiness. The prospects of new members on profession of faith may result in this being one of the far-reaching revivals of recent years." □

Pastor Cloyce E. Elsea reports the **Bloomdale, Ohio, church** recently experienced a good revival meeting with Evangelist Charles Davidson of Fremont, Ohio. "The people of the church responded well to the challenging messages on holy living and on outreach for souls." □

Rev. R. N. Raycroft was the evangelist during March revival services at **Rochester, N. Y., Grace Church**. Pastor Charles E. Taylor reports one family was converted and several new converts were sanctified. □

Okmulgee, Okla., First Church recently had a revival with Evangelist Floyd P. Smith of Arcadia, Calif.

Pastor Willard L. Emerson reports, "We had the best attendance, the best offering, and the best altar services our church has had in a long time." □

Rev. John David Hicks recently held an in-depth spiritual training revival in the **Whitefish, Mont., church**. Pastor Frank Dabney reports spiritual growth throughout the church. "New families received the experience of holiness in their hearts and homes." □

Pastor Carl D. Smith of **Campbells Creek, Charleston, W. Va., Church** reports a recent revival campaign with Evangelist Curtis B. Cox that was evidenced by 26 seekers at the altar. Six of these were for the experience of entire sanctification. □

Plymouth, Ind., First Church recently had revival with Rev. and Mrs. Russell Coffey of Hopkins, Mich. Pastor Dale Sidle reports their variety in the musical program and preaching brought results at the altar and changes in the lives of the people. □


Pastor Willard L. Sandberg of **Wewoka, Okla., First Church** reports a recent revival with Rev. and Mrs. C. Frank Beckett of Roland, Okla.

"There were good altar services nightly. . . . Many received spiritual help." □

"Showers of Blessing"

PROGRAM SCHEDULE

By Dr. Ted E. Martin



"WHY NOT?"
July 18

"CAESAR AND GOD"
July 25

NEWS OF CHURCHES

Bismarck, N.D., First Church had a four-day missionary conference with Rev. Paul Stubbs, missionary to Korea. Rev. Stubbs told the story of tremendous revival, personal soul winning, and church growth in Korea. The high-light of the conference was when Rev. Stubbs spoke about the call to full-time Christian service. At the close of the conference, nine young people came forward indicating they were willing to do whatever God asked them in full-time Christian service. Ralph W. Fisher is the pastor, and Mrs. Berton Fromm is the NWMS president. □

Pastor B. W. Downing reports a recent ground-breaking ceremony, held by District Superintendent W. Charles Oliver, for a new church sanctuary-educational facility for the **Evansville, Ind., First Church**. It will be situated on a five-acre plot.

Construction has begun on the new sanctuary, which is to accommodate 600 persons. It is expected to be completed within nine months. □

Xenia, Ohio, First Church, rebuilt after the tornado of April 3, 1974, broke all records with 1,400 people witnessing two performances on Easter Sunday morning of *No Greater Love*. This music/drama spectacular was presented under the direction of Mr. Steve Adams—with live brass orchestration. Rev. Howard L. Rickey is the pastor. □

A groundbreaking service was conducted by the **Edmond, Okla., First Church** Sunday, March 14, with Pastor Frank Skillern officiating. Dr. Gerald R. Locke, district superintendent of the Northwest Oklahoma District, brought the special message. Considered as Phase One of an extensive church building program, the construction will consist of a gymnasium and 20 classrooms for fellowship, recreation, and education. The building will consist of 20,000 square feet at a cost of \$100,000. Completion date has been set for July 4. Mr. Chuck Breazeale is chairman of the Building Committee. □



Dawn Jones, a Caravaner from the Stow, Ohio, church, finished a normal three-year Pathfinder program in less than one and a half years. Pictured (l. to r.) are Mrs. Jacqueline Rogers, head guide; Dawn, receiving the Esther Carson Winans award from Caravan Director Chris Rogers.



Five Caravaners received the highest award possible through the Caravan program at the Racine, Wis., Taylor Avenue Church in a recent awards service. Under the direction of Wayne and Brenda Myers, the church concluded a successful year with the presentation of the Bresee and Winans awards. Pictured (l. to r.) are: Mark Schulz, Janice Schulz, Lisa Meltesen, Joy Sharpe, and Philip Strait.

OF PEOPLE AND PLACES

Mr. and Mrs. Lester Crook of Olivet, Ill., recently celebrated their sixtieth wedding anniversary with an open house at their home.

They are the parents of 10 children: Miss Frances Crook and James Crook, both of Danville, Ill.; Mrs. Paul (Amelia) Harris of Peoria, Ill.; Mrs. Ben (Wanda) Dunbar of Gaithersburg, Md.; Leland J. of Olivet, Ill.; Mrs. Carl (Barbara) Broyles of Tampa, Fla.; Mrs. Everett (Janita) Baldrige of Bourbonnais, Ill.; Mrs. Paul (Rowena) Mills of Bradley, Ill.; and Mrs. John (Naomi) Pickinpaugh of Vallejo, Calif.

A daughter, Mrs. Ronald (Roberta) Wise, is deceased.

They also have 28 grandchildren and 18 great-grandchildren.

Mr. and Mrs. Crook have resided in Olivet for 36 years. They attend the Olivet church, where Mrs. Crook formerly served as board member. □

Mrs. Olive Hagle Holmes was honored by the St. Cloud, Fla., church after having served as church treasurer for about 15 years. May 16 was Olive



John A. Haller, son of Mr. and Mrs. K. B. Haller, was awarded the Phineas F. Bresee Caravan Award, April 25. John is a member of Olympia, Wash., First Church. The pastor is Rev. Willard Airhart. Wayne Robbins is the Caravan director, and the Caravan guide is Bruce Edgbert.



At a recent Caravan ceremony at Huntington, W. Va., First Church, three Esther Carson Winans awards and one Phineas Bresee award were presented. Pictured, front row (l. to r.) are: Leah Cottle, Renée Hefner, Joseph Saxton; second row (l. to r.) are: Carolyn Shepherd, director; Kimberly Adkins; and Pastor Robert L. Dixon.



A Caravan Awards ceremony was recently held at Kankakee, Ill., College Church. It climaxed a successful year of Caravan ministry, conducted by Mrs. Wanda Woodruff. Pictured are Mrs. Wanda Woodruff, director; Associate Pastor Ron Pelton; Pastor Bill Draper (extending award); Caravaners April Burriss, Teresa Elliott, and Robyn Gates, who received the Esther Carson Winans Award; and Bruce Beatty, Ron Osborne, Jim Toller, David Wright, and Bruce Woodruff, who received the Phineas F. Bresee Award.

Holmes Appreciation Day. She was presented with a plaque and a love offering. A reception was held in her honor. □

Rev. and Mrs. Ernest Rice were recently honored for their fiftieth wedding anniversary at an open house held at Kankakee, Ill., First Church, where they are now members.

The Rices were married in Benton, Ill., on April 10, 1926. They are parents of 10 children, grandparents of 23, and great-grandparents of 3.

Their children include: Ernest L., Flint, Mich.; Jane (Mrs. John Vasey), Charlotte Harbor, Fla.; Dorothy (Mrs. G. T. Randall), Atlanta; Esther (Mrs. Gail Abney), Kankakee, Ill.; Philip, deceased; Ruth (Mrs. James Hayson), Ottawa, Ill.; Marily, Philadelphia; Jean (Mrs. Ronald Willard), Kankakee, Ill.; Linda (Mrs. Keith Burba), Flint, Mich.; and Keith, Friendsville, Tenn.

Rev. and Mrs. Rice pastored for 43 years before retiring in 1974. Congregations to which they ministered in-

clude Carterville, Kampsville, Nebo, Clinton, Canton, Argo, Kankakee First, Peoria First, Ottawa First, Freeport, Kankakee Eastridge, Aurora, Erie, Chillicothe, all in Illinois. □

The Colorado Springs Indian Heights Church held a "This Is Your Life" dedication for Rev. J. A. Phillips for his ninetieth birthday. Rev. Phillips has been in the ministry for 66 years and preached at the service held in his honor at which there were nearly 500 in attendance. He also dedicated a baby at the services that day.

Rev. Phillips pastored 15 churches and spent some years in evangelism. □

Josephine Flint, member of the Hastings, Neb., church, was recently named that city's woman of the year. Despite her blindness, she became involved as a volunteer in Radio Emergency Associated Citizens Team (RE-ACT). She also received the Service to Mankind Award from the Sertoma Club for her work in the field of communication. □



Following a successful District Caravan Roundup, directed by Mrs. Larry Miller, Newport, Ore., Pastor Jerry May, Oregon Pacific District Caravan Director, presented John Kern (l.) with the Phineas F. Bresee award. John is from Newberg, Ore., and is the son of Dr. and Mrs. Stanley Kern. Pictured also is Frankie Reinertsen of Coos Bay, Ore., who had received the award in his local church. Frankie is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Reinertsen. The Caravan Roundup was held in Newport and included races, a craft time, a balloon lift-off, a puppet show, and a service project (painting the fire hydrants along the main highway). Over 150 boys and girls from 7 churches participated in the all-day affair.



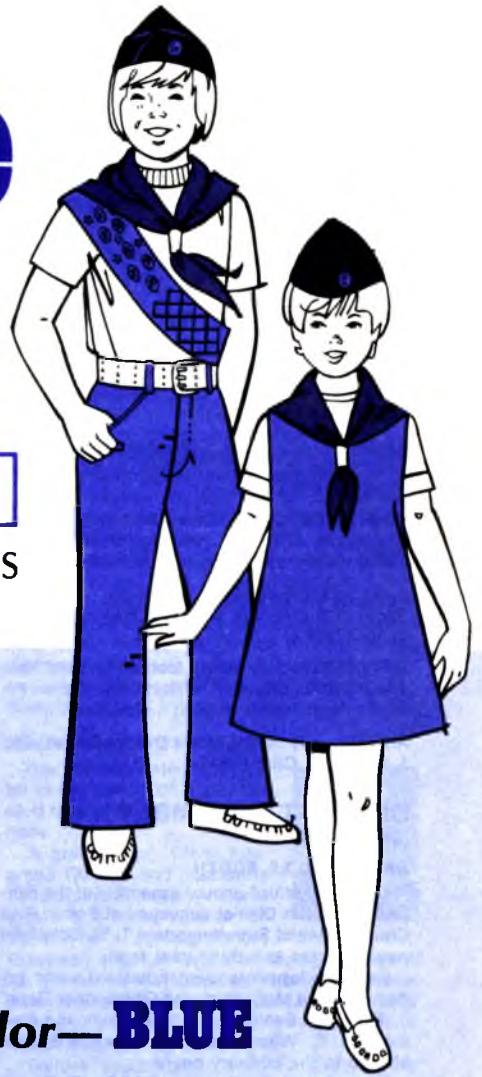
Port Arthur, Tex., Grace Church recently held its Caravan awards ceremony. Pastor S. C. Stevenson is pictured with the recipients: front row (l. to r.) Scott Shepherd and Troy Bradford received the George Washington Award, Steve Shepherd received the Phineas F. Bresee Award; back row (l. to r.) Jeff Childs, Phineas F. Bresee; Susan Williamson, Esther Carson Winans; Phillip Williamson, Phineas F. Bresee; and Don Carley, Phineas F. Bresee Award.



Four girls—(l. to r.) Rhonda Teaftiller, Christine Johnson, Karen Drauss, and Vicki Pederson—completed all the awards available for Nazarene Maidens in the second and third grade program. Pastor Billy W. Clark gave congratulations to the girls and to Mrs. Lillian Pederson, Maiden Guide, in this accomplishment at Vancouver, Wash., Hillcrest Church.

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DISTRICT ASSEMBLY INFORMATION

SOUTHWESTERN OHIO—July 16-17. Monroe High School Auditorium, Macready Rd., Monroe, Ohio 45050. Host Pastor: Joel Daniel.

EASTERN MICHIGAN—July 21-22. Flint Central Church of the Nazarene, 1261 W. Bristol Rd., Flint, Mich. 48507. Host Pastor: John Z. Andree.

NORTHEASTERN INDIANA—July 21-23. District Campground, 1794 S. 350 E., Marion, Ind. 46962. Host Pastor: George B. Hemmingsen.

NORTHERN CALIFORNIA—July 22-23. Roy F. Smee Memorial Building, Beulah Park, 1200 El Rancho Dr., Santa Cruz, Calif. 95060. Host Pastor: Robert Lambert.

ILLINOIS—July 27-29. Springfield First Church, 5200 S. 6th St. Rd., Springfield, Ill. 62703. Host Pastor: Curtis Lewis.

NORTHWEST OKLAHOMA—July 28-29. Herrick Auditorium, 6749 N.W. 39th Exp., Bethany, Okla. 73008. Host Pastor: Stephen W. Nease.

EAST TENNESSEE—July 29-30. Broadway Baptist Church, Old Knoxville Hwy., Maryville, Tenn. 37801.

PITTSBURG—July 29-30. Mount Chestnut Nazarene District Center, 175 North Rd., Butler, Pa. 16001. Host Pastor: Robert I. Goslaw.

AKRON—July 30-31. Akron District Center, Rte. 1, Louisville, Ohio 44641.

DISTRICT ASSEMBLY REPORT

BRITISH ISLES SOUTH

The twenty-third annual assembly of the British Isles South District convened at Bolton First Church. District Superintendent T. W. Schofield was reelected to a three-year term.

General Superintendent Edward Lawlor ordained David McCulloch and Christopher Cope.

(Elders) L. Evans and L. H. McNeill; and (laymen) H. E. Wood and L. C. Shepherd were elected to the advisory board.

Reelected to their posts were Mrs. E. Grace, NWMS president; Mr. W. Tranter, NYPS president; and Mrs. M. Wood, chairlady of the church schools board. □

EASTERN LATIN AMERICA

The nineteenth annual assembly of the Eastern Latin America District was held at Stamford, Conn. District Superintendent Jose Car-



The Seymour Zone of the Southwest Indiana District held a Family Life Seminar, February 27-28, at the Seymour First Church. Dr. James McGraw from Nazarene Theological Seminary was the speaker. Churches participating were Brownstone, Freetown, Peter's Switch, and Seymour. Pastor Derl Keefer of the Peter's Switch Church served as chairman; and Dr. B. G. Wiggs, pastor of the Seymour First Church, was the host pastor. Pictured (front row, l. to r.) are: Rev. Darrell Wineinger, Dr. James McGraw, Rev. Derl Keefer; (back row, l. to r.) Rev. Claude Luff, and Dr. B. G. Wiggs.



Dr. Lawlor broke ground for the Rødovre, Denmark, church May 13. To the left is newly ordained Niels Eliassen, pastor of the Greve (Mosede) congregation.

dona, completing the first year of an extended term, reported.

General Superintendent Charles H. Strickland presided over the business sessions.

Elected to the advisory board were (elders) Joaquin Torres and Francisco Melendez; (laymen) Emilio Rivera and Juanita Velazquez.

Mrs. Lucy Roldan was reelected NWMS president; and Rev. Jose Martinez was elected NYPS president. □

NORTHEAST OKLAHOMA

The twenty-fifth annual assembly of the Northeast Oklahoma District convened at Tulsa Central Church. District Superintendent W. T. Dougharty, completing the second year of an extended term, reported.

General Superintendent Orville W. Jenkins ordained William C. Stagner, Roy W. Edwards, and John D. Hanson.

Elected to the advisory board were (elders) Gene Sanders and Bill Livingston; and (laymen) Bob Donaldson and Bob Kannady.

SCANDINAVIA

The first annual assembly of the Scandinavia District convened in Rødovre, Denmark. Retiring District Superintendent Murray J. Pallet reported.

General Superintendent Edward Lawlor ordained Niels Eliassen, the first ordination of a Danish pastor.

Dr. Lawlor also made the following appointments: elders John M. Nielson and Niels Eliassen plus department heads to the advisory board; Ritva Pedersen, NWMS president; Niels Eliassen, NYPS president; and Lis Eliassen, chairlady of the church schools board. □

MAINE

The sixteenth annual assembly of the Maine District convened at the South Portland, Me., church. District Superintendent J. E. Shankel was reelected to a four-year term.

General Superintendent Charles H. Strickland ordained David M. Bezant, David M. Parker, Richard F. Higgins, and Gary O. Sinclair.



Pictured (l. to r.) are District Superintendent J. E. Shankel with ordinands and their wives—Rev. and Mrs. David M. Bezant, Rev. and Mrs. Richard F. Higgins, Rev. and Mrs. Gary O. Sinclair, Rev. and Mrs. David M. Parker—and Dr. Charles H. Strickland at the Maine District Assembly.

Mrs. W. T. Dougharty was reelected NWMS president; Ivan Rexroth was reelected NYPS president; and Rev. Tom Loving was elected church schools board chairman. □

ARIZONA

The fifty-fifth annual assembly of the Arizona District convened at the Phoenix Biltmore Church. District Superintendent M. L. Mann, completing the second year of an extended term, reported. It was voted to include in the Arizona District the two Las Vegas, Nev., churches, First Church and Charleston Heights; the Boulder City church; and three counties in southern Utah which presently have no organized churches.

General Superintendent V. H. Lewis ordained C. Dale German and Dee R. Jones.

Elected to the advisory board were (elders) C. T. Vanderpool and Ross Hayslip; (laymen) David R. Gipe and William J. Cullumber.

Mrs. George Psaute was reelected NWMS president; Paul J. Fridenmaker was reelected NYPS president; and Rev. Perry R. Hipple was elected chairman of the church schools board. □

Elected to the advisory board were (elders) John C. Evans and George W. Whetstone; (laymen) Sherman G. Irving and Raymond A. Hunter, Jr.

Reelected to their posts were Mrs. Dorothea Brown, NWMS president; Rev. Wayne A. Crevolserat; and Rev. Paul D. Basham, church schools board chairman. □

NEW YORK

The sixty-ninth annual assembly of the New York District was held in Paterson, N.J. District Superintendent M. V. Scutt, completing the first year of an extended term, reported.

General Superintendent Edward Lawlor ordained Stephen Meade.

Elected to the advisory board were (elders) Arthur Hughes and Clarence Jacobs; (laymen) Dr. Raymond Dunlop and George Gressett.

Reelected to their posts were Mrs. Cledah Scutt, NWMS president; Rev. David Trauffer, NYPS president. □

CANADA PACIFIC

The twenty-first annual assembly of the Canada Pacific District convened at the Penticton, B.C., church. District Superintendent Daniel

J. Derksen, completing the first year of an extended term, reported.

General Superintendent Eugene L. Stowe ordained John D. Fraser and Robert J. Graham. (Elders) Wesley G. Campbell and Raymond F. Friberg; and (laymen) Arnold Filipenko and Harold Jones were elected to the advisory board.

Mrs. D. J. Derksen was unanimously reelected NWMS president; David Rainey was elected NYPS president; Rev. Melvin A. Tucker was elected church schools board chairman. □

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

The seventieth annual assembly of the Southern California District convened in Riverside, Calif. District Superintendent Robert Scott was elected to a four-year extended term.

General Superintendent V. H. Lewis ordained Terry Phillips, Clem Kruse, Gordon Watkins, Steve Bierly, Lonnie Hill, Richard Murtland, Elmer Sabisch, Don Nichols, Marvin Schandorff, and Ron Scott. Karla Ogden and Sandra Kruse were commissioned ministers of Christian education.

(Elders) Bill Burch, Leon Wyss, and Charles Ogen; and (laymen) T. R. Partee, Bob Ferris, and Lack Morris were elected to the advisory board.

Mrs. Robert Ferris was reelected NWMS president; Rev. Ron Corbin was elected NYPS president; and Rev. Tom Goble was elected church schools board chairman. □

NORTHWEST

The seventy-second annual assembly of the Northwest District was held in Yakima, Wash. District Superintendent Raymond C. Kratzer, completing the first year of an extended term, reported.

General Superintendent Eugene L. Stowe ordained Gary Tracy, Jesse Anderson, Harrell Poarch, Richard Carlton, and Robert Cunningham. The credentials of Earl Browning and Neil Roth were recognized.

Elected to the advisory board were (elders) Charles Wilkes, Perry Winkle, and James Tapley; (laymen) Eddie Gray, Leon Doane, and Howard Smith.

Reelected to their posts were Mrs. Charles Wilkes, NWMS president; Rev. Ron Kern, NYPS president; and Rev. Milton Harrington, church schools board chairman. □

ROCKY MOUNTAIN

The forty-ninth annual assembly of the Rocky Mountain District convened at Billings, Mont., First Church. District Superintendent Ross E. Price, completing the first year of an extended term, reported.

General Superintendent George Coulter ordained Rex J. Clothier.

Elected to the advisory board were (elders) C. Wm. Morrison and Darrell Slack; and (laymen) Fred Eerdman and Harold Saffell.

Mrs. Lois Thorp was reelected NWMS president; Rev. Larry Wisenbaker was elected NYPS president; and Rev. Ronald D. Clapp was reelected chairman of the church schools board. □

MOVING MINISTERS

JESSIE ANDERSON from Goldendale, Wash., to Trout, La.

JAMES C. BAKER from Glasgow (Ky.) First to Louisville (Ky.) First

DONALD BARNES to Merigold (Miss.) Sunflower

BAILEY CANTRELL from Hutchinson (Kans.) Peniel to Marshall, Mo.

KENNETH CHILDRESS from Aroma Park, Ill., to associate, Bluffton (Ind.) First

KEN CHRISTOFFERSEN from Norristown, Pa., to Collingdale, Pa.

DARRELL DENNIS from Danville (Ind.) Calvary to evangelism

GAETANO FRANZESE to Henderson, Tex.

ROBERT FULLING from Broadview, N.M., to Clovis (N.M.) Fairview



Ordinars of the Southern California District (l. to r.) are: Elmer Sabisch, Lonnie Hill, Terry Phillips, Ron Scott, Clem Kruse, Marvin Schandorff, Gordon Watkins, Richard Murtland, Don Nichols, and Steve Bierly.



Pictured (l. to r.) are Karla Ogden and Sandra Kruse, commissioned ministers of Christian education at the Southern California District Assembly.

C. D. GADBOW from Council Bluffs (Ia.) Emmanuel to evangelism

HAROLD J. GLAZE from Plant City, Fla., to evangelism

CHARLES ICE from Ada (Okla.) Arlington to evangelism

BEN B. KAECHLE from Sault St. Marie, Ontario, Canada, to Shelburne (Ontario) Grace, Canada

BURL S. LEMON from Mount Vernon Nazarene College to associate, Logan, W.Va.

JESSE J. LUSTER from Clarksville (Tenn.) Memorial Drive to Horseshoe Bend, Ark.

THOMAS McCLAIN to evangelism

WILLIAM MACK from Pottersville, Mich., to Niles, Mich.

MENDELL PATTON to Carthage, Tex.

MELVIN RAYBORN from Pomeroy, Wash., to Kimberly, Ida.

LEMUEL RODGERS from St. Petersburg, Pa., to Ogdensburg, N.Y.

STANLEY ROSS from Lincoln, Me., to Cundy's Harbor, Me.

KENNETH STIRRATT from Rockton, Ill., to Bushnell, Ill.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Morenci, Mich., church will celebrate their fiftieth anniversary, Sunday, September 12. Dr. E. W. Martin, district superintendent, will be the principal speaker. All former pastors and members are invited to attend. For information write Rev. Verian W. Traver, 403 E. Coomer St., Morenci, Mich. 49256. □

VITAL STATISTICS

M. A. WAGSTAFF CALLED HOME

Rev. M. A. Wagstaff, better known as "Brother Way," died May 12 at the age of 54.

Formerly a professional photographer in Center, Tex., he heard and answered God's call to preach in 1950. In 1953 he was called as full-time pastor of the church in Glade-water, Tex.

Rev. Wagstaff has also served as pastor of three other churches, Greenville Peniel, Lufkin Bethel, and Channelview, Tex.

Two years ago he was stricken by cancer. Amidst his suffering he continued to testify to God's goodness to him and gave a dying testimony that he was ready.



He served his church in various capacities across the years, including member of the district NYPS council, member of the board of orders and relations, board of ministerial studies, and the district church school board.

He was elected last year as a delegate to the General Assembly by the Houston District.

He is survived by his faithful companion, Mrs. Joyce Wagstaff; one daughter, Mrs. Dovieanne McElrath, of Glen Dale, Md.; two grandchildren, Bryan and Jami Nicole McElrath; and one sister, Mrs. T. W. Harris of Modesto, Calif.

Funeral services were held in the Channelview, Tex., church, May 14. Officiating were: Rev. C. C. Fulton, his former pastor; Dr. W. Raymond McClung, district superintendent; Rev. Troy Smith; and Rev. Earl Cotton. Mrs. Stella Boyd sang. □

REV. RONALD AXTELL DIES

Rev. Ronald Axtell, 53, pastor of the Galion, Ohio, church, died May 18 after a lengthy illness.

A graduate of Olivet Nazarene College and Nazarene Theological Seminary, he was also a U.S. Army veteran of World War II, serving in the European theatre. While attending seminary, he worked at the Nazarene Publishing House. After graduation he served occasionally as a publishing house representative at district assemblies and camp meetings.

District Superintendent D. E. Clay, of the North Central Ohio District, officiated at the funeral services, May 21, assisted by Rev. Paul Hayman. □



DEATHS

REV. FRED C. BAIN, 86, died June 7 at Erin, Tenn. Funeral services were conducted by Rev. Bob Mitchell. He is survived by a daughter, Mrs. Ralph Manning; two sons, Daniel and Ray; six grandchildren; seven great-grandchildren; and two sisters.

MRS. EMMA JULIA BOYD, 90, died May 14 at Brownwood, Tex. Funeral services were conducted by Rev. Donald Baxter. She is survived by her daughter, Mrs. J. W. Wetzel; and a grandson, Robert. She was sanctified in the Indian Creek community, near Brownwood, in 1907.

REV. O. D. FAULKNER, 82, died Apr. 18 at Plymouth, Mich. Survivors include his wife, daughter, Joyce, son Dave, three grandchildren, and one great-grandchild.

LEE MONROE HARRISON, 77, died Feb. 24 at Tacoma, Wash. Funeral services were conducted by Rev. Lowell D. Wecker. He is survived by his wife, Bethel. Interment was in Walla Walla, Wash.

MARY JANE LOCKE died May 11 in Bridgeport, Tex. She is survived by: 5 sons, Karl A., Wayne G., Garland W., James H., and David L.; 1 daughter, Virginia Van Dyck; 15 grandchildren; and 13 great-grandchildren. Funeral services were conducted by her nephew, Dr. Jerald R. Locke.

ETHEL MARIE LONG died May 29 at Talihina, Okla. Funeral services were conducted by Rev. W. A. Potts. Survivors include: her husband, John Edgar; 2 daughters, Mrs. Forest Rose and Mrs. Athel Hampton; 3 sons, John Glen, Norman C., and Forrest W.; 4 brothers; 16 grandchildren; and 23 great-grandchildren.

NEWS OF RELIGION

JOHN H. POPE, 70, died Mar. 30 at Kenneth City, Fla. Services were conducted by Revs. C. E. Winslow, Harold Miller, Don Overby, and Dr. H. Dale Mitchell. Survivors are: Laura, his wife; daughters, Marjorie Pearson, Barbara Boates; son, John; seven grandchildren; and four sisters.

MRS. EMMA SEGARD, 81, died May 20 at Kearney, Neb. Funeral services were conducted by Rev. Jack Atteberry. Surviving are: three sons, George, Arthur, and Robert; one brother; nine grandchildren; and seven great-grandchildren.

REV. D. W. SIMPSON, 79, died May 9 at Mesa Grande, Santa Ysabel, Calif. Funeral services were conducted by Rev. Harvey D. Carter, District Superintendent Robert Scott, and Rev. G. H. Pearson. He is survived by his wife, Hulda; 2 sons, David W. Jr., and Hugh M.; 3 daughters, Elsie Pittam, Marion O'Connor, and Carolyn Kimbell; 23 grandchildren; and 4 great-grandchildren. He has pastored churches in Oklahoma, Georgia, Illinois, Texas, and California.

HARRY S. WENGER, 90, died May 5 in Pasadena, Calif. Funeral services were conducted by Rev. Earl Lee. He is survived by his wife, Lillian; daughter, Jeanne Moyer; son, Leon; six grandchildren; one great-grandchild; one sister; and one brother.

BIRTHS

to REV. ROBERT AND DARLENE (DILLINGHAM) ARMSTRONG, Marion, Ohio, a girl, Jennifer Gail, Apr. 10

to REV. HAL AND PAM (SNODGRASS) DeBOARD, Connell, Wash., a boy, Ryan Hal, May 20

to S. ROY G., JR., AND JOAN ELIZABETH (LEVITT) HALL, Fort Langley, B.C., a girl, Allison Elizabeth, Apr. 3

to RON AND NANCY (GROVES) HILL, Olathe, Kans., a girl, Susanne Renee, May 20

to STEPHEN AND RACHEL JERRELL, Leesburg, Va., a girl, Jennifer Lynn, May 3

to RICK AND SHARON (TINKEL) NEWBY, Kissimmee, Fla., a girl, Laura Ruth, Apr. 28

to RANDY AND JANE (FLESHMAN) OWEN, Saginaw, Mich., a girl, Amanda Lynn, May 19

to JON AND KAREN (STOGDILL) PARKHILL, Dallas, Tex., a girl, Brooke Michelle, Apr. 19

to ED AND MIMI (MOORE) SCHOELZ, Temple City, Calif., a boy, Brandon Scott, Apr. 23

to REV. KEN AND DIANNE (BYRD) TURNER, Signal Mountain, Tenn., a boy, Jeffery Aaron, May 1

to RODNEY AND FAIRY (WILLIAMS) WEEKS, Sublette, Kans., a girl, Audra Lynn, Apr. 30

ADOPTED

to JIM AND TWILA (LYNN) ROSE, Columbi-ana, Ohio, a boy, James Richard, on June 2

MARRIAGES

MARY RUTH SCHRAMM and ALFRED WALTER FRITZ SCHAAR at Winona, Minn., May 15

EVELYN A. BEARDSLEE and REV. A. E. McFARLAND at New Lothrop, Mich., May 1

JEANETTE BONNETTE and JOHN STARKEY, at Marietta, Ohio, June 11

LINDA A. PHILLIPS and TERRY L. FOSTER, at Marietta, Ohio, June 12

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QUEEN SOPHIA'S VISIT TO A SYNAGOGUE FIRST BY SPANISH ROYALTY SINCE 1492. Queen Sophia of Spain attended a service in Madrid's Orthodox Jewish synagogue as part of a program of interreligious understanding.

She did not attend the service formally as the Spanish queen, but as a registered student of a seminar program under the auspices of the Autonomous University of Madrid, her appearance at the synagogue was a significant first.

Madrid Rabbi Baruj Garzon said her appearance marked the first time a Spanish monarch had attended a non-Christian religious ceremony since King Ferdinand and Queen Isabella united Spain under Roman Catholic rule in 1492. □

SOLOMON'S MINES AT BIG DIG? Evidence uncovered in Saudi Arabia indicates that a site under excavation might be the fabled gold mines of Solomon worked 3,000 years ago.

American and Saudi geologists, working in a mountainous region between Mecca and Medina known as Mahd adh Dhahab, or "Cradle of Gold," say they might be standing at Ophir, mentioned in at least four books of the Bible. The site would have been within reach of the limited transportation facilities of Jerusalem. Solomon relied on the port of Aqaba, from which ships and land-going vehicles could have reached the mines.

Gold at one time was said to be outcropping on the surface and might have been a dazzling spectacle to the Hebrews. □

"OUR COUNTRY, RIGHT OR WRONG" HIT AS "SCRIPTURAL HERESY." Senator Mark O. Hatfield (R-Ore.) told a United Methodist gathering in Baltimore that the concept of "our country right or wrong" is a "scriptural heresy."

Speaking at a rally at the conclusion of the 192nd session of the Baltimore Annual (area) Conference of the United Methodist church, the Conservative Baptist layman said, "There is danger of our confusing God's blessing on our country with the idea that He has uniquely blessed us as if He were a tribal god."

He warned that Americans "are too inclined to form a tight link between Christianity and Americanism," and declared that "the idea of 'our country right or wrong, but our country' is scriptural heresy."

Speaking on the theme of what kind of prayers Christians can offer, Senator Hatfield said, "We can offer prayers of thanksgiving for God's blessing, for the freedom to worship and to serve God, for a place of opportunity for 50 million immigrants since 1605, for the goals of justice, equality, and democracy partially achieved, and for abundant resources for most."

But he also called for prayers "of repentance for our corporate failings and corporate sins; for the subordination and exploitation of black people, native Americans, and other minorities; for the over-emphasis on military power; for the pillage of our natural resources as though they were limitless." □

DENMARK, LONG KNOWN AS A CENTER OF PORNOGRAPHY, HAS FINALLY REACHED A LIMIT. A grant given by the Danish government to sponsor a pornographic film about Jesus Christ has now been revoked, because government attorneys think the manuscript violates a Danish law against insulting God. □

BOTH "TIME" AND "NEWSWEEK" RECENTLY REFUSED an insurance company's anti-drinking ad which pointed out the dramatic increase in teen-age drinking and traffic fatalities. The ad offered free booklets to help teen-agers resist the social pressure to drink. *Time* gave no reason for refusing; *Newsweek* cited "excessive language."

the answer corner

Conducted by John A. Knight, Editor

■ **I am an adult Bible teacher. One member of our class asked if children are accountable for the sins of their fathers. This seems unreasonable to us and unworthy of God, but we thought we had read something in the Scriptures to support it. Can you help us?**

The Bible makes clear the pervasive character of sin and the fact that it is not always, if ever, an individual matter in its aftermath. For example, "I the Lord thy God am a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon the children unto the third and fourth generation of them that hate me" (Exodus 20:5; see also Exodus 34:7).

However, the visitation intended consists in temporal disadvantages, not in the final award of salvation—eternal happiness or misery. Such

verses are not talking so much about the character of God as about the nature of sin.

We have all kinds of documentation to show how the sins and deeds of one generation affect future generations. Children often suffer consequences of parents' ill-doing—diseases which arise from proligacy or intemperance, poverty which is the result of idleness or extravagance, ignorance and evil habits which are the fruit of a neglected education.

But accountability is another mat-

ter. No one can blame his fathers for his own sins. The Israelites excused themselves with the saying, "The fathers have eaten sour grapes, and the children's teeth are set on edge." But Ezekiel, declaring God's message, said, "Ye shall not have occasion any more to use this proverb in Israel . . . the soul that sinneth, it shall die" (Ezekiel 18:2-4).

Each person will be judged by that which he "hath, not according to that he hath not" (2 Corinthians 8:12). □

■ **Please explain Hebrews 11:15. Is this verse saying that Abraham could have gone back to a life of sin, or is it referring to his hope of life after death?**

The ancient Israelites did not yet have a clear view of life after death, only shadows. Yet Abraham is said to have looked for the "city which hath foundations" of which God is the Builder—a description which seems to denote the "heavenly Jerusalem."

Verse 15 reads: "And truly, if they had been mindful of that country from whence they came out, they might have had opportunity to have re-

turned."

It refers to how the patriarchs regarded the country they had left and the country (literally, "the fatherland") on which they looked. Though they had no possession in Canaan, they did not wish to go back to Ur of the Chaldees. They did not want to seek friendships in the old world; though had they desired, opportuni-

ties were not lacking for the realization of such. They were looking for that place to which they most truly belonged.

Similarly, the Christian does not choose to return to a life of sin. He could do so if he wished, but he is not disposed to do so. To go back to the old life would be to move from liberty to bondage. □

■ **How does a person know when he is doing God's will? I'm having a hard time accepting what I have been told is God's will when it looks like a selfish person's will. It looks as though God favors this person. The things he is doing cause pain to all the people close to him. How do we know what God's will is? How do we know it is not man's?**

It is one thing to ask, How do I know God's will for my life? and quite another to ask, How do I know others are doing God's will? It is easier to determine the former than the latter.

Appearances and sometimes subjective personal criteria complicate both, but particularly the assurance of God's will for others. Unquestionably God's will is sometimes claimed for support of actions that are hurtful and unchristian.

The classic text on this question is Martin Wells Knapp's little book written in 1892, entitled *Impressions*. Knapp gives four criteria for testing impressions: (1) Are they scriptural? (2) Are they right? (3) Are they providential? (4) Are they reasonable?

Dr. James Dobson has recently amplified these criteria with fresh illustrations and insights in a small booklet on *God's Will*. It is published

by Regal Books (a Division of G/L Publications), Glendale, Calif.

This much we know. Actions are never in accord with God's will if done solely out of selfish motivation, if they are un-Christlike, if they harm others.

In finding God's will personally, I must be ruthless with my motivation. In judging whether others are doing God's will, I must at least be charitable. □

■ **Our Sunday school class has a variety of opinions regarding certain questions about the Jewish people: Are they a race, a religion, or both? Are they Oriental or Caucasian?**

All known ancient races in the region described in the Old Testament belonged to the white or Caucasian race, with the exception of the Cushites (Ethiopians), who were strongly Negroid in type. The Near and Middle East has been a cluster of bridges between several continents of the Old

World so that pure races long since ceased to exist there.

However, the Hebrews, because of their geographical setting, display certain Oriental thought patterns and thus have been described by some as being remotely Oriental.

Judaism is the religion of the Jews

and can be distinguished from the history of the Jews as such—though these are obviously interrelated. One can be a Jew without accepting Judaism (Paul, for example, after his conversion to Christ); or one can accept Judaism without being born a Jew. □



On February 8, the Ainsworth, Neb., church honored their oldest living char-

ter member, Mrs. Elizabeth Lotspeich, during the morning worship service. An afternoon reception was held at the home of Pastor and Mrs. Harlan V. Heap. Elizabeth was born to Mr. and Mrs. Tipton Vannest on February 5, 1880, in Jasper County, Ia. In June of 1896 she was united in marriage to Albert (Bert) Marion Lotspeich. They were blessed with three sons and three daughters: Lyle Lotspeich of Casper, Wyo.; Merritt Lotspeich, Mrs. Opal Boller, and Mrs. Faye Shipman, all of Ainsworth. The oldest son and daughter are deceased. Mr. Lotspeich also died preceding their

fiftieth wedding anniversary. Mrs. Lotspeich has 19 grandchildren, 42 great-grandchildren, and 15 great-great-grandchildren. Two of her grandsons are serving in the ministry: Dr. Harold Daniels, district superintendent of the Colorado District; and Rev. Bert Daniels, district superintendent of the Washington Pacific District. She also has a great-grandson in the ministry: Rev. Tharon Daniels, who pastors the Phoenix Monte Vista Church; and a great-granddaughter, Mrs. Jerry White, whose husband pastors San Diego First Church.

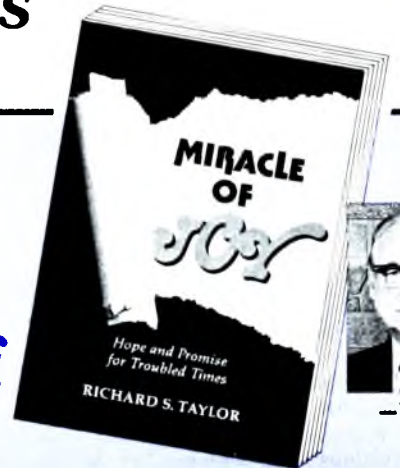
JULY BOOKS OF THE MONTH

In the Beauty of Holiness

Miracle of Joy



—Metcalfe



—Taylor

IN THE BEAUTY OF HOLINESS

This small volume, published 12 years ago under the title *Worship in the Beauty of Holiness*, never got the exposure it deserved. Hopefully in the paperback format with a different title it will get the reading it deserves.

The author points out the true meaning of holiness per se—what it means in the life of the individual. The centrality of Christ is emphasized throughout, for He is both the Personification and the Source of holiness.

The characteristics of holiness are integrity, symmetry, harmony, purity, purpose, power—and, of course, beauty. The writer speaks of winsomeness, happiness, and peace as hallmarks of the sanctified

Christian. As Dr. Greathouse says in his foreword. "This book will warm your heart and challenge your consecration."

Russell Metcalfe is pastor of the Church of the Nazarene in Edison, N.J. □

MIRACLE OF JOY

In this little book, Dr. Taylor points out that even in a world full of trouble and gloom, the Christian has a fountain of joy that can lift him above the surroundings and give peace in the midst of turmoil. Jesus said: "These things have I spoken unto you, that my joy might remain in you, and that your joy might be full."

This kind of joy lies much deeper than the superficial gaiety of the world, whose

laughter is a veneer and whose happiness is only momentary. As Dr. Williamson says in his foreword, Dr. Taylor is not suggesting a gimmick, a hypodermic, a tranquilizing pill, or a sanguine philosophy of "positive thinking." Rather, he directs the reader to fountains that spring from within where is found a joy that is related to righteousness and peace.

Dr. Richard Taylor is now associated with the Department of Education and the Ministry in charge of continuing education. Other of his books still in print are: *A Right Conception of Sin, The Disciplined Life, Life in the Spirit, Preaching Holiness Today, A Return to Christian Culture, Tongues: Their Purpose and Meaning.* □

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The Fullerton, Calif., church recently honored Mrs. Carrie Wilson for 60 years of service. She has taught nursery-age children for most of those years and is presently teaching a class of two- and three-year-olds. She is being presented a certificate of appreciation by Sunday School Superintendent Ray Nelson (l.) and Pastor Dennis C. Smith.



Mr. George Garvin, Sr., a charter member of the Chicago Austin-Oak Park Church, was recently honored for completing 55 years of distinguished service as treasurer of the church. In addition to being the only treasurer the church has had, Mr. Garvin has served several terms as Sunday school superintendent, bus driver, and member of the board of trustees. Pictured is Pastor Robert L. Smith (l.) presenting Mr. Garvin a plaque in appreciation for his record of service.



Mrs. Vern Pullins (Ruth) received recognition for 40 years of service as a Sunday school teacher in Chico, Calif., First Church. She also has received awards from the general church for completing all the Home Study courses offered in the area of teacher training and churchmanship. Rev. James B. Jones is the pastor.



February 1 was J. S. Emmert Day in the Pauls Valley, Okla., church, honoring Rev. and Mrs. J. S. Emmert for their faithful service. Greetings were read from the Board of General Superintendents; personal greetings were expressed from the district by District Superintendent W. T. Johnson and for the local church by the chairman of the church board. A gift was presented from the local church, and the morning message was given by the district superintendent. The day was planned by Pastor and Mrs. Harry L. Whales.



Pastor Wilford Presson (r.) is shown presenting a plaque to Mr. Wayne Trueman in appreciation for 25 years as Sunday school superintendent of the Red Bluff, Calif., church.



Concord, N.H., First Church recently had a recognition night for Frederick Gullage (r.), who has resigned after 27 years of service as church treasurer. He has served from the time the church was organized. Mr. Gullage was presented a plaque. Rev. Delbert F. Wise is the pastor.

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Rev. and Mrs. Jerry Demetre returned to the United States from Jamaica for their furlough, arriving in Little Rock, Ark., on April 19, where they were met by a host of friends from the South Arkansas District. They were entertained at the district parsonage the following morning by the District NWMS Council, local pastors and wives, and local NWMS presidents, at which time they were presented with checks amounting to \$538 to help them with their initial housekeeping expenses. Pictured is South Arkansas District Superintendent and Mrs. Thomas M. Hermon presenting the keys of a car to Rev. and Mrs. Demetre for their use during the furlough.

The Last Stop

by DON ALEXANDER

Alexandria, Ind.

IT WAS A TYPICAL Saturday of bus calling for my wife and me. We had been calling almost three hours and had one more stop before motoring to our home 20 miles away. The day had been full and both of us were weary.

Our last stop was in a trailer court—at Jack and Judy Sigler's, a family on whom we had been calling for approximately four years. Greetings were exchanged in much the same way as they had been over the past four years.

In the conversation I asked the Siglers if they knew Gary Barton, a man of 32 years. After they replied affirmatively, I told them that he had been killed on a motorcycle the night before. To our amazement, Judy reacted visibly and was in tears in a few moments. Judy then recounted how she and Jack had recently been talking religion with Gary and how confused and lost Gary appeared to be.

As Judy told how she and her husband had tried to help Gary, the Lord brought to my mind how concerned they were for Gary—but apparently not for themselves spiritually. Jack and Judy knew the right way, but they were not living for the Lord.

Led by the Spirit, I observed that it was compassionate for them to be concerned about Gary; but what about *Jack and Judy*? Quickly Judy responded with "Yes, I know," and Jack offered no objections.

Then I told them that one of our bus captains had called upon the Gary Barton home the afternoon before Gary was killed. I mentioned also how much more the bus captain would have tried to win him had he known what awaited that night.

The correlation was evident—what if

Sandy and I were to leave this afternoon and get word that the Siglers shortly after were killed in an accident. We would feel just as badly, wondering if we had done our best to win Jack and Judy.

I inquired of the Siglers what was separating them from God. Both replied that nothing was really standing in their way, other than saying a committed yes from a penitent heart. I then asked if we could pray with them, that is, if they really meant business with God. Judy replied positively. Jack said he didn't know how to pray. After assuring Jack that God was very much aware of his need, and was willing to come into any heart that would repent and let Him in, we prayed with them.

When we had finished praying, both said they had received Christ into their heart and committed their life to Him. Their conversion was witnessed by Jack and Judy's four children, which added to the warmth of the scene.

As a member of the Gideons, I gave each of them a Gideon Testament which they signed and dated. Before Sandy and I departed, we again prayed with them and told them to read their Bibles daily and to pray regularly together as a family.

The next day they were in church, testifying and making public their faith. Again Sunday night they were in God's house.

They are vibrant Christians. You see, on God's timetable four years is but a second compared to eternity. It took many prayers by many people, many invitations, and some special circumstances for God to get through to Jack and Judy. But He did get through.

Sandy and I are still thanking God for the LAST STOP Saturday afternoon. □

**"By All Means . . .
Save Some"**

DR. WILLIAM M. GREATHOUSE ELECTED GENERAL SUPERINTENDENT

Dr. William M. Greathouse, president of Nazarene Theological Seminary, was elected general superintendent on the fifth ballot at the General Assembly in Dallas, Tuesday, June 22.



He succeeds Dr. Edward Lawlor, who retired. His election completes the Board of General Superintendents for the next quadrennium.

The five incumbent general superintendents were reelected on Monday by large majority votes.

Dr. Greathouse was president of Trevecca Nazarene College, Nashville; and he had pastored at Clarksville, Tenn., First Church.

Dr. Greathouse was installed as the twenty-third general superintendent of the church in a ceremony during the business sessions Wednesday, June 23. □

NAZARENE YOUTH INTERNATIONAL

The General Nazarene Young People's Society convention approved far-reaching changes. The name was changed to Nazarene Youth International. The age limit for members has been set at 12 to 23. Officers may serve until age 40, but if over 23 will be ex officio members.

Elected as general president is Holland Lewis, pastor of First Church, Anaheim, Calif.; and as general secretary, Jesse C. Middendorf, pastor of the Los Altos Church, Albuquerque, N.M.

The General Council will be composed of the following: Eastern Zone, LeBron Fairbanks; Mount Vernon, Jim Cummins; Trevecca, Fred Huff; Olivet, Jim Spruce; Mid-America,

Gary Heneke; Bethany, David C. Smith; Point Loma, Ron Lush, Jr.; Northwest, Norman Shoemaker; Canadian, Bod Boden; Intercontinental, Jan Spijkman, Paul Fukue, and Daniel Cordova; and teen-age representatives, Henry Chen, Mark Crofford, and Phil Budd.

Young people fasted the noon meal, Saturday, June 19, in a demonstration of caring. They met in the convention hall to draw attention to the scarcity of food in many world areas.

Rev. Padu Meshramkar from India spoke on "A Call for Christian Caring." An offering was received which will be used to distribute food. Total received, according to Rev. Mel McCullough, executive secretary of the Department of Youth, amounted to \$9,600. □

GENERAL CHURCH SCHOOLS CONVENTION

While emphasizing the many activities and resources involved in the church's teaching ministry, the convention turned its major focus towards the Christian family.



Dr. James Dobson, associate clinical professor of pediatrics at the University of Southern California School of Medicine and director of behavioral research in the Division of Child Development, Childrens Hospital of Los Angeles, chaired a panel in the Friday evening service, June 18. It presented the issues discussed in the book *Family Love in All Dimensions*. The panel was composed of the authors of the chapters of the book.

Dr. Dobson also spoke Saturday morning. His address was followed by a large number of workshops assigned to various areas of Christian family life.

The Friday night rally, sponsored by the Department of Church Schools, was addressed by Dr. Eugene L. Stowe, whose subject was "Faith Is a Family Affair." Evangelist Paul Martin closed the rally of 22,000 people by calling a number of family units to the platform. Dr. D. I. Vanderpool, general superintendent emeritus, closed with prayer. □

CHURCH RETURNS TO PILOT POINT

Two thousand people visited Pilot Point during the weekend of June 20. Brief ceremonies were held Saturday afternoon.

Mr. Clifton Irick, son of pioneer



Nazarene elders, is chairman of the local Bicentennial Heritage Committee. He was mayor of the town in 1958 when the fiftieth anniversary of the church was observed and the present marker erected. Mr. Irick expressed the pleasure of the community for the marker and the grounds maintained by the Church of the Nazarene.

Dr. B. Edgar Johnson, general secretary, described the activities as symbolic of the church's determination to renew the vision and commitment of the early leaders.

Pictured with Clifton Irick (r.), is Dr. R. T. Williams, Jr., whose father, the late General Superintendent R. T. Williams, was ordained at Pilot Point, Tex. He has been the only minister to have this distinction. □

GENERAL NWMS PRESIDENT REELECTED

The General Convention of the NWMS elected Mrs. L. S. Oliver, of Colorado Springs, to be their general president for another quadrennium. Five hundred and forty-four delegates voted, giving her a total of 484. She and Mrs. Norman Bloom, of Minneapolis, had been nominated by the General Council.



This election was the first time computerized voting had been used in a general church meeting. Later in business sessions of the NYPS and the General Assembly, computerized voting was used extensively.

The convention elected the following members to the General Council: Southwest Zone, Mrs. James S. Shaw; Southeast, Mrs. Moody Gunter; South Central, Mrs. Thomas Hermon; Northwest, Mr. Eddie Gray; North Central, Mrs. Howard Hamlin; International, Mrs. Stanley Grace; Eastern, Mrs. Gene Fuller; East Central, Mr. Paul Gamertsfelder; Central, Dr. Evelyn Witthoff; and Canada, Mrs. Neil Hightower.

Through a long-distance telephone call to Dr. Mary Scott in Japan, Dr. Jerald Johnson presented the Mary Scott Scroll of \$21,800. Monies are for a living memorial to Dr. Scott in the Medical Aid program for missionaries. □

IN APPRECIATION

We did it! We exceeded the \$5 million goal for world missions in this General Assembly year. Our great Nazarene world family gave \$20,000 over the \$5 million goal. We are still saying to a world in great spiritual need that we do really care.

The Board of General Superintendents express our grateful appreciation to our people everywhere for their sacrificial participation in this record offering for world evangelism.

—CHARLES H. STRICKLAND
for the Board of General Superintendents

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