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## AN EDITORIAL

**T**HE APOSTLE PAUL was totally convinced that Jesus rose from the grave. The entire fifteenth chapter of his first letter to the young Christians in Corinth is dedicated to that proposition. He lists six personal appearances which Christ made following His death and resurrection. The last of these was to Paul himself. All of this constituted undeniable proof that the Savior had kept His promise. After three days in the grave He had conquered death and hell by coming forth alive.

But in the Epistle to the Philippians, he indicates that he has a deep desire to know more than just the historic fact of the Resurrection. He testifies, "I want to know Christ and the power of his resurrection" (Philippians 3:10, NIV). He knew that very soon he would personally share in his Lord's suffering and death by laying down his own life for Jesus' sake. In that hour he would experience the power of the resurrection and pass from mortality to immortality.

At this Easter season Christ's followers will again affirm their confident belief that on the first day of the week following His crucifixion, Christ rose from the dead. But like St. Paul, we, too, want to know the power of His resurrection through personal experience. Some who have suffered bereavement may demonstrate this power by the strong testimony of their faith. Dr.

Louis Evans tells of a Sunday School superintendent and his wife who buried their two daughters on Good Friday. No one expected them to be at their posts on Easter Sunday—but there they were; he leading the hymns and she teaching her class. Those who looked and listened closely detected tears in their eyes and an occasional quiver in their voices, but the vitality of their faith came through loud and clear. One of their Sunday School boys said to his father after class, "Dad, they sure believe it, don't they?" His father asked, "Believe what, son?" "Oh, all this about Easter and eternal life." The father replied, "Why, of course, son. All Christians believe that." But the boy came back, "I know. But they don't believe it like that!" Thank God,

*Because He lives, I can face tomorrow,  
Because He lives, all fear is gone;  
Because I know He holds the future,  
And life is worth the living, just because He lives.\**

No matter what circumstances of life may confront us at this Easter season, may it be said of us, as it was of the early Christians, "With great power [they] continued to testify to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus" (Acts 4:33, NIV).

Through our lips and our lives may we demonstrate dynamic resurrection power. □

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# RESURRECTION POWER

**CHRIST CONQUERED DEATH AND HELL  
BY COMING FORTH ALIVE.**



by General Superintendent Eugene L. Stowe

# GOD Can Make It Happen

by VALERIE M. THOMPSON

**O**N THE ANZAC\* WEEKEND in April, 30 young people from our church studied ways in which God can “make it happen” in their lives.

With the same fervor that our forefathers dug in at Gallipoli, we dug into God’s Word, determined that we too should gain a stronghold over opposing forces or die in the attempt.

By ten o’clock the first morning of camp, we each had been requested to write five faith goals—miracles we wanted God to do for us! The one stipulation was that it must be something we could not do for ourselves. Ten minutes were allotted. The younger the Christians the quicker they finished, it seemed. No fuss. No bother. Some wrote more than five. Amazing. How we older Christians, we more mature Christians, agonized with our petitions. Was it worthy enough? Was it reasonable? Was it in God’s will? Plenty of petitions for our church; plenty for others too; but what about me? What five things could I possibly want God to do for me, that I could not do for myself? Be specific, mind! No generalities here. It must be verifiable and observable! What could those youngsters be writing?

Well, those brand-new Christians came right out and shared their faith goals. They knew that if God didn’t answer they’d look pretty silly, but that didn’t bother them in the least. And their testimonies grew brighter by the hour as some of their miracles began happening then and there at the camp.

I’m not sure that all of us seasoned prayer warriors were as convinced of the validity of the whole exercise or were as spontaneous in our testimonies as we could have been that weekend, but since then our faith has become a lot simpler.

One month later our minister called a special church meeting concerning an urgent financial need and 19 of us met together. Of that group, 10 were wage earners, the rest either students or pensioners.

\$3,000! In one month? So soon after Easter Offering? Impossible . . . or was it?

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As I looked around the group I began to despair. As I looked again—within this time—in prayer, I saw Jesus. “What is that in your hand?” He seemed to say. My piano. It was not new, and certainly not beautiful, but we did use it quite a lot. If He needed it, it was His.

I left as soon as the pledges were received, feeling at peace within, yet far from hopeful concerning our goal.

Returning sometime later with our evening meal, I was greeted with hugs and kisses.

There were no solemn faces and worried looks. Instead, laughter, smiles, and “God did it! He did it! Our miracle!”

As the excited group talked I heard many testimonies similar to my own. A young couple gave the \$300 they had saved toward their life-dream. A 17-year-old gave the \$150 he had earned during the Christmas vacation. Motherly instinct wanted to protect him from improvidence—and what about his first car? But how glad I was for him that he too had seen Christ, and I knew this would be the first of many miracles he would see in his life as a minister of the gospel of Christ.

Yes, God had made it happen.

Our faith soared that day. Our faces glowed and our hearts were strangely warmed within us because we had met with Jesus.

Oh, that we might continue to live by faith so that He might perform many miracles in our everyday lives. □

\*ANZAC stands for Australian and New Zealand Army Corps, and the weekend is a public holiday in Australia.

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### HERALD HELPED

I enjoy reading your magazine. It has helped me in my Christian walk with Jesus this year. My life was transformed. The Holy Spirit is really working in my life.

*Millie Richmond  
Palo Alto, California*

### ISSUE TAKEN

I have enjoyed and agreed with editorials of the past. I do wish to take issue, however, with the one titled "A New Year's Concern" (January 1, 1983). Rather than recognizing our God is still in control of things, it sounded so much like secular or liberal theological publications, whose philosophy is "better Red than dead."

THINK OF IT! We are supposedly a sane, God-fearing nation, and here we are, dealing with godless leaders of Soviet Russia, whose only definition of peace is world conquest of communism!

We don't have to look far beyond our borders to see that the Communists mean business. Peace treaties have meant nothing to them in the past if the treaties didn't serve to enlarge their borders. The U.S. is expected to abide by them—the Communists are known to break them. Why is it we don't see people demonstrating against nuclear weapons in the Soviet Union? Two Scripture passages come to mind as I write this, both of them words of Jesus: Matthew 12:29 and Luke

16:8. The best deterrent to war is still a strong defense!

Not that we as Christians should not be concerned with the earth and our posterity. It should only make us all the more aware of our *real* task—that of making disciples throughout the world, as commanded by Jesus in Matthew 28:19.

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### HAPPY THOUGHT

I'm glad you had the happy thought to ask the seminary professors to write their personal testimonies for the seminary issue (January 15) of the *Herald*. I have keenly enjoyed every one of them and it

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Religious News Service

# “WONDERFUL WORDS OF LIFE”

by IVAN A. BEALS

**J**ESUS received the urgent news that Lazarus, His friend, was sick. The Lord said the sickness would not end in death, but that God’s Son would be glorified through it. After two days, He went to Bethany to comfort Mary and Martha about their brother. On His arrival, Jesus found that Lazarus had been in the tomb four days. When the sisters saw Him, they said, “Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died” (John 11:21, 32, NIV).

Martha, in groping faith, declared to Jesus, “But I know that even now God will give you whatever you ask” (v. 22, NIV).

When Jesus replied, “Your brother will rise again,” she thought He was referring to the resurrection in the last day. Her hope was fixed on the blurry, distant future when divine power would overcome sin and death. Martha’s faith had not grasped the Lord’s present intent to restore Lazarus to life.

Then the Master uttered some vital, stirring words: “I am the resurrection and the life. He who believes in me . . . will never die. . . .” (vv. 25-26, NIV).

What wonderful words of hope. What caring words of sympathy. But were they only words—just words?

Showing Jesus where Lazarus was entombed, the sisters soon experienced the miracle of miracles—seeing their brother restored to life. They not only heard the words of promise, they saw “the glory of God.” Though warned of the stench of a decaying body Jesus had the stone removed, opening the tomb. After

a brief prayer to the Father (vv. 41-42), He called and Lazarus came forth to be released from the grave wrappings.

Throughout the ministry of Jesus, death could not withstand His physical presence. He interrupted a burial procession at the city called Nain, raising the son of a destitute widow (Luke 7:11-16). Jesus also raised the daughter of Jairus, a synagogue ruler. The girl was dead by the time He arrived (8:40, 49-56). The Lord told her to “get up.” “Her spirit returned and at once she stood up” (v. 55, NIV).

Christ’s own resurrection on the third day, according to the Scriptures, clinched His power over death. Easter time reminds us that His words of life mean the ultimate defeat of death. Its fatal sting has been forever removed from those who believe in Him. Life prevails!

Jesus’ very words, “I am the resurrection and the life,” contain divine vigor to transform all who will believe. In the beginning, at God’s spoken word, creation occurred. In the face of death, Jesus proclaimed resurrection and life. His words released more raw life-force than all the expected transitions of spring.

I am always amazed how dead, dormant seeds produce living, green shoots in their season. Barren trees and shrubs sprout new buds vernally. I am also fascinated by how a beautiful butterfly can develop from a seemingly lifeless chrysalis. These familiar instances illustrate and symbolize the resurrection, comparing it to the ingenious process of nature.

But the “wonderful words of life” refer to a supernatural event. The change from death to life is nothing less than a direct divine act. We readily link our faith

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## “WONDERFUL WORDS OF LIFE”

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that Jesus was raised from the dead to the eyewitness, Gospel accounts of the apostles. Their candid testimony includes the evidence of the empty tomb and the various resurrection appearances of Jesus.

From the first, cynics have said Christ's body was stolen, and that His followers only saw an apparition—His Ghost. The scriptural accounts of Jesus' rising from the dead are said to be only a contrived sham arranged by His bereaved followers.

No matter the doubts of men, Jesus' tragic death on the Cross found release in the power of the Resurrection. His triumph is also verified 50 days hence by the outpouring of His promised Holy Spirit on His followers at Pentecost. The Church, the body of believers in Christ, could hardly have been established unless the Lord was risen indeed.

There were times during the Master's earthly ministry that His disciples had difficulty in believing what they saw as well as understanding what they heard. Jesus' mighty miracles defied nature, all manner of disease, and even death itself. But His truthful, piercing words caused men to declare, “No one ever spoke the way this man does” (John 7:46, NIV).

Some people today find it as hard to trust the words of Jesus as to believe that Peter and John really found an empty tomb. They question the validity of Christ's words as much as the recorded resurrection appearances of Jesus to His followers.

There is no way a person can prove the resurrection of Jesus to those who will not believe. His resurrection—and ours—has ever been a matter of faith. This keystone of the Christian creed is necessarily joined to the revelation of Jesus Christ, the Word, and His spoken words. To share in His life and resurrection, His words must be believed and the event be received as fact. If Christ is not raised, neither can we be raised from the dead.

Early in His ministry, Jesus said, “I tell you the truth, whoever hears my word and believes him who sent me has eternal life and will not be condemned; he has crossed over from death to life. . . . Do not be amazed at this, for a time is coming when all who are in their graves will hear his voice and come out—those who have done good will raise to live, and those who have done evil will rise to be condemned” (John 5:24, 28-29, NIV).

Jesus' words speak to us. They are not just words. They become life as we believe in Him and His word as truth. All the spectacular signs of spring, hinting new life, pale before the certainty of the Resurrection. The Master's words, “I am the resurrection and the life” are surer than the coming of springtime. They are “wonderful words of life”—despite the threat of death. Why? Because Christ said so! □

# EASTER



by GORDON CHILVERS

**H**OW EASILY LIVES CAN BE CHANGED! A group of 10 men met together in a despondent mood. They were deeply disappointed. They had the strongest belief in their Leader whom they had supported for three years. He had made the highest claims for himself and had supported them by unique deeds. They were sure He could defeat any enemies. Instead, His enemies had defeated Him. He was dead.

Two other members of the band were absent. One was even gloomier than the 10; he could not see a ray of hope. The 12th was so completely disillusioned that he had committed suicide.

Uncontrollable fears worsened their failure. Being scared, they had locked the doors. They scarcely dared to breathe as they listened for footsteps on the stairs outside their room. At any moment they expected the Leader's enemies to arrest and execute them too.

Then, without any warning, their whole world was suddenly transformed. Their Leader appeared among them (John 20:19). It was the first Easter day. He stood before the startled disciples, silent. Was He not dead? Had they not locked the doors securely? How did He get in?

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# CHANGES LIVES

Jesus' conversation with His disciples shows how fully He understands human failures, fears, and despair. He is indeed "touched with the feeling of our infirmities." Since He has "suffered being tempted, he is able to succour them that are tempted" (Hebrews 4:15; 2:18).

He never mentioned their failure. He did not rebuke them for losing confidence in Him and forsaking Him. He never upbraided them for locking the door because they were scared. He never whispered a word about despair. He knew they had already suffered severely so He would not increase their sorrow by mentioning any of their defects.

Instead of rebuke, their troubled hearts needed to be soothed. So Jesus' first words were, "Peace be unto you." The message of peace came first, because their failure, fear, and despair could not be cured until they had stopped worrying about them.

The peace which Jesus gives to us is not the world's kind—a mere tranquilizer that steadies the nerves for an hour or two. He called it "my peace" (John 14:27), it is the peace He himself enjoyed when the worst afflictions hurt Him. His peace frees us from all fear and anxiety; it will overcome any peril or cause of distress. Jesus alone can give this peace. He died to gain it for us (Romans 5:1).

Jesus' peace brings concord and serenity to a life of failure and fear.

How unexpected was such a gracious meeting with the Lord! Their last contact with Him had ended with their forsaking Him and fleeing, abandoning Him to His enemies.

The disciples' fears having been overcome, they needed Jesus' assurance that with God all things were possible. He gave it: "He shewed unto them his hands and his side." Jesus was alive! The disciples had failed; God had not failed. These wounds asserted that God's power was still supreme. The marks showed the cruel treatment Jesus had received from men; they also testified to the God who had raised Him from the dead. If death, the greatest force they knew, had been overcome, then any power, anywhere, would crumble before God's attack. As the disciples thought about the risen Jesus' wounds, their confidence began to return.

Jesus' message of peace assured the disciples that He had forgiven their failure, their denial, their desertion. The assurance of God's power gave them the courage to go on. Could they function still and serve Him again? Would the coward ever return to the place where he can lead God's hosts to victory?

Yes. Jesus gave them a fresh commission. "As my Father hath sent me, even so send I you." Here is our Lord's surpassing grace. By forsaking Him, the disciples had forfeited all rights to the Master's confidence.

Yet He pardoned them and gave them a grander job than ever before. They were to continue the work Jesus himself had begun.

Jesus' fresh commission brought an enormous difficulty. How could the disciples carry it out? They were the same men who had failed earlier. How could they do better than they had done earlier? Jesus completely removed this difficulty. "He breathed on them, and saith unto them, 'Receive ye the Holy Ghost.'" This was what He meant when He had said to them, "Behold, I send the promise of my Father upon you . . . ye [shall] be endued with power from on high" (Luke 24:49).

The Holy Spirit's power is unlimited. He can answer our weakness with an invincible power. We need this power in our witness to prevent our words from falling flat. We need it when we speak so the word of God may convict the hearer.

Our weakness need not dishearten us. We can have God's power flowing through us, for it is the Holy Spirit who communicates that dynamic to us. We can have as much of that power as we need, for this power is in a Person. All holiness, all truth, all victory, and all power resides in the Holy Spirit, and He resides in us. So "all things are possible to him that believeth" (Mark 9:23).

All was now different. Jesus' presence was the decisive factor. His appearance turned failure into hope and sorrow into joy. Jesus' appearance gave them confidence and the possibility of victory.

We have our failures, our fears, and our moments of despair. Jesus' presence can change all that. It banishes every thought of failure, fear, or moment of despair.

The impact of Jesus' appearance was soon seen. The disciples never looked back. They met Jesus frequently until His ascension 40 days later. They then most joyfully returned to Jerusalem. They went to the Upper Room for 10 days and "continued with one accord in prayer and supplication" (Acts 1:14). The Holy Spirit came on them and equipped them for their service.

Peter, as leader, preached with great power and courage to the crowds gathered at Jerusalem. Three thousand were converted. The disciples were "all filled with the Holy Ghost, and they spake the word of God with boldness" (Acts 4:31).

Easter assures us that failure need never have the last word with us. The risen Jesus has given us all we need for spiritual success. His presence with us encourages us when we fail. He speaks peace and calms our fears. He comforts and sustains us when life is difficult. He gives us fresh work to do for Him. The Holy Spirit is always with us to empower us for service.

Easter's risen Christ gives us hope. □



Three Lions

# Resurrection

## INCLUDES ALL

by MORRIS CHALFANT

**A** CONVICT from death row was brought to the office of Clinton T. Duffy, who served so long and so efficiently as warden of San Quentin.

“Warden,” he asked, “what happens tomorrow—after I—I—?”

The warden knew that he was trying to say, “After I die.” Thinking that he was worried about the disposition of his body, the warden said: “Don’t worry about that—the government has it all arranged.”

“Yes, I know that,” said the convict with a strange, fixed smile. “What I want to know is where do I go when it’s over? Is there a life after death? The men up there on the row talk about this all the time. What do you think?”

The warden then asks the reader: “What would you tell a man who has no God—a man without a church, who has turned the chaplains away?” Then he adds: “The real fear of these men on death row is fear of the unknown.”

Christ’s resurrection guarantees that there is something beyond death and the grave. Death may be the dark unknown to man, but not to the Savior of men.

*Up from the grave He arose,  
With a mighty triumph o’er His foes.  
He arose a Victor from the dark domain,  
And He lives forever with His saints to reign.  
He arose! He arose! Hallelujah! Christ arose!*

Christ proclaims, “Because I live, ye shall live also” (John 14:19). Jesus Christ, Conqueror of death, stands

in radiant life beyond the grave and proclaims life for every person who trusts in Him.

In the miracle of the Resurrection, Jesus conquered death and the grave. Paul declared, “Christ . . . hath abolished death, and hath brought life and immortality to light through the gospel” (2 Timothy 1:10). Here then is hope.

The late Emil Brunner once said, “What oxygen is for the lungs, such is hope for the meaning of human life.” But there is hopelessness and despair everywhere. Ours is to a large extent a hopeless generation.

The apostle Peter was given to despair during the episode of Calvary, but he wrote later in a triumphant note, “Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ who according to His abundant mercy hath begotten us again unto a lively hope, by the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead” (1 Peter 1:3). When Peter saw Jesus alive again, his hope revived.

There is hope that sins can be forgiven. There is hope that we can have peace and joy. There is hope that amid all of the uncertainty we can have assurance. And with trouble surrounding us, we can be secure. And there is hope that Jesus Christ is coming again. That is what Peter called “the blessed hope,” the hope that one day there will be a new heaven and a new earth wherein dwells righteousness.

The hope of millions of God’s people has been to meet loved ones in the resurrection. The Christian does not view death, or separation from saved loved ones, with despair, but with assurance that they shall meet again in the resurrection morning.

Paul says, “Concerning them which are asleep . . . sorrow not, even as others which have no hope. For if

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we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so them  
also which sleep in Jesus will God bring with him. . . .  
for the Lord himself shall descend from heaven with a  
trumpet, with the voice of the archangel, and with the  
trump of God: and the dead in Christ shall rise first:  
then we which are alive and remain shall be caught up  
together with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord in  
the air: and so shall we ever be with the Lord" (1  
Thessalonians 4:13-14, 16-17). The resurrection of  
Christ, and the rapture of His departed loved ones, are  
definitely connected.

The Resurrection is the promise of reunion. Was not  
Jesus reunited with His loved ones beyond death and  
the grave? They knew Him. Even when their eyes could  
not see Him plainly, they recognized Him by the tone  
of His voice. Remember Mary Magdalene? She lingered  
at the tomb after the other Mary had gone forth  
to tell the message. Magdalene looked up and saw  
someone approaching. But in the semidarkness she  
could not see plainly and, thinking Him to be the gar-  
dener, cried out, "Sir, they have taken my Lord and I  
know not where they have placed Him." He uttered just  
one word. He called her name, Mary, and that was  
sufficient. By the loving inflection or tone of voice, she  
immediately knew Him and fell at His feet to worship  
Him that morning.

Because Jesus arose from the tomb, we have the  
hope that we also shall come forth from the grave.  
Those who have died in the Lord will be caught up  
together with those still alive to meet the Lord when  
He comes.

Resurrection of the unjust is just as certain as resur-  
rection of the just. "And many of them that sleep in  
the dust of the earth shall awake, some to everlasting life,  
and some to shame and everlasting contempt" (Daniel  
12:2). When will the just and the unjust be resurrec-  
ted? Whether a thousand years from now or today,  
when it will happen is not as important as that it will  
happen.

Occasionally, on Easter when the church is full, I  
have preached on the resurrection of the unjust. Many  
seem to believe that the resurrection will make every-  
thing all right. But if things are not all right when we  
die, they will not be right on resurrection day. Destiny  
is already been determined. Some will be raised to  
glory and reward but some to shame and contempt  
and everlasting torment. Life after death means that  
those who do not believe in Christ as their personal  
Savior will spend eternity in a place prepared for those  
who have rejected God. This place is as real as heaven.  
There can be no grounds for disbelief in a place of  
eternal torment which shall be the home of the un-  
believer. Many times I have searched my own heart to  
find a way that all men may, somehow, have eternal life  
in Christ. This cannot be, since man is given a  
choice and we are taught in the Scriptures that the  
number is large who choose the second death.

When the trumpet of God sounds and the voice of  
God speaks—implied is a military command that can-  
not be disobeyed—it will be taps for the unsaved but  
ruffles for the saved. There is not a grave that will not  
one day be opened, nor a body that will not be resurrec-



## *The Cross*

*The Cross of Jesus stands firm and tall,  
A sign to the world that He died for all;  
To some it is a stumbling block,  
While others hiss and scorn and mock.*

*But he who looks beyond its shame—  
Shall know the truth that He rose  
again;*

*And he who sees beyond the grave—  
Shall know the truth that He died  
to save!*

*The cross of Jesus will ever be  
A beacon that's lit for all to see;  
To some it is a blinding force,  
While others find in it, remorse.*

*But he who walks within its light—  
Shall never fail in darkest night;  
And he who lives within its glow—  
Eternal life shall surely know!*

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Religious News Service

# A Personal Touch

by HARDY J. POWERS

**S**OMEONE HAS SAID that no nation or earthly church is healthier than its own soul. Measured by that standard, our world is sick. That is why we as a denomination are participating in simultaneous revivals.

The church must answer this desperate call to evangelize. God and this generation depend upon us, for He cannot advance His work faster than His Church is ready to go. Successful evangelism can only be carried on by those who have been thoroughly evangelized themselves. The Church must first be partakers of the fruit of Christ's salvation before it can convincingly recommend it to others.

But granted a right personal relationship to Christ by the evangelists, perhaps the greatest hindrance to modern evangelistic efforts is prayerlessness. Prayerless methods, no matter how clever, can never succeed in bringing men to Christ and spiritual life. The Church must first go to God for man in importunate prayer before it can go to man for God in successful soul winning. It is well to remind ourselves that souls are not won primarily by promotion but by attraction. Men will be attracted when our lives and our churches are Christ-centered and prayer-conditioned.

Accepting that standard, His Church has tarried and paid the price for revival. Now it is ready to accept His command, "as the Father hath sent me, so send I you." For His Church is the medium through which Christ speaks and operates. He has no voice but ours, no hands but ours, no feet but ours. When Christ came the first time, a body was prepared for Him and He was

born as a babe in Bethlehem's manger. But when He arose from the dead and ascended to the Father, He sent His Holy Spirit in Pentecostal power. The Spirit seeks to clothe himself in human personality and, thus clothed, to speak not of himself but to glorify the Savior.

What does Christ expect of His Church? He expects His Church to never lose sight of the importance and value of the individual. The emphasis of the gospel is always on personality. Open the Bible almost anywhere and you will find the teaching that God cares

## Rooted In God

*I watch a leaf aglow  
And learn it feeds on light  
And hidden depths below—  
From earth and raindrop's flight;  
And know my life should feast  
On a shining from above,  
God's Spirit-flow released—  
His undergirding love.*

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personally. "Now Jesus loved Martha and her sister and Lazarus." "Are not five sparrows sold for two pence and not one of them is forgotten before God?" "He calleth His own sheep by name."

We are not cogs in the wheel, nor ships on the sea, nor grains of sand on the seashore. The love of God is not a vague, hazy influence wrapping us all in an impersonal embrace. There is no aggregating. There is no cultural effect. Our God said, "I am the God of Abraham, and Isaac and Jacob." On the Cross Christ's heart was touched by the pleading cry of one poor sufferer, and he a thief. The Christian religion is the only one that represents the infinite God as standing at the door of every human heart and saying, "Behold, I stand at the door, and knock: if any man hear my voice, and open the door, I will come in to him and will sup with him, and he with me" (Revelation 3:20).

We must avoid making the Church a heartless corporation. Corporations, they tell us, have no souls. The individual soldier is lost in the army and the individual worker is swallowed up in what someone has called the "anonymousness" of industry. There is too much of a drift in the Church toward what is corporate and collective. One man said, "The weakness of the modern church is that we have so nearly lost the personal note."

Dr. J. B. Chapman was approached by a man concerning a revival that had just closed in his church. He said, "Well, we have just finished another series of meetings. A lot of time, effort, and money has been spent, and only one boy found the Lord. Is it worth it?"

Dr. Chapman answered, "It's worth it if he were my boy."

Remember that immortal story of the prodigal son? Does God's Word tell us there is joy in the presence of the angels of God over the salvation of a city? A block? Or a subdivision? No! "Over one sinner that repenteth!" That points up the value and the preciousness of each individual human soul.

Christ expects His Church to not be in bondage to great crowds. We must be attracted by great needs. Remember that Jesus Christ said, in the 4th chapter of Luke, "The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he hath anointed me to preach the gospel to the poor; he hath sent me to heal the brokenhearted, to preach deliverance to the captives, and recovering of sight to the blind, to set at liberty them that are bruised, to preach the acceptable year of the Lord" (Luke 4:18-19). He is, of course, referring to the 61st chapter of Isaiah, and that entire statement indicates that Christ was attracted to this world by great need rather than by great crowds.

Christ expects His Church to be thrilled when we ministered to a great need rather than to a great crowd. We must find our blessing in taking the balm of life to the brokenhearted and the sin-scarred of our generation.

A final word: As a denomination engaged in simultaneous revivals, Christ expects us to recognize the only adequate source of motivation. Jesus said to Peter, "lovest thou me?" The personal touch—love! □

# The Funeral

by FRED WENGER

AS I APPROACHED the cottage Wednesday evening, Greg spotted me and came running toward me. He hollered out, "Chaplain Wenger, thanks for taking me to the funeral today." As he spoke I sensed he was very satisfied.

The background is this: Robert, an older and weaker resident, had died quite unexpectedly the night before. Since it had occurred at night, many of his cottage mates were in bed and unaware of what had happened until morning. I had already made myself available to these men at breakfast time. A few knew and wanted to talk about it. Some didn't know or seem to care. During the later morning hours someone asked if there would be a special service. I checked and discovered that the out-of-state relatives had given the funeral director instructions to permit an autopsy and then to have Robert cremated before sending him to them. This left hardly any time to arrange anything. I sensed the need some had to see the body and say "Good-bye" to their friend.

As we arrived, the perfect timing became evident. The coroner had just come and would be ready as soon as we were done. We walked into the preparation room and there was Robert's body on the table draped in a sheet. The curious talk ended and a reverent silence took over. After a moment I said, "Robert is dead. He cannot hear you and he cannot respond to you. You can say good-bye to him if you wish." One by one each of the seven said a meaningful farewell to their friend. There were tears in some eyes. One dared to reach out and touch his arm. Then there was silence again. I waited a moment and then suggested that I could pray. It was one of those times when simple and direct words came easily. We committed Robert to the Lord Jesus. The "amen" was said and then it was time to go.

I'm sure the discussion on the short ride back to the hospital was helpful. I stayed around to see if there was more need to talk at the noon meal. Though I noticed a change for the better, I was still struggling with a desire to provide more help for Robert's friends. It wasn't until I returned later that evening and was greeted by Greg that it dawned on me. The brief service in the preparation room had met their need to terminate with their friend. On the way home that night I realized that it had happened again. My mentally retarded congregants keep teaching me so much about life and death. □

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# HOPE WAS GONE,



H. Armstrong Roberts

# BUT GOD WAS THERE!

by G. FRANKLIN ALLEE

I'M SORRY to have to tell you this, Reverend, but your lungs are completely shot. The X rays we made this morning show us that they are full of TB."

Looking back at that moment now, I am certain that at the time I didn't really grasp the ominous significance of the physician's blunt statement, as he looked down at me where I lay on a hospital bed in the town of Elma, Wash., that somber April day. For several months I had experienced some apprehension concerning the condition of my lungs—for which a physician had given me a superficial examination. But the doctor's words had come at me with such abruptness this day that it would take time for me to fully comprehend the dark import of his diagnosis, for I was still weak from three weeks of critical illness.

Although she was taking it bravely, anguish was written deep on the face of my wife, Alice, as later in the day she admitted that the doctor had told her I faced months in the sanitorium. "Beyond that," he had said, "we'll have to keep our fingers crossed."

So this was the end of my ministry. This was our reward for the years of service we had been happy to give.

Days of anxiety followed; days when our faith was being severely tried and hope was fading. Service in the kingdom of God had been our lives, our supporting strength, and our future. When we realized we had reached the end, a sense of desolation closed in upon us, blotting out every bright horizon and leaving us stunned and hopeless.

We had recently completed a building program that had placed heavy demands on me; pastoring the congregation, purchasing material during wartime, giving overall supervision to the construction, coming home

late at night drugged with weariness and—many times—soaked by the prevalent rain of the area. Foolishly, I had thought I was indispensable if the kingdom of God was to advance. Now I was to learn differently.

We had reached the halfway point of our building program when I had a first warning of a health problem, which I should have heeded; a pulmonary infection that persisted for some time. Then there was a severe attack of influenza that further drained my strength.

At the close of a short series of evangelistic services I had conducted for my son-in-law in his first pastorate, the complete break came. Now, after three weeks of agony for me and of deep concern for my family and friends, here was my doctor's gloomy forecast. Many dismal hours of dejection followed that frank report, our minds troubled with questions for which there seemed no logical answers. Over and over we asked ourselves, Why did this happen to us? Why had God permitted this to happen to us and to the work we had hoped to yet do for His cause?

We had given everything we had toward building the church, even passing up the cost of medical insurance so that we could contribute more. And with its heavy financial obligations, the church had all it could do to remain solvent without the support of an incapacitated minister to further burden it.

But neither our Heavenly Father nor our faithful people in Bremerton had forgotten us. When word reached them that their pastor would not be able to return, they met in a specially called prayer meeting on my behalf. God remembered their sacrifice and honored their faith. They knew their pastor would be healed.

Friday morning came. Good Friday. More X rays. Later the physician was again in my room, confused, excited, bewildered, pacing back and forth, twisting his

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hands together, his words tumbling out and falling over each other: "Reverend, something's happened here! And I don't know what it is. But something we can't account for has happened." He stopped pacing, looked down at me, twisted his hands nervously and, after a moment, he resumed: "All the TB is gone from your lungs. According to the X rays we made this morning, there isn't a sign of it left, only a few lines from the pneumonia. And I don't know how to account for it."

All this had come so abruptly and unexpectedly that for once I was completely wordless, not able to really comprehend his amazing statement. He started to leave the room, turned back at the doorway and said, "You can go home day after tomorrow." Then he was gone, and I lay with my eyes closed, trying to realize the wonderful thing God had done for me. It was His

doing, no question about that. It hadn't merely happened.

Easter was a beautiful day, full of sunshine, hope, and joy as we traveled the 70 miles to our home in Bremerton. With hearts full of gladness we thanked God for a faithful, loving church family, and for a Heavenly Father who does care about His servants and is able to bring light and hope to those who walk the dark valleys of despair.

Years have passed since that day, but though I have taken all the tests for tuberculosis known to the medical profession, not a sign of that dread disease has been found since that day, which was truly a Good Friday for me. When hope had taken wings and flown to destinations unknown, there was God. To Him be the praise. □

# He Was There All the Time

by RAYMOND C. KRATZER

**I**N OUR JOURNEY to the Eternal City we often find ourselves in difficult circumstances. To be sure, God has not promised us a rose garden all the way along, but He has promised grace for every need. Humanly speaking, however, we are often tempted to doubt the goodness of God, because things don't turn out the way we think they should.

For example, a new Christian testified at the close of a revival meeting, where she had found additional spiritual help, that she had been having problems learning to trust God. She had been tempted to doubt God's faithfulness because her prayers were seemingly unanswered.

The needs of her family had reached a critical stage. Her husband was temporarily laid off work, and she could not get a job. The bank was demanding two payments or they would foreclose on their cherished home, and the future looked foreboding.

In desperation she prayed for help, insisting that the Bible stated that if you "asked," it would be given to you. She was tempted to chide God for not keeping His Word. But then conviction gripped her soul because she felt she was charging God foolishly.

Following her repentance she and her husband com-

mitted their plight to the Lord, resting their case on His love and care. Miraculously, things began to change. Work eventuated for them, all bills were paid, and she thrillingly testified: "He was there all the time."

God never deserts His children! His delays in answering our prayers are not designed to get us to somehow overcome His reluctance, but rather, they are to help us to search our hearts to see if our love for Him is pure and complete. Or perhaps He allows such a testing time to teach us an invaluable lesson that can only be learned from the tempests of life.

Often our problems are self-made. And when we cry to God to extricate us from them, He lets us suffer in them for a while in order that we may discover the cause, for in that discovery we may learn how to avoid them in the future. He may answer our prayers in such instances, not by changing the circumstances, but by strengthening us to triumph in the circumstances.

If we are sincerely trying to follow Jesus Christ, we need never fear that He absents himself from our lives. He promised never to leave us, nor to forsake us, and He will keep His word. When Satan tries to get you to see only your problems and their seeming impossibility of solution, remember the Problem-Solver is right by your side. Don't despair! Believe! Trust! Discover that He is there all the time! □

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# THE HIGH PRIVILEGE OF SUFFERING

by JERRY W. McCANT



FROM HIS ROMAN PRISON, Paul is writing one of his favorite churches. One can almost see the raised index finger as he says: "Conduct yourselves in a manner worthy of the gospel of Christ" (Philippians 1:27, NASB). He wants the Christians at Philippi to "stand firm"—be steadfast in trouble. When they stand firm and undaunted it will signal the destruction of the opponent and the salvation of the Philippians (1:28).

Then Paul says the unthinkable—he now claims that all he has said about conduct, steadfastness, and boldness is based on their high privileges of believing in Christ *and suffering for Him* (1:29). It sounds utterly absurd to our modern ears. We do not often think of suffering as a privilege. Suffering is to be avoided at all costs. Then how can it possibly be a high privilege to suffer?

It comes like a bombshell—"For to you it has been granted for Christ's sake, not only to believe in Him but also to suffer for His sake" (1:29, NASB). The English translations usually do not convey the force of Paul's statement. The Greek word translated "granted" (*echaristhe*) is related to the Greek noun *charis*, which means grace or unmerited favor. Thus Paul is saying, "For to you has been given the gracious unmerited favor . . . of suffering for Christ."

That certainly is a strange way to talk about privilege and suffering! We have not usually thought of suffering as a positive force, but Paul seems to do just that. There is no cringing fear as he talks about suffering. Elsewhere Paul can say that he glorifies in his thorn, "for when I am weak, then I am strong" (2 Corinthians 12:10, NASB).

Paul was not a masochist; he did not enjoy suffering and he did not have a martyr complex nor a persecution complex. Sometimes he became depressed and desperate (2 Corinthians 1:8). But in the process he learned something important about suffering. He learned that having the "sentence of death" (2 Corinthians 1:9) in him and always carrying in his body "the dying of Jesus" (2 Corinthians 4:10) and being "crucified with Christ" (Galatians 2:20) had positive value. It is a high privilege to suffer for Christ.

Most likely Paul never saw Jesus. He never heard Him preach and never saw Him heal anyone. He was not there when Jesus was crucified. Nor was He there when God raised Him from the dead. Nevertheless, he learned the meaning of Jesus' words: "If any man would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me" (Mark 8:34, RSV), or "He who does not take his cross and follow me is not worthy of me" (Matthew 10:38, RSV). Paul so took up his cross that from his Roman prison he writes to his friends at Philippi that he rejoices that he is "being poured out as a drink offering" (Philippians 2:17, NASB; compare Timothy 4:16).

Paul is not spinning out pious philosophical abstractions. This letter is written from his Roman prison cell. He had had a thorn in his flesh; the Corinthians had not accepted his apostleship. Often he was thrown out of synagogues, beaten, left for dead, stoned, ship-

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wrecked, and imprisoned for preaching the gospel of Jesus Christ. God did not remove his thorn and he did not exempt Paul from suffering. He did assure Paul that "My grace is sufficient for you" (2 Corinthians 12:9, NASB). A sizable part of Paul's ministry was conducted from a prison. Some of his richest letters (Ephesians, Philippians, Colossians, and Philemon) were written from prison. He has experienced what he discusses!

As Dietrich Bonhoeffer taught us, "There is no cheap grace!" Discipleship means a cross! Those are terrible words; they strike fear in our hearts. We want no part in suffering. Religion, we have mistakenly thought, would bring peace, not a sword. We have expected the Christian life to bring rose gardens and rainbows, but we never expected a cross! And yet Jesus calls us to take up our crosses (not our petty inconveniences and irritations in life) and be crucified with Him. The principle operative in Paul's life is that of always carrying about in the body the dying of Jesus, that the life of Jesus also may be manifested in our body" (2 Corinthians 4:10, NASB, italics added).

If tradition is correct, Paul wrote Philippians shortly before facing martyrdom at Nero's hand. When he tells them he is "being poured out" (2:17), he probably knew that death was imminent. Paul has "one deep supreme desire"—to be like Jesus. The apostle could not forget that Jesus "emptied himself" (i.e., "poured himself out") and "He humbled Himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross" (Philippians 2:7, 8, NASB). Now Paul challenges the Philippians to have the same attitude "which was also in Christ Jesus" (Philippians 2:5, NASB) who became obedient to the point of death on a cross. We are "constantly being delivered over to death for Jesus' sake" (2 Corinthians 4:11, NASB).

What a stark contrast in Paul's conception of Christian life and what we sometimes hear! You don't hear Paul flippantly saying, "Praise God anyhow!" He was not big on religious hypes. Nowhere does Paul depict the Christian life as one huge success story. A Christian life is lived in the shadow of the cross.

We want the glory without the cross. Gladly we will sing, "Tell me not of heavy crosses, / Nor of burdens hard to bear." Just as gladly we would forget the last lines of the stanza, "Worldly honors all forsaking, / For the glory of the cross." Paul would remind us that the glory is the cross. We must somewhere not only learn to glory in the cross of Christ, but also to take up our own crosses and glory in them as well.

Jesus still calls us to take up our crosses and live the crucified life. It is only after the cross that "the third day" can come with resurrection power. No one comes to know the glory and the power of the resurrection without first being crucified on a cross. "I have been crucified with Christ; and it is no longer I who live, but Christ lives in me" (Galatians 2:20, NASB). The Christ-in-me life can only be lived after we have been crucified with Him on the cross.

My violent protest against all of this is that I despise suffering because so much of my suffering has been a gross form of injustice at the hands of an evil system! It all knocks the starch out of my robes of self-righteousness and reminds me that we are emulating the

life-style of Jesus (Philippians 2:5). The sinless Son of God suffered and died on a cross at the hands of a merciless system filled with injustice. Paul lived the crucified life as one injustice after the other was heaped upon his head. Why, then, should I expect it to be any different for me?

What is so great about the privilege of suffering? According to Paul, as we suffer for Christ and stand firm, it signals our salvation and the destruction of our opponents (Philippians 2:27-28). Anyone can sing, testify, and shout when sunshine and success surrounds his life; God's grace is not needed for that. It is quite another story when suffering comes and keeps on coming day after weary day. Paul's admonition is "Stand firm"—don't tremble with fear. Remember, Paul started out saying, "Conduct your lives in a manner worthy of the gospel." Now, he says, you have the high privilege of suffering for Christ—conduct your lives of suffering in a manner worthy of the gospel. Christians should suffer in a way that is worthy of the Lord. The suffering is all worthwhile if, as a result of it, the beauty of Jesus Christ can be seen in our lives.

Whether good comes out of our suffering is really up to us. We must surrender our cross, our thorn, our pain to God. God took Jesus' cross of ignominy and shame and transformed it into a thing of wondrous beauty. He can do the same for us when we identify ourselves with the cross and suffering of our Lord. □

## Mission Accomplished

*"It is finished" was the heart cry  
On the cross of Calvary;  
Finished there was our redemption  
Wrought by love in agony.  
The divine plan of salvation,  
Blueprint of the ages past,  
As foretold by ancient sages,  
Consummated now at last.  
Prophecies had realization  
As Christ suffered on the tree;  
What the Scriptures long had promised  
There became reality.  
Types and shadows which prefigured  
Sin's atonement, pardon, too—  
Had fulfillment in His dying,  
Substitute for me and you.  
Triumphant now! Mission accomplished!  
Jesus conquered death and sin;  
Opened up the way to heaven,  
By His blood we enter in.*

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by ROBIN JUSTICE

# THE MIRACLE CHILD

**I** HAVE ALWAYS believed in miracles. But actually seeing a miracle happen sharpens one's awareness of God's power. Seeing a special person healed was the most amazing and wonderful thing I have ever experienced. This person was my sister. Reyes syndrome, a disease of the brain, can occur after one is afflicted with any type of virus. My sister had this fatal disease, but through the grace of God, is alive today.

One Monday evening Dad came home from work and went upstairs to talk to Rhonda in her room. By then, however, Rhonda was slipping into a coma. She did not recognize Dad. Immediately, Dad called the doctor, who earlier that day had told my mother that Rhonda just had a bad case of the mumps. Dad informed him that he was bringing Rhonda to the hospital and he could either meet us there or not. Either way, Rhonda would be admitted within the hour. Dad meant business.

Everything went well once Rhonda was admitted and put on glucose and water to get some energy back into her frail, helpless body. Immediate recovery was expected.

Tuesday morning, however, the phone rang, and I listened on the extension as the doctor told my mother that Rhonda was worse. The mumps had developed into a more serious illness. I shook, as chills ran up and down my spine. Tears rolled down my face as I listened to the doctor.

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When Mother and I arrived at the hospital, my father was already there. Seven nurses, three doctors, and Dad were holding Rhonda down because she had gone into convulsions from the severe pressure on her brain. I kept thinking, as I looked through the glass behind which Rhonda was isolated, how strange that my frail sister was now so strong. That day, Rhonda slipped into a coma once again, and they transferred her by ambulance to another hospital. Neurologists were called in to take her case and they diagnosed it as Reyes syndrome.

I was scared as the hours passed. Our preacher came to anoint Rhonda, but Mom and Dad had already given her to God. They believed God knew what He was doing. I walked over to the pay phones to hear my dad talking to the family, asking them to come to the hospital because Rhonda would not live much longer. The doctors gave her a 20 percent chance to live. I knew how serious it was when I saw tears rolling down Daddy's face, because Daddy never cries.

From Tuesday night to Wednesday night, I felt like I really was not awake; it was like a dream. Dad never left the hospital. For 72 hours he stood by my sister's side in the intensive care unit. Mom came home, but she did not sleep or talk very much. She just cried a lot or prayed; much of the time she did both at once. The house was full of people. Friends from California to Florida to Maine to Canada were praying for Rhonda. But I knew she did not have a chance.

I stood in my sister's room Wednesday night and looked at all her things. She was such a beautiful per-



son and only 16 years old; she was dying, but somehow I understood. She was like an angel and God probably wanted her in heaven. I watched my brother Rocky, as he was moved with compassion and sorrow at the thought of losing his older sister. God had His reasons. He always does. Prayers were going up and we waited to see how long Rhonda could hold on.

Thursday morning, at four o'clock, the phone rang. I woke Mama, and I froze as she answered it. Was it Dad telling us all to come because there was not much time left? I looked up at Mama and tears were running down her face, but her face was glowing and she smiled at me. I did not understand. Then she explained it, as Daddy had to her. "She sat up, Robin!" I just looked at Mom as she went on: "She took off her oxygen, opened her eyes, took your daddy's hand and said, 'Daddy, where am I?'"

It was a miracle. She was healed. The doctors were baffled, but we were not! God had performed a miracle in Rhonda's life. The doctors were quick to say it was due to the mysteries of medicines, but we all knew better. So did they!

Sunday was Easter. Rhonda was symbolic of this holiday. It was almost as if she had risen from the dead. Rhonda has a beautiful story to tell. I do too. I saw it all happen, and I'll never forget the way God worked. She was so frail, and so far gone, and then God just breathed life back into her. He knew what He was doing. Rhonda is not only alive, but healthier than ever before. On December 2, 1981, Rhonda turned 22 years old. She is married to a good man and they are both

## His Open Heart

*When God took flesh and human form  
And as a man on earth was born,  
The Heart Divine then took the chance  
Of hatred, cross, and soldier's lance.*

*The heart that sees the sparrow fall  
He opened wide to bear sin's gall;  
And He with power beyond compare  
Sweat drops of blood our grief to share.*

*O love so vulnerable but strong,  
That stands for right but bears the wrong;  
Help me to shed protective pride  
And share with Him, the Crucified.*

—JOHN A. WRIGHT  
Weidman, Michigan

dedicated Christians. Rhonda and Jeff are very active in their church.

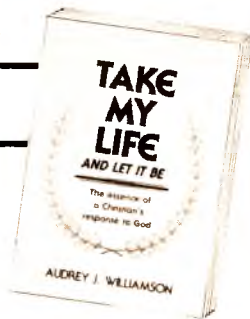
I will never forget this miracle. Nothing has ever impressed me so much. It was all such a blessing. God is still in the miracle-working business. □

## Book Brief

### TAKE MY LIFE



AUDREY J. WILLIAMSON  
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**T**AKE MY HANDS, my feet, my voice, my money, my intellect, my will—take everything, Lord! "Take my life and let it be consecrated, Lord, to thee!"

Drawing from 12 verses of the beautiful hymn written by Frances Ridley Havergal, Mrs. Williamson leads her readers step by step through the process of commitment. "If He is truly on the throne, then He will keep our hearts ablaze. Take your heart's temperature," she says. "If it is low, do something about it!"

The devotional messages touch readers in tender

spots. "Take my life and *let it be*," we sing, and all too many stop there—*Let it be! Don't shake up my world too much.* The author understands that tendency, for she points out that "in the daily pressure . . . we find ourselves merely humming 'All for Jesus,' when we should be singing it out loud and clear." And speaking of burnout: "When the enemy tells us we are experiencing 'burnout,' God's Holy Spirit can kindle a fire in our hearts so hot that we will be set aflame with holy zeal."

I have read the book two or three times, word for word, and will probably do it again. I've given copies as gifts—and can think of others who would drink its message in gladly. It contains contemporary thoughts from a woman who has lived the consecrated life many years; a woman who practices what she preaches—and I like that.

These deeply moving messages were first presented at the Fifth International Laymen's Conference in Toronto in July 1982. For those who missed hearing them in person—and for all who want to hear them again—here they are!

—Evelyn Stenbock  
Beacon Hill Press of Kansas City  
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# the editor's STANDPOINT

## THE GREATEST COMMANDER— OUR RISEN LORD

“This is the story of the greatest commander of them all.” With these words Lord Chalfont closes an introduction to a biography of Alexander the Great. True, Alexander has few if any peers as a military leader. Measured alongside Jesus Christ, however, Alexander is not great, merely famous.

According to Scripture, “He that is slow to anger is better than the mighty; and he that ruleth his spirit than he that taketh a city.” Alexander took lots of cities, but he couldn’t rule his own spirit. During a “verbal slanging match” one night, he grabbed a spear and killed Cleitus, an officer in his army who had once saved the emperor’s life. What a contrast to Christ, who healed the severed ear of one of the mob who arrested Him on the eve of His execution.

Alexander’s lack of control precipitated his own death. At a feasting and drinking orgy, his closest friend, Hephaestion, collapsed and soon died. Alexander’s mourning was irrational. He had Hephaestion’s doctor executed and ordered all sacred fires extinguished throughout the empire. Still unsoled, he hit the bot-

tle and was stricken with illness during a drunken revel. He died a few days later. Jesus Christ, by contrast, took His unspoiled manhood to a cross and gave His life as an offering for sin.

When news of Alexander’s death reached Athens, a politician named Demades insisted the rumor was false. “If Alexander were really dead,” he argued, “the stench of the corpse would by now have filled the world.” Dead he was, and dead he has remained to this day.

Jesus was not dead long! He rose on the third day, alive forevermore. He had met and conquered sin, guilt, death, and Satan. He hinged the gate to eternal life upon His cross. Meeting with His disciples, the risen Savior declared, “All power is given unto me in heaven and in earth.” He is, indeed, “mightiest of the mighty”—“the King of kings and Lord of lords,” beside whom Alexander shrinks and pales.

“What dreams and ambitions Alexander still had,” wrote Frank Lipsius, “died with him.” Jesus Christ is still fulfilling His dreams. □

## OVERREACTION

Human nature is hard stuff to balance. We find extremes easier than means. If something irritates or disgusts, we often overreact to it.

For example, in earlier days much revival preaching exploited and manipulated the congregation. Success was often measured by the number of seekers, and under the pressure of that criterion some preachers would do nearly anything to fill the altar. Sermons were heavily larded with horror stories and altar calls often contained tricky propositions. Overreacting, some want no revivals, no altar calls, no emotional sermon content whatever. Preaching on serious biblical themes such as death, judgment, and hell is nearly extinct. This is unfortunate, for God hasn’t cancelled judgment, His wrath is terribly real, and sin still damns. The issue, repent or perish, was proclaimed unmincingly by Jesus Christ, and it’s still true today.

For another example, take the matter of dress. I remember searing sermons against jewelry, “bobbed” hair, and short skirts. Some engaged in tirades against “loud” neckties and others against neckties, period. A

brother was deeply offended at me in one revival meeting because I shaved on Sunday. Much of the criticism was offered harshly and self-righteously, in a spirit more akin to pharisaism than holiness. Has there not been an overreaction? How many Nazarenes today are duly concerned about principles of modesty, simplicity, and economy in dress? Whatever is vogue with the world gets uncritical acceptance in the church. Men and women appear in public with less clothes on than it would take to flag down a slow-moving handcar in clear weather. Voices raised against immodesty are swiftly tagged legalistic.

Other illustrations could be added, but I don’t want to overreact. I wish we could solve our problems lovingly and wisely, before we reach the place where all traditions are rejected just because they are traditional, and where the only rule is against having any rules. I wish we could be extremely moderate, or moderately extreme, rather than go overboard on either side of the ship. Pleasing Christ may require displeasing both dominant cultures and domineering subcultures. □

Television viewing, if it is not to ruin us, needs the vigilant monitoring of a biblically informed conscience. Even some of its religious programming is detrimental to good spiritual health! A fellow may find it safer to butt his head against the TV set than to watch the programs.

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## TV CAN DAMAGE YOUR HEALTH!

I checked into a motel room at 6 p.m. in Circleville, Ohio. At 6:10 I was bleeding like a stuck hog from a lacerated scalp. Paramedics were summoned by the manager and the bleeding was stopped by 6:30. As I hurriedly dressed, in order to preach at Circleville Bible College, the cut opened again. With an ice pack and gauze pads, left by the emergency squad, I stanching the flow of blood and went on to service, not looking too good! The preaching wasn't very good, either, and the evening was topped off by a visit to the hospital emergency ward.

My wound was inflicted by a television set. It was mounted on the wall directly above the suitcase rack. I got a shirt from the suitcase, raised up, and *whammo!* That night, sleepless because of a king-sized headache, I reflected ruefully on the incident. For years I have been warning our people that TV can be damaging, even destructive!

Most folks are less awkward than I, and few are apt to split heads open on TV sets. But television can inflict far more serious damage than a lacerated scalp.

## A MISERABLE BARGAIN

An Ohio newspaper recently carried a pathetic story. A young man, married and the father of three children, has decided to become a woman. On medical leave from his job as a fireman, he is taking hormones to soften his features and enlarge his breasts. Electrolysis is ridding his body of hair. He is undergoing psychological counseling. When mentally prepared, he will have the surgery necessary for the sex-change.

Understandably, his wife is upset and they are separated. His psychological confusion has deepened because of alienation from friends. He became an alcoholic in his battle with depression. Now he believes that in two years, when the changeover is complete, he will be happy and fulfilled. The news item quotes him as saying, "I'll trade an eternity in hell for 30 years of happiness."

I cannot help but pity a person so inwardly torn and insecure, but I pity him more for his spiritual darkness than for his mental or physical frustrations. Whatever the ethics of sex-change psychiatry and sex-change

Television can damage by becoming too time-consuming. If many hours are spent daily before the TV set, much of that time—given the rotten quality of general programming—is wasted. The same hours invested in good books or service projects could greatly enrich minds and lives.

Television can destroy by eroding moral values. When we are "entertained" by violence, obscenity, and adultery, our spiritual sensitivity is dulled and our relationship with God is impaired. Christian doctrines and moral values are constantly assailed in television programs. This medium has done much to augment the sensualism, materialism, and humanism of a God-rejecting society.

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surgery, his commitment to the pleasure-ethic will prove fatal, whether he lives as a man or a woman. He is sacrificing his family to his own grasp for happiness, and he will come up empty-handed, for selfishness is inevitably destructive of happiness.

Our society applauds the notion of "looking out for number one." Ten million abortions in 10 years and an epidemic of divorces testify to America's pleasure-oriented philosophy. Things are not much different in other nations.

Saddest of all is the man's stupid remark about trading eternity in hell for 30 years of happiness. He will not have 30 years of happiness, but if he could, what a paltry price tag to place on his ruined soul.

Jesus Christ, who reconciles to God and rescues from hell, could reconcile this man to his own gender and give him peace. Jesus makes peace between us and God, but He also makes peace between ourselves and others, and peace *within* ourselves. □

## Letters (Continued from page 4)

makes our seminary teachers better known and therefore better appreciated by the church at large.

Terrell (Jack) Sanders had been just a name to me. Now, I feel that I know him. I was well acquainted with the seminary's first president (Hugh C. Benner) from 1923. I knew Stephen Nease from his birth. Dr. Greathouse is a friend. I knew L. T. Corlett. And so, I am glad to know Terrell Sanders by his testimony.

This seminary issue is superb.

*John Wallace Ames  
Decatur, Illinois*

### READER LIKES "ROOTS"

I like the "Nazarene Roots" features in the *Herald*. The short look at the life of Ira Hammer was of real interest to me. His life was a thread in the tapestry of my life. I've read "Prayers in the Morning." I think this

book is of historical value to our church. He was a personal friend to our family and loved dearly. Thank you for including him in "Nazarene Roots." Truly he deserves the designation.

*Thelma Crandell Craighead  
Apache Junction, Arizona*

### FABULOUS IDEA

Just finished reading the testimonies of the seminary professors in the January 15 issue. What a fabulous idea to allow them that opportunity to share their testimonies! Knowing them somewhat after our 3½ years at NTS, I really appreciated the oneness they shared with us, the readers, having like testimony and background. It simply reinforces to me the fact that God is working in *His* church through *His* people to bring glory to himself. And we should never put barriers up be-

tween us, whether from academic, social, or economic reasons. God is using us *all* and doing a good job of it at that. Praise the Lord!

*Carlos and Carolynne Fandino  
Holtville, California*

### WANTS PRAYER WITHOUT ACTION

I must take issue with your thoughts concerning the nuclear danger.

I believe this is one issue that is out of the control of any single individual and maybe any single government. This has to be left in the hands of God. The best course of action is for Christian people to pray that the God of the universe will have His way and be with the minds and bodies of those who sit in control of the "triggers" that could bring an end to all of life.

*Alvin Cummings  
Walker, Iowa*

# GRACE IN THE GARDEN

by IRMGARD L. WILLIAMS

**A** PHONE CALL came to our hotel room, asking for my minister husband. The call came as a surprise since only the missionary family knew that we were visiting in Jerusalem.

"Pastor Williams," said the missionary wife, "would you mind helping me? An American tourist is here in Jerusalem visiting and insists that he must see a minister right away. My husband is out of the country and can't talk to him today. I realize that you are vacationing, but would you mind calling this gentleman right away at his hotel?"

My husband assured her that he would call, and soon he found a new acquaintance. This balding, elderly man soon made his appearance at the hotel entrance where they agreed to meet.

Why, I wondered, was this meeting necessary at this particular moment? How could a stranger in a far country like this need an unknown minister at this time?

Those of you who have stayed at the St. George International Hotel in Jerusalem know that many

*IRMGARD L. WILLIAMS is the wife of the pastor of the Henderson, Kentucky, church. She is a first grade teacher and a free-lance writer.*

## "By ALL MEANS... Save Some"

sights of interest are within walking distance. Within the hour, these two men, nearly strangers, made their way through the narrow, aged streets becoming acquainted. It did not take long for a discerning pastor to realize that this man was urgently in need of peace.

My husband led him to a place where they could talk, away from the myriads of tourists that thronged the streets. The Garden Tomb they entered, which had been accidentally discovered in the 19th century, soon became a providential place of prayer. Here it was that a hungry heart came to grips with himself and God—and soon found the peace that he desired after revealing a deep hunger for spiritual life. A man, now in the twilight of his life, could not forget a mother's prayer. If he had to, he would go around the world to find God! As he continued talking, he told how he left his tour group in Germany and was determined to find God before he returned to the States. How unnecessary that he come to the Holy Land to find God, but conviction made him desperate enough to go to any extreme.

"What was it," Pastor Williams asked his new friend, "that compelled you to come to Jesus, after you had waited nearly a whole lifetime?"

And then he related how, as a very small boy, his mother had taken him to a holiness school in the West. He could not get away from that early Bible training. The seed that was sown had seemingly lain dormant for many years, but now it brought forth fruit in the garden. □

# IN THE NEWS

## PEOPLE AND PLACES



**Pearl Marie Goode**, of the San Antonio, Tex., West End Church, has been selected as one of the *Outstanding Young Women of America for 1982*. She was 1 of 10 selected from Texas, in recognition of her outstanding ability, accomplishments, and community service. Miss Goode is a registered nurse at the local Audie Murphy VA Hospital. She is presently director of children's ministries, and a member of the church board. □

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**Mr. Peter G. Mangum** was recently selected one of the *Outstanding Young Men of America of 1982*. Peter was nominated by Rev. F. Don Dunlap for the volunteer ministries he performed while attending the Memphis, Tenn., Grace Church.

Peter is a third-generation Nazarene. His father is the superintendent of our Philadelphia District. Peter graduated from Northwest Nazarene College in 1979. He presently works for Compu-Source, Inc. Peter and his wife, Sally, now reside in Denver. □



**Jeffrey D. Hawkins**, son of Mr. and Mrs. Marion D. Hawkins of Clearwater, Fla., formerly of Monticello, Ill., recently graduated from the University of South Florida, Tampa, summa cum laude, with a B.A. degree in international affairs. He served as president of the fellowship of Christian Athletes and was a member of Phi Kappa Phi honor society. Jeffrey completed his degree requirements in only two years of study. During his freshman year, he attended Jacksonville University at Jacksonville, Fla., under a full naval ROTC scholarship. He completed the year with a first place academic ranking among all midshipmen. Following his freshman year he served an internship in the office of the governor, state of Florida.

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He received the William Randolph Hearst U.S. Senate Youth Foundation Scholarship award for Illinois. Jeffrey was also elected a delegate to the Nazarene International World Youth Conference held at Estes Park, Colo., in 1978.

Jeffrey and his wife, Lori (Coburn), are located in Monterey, Calif., where he attends the Defense Language Institute to pursue a career in Military Intelligence. At present Jeffrey is a member of Decatur, Ill., First Church, and Lori is a member of Clearwater, Fla., First Church. □



**Rev. Calvin T. Martin** has been honored with an award by the America the Beautiful Fund for his part in helping the state of West Virginia to establish its first designated historical highway.

Rev. Martin initiated the resolution to have the "Charles Lewis and Andrew Lewis March" declared a historical highway. On March 10, 1982, it passed the State Senate as resolution No. 31—the state's first historical highway. This was the route that Col. Andrew Lewis and Col. Charles Lewis led 1,200 men to the Battle of Point Pleasant on October 10, 1774, against the Shawnee Indians, led by Chief Cornstalk.

The award presented to Rev. Martin says: "In recognition to Calvin Martin for generously assisting the America the Beautiful Fund in helping to protect the beauty of our nation. This certificate has been issued by the Board of Trustees of the Fund to express their appreciation." It was signed by Paul Bruce Dowling, executive director, October 12, 1982.

Calvin is a 1979 graduate of the Nazarene Bible College and holds an associate of biblical studies degree. He has pastored churches in Alabama, Texas, and West Virginia. Calvin and his wife, Sharon, also a 1979 graduate of Nazarene Bible College, and their two children, Calvin II and Rebecca, are living in Glasgow, W.Va., his hometown, and he is minister of music at the Glasgow church. He is also working for a B.A. degree in business administration from West Virginia State College. □

**Esther B. Mason**, Astoria, Ore., has been selected as one of the *Outstanding Young Women of America for 1982*. The program honors women between the ages of 21 and 36 who have distinguished themselves in their professional life, community service, and home life.

Esther is the wife of Pastor Donald R. Mason of the Astoria, Ore., First Church. □



**Loretta Goodson**, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Goodson, McPherson, Kans., has been selected as an *Outstanding Young Woman of America for 1982*.

The purpose of the award, according to the Board of Advisors, is "to recognize the many young women who give their time, talents, and unselfish service to enrich the quality of American life."

Goodson, a 1981 graduate of Mid-America Nazarene College at Olathe, Kans., with a B.A. degree in elementary education, was involved in inner-city tutoring in Kansas City and with nursing home ministries while a student. She participated in church activities at MANC, and was a member of the "Circuit Riders," an outreach ministry. She was also a member of the Heritage Singers Choir and the Bell Choir.

She is presently music and choir director in her home church, and teaches a junior Sunday School class. During the summer of 1982, she was vacation Bible school director in her church. Goodson is currently employed in the McPherson County Clerk's office. □



On March 7-8, **Dr. Timothy L. Smith**, Nazarene elder and professor of history at the Johns Hopkins University, conducted one of several seminars held at the Ecumenical Institute of the World Council of Churches at Geneva, Switzerland. It was in preparation for the General Assembly of the World Council which meets at Vancouver, B.C., later this summer.

The subject of his seminar was "The Evangelicals in American Life." It stressed the variety of Evangelicals, largely unknown to Europeans; their criticisms of the old line churches; and especially their reasons for estrangement from the World Council.

Dr. Smith also lectured at Olivet Nazarene College, March 13-14, as part of the celebration of its 75th anniversary. □

# OUR COLLEGES AND SEMINARIES



## NNC RECEIVES ONE MILLION DOLLAR PLEDGE

Northwest Nazarene College in Nampa, Ida., has recently received a pledge of \$1 million to be applied to the college's student scholarship endowment fund. Leo Qualls, alumnus and restaurant owner in Salem, Ore., is the donor of the largest single gift ever received by NNC.

The first \$100,000 was delivered to school officials honoring Quall's eighth grade teacher who taught at what in the 1930s was a normal school on the campus of NNC. According to a letter sent by Qualls to school officials, the "balance of the total gift will be delivered at an appropriate time and is to be deposited in the permanent endowment fund." □

## ROHMANN APPOINTED DIRECTOR OF ADMISSIONS AT MVNC



Gary R. Rohmann has been appointed director of admissions and enrollment development at Mount Vernon Nazarene College, President William J. Prince announced recently.

Rohmann, now serving as director of financial aid at the college, assumed the new position March 1, 1983. Dr. Ron Phillips, who has been in the position along with responsibilities as assistant to the academic dean, will serve full-time in the assistant to the dean position.

"My responsibilities include all the goals and activities related to the marketing thrust of the college including advertising, recruitment, publications, field recruitment counselors, and maintaining student applications," said Rohmann.

"In addition, I am responsible for developing enrollment projections. In all my activities, I am directly responsible to the president and report to his office."

Rohmann has worked in the area of student financial aid since 1974. During all but one of those eight years, he has been director of financial aid at MVNC.

He received his Bachelor of Science degree in business administration from Trevecca Nazarene College in 1975 and his Master of Business Administration degree from Baldwin Wallace College

in 1983. His MBA degree stressed the systems approach to management.

Rohmann was selected as an Outstanding Young Man of America in 1980 and elected to Delta Mu Delta in 1982.

He and his wife and son James reside in Mount Vernon. □

## TNC RADIO STATION GRANTED POWER INCREASE

WNAZ-FM, the educational-noncommercial radio station of Trevecca Nazarene College, was granted a construction permit to increase power from the present 500 watts to 1,385 watts on December 16, 1982. The station signed on the air on Sunday morning, January 9, with the increased power. According to David Deese, the director of broadcasting at Trevecca and general manager of the station, "the increase in power will improve coverage in parts of Davidson County where reception has been weak. It will also slightly increase coverage in the area bordering the county."

WNAZ-FM was originally a 10-watt station when it was built in 1967. In 1977 the station increased power to 500 watts and added stereo. Since 1979 Trevecca has made major improvements to the transmitter and studios in an effort to broadcast the highest quality stereo signal. WNAZ-FM is also carried on the Viacom FM cable.

WNAZ is an affiliate of the ABC Information Network and the Associated Press. The station programs Christian music, news, sports, business reports, and inspirational programs. The announcers at WNAZ-FM are students of Trevecca Nazarene College. Most are enrolled in the broadcast journalism curriculum of the Communication Studies Department and are gaining experience as part of their formal training. This is the primary purpose of WNAZ.

The programming policy of the station is to provide the people of Nashville with the best Christian music, inspirational programs, and educational-informational programs possible. □

## SENIOR BANQUET HELD AT NBC

The 10th Annual Senior Banquet for the graduating seniors of Nazarene Bible College was held February 4, 1983, at the Holiday Inn in Colorado Springs. Faculty representatives were also present.

The program was provided by the senior class, with Student Body President Ian Fitzpatrick serving as master



Dr. Dean Wessels displays the clock which was specially designed and handcrafted by the seniors. The clock was presented as a gift to him at the Nazarene Bible College.

of ceremonies. Planning and coordinating the banquet were the student leaders, Tom and Alice Krantz. Faculty members present were Dr. and Mrs. L. S. Oliver, president; Dr. and Mrs. Richard Lewis, dean of student life; Dr. and Mrs. R. T. Bolerjack; Dorothy Brown; Professor and Mrs. Ronald Attig; Professor and Mrs. Clarence Bowman; Professors Roger and Janet Williams; Dr. and Mrs. Arnold Airhart; and Rev. and Mrs. Ross Hayslip.

The banquet is sponsored by Pensions and Benefits Services. Dr. Dean Wessels, director, uses this opportunity each year to inform graduating seniors and their spouses about the important services provided by Pensions and Benefits Services to ministers of the church. □

## NNC RECEIVES NCATE ACCREDITATION

Northwest Nazarene College has been notified that its teacher education program has again received accreditation from the National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education. Following an on-campus comprehensive study of the program, the team "found the Northwest Nazarene College Teacher Education Programs to be of exceptionally fine quality." According to the report sent to Dr. Arthur K. Ellis, director of teacher education at NNC, the "team recommends without reservation that the NCATE accred-

itation for Northwest Nazarene College be extended the full 10 years."

NNC has experienced success in its program through cooperation with various departments on campus. This was evidenced by a comment in the report. "An exceptionally high degree of support for Teacher Education Programs is provided by the academic areas on campus, and extensive involvement in method classes, and student teacher supervision is provided by the academic area faculty."

Dr. Ellis also adds that without public school involvement, NNC's programs could not succeed. "We appreciate so much the public school participation in Nampa, Meridian, and Boise. We value the cooperative effort put forth by these systems in allowing our future teachers to work with their instructors." □

### ONC BECOMES ASSOCIATE MEMBER OF THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF SCHOOLS OF MUSIC

Olivet Nazarene College has been named an associate member of the National Association of Schools of Music, according to Dr. Harlow Hopkins, chairman of the Division of Fine Arts at Olivet.

Olivet has some 600 students participating in music classes and ensembles or applied music lessons. The department has 80 students majoring in music under several options, including music teaching, musical performance, and church music. Another option combines a major in church music and Christian education.

Ensembles of the music department include Orpheus Choir, Treble Clef Choir, Viking Male Chorus, Symphony Orchestra, Concert Band, Concert Singers, Brass Consort, Handbell Choir, and Choral Union.

Since October 1982, the Music and Art departments have held classes in the new Larsen Fine Arts Auditorium, a \$3 million three-story structure which includes a 500-seat Kresge Auditorium. □

### NTS SENIORS ATTEND TENTH ANNUAL BANQUET

The Nazarene Theological Seminary seniors recently attended the 10th Annual Senior Banquet sponsored by Pensions and Benefits Services in Kansas City.

Attending this year's banquet, representing the administration and faculty, were Dr. Terrell Sanders, president; Dr. and Mrs. Chet Galloway; Dr. and Mrs. Harvey Finley; Dr. and Mrs. James

Hamilton; Dr. and Mrs. Paul Orjala; Prof. and Mrs. Harold Raser; and Dr. and Mrs. Oscar Reed.

Dr. Dean Wessels spoke to the seniors about the benefits and services that are available to them throughout their ministry in the Church of the Nazarene. □

### BNC NAMES NEW DATA PROCESSING DIRECTOR



Mr. Don Billings, vice-president of financial affairs, has announced the hiring of Terry J. Wilk as director of data processing of Bethany Nazarene College.

Wilk comes to BNC from Cleveland, where he served as account manager for The Packer Group, a multimillion dollar corporation which provides data processing consultation, software, and services to the health industry.

He is a graduate of Cleveland State University, with an MBA from Case Western Reserve University. Prior to joining The Packer Group, Wilk served as systems analyst for Compucare, Inc., of Cleveland, and as director of claims billing for the 380-bed Huron Road Hospital.

His immediate responsibilities will include an assessment of the current operations of the data center in regards to its systems, programs and personnel, making recommendations for developments and potential marketing services to the commercial and professional communities surrounding BNC.

Wilk follows Prof. Jim Tabers as director of the data center. Tabers will return to the academic sector as a full-

time instructor, and remains as a consultant for the college's data processing center. □


### ENC RECEIVES \$150,000 FROM KRESGE FOUNDATION

Eastern Nazarene College has announced the receipt of a check from the Kresge Foundation in the amount of \$150,000. In July of 1982 the Kresge Foundation announced a challenge grant of \$150,000 toward the Edith F. Cove Fine Arts Center. That grant was conditional upon ENC's raising the remainder of the \$1.4 million needed for the project by January 15, 1983. That challenge was met and the grant has now been received.

The Cove Fine Arts Center was completed in December and now houses the Department of Music and the Department of Communication Arts, as well as an auditorium seating just under 500 people. Dedication of both the auditorium and the Fine Arts Center are scheduled for spring of 1983.

Funding for this new building has come from contributions by Nazarene churches of the Eastern Educational Region, personal gifts from alumni and friends of ENC, generous gifts from business friends in the Quincy South Shore area, and a major gift of \$300,000 by Peter and William O'Connell in memory of their mother who is an alumna of Eastern Nazarene College.

Dr. Stephen W. Nease, president of ENC, in expressing gratitude for the grant from the Kresge Foundation, noted that, as is his custom, Stanley S. Kresge inscribed the back of the check with the words "In the name and for the sake of Jesus Christ." □



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## EVANGELISTS' SLATES

**ADAMS, MICHAEL:** Cincinnati, OH (Blue Ash), Apr. 5-10; Sidney, OH, Apr. 12-17; Spencerville, OH, Apr. 19-24; Mount Sterling, OH, Apr. 26—May 1

**ARMSTRONG, CHARLES:** South Lebanon, OH, Apr. 5-10

**ARMSTRONGS, LEON, LINDA AND FAMILY:** Newport News, VA, Apr. 10-17; Greensboro, NC (Jim Green Memorial), Apr. 20-24; Pulaski, VA, Apr. 26—May 1

**BAKER, RICHARD C.:** Corbin, KY (1st), Apr. 5-10; Bruceton Mills, WV (Little Sandy), Apr. 12-17; Oak Hill, OH (Point Rock), Apr. 19-24; New Cumberland, WV, Apr. 26—May 1

**BALDWIN, DEAN:** Williston, ND, Apr. 5-10; Brighton, CO, Apr. 12-17; Spring, TX (Houston Northwest), Apr. 20-24; Sikeston, MO (1st), Apr. 26—May 1

**BEARDEN, LES:** Springfield, OH (High St.), Apr. 5-10; Logan, OH (1st), Apr. 12-17; Charleston, WV (Southeast), Apr. 19-24; Xenia, OH (1st), Apr. 26—May 1

**BEATY, BRYAN; BEATY TRIO AND RANDY:** Martinsville, IN (Trinity), Apr. 5-10; Vicksburg, MS (Calvary), Apr. 12-17; Jamestown, ND (1st), Apr. 26—May 1

**BELIEVERS** (See Don Pifer Evangelistic Team)

**BELLI, JAMES & JEAN:** Forth Worth, TX (Northside), Apr. 3; Grosse Pointe, MI (Detroit Bethel), Apr. 20-24; Hanover, PA (Trinity), Apr. 27—May 1

**BENDER EVANGELISTIC PARTY:** Hagerstown, IN, Apr. 5-10; Grove City, OH (Darbydale), Apr. 12-17; Caldwell, OH, Apr. 22—May 1

**BLUE, DAVE & DANA:** New Albany, IN (Indoor Camp), Apr. 12-17; Flint, MI (Central), Apr. 19-24

**BOCK, DON:** Elwood, IN (CCCU), Apr. 5-10; Waverly, OH, Apr. 12-17; Chillicothe, OH (Westside), Apr. 21—May 1

**BOND, GARY & BETH:** Cattlet, VA, Apr. 5-10; Virginia Beach, VA (1st), Apr. 12-17; Hopewell, VA, Apr. 19-24; Highland Springs, VA, Apr. 26—May 1

**BREWINGTON, JANE:** Granite City, IL (St. Paul), Mar. 22—Apr. 3

**BRISCOE, JOHN & FAMILY:** New Castle, IN (Southside), Apr. 5-10

**BROOKS, GERALD & JUNE:** Tomah, WI (1st), Apr. 12-17; St. Croix Falls, WI (1st), Apr. 19-24; Menomonee, WI (1st), Apr. 26—May 1

**BROWN, FRED:** Cincinnati, OH (Sailor Park), Apr. 5-10; Hilliard, OH, Apr. 12-17; Sciotoville, OH (Portsmouth), Apr. 19-24; Fredericktown, OH, Apr. 29—May 8

**BROWN, ROGER:** Ottumwa, IA (Trinity), Mar. 29—Apr. 3; Columbus, OH (Whitehall), Apr. 5-10

**BROWNE, CHARLES:** Lincoln Park, MI, Apr. 26

**BUCKLES-BURKE EVANGELISTIC TEAM:** Reserved, Apr. 4-10; Perysburg, OH (1st), Apr. 12-17; Rockford, IL (Parkside), Apr. 19-24; Janesville, WI (Randolph Park), Apr. 26—May 1

**BUCKLIN, GENE & KAY:** Clarion, IA, Apr. 10-17; New Rockford, ND, Apr. 19-24

**BUDD, JAY:** Kent, OH, Apr. 5-10; Franklin Furnace, OH (Plymouth Heights), Apr. 12-17; Alliance, OH, Apr. 26—May 1

**BURKHALTER, PAT:** House Springs, MO (1st), Apr. 19-24

**CARROLL, LARRY & ROBERTA:** Pottsville, MI, Apr. 12-17

**CASTEEL, HOWARD:** Centerville, IN, Apr. 5-10

**CAYTON, JOHN:** Reserved, Apr. 5-10; Florence, SC (1st), Apr. 12-17; Fletcher, NC, Apr. 19-24; Canton, OH (Fairmont), Apr. 26—May 1

**CHAMBERS, LEON & MILDRED:** Richmond, IN (1st), Apr. 10-17; Dayton, OH (Parkview), Apr. 19-24; Reserved, Apr. 26—May 15

**CHAPMAN, W. EMERSON:** Burlington, KS, Apr. 10-17

**CHASE, FRANK:** Granite City, IL (1st), Apr. 5-10; Oklahoma City, OK (Britton), Apr. 12-17; Helena, OK, Apr. 19-24

**CHIPP, VERLIN:** Madison, IN (1st), Apr. 5-10

**CHRISTNER, JACK:** Columbia City, IN, Apr. 5-10; Sharpsville, PA, Apr. 12-17; Monongahela, PA, Apr. 19-24; Smithton, PA, Apr. 26—May 1

**COLLINS, LUTHER:** Santee, CA, Apr. 5-10; Globe, AZ, Apr. 17-24

**CONNETT, JOHN:** Prairie Creek, IN (Meth), Apr. 1-3; Weldon, IL (Shiloh Chapel Meth), Apr. 17; Tuscola, IL (1st Ch. of God), Apr. 20-24

**COY, JAMES & MARTHA:** Dunkirk, IN, Apr. 5-10; Shelby, OH, Apr. 12-17; Otter Lake, MI, Apr. 19-24; Gageton, MI, Apr. 26—May 1

**CRABTREE, J. C.:** Cambridge City, IN, Apr. 5-10; Circleville, OH (Jefferson CCCU), Apr. 12-17; Sunbury, OH (Olive Green CCCU), Apr. 26—May 1

**CULBERTSON, BERNIE:** Lander, WY (1st), Apr. 3-10; Castro Valley, CA (Edendale), Apr. 12-17

**DARNELL, H. E.:** Clinton, IA, Mar. 29—Apr. 3; Lum, MI, Apr. 4-10; Muncie, IN, Apr. 11-17; Philadelphia, PA, Apr. 21—May 1

**DAWS, LEONARD:** Dayton, OH (Huber Heights), Apr. 5-10; Cincinnati, OH (Chase Ave.), Apr. 12-17; West Milton, OH, Apr. 19-24; Corry, PA, Apr. 26—May 1

**DELL, JIMMY:** Hilo, HI, Mar. 29—Apr. 3; Temple, TX (1st), Apr. 16-20; Grand Saline, TX, Apr. 21-24; De Ridder, LA (Laymen's Retreat), Apr. 20—May 1

**DENNIS, DARRELL & BETTY:** Cincinnati, OH (Fairfax), Apr. 5-10; Veedsburg, IN (1st), Apr. 12-17; West Lebanon, IN (1st), Apr. 19-24; Wabash, IN (1st), Apr. 26—May 1

**DIXON, GEORGE & CHARLOTTE:** North American Indian District, Apr. 1-24; Pittsburg, KS, Apr. 26—May 1

**DOROUGH, JIM & CAROL:** El Dorado, AR (United), Apr. 5-10; Owasso, OK, Apr. 12-17; Stephenville, TX, Apr. 19-24

**DUNMIRE, RALPH & JOANN:** Glenmont, OH (Greer Wes.), Apr. 12-17; College Grove, TN (Edwards Grove Comm), Apr. 19-24

**DUNN, DON:** Bushnell, IL, Apr. 5-10; New Lexington, OH, Apr. 12-17; Clyde, OH, Apr. 19-24

**EASTMAN, RICK:** Princeton, IL, Apr. 5-10; Fairmont, WV (1st), Apr. 12-17; Waycross, GA (1st), Apr. 19-24; Painesville, OH (1st), Apr. 26—May 1

**ERICKSON, W. WILLIAM:** New Castle, IN (Southside), Apr. 5-10; Reserved, Apr. 12-17; Gainesville, GA (1st), Apr. 19-24; Knoxville, TN (1st), Apr. 26—May 1

**ESSELBURN, BUD—THE KING'S MESSENGERS:** Mount Gilead, OH (Christ's World Miss. Vision), Apr. 3-10; Warsaw, OH, Apr. 12-17; Andover, OH (Cherry Valley), Apr. 19-24; Bergholz, OH (Wolfe Run), Apr. 26—May 1

**FILES, GLORIA; & ADAMS, DOROTHY:** Lakeland, FL (Lakeside), Apr. 5-10; Reserved, Apr. 11-17; Toms River, NJ, Apr. 19-24; Fawn Grove, PA, Apr. 26—May 1

**FINE, LARRY:** El Dorado, KS, Apr. 1-3; Decatur, IL (Westside), Apr. 13-17

**FISHER, C. WILLIAM:** Amarillo, TX (1st), Apr. 12-17; Lubbock, TX (1st), Apr. 19-24; Cedar Rapids, IA (Oakland), Apr. 26—May 1

**FLORENCE, ERNEST:** West Baden, IL, Mar. 29—Apr. 3; Hillsboro, OH, Apr. 5-10; Danville, IL (Cedar Grove), Apr. 12-17; Rarden, OH, Apr. 19-24; Urbana, IL (Faith), Apr. 26—May 1

**FORTNER, ROBERT:** Fort Branch, IN, Apr. 5-10; Vicksburg, MI (Chapman Memorial), Apr. 12-17; Lowell, MI, Apr. 19-24; Canton, OH (Calvary), Apr. 26—May 1

**FRANKLIN, DAVID:** Champaign, IL (Westside), Apr. 5-10; Wheelersburg, OH, Apr. 12-17; Bellefontaine, OH, Apr. 19-24; Rushville, IL, Apr. 26—May 1

**FRODGE, HAROLD:** Ripley, OH, Apr. 5-10; Mansfield, OH (1st Wes.), Apr. 11-17; Risingsun, OH, Apr. 19-24; Macomb, IL, Apr. 26—May 1

**GAWTHORP, WAYLAND:** Amelia, OH, Apr. 5-10; Robinson, IL (Wes.), Apr. 12-17; Jackson, GA, Apr. 19-24; Edinburg, IN, Apr. 26—May 1

**GORMAN, HUGH:** Eckville, Alberta, Apr. 5-10; Collingwood, Ontario, Apr. 17-24

**GORMANS, SINGING:** Eastview, KY (Wes.), Apr. 14-24

**GRAY, BOB & BECKY:** Mundelein, IL, Apr. 5-10; Lancaster, OH (1st), Apr. 12-17; Cedar Falls, IA (1st), Apr. 19-24; Oden, IN, Apr. 26—May 1

**GRAY, DAVID & REBECCA:** Sikeston, MO (1st), Apr. 12-17

**GREEN, JAMES & ROSEMARY:** Bloomington, IL (1st), Apr. 5-10; Roanoke, VA (Garden City), Apr. 12-17; Wichita, KS (Westside), Apr. 19-24; Ottawa, IL (1st), Apr. 27—May 1

**GRINDLEY, GERALD & JANICE:** Cincinnati, OH (Blue Ash), Apr. 5-10; Mannington, WV (1st), Apr. 12-17; Toledo, OH (Northpoint), Apr. 20-24; Owosso, MI (1st), Apr. 26—May 1

**GROVES, C. WILLIAM:** Indianapolis, IN (Ritter Ave.), Apr. 5-10; South Point, OH, Apr. 12-17; Lithopolis, OH, Apr. 19-24; North Bloomfield, OH (Greene), Apr. 26—May 1

**HAINES, GARY:** Chariton, IA (1st), Apr. 9-17; Paulding, OH (1st), Apr. 23-27; Payne, OH (1st), Apr. 28—May 1

**HALL, CARL:** Ottumwa, IA (Trinity), Mar. 29—Apr. 3; Mount Erie, IL, Apr. 12-17; Eureka, IL, Apr. 19-24

**HANCOCK, BOYD:** Uniontown, OH (Akron Trinity), Apr. 5-10; Decatur, IL (1st), Apr. 12-17; Reserved, Apr. 18-24; Charleston, MO (1st), Apr. 26—May 1

**HANSON, BRIAN & CHERYL:** Wichita, KS (Eastridge), Apr. 12-17

**HAYES, ALVIN:** Lawrence, KS (Holiday Hills), Apr. 12-17; Lees Summit, MO (1st Con.), Apr. 20-24; Goodland, KS (Wes.), Apr. 27—May 1

**HAYNES, CHARLES & MYRT:** Shelbyville, IN (Immanuel), Apr. 5-10; Dolton, IL, Apr. 12-17; Columbus, GA (1st), Apr. 19-24; Newport, TN (1st), Apr. 26—May 1

**HEATON, KENNETH:** Carey, OH (Ridge Chapel), Apr. 19-24; East Liverpool, OH (LaCrott), Apr. 26—May 1

**HENDERSHOT, H. HARVEY:** Erin, TN (Griffin's Chapel), Apr. 19-24

**HICKE, S. F.:** Farmington, IL, Apr. 26—May 1

**HOWARD, RICHARD:** Airdrie, Alberta, Apr. 5-10; Stettler, Alberta, Apr. 12-17; Wainwright, Alberta, Apr. 19-24; Reserved, Apr. 26—May 1

**HUBARTT, LEONARD:** Fort Wayne, IN (Southside), Apr. 12-17; Liepsic, OH, Apr. 19-24

**HUFFMAN, W. D.:** Bradley, IL, Apr. 12-17; North Star, MI, Apr. 29—May 1

**JACKSON, CHUCK & MARY:** Springfield, OH (High Street), Apr. 5-11; Logan, OH (1st), Apr. 12-17; Charleston, WV (Southeast), Apr. 19-24; Georgetown, OH (1st), Apr. 26—May 1

**JACKSON, PAUL & TRISH:** Reserved, Apr. 1-8; Walters, OK, Apr. 9-14; Wichita Falls, TX (University), Apr. 16-21

**JAMES, RANDY & MARY JANE:** Taylorville, IL (1st), Apr. 5-10; Pana, IL (1st), Apr. 12-17; Rockville, IN (1st), Apr. 26—May 1

**JANTZ, CALVIN & MARJORIE:** Neodesha, KS, Apr. 5-10; Union, MO (1st), Apr. 12-17; Carthage, MO (1st), Apr. 19-24; Larimore, ND (1st), Apr. 26—May 1

**JAYMES, RICHARD:** Syracuse, IN, Apr. 19-24

**JOHNSON, RON:** Concerts in Oregon and Idaho, Apr. 3-10; Concerts in California and Nevada, Apr. 17-24

**JONES, TERRY:** Houston, TX (Channelview), Mar. 30—Apr. 3; Moore, OK, Apr. 6-10; Lufkin, TX (Bethel), Apr. 13-17; Crowley, LA (Ebenezer), Apr. 20-24

**KEENA, EARL:** Wilcox, AZ (1st), Apr. 26—May 1

**LAING, GERALD:** New Haven, IN, Apr. 12-17; Ionia, MI, Apr. 26—May 1

**LASSELL, RAY & JAN:** Williamsburg, OH, Apr. 5-10; Louisville, KY (Farmdale), Apr. 12-17; Bedford, IN (Faith Mission), Apr. 19-24; Shelbyville, IN (1st), Apr. 26—May 1

**LAXSON, WALLY & GINGER:** Lexington, KY (Calvary), Mar. 29—Apr. 3; Hamilton, OH (Indoor Camp), Apr. 6-10; Reserved, Apr. 11-17; Sumter, SC (1st), Apr. 20-24; West Texas Dist. Assm., Apr. 25-27

**LAWSON, WAYNE:** Yuma, CA, Apr. 5-10; Julietta, ID, Apr. 19-24

**LECKRONE, LARRY:** Fort Wayne, IN (1st), Apr. 5-10; Marion, IN (1st), Apr. 13-17; Flint, MI (North), Apr. 19-24; Oxford, PA, Apr. 26—May 1

**LECRONE, JON & BETH:** Concerts in Indiana and Illinois, Apr. 1-10; Oregon, IL, Apr. 12-17; Reserved, Apr. 19-21; Lafayette, IN, Apr. 26—May 1

**LEIDY, ARNOLD:** Shadyside, OH, Apr. 3-10; Kittanning, PA, Apr. 12-17; Glorieta, NM (Baptist Conf. Ground), Apr. 29—May 1

**LEONARD, J. C.:** Oklahoma City, OK (May Ave.), Apr. 10-15; Cedar Falls, IA, Apr. 19-24

**LESTER, FRED R.:** Springfield, MO (Indoor Camp), Apr. 5-10

**LIDDELL, P. L.:** Bloomington, IL (1st), Apr. 5-10; Reed City, MI, Apr. 12-17; Elyria, OH (1st), Apr. 19-24; Butler, PA (1st), Apr. 26—May 1

**LOTENORE, BOB:** Columbus, IN (1st), Apr. 5-10; Paoli, IN, Apr. 12-17; Hudson, IN, Apr. 19-24; Sherwood, AR (Sylvan Hills), Apr. 26—May 1

**MANLEY, STEPHEN:** San Diego, CA (Point Loma College), Apr. 5-10; Wichita, KS (Eastridge), Apr. 12-17; Houston, TX (Broadway), Apr. 19-24; West Memphis, AR (1st), Apr. 26—May 1

**MANN, L. THURL & MARY KAY:** Wrightsville, GA, Apr. 5-10; Brownstown, IN, Apr. 12-17; Mitchell, IN (Bedford Zone Indoor Camp), Apr. 19-24; Seymour, IN (Peters Switch), Apr. 26—May 1

**MARTIN, LEON:** Fort Townsend, WA (Discovery Bay Camp), Mar. 28—Apr. 3; Tucuman, NM (1st), Apr. 12-17

**MARTIN, W. DALE:** Beckley, WV, Apr. 5-10; Arlington, VA (Calvary), Apr. 13-17; Oak Hill, WV, Apr. 19-24; Fort Smith, AR (1st), Apr. 27—May 1

**MATTER, DAN & ANN:** Dayton, OH (Ft McKinley Miss.), Apr. 19-24

**MCCUITION, MARK & PATRICIA:** Westerville, OH, Apr. 5-10; Grand Haven, MI, Apr. 12-17; Newton, IA, Apr. 19-24; Iola, KS, Apr. 26—May 1

**McWHIRTER, G. STUART:** Bucyrus, OH (1st), Apr. 19-24

**MEREDITH, DWIGHT & NORMA JEAN:** New Castle, IN (Westview), Apr. 5-10; Carey, OH (Ridge Chapel), Apr. 19-24; Augusta, KS, Apr. 26—May 1

**MEYER, BOB & BARBARA, DYNAMICS OF SPIRITUAL GROWTH:** Kalispell, MT (1st), Apr. 3-8; La Grande, OR (1st), Apr. 10-14; Boise, ID (1st), Apr. 17-21; Caldwell, ID (Canyon Hill), Apr. 24-28

**MICKEY, BOB:** Fountain, CO (Valley), Apr. 5-10

**MILLER, BERNARD:** Grover Hill, OH, Apr. 12-17; Archbold, OH, Apr. 19-24

**MILLHUFF, CHUCK:** Kankakee, IL (Olivet Nazarene College), Apr. 6-7; Marion, OH (1st), Apr. 17—May 1

**MOORE, NORMAN:** Reserved, Month of April

**MORRIS, CLYDE:** Hamilton, OH (Millview Ave.), Apr. 5-10; Pinch, WV, Apr. 13-24

**MORRIS, ROBERT:** Craig, CO, Apr. 5-10

**MOSS, UDELL:** Logansport, IN (Fairview), Apr. 8-17; Alexandria, IN, Apr. 19-24; West Plains, MO (1st), Apr. 26—May 1

**MOYER, BRANCE:** Taloga, OK (Camp Creek), Apr. 5-10; Cleo Springs, OK, Apr. 12-17

**MYERS, DAVID J.:** Middlepoint, OH, Apr. 6-10; McConnelsville, OH, Apr. 13-17; Delaware, OH, Apr. 19-24; Columbus, OH (Good Shepherd Comm.), Apr. 29—May 1

**MYERS, HAROLD:** Michigan City, IN, Apr. 5-10; Reserved, Apr. 12—May 1

**NEFF, LARRY & PAT:** Ashland, KY (1st), Apr. 26—May 1

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**OVERTON, WILLIAM:** Findlay, OH, Apr. 5-10; Atwater, OH, Apr. 12-17; Springfield, OH (Trinity), Apr. 19-24

**PALMER, JAMES:** Fortville, IN (1st), Apr. 5-10; Indianapolis, IN (Mars Hill), Apr. 12-17; Fenton, MO, Apr. 19-24; Sikeston, MO (Eastside), Apr. 26—May 1

**PASSMORE EVANGELISTIC PARTY:** Allison, PA, Apr. 5-10; Montpelier, IN, Apr. 12-17; Farmland, IN, Apr. 19-24; Colfax, IN, Apr. 26—May 1

**PATTERSON, DORMAN:** Endicott, NY, Apr. 19-24

**PERDUE, NELSON:** Columbus, OH (Whitehall), Apr. 5-10; Loveland, OH, Apr. 19-24; Parkersburg, WV (Broadway), Apr. 26—May 1

**PFEIFER EVANGELISTIC TEAM:** Martinsville, IN (1st), Apr. 5-10; Gallipolis, OH, Apr. 12-17; Bluefield, WV (1st), Apr. 19-24; Huntington, WV (1st), Apr. 26—May 1

**PITTS, PAUL:** c/o Victory Films, Box 3630, Arcadia, CA 91006

**PORTER, JOHN & PATSY:** Smithfield, IL (1st), Apr. 5-10; De Kalb, IL (1st), Apr. 12-17; Rockford, IL (Samuelson Rd.), Apr. 26—May 1

**QUALLS, PAUL:** North Manchester, IN (1st), Apr. 12-17

**RICHARDS, LARRY & PHYLLIS:** New Castle, IN (1st), Apr. 5-10; College Corner, IN, Apr. 16; Chattanooga, TN (East Ridge), Apr. 19-24

**ROBINSON, TED:** Ashland, OH, Apr. 5-10; Toronto, OH (1st), Apr. 12-17; Columbus, OH (Beechwood), Apr. 19-24; Ravenna, OH, Apr. 26—May 1

**ROSS, MICHAEL:** Mundelein, IL, Apr. 5-10; Waukegan, IL, Apr. 12-17; Madison, TN, Apr. 19-24; Titusville, FL (1st), Apr. 26—May 1

**ROTH, RON:** Connersville, IL (1st), Apr. 5-10; Johnson City, TN (1st), Apr. 12-17; Chattanooga, TN (East Ridge), Apr. 19-24; Dexter, MO (1st), Apr. 26—May 1

**RUNYAN, DAVID:** Wellington, KS, Apr. 5-10; Alton, IL (Hillcrest), Apr. 12-17; Mount Gilead, OH, Apr. 19-24; Kampsville, IL, Apr. 27—May 1

**SHALLEY, JIM:** Elwood, IN, Apr. 8-10; Peru, IN (1st), Apr. 12-17; Muncie, IN (North Walnut), Apr. 19-24; Mansfield, OH (Grace), Apr. 26—May 1

**SHANK, JOHN:** Syracuse, OH, Apr. 5-10; Niles, OH, Apr. 12-17; Mentor, OH, Apr. 19-24; Sandusky, MI, Apr. 26—May 1

**SHIREY, DWIGHT:** Akron, OH (Ellett), Apr. 3; Kent, OH (1st), Apr. 5-10; Cambridge, OH (1st), Apr. 11-17; Akron, OH (Kenmore), Apr. 24

**SHOMO, PHIL:** Mustang, OK, Apr. 3; Fort Wayne, IN (Neese Memorial), Apr. 13-17; Goshen, IN, Apr. 20-24; Muncie, IN (Indoor Camp), Apr. 26—May 1

**SHOMO, RICHARD:** Smyrna, DE, Apr. 5-10; Staunton, VA (1st), Apr. 19-24

**SMITH, CHARLES HASTINGS:** Tipp City, OH, Apr. 6-10; Toledo, OH (Chapman Memorial), Apr. 12-17; West Carrollton, OH, Apr. 19-24; Memphis, TN (Grace), Apr. 26—May 1

**SMITH, DUANE:** York, NE, Apr. 5-10; Rapid City, SD, Apr. 12-17; Gothenburg, NE, Apr. 19-24; McCook, NE, Apr. 26—May 1

**SMITH, HAROLD & ORPHA:** Charlotte, MI, Apr. 5-10; Imlay City, MI, Apr. 13-17; Washington, MI (Pinegrove Comm.), Apr. 19-24; Laingsburg, MI, Apr. 26—May 1

**SMITH, OTTIS & MARGUERITE:** Port Elizabeth, NJ, Apr. 5-10; Bloomsburg, PA, Apr. 12-17; Ortonville, MI, Apr. 19-24; Briston, PA, Apr. 26—May 1

**STANTON, TED & DONNA:** Portland, TN (Highlands), Apr. 5-10; Reserved, Apr. 11-17; Greenfield, OH, Apr. 19-24; Linden, MI (Argentine), Apr. 26—May 1

**STEVENSON, GEORGE:** Bridgewater, VA (Spring Creek), Apr. 5-10; Mannington, WV (1st), Apr. 12-17; Saltville, VA, Apr. 18-24; Owosso, MI, (1st), Apr. 26—May 1

**STREET, DAVID:** Brandenburg, KY, Apr. 5-10; Mount Vernon, IN (1st), Apr. 12-17; Canton, IL (Maple Mills), Apr. 19-24; Robinson, IL (1st), Apr. 26—May 1

**TAYLOR, DAVID:** Marshall, MI, Apr. 19-24; St. Johns, MI, Apr. 26—May 1

**TAYLOR, ROBERT:** Wadsworth, OH, Apr. 5-10; Washington, PA (1st), Apr. 13-17; Ravenswood, WV, Apr. 19-24; Bloomington, IN (1st), Apr. 26—May 1

**TAYLOR, RON:** Barnbridge, GA (1st), Apr. 4-10; Cairo, GA (1st), Apr. 11-17; Camden, SC (1st), Apr. 19-24

**TRIPP HOWARD:** Cincinnati, OH (Lockland), Apr. 5-13

**VARIAN, BILL:** Elkhart, IN (Northside), Apr. 5-10; Otisville, MI (Richfield), Apr. 12-17; Lansing, MI (South), Apr. 19-24; Sturgis, MI, Apr. 26—May 1

**WALKER, LAWRENCE:** St. Augustine, FL (San Mateo), Apr. 12-17; Pittsburg, KS (1st), Apr. 26—May 1

**WELCH, DARLENE:** Lexington, KY (Eastland Park), Apr. 16; Greensburg, KY (Summersville), Apr. 17; Grove City, OH, Apr. 23; Grove City, OH, Apr. 24 a.m.; Columbus, OH (Whitehall), Apr. 24 p.m.; Greencastle, IN (1st Baptist), Apr. 26

**WELLS, LINARD:** Amarillo, TX (South Georgia), Apr. 5-10; Newberry, IN (1st), Apr. 12-17; Washington, IN, Apr. 19-24; Odon, IN (1st), Apr. 26—May 1

**WEST, EDNA:** Norwood, NY (Free Meth.), Apr. 10-17; Cherryville, NC, Apr. 24—May 1

**WOODWARD, S. OREN & FAYE:** Centralia, IL (1st), Apr. 19-24; Sparta, IL, Apr. 26—May 1

**WRIGHT, AUSTIN:** Warren, OH (Bolindale), Apr. 19-24; North Canton, OH (Price Park), Apr. 26—May 1

**WYLIE, CHARLES:** Syracuse, KS, Mar. 29—Apr. 3; Knowls, OK, Apr. 5-10; Jacksonville, TX (Mt. Hope), Apr. 12-17; Fort Scott, KS (West Park), Apr. 19-24; Glenwood, IA (1st), Apr. 26—May 1



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The annual meeting of the Canadian Executive Board of the Church of the Nazarene was held on January 14-15, 1983, in Calgary, Alberta. Pictured (back row, l. to r.) are: Rev. Roy Fuller, superintendent, Quebec District; Alex MacLean, Central District; Bert Rogers, Atlantic District; Rev. Charles Muxworthy, superintendent, Pacific District; Bill Atkinson, Quebec District; and Rev. William Stewart, superintendent, Atlantic District. Front row (l. to r.) are: Bob Collier, Pacific District; Bob Rimington, West District; Rev. Alexander Ardrey, superintendent, West District; Dr. B. Edgar Johnson, Kansas City; and Rev. Lorne MacMillan, superintendent, Central District. Officers elected for the coming year are: chairman, Alexander Ardrey; vice-chairman, Lorne MacMillan; secretary, Bob Collier; treasurer, Bob Rimington.



## INTERNATIONAL QUIZ A FEATURE AT WYC

The General NYI Council and the staff of Youth Ministries has announced that the next international teen Bible quiz tournament for the Church of the Nazarene will be held at WORLD YOUTH CONGRESS '83. The event is scheduled for June 20-27 in Oaxtepec, Mexico.

Each year regions within the United States and Canada hold regional quizzing tournaments, with the "all star" teams of the various districts participating. NYI then sponsors a tournament featuring the "all star" teams from the various regions at their biannual general church events, General NYI Convention, and WYC. This year's quizzing activities are scheduled to include teens from other English-speaking countries, as well as a Spanish-speaking tournament for teens from Latin America.

Thousands of Nazarene teens participate in Bible quizzing each year. The study books for 1982-83 have been Galatians, Ephesians, Philippians, and Colossians. A majority of the teens involved have memorized over 70 verses from the four books; many have memorized the entire content of the four Epistles. Being selected to participate in the International Quiz signifies much study and hard work, and is an honor. All teens who participate in quizzing and apply God's Word to their lives are to be commended.

Teens interested in participating in the International Quiz should be involved in quizzing at the present time, and contact their district NYI president for information on the district and regional tournaments. Teens from international areas, both English-speaking and Spanish-speaking, who have been selected as WYC delegates, may sign up for the quizzing activities upon registration at the event in June. For more information on Bible quizzing, contact Bruce Oldham, general director of NYI Bible quizzing.

Nazarene Youth International is excited about the ministry opportunities that await Nazarene youth at WYC. For more information concerning WORLD YOUTH CONGRESS '83, contact Mike Estep, director of the event, at 6401 The Paseo, Kansas City, MO 64131, or your NYI president. Watch for further WYC updates in future issues of the *Herald of Holiness*. □

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## NEW DISTRICT CREATED IN BRAZIL

The 24th assembly of the Brazil South District was held in January 1983, in which two separate districts were formed. On January 27 and 28 the new district, Minas/Central West, held its first assembly in Belo Horizonte with Dr. James Hudson, regional director, presiding. The statutes of the new district were read, followed by the report of the outgoing district superintendent, Rev. Joaquim Lima.

Forty-four delegates voted on the new district superintendent and the vote was almost unanimous—41 yes, and 3 blank ballots. Rev. Dilo Palhares was elected the superintendent of this promising new district. The district assembly voted to make every effort to become a regular district within two years.

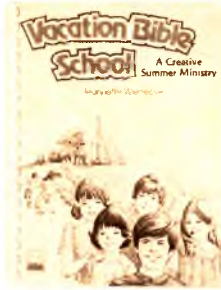
The closing night was an inspiring service led by Rev. Elton Wood, the president of the Bible school. The Bible school choir traveled 400 miles by bus to sing in the service Friday night. God blessed, and each delegate and visitor left with the feeling of His presence and leadership for this first year of the Minas/Central West District. □



Twenty-three people from the Pittsburgh District participated in a Work and Witness trip to the Nazarene Indian Bible College, Albuquerque, N.M., January 22-29, 1983. They came from 13 churches—Bradford, Butler, California, Circleville, Coraopolis, Johnstown, Monongahela, Ohioville, Oil City, Pittsburgh Lincoln Place, Riceville, Ridgway, and Waltersburg. District Superintendent Jerry Lambert was also part of the team. The men, ages 19 to 78, worked in the gym installing duct work for the heating system, completing plumbing work in the rest rooms, and installing ceiling tile and doors. They also worked in the Arts and Crafts Building—wiring, moving partitions and windows, and installing cement blocks, as well as painting and varnishing. Several of the women on the team also helped with this work. The ladies prepared meals for the group and some of them assisted in the Bible College library. Each member of the Work and Witness team paid all of his or her own expenses for the trip. In addition a total of \$5,000 was raised for building materials for this project.

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Janet Stone, Miss Lyn Ransley, and Mrs. Val Thomson.

Elected to the Advisory Board were elders Takis Manetas and Peter Robinson; and laymen Laurie Cahill and Kevin Turner.

Rev. Stone, newly elected superintendent, presented the theme for the new assembly year that "Prayer Equals Power Unlimited." □

Rev. L. Enderby, reporter

### CORRECTION

The picture of Edgar Gonzalez and others receiving checks from Dr. Mark R. Moore, which appeared in the March 1 issue, should have read Guatemala instead of Honduras as the country which Mr. Gonzalez represents. □

## FOR THE RECORD

### DISTRICT ASSEMBLY INFORMATION

**PHILADELPHIA**—May 4-5. First Presbyterian Church, Tilghman and Cedar Crest Blvds., Allentown, PA 18103. Host Pastor: Philip R. Chatto. General Superintendent: Dr. Jerald D. Johnson.

**NORTHWEST**—May 4-5. First Church of the Nazarene, 700 N. 40th Ave., Yakima, WA 98908. Host Pastor: Charles Wilkes. General Superintendent: Dr. Eugene L. Stowe.

\***ALABAMA A**—May 5-6. First Church of the Nazarene, 1710 Hwy. 157 N.W., Cullman, AL 35055. Host Pastor: Charles A. Fountain, Sr. General Superintendent: Dr. Charles H. Strickland.

\***ALABAMA B**—May 5-6. Civic Center, 510 5th St. S.W. (P.O. Box 788), Cullman, AL 35055. Host Pastor: James Walker. General Superintendent: Dr. Orville W. Jenkins.

**CENTRAL FLORIDA**—May 10-11. First Church of the Nazarene, 560 3rd St. S.W., Winter Haven, FL 33880. Host Pastor: Charles Kirby. General Superintendent: Dr. William M. Greathouse.

**LOUISIANA**—May 11-12. First Church of the Nazarene, 9955 Old Hammond Hwy., Baton Rouge, LA 70815. Host Pastor: S. C. Stevenson, Jr. General Superintendent: Dr. Orville W. Jenkins.

**SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA**—May 12-13. Raincross Square Convention Center, 3443 Orange St., Riverside, CA 92501. Host Pastor: Daniel Penn. General Superintendent: Dr. V. H. Lewis.

**SAN ANTONIO**—May 13-14. First Church of the Nazarene, 4141 Brawner Parkway, Corpus Christi, TX 78411. Host Pastor: Stan Rodes. General Superintendent: Dr. Charles H. Strickland.

\*Alabama will divide into two districts at this year's assembly. **A** is the existing district. **B** indicates the new district to be formed.

### NAZARENE CAMP MEETINGS

**ALASKA**—June 1-5, evenings and Sunday. First Church of the Nazarene, 1220 E St., Anchorage, AK 99501. Special worker: General Superintendent V. H. Lewis. Robert W. Sheppard, district superintendent.

### MOVING MINISTERS

FRANK L. DIZMANG from associate, Spokane (Wash.) Crestline, to Kellogg, Ida.

KENNETH FULLER to Lexington (Ky.) Gethsemane

### BRAZIL DISTRICT GOES REGULAR

Dr. James Hudson, regional director, presided at the organization of the Rio de Janeiro-São Paulo, Brazil District held January 24-25, 1983, in Campinas, Brazil. In a historic moment the assembly voted to assume the privileges and responsibilities of a regular district and elected Rev. Joaquim A. Lima as district superintendent.

Rev. Lima has served as district superintendent since the formation of the Southeast (Brazil) Mission District in 1975, and played a key role in the development of the formation of two districts.

The Rio de Janeiro-São Paulo, Brazil District consists of 15 organized churches plus 12 congregations and has a total church membership of 1,592. This new regular district rises to

the challenge of advancing Christian holiness in a region which consists of a population of 35 million Brazilians. □

### AUSTRALIA SOUTHERN DISTRICT ASSEMBLY

The sixth annual assembly of the Australia Southern District met at Hills Community Church, Kenthurst, Sydney, January 18-23, 1983. Rev. Byron Bloom was the host pastor and Rev. Darrell Teare, South Pacific regional director, presided.

Rev. Max Stone was newly elected as district superintendent. Veteran missionary to Africa, Rev. George Hayes, was guest speaker.

The organization of Golden Grove Church, Adelaide, was reported.

Elected as NWMS president, NYI president and chairman of the Board of Christian Life, respectively, were Mrs.



Pictured (l. to r.) at the Rio de Janeiro-São Paulo, Brazil District assembly are: Rev. Joaquim Lima, district superintendent; Dr. James Hudson, regional director; Rev. Felicio de Mário, district secretary; and Mrs. Raquel Carvalho, secretary.



Pictured are representatives from 12 states who recently attended a Preschool/Day-Care Update Conference sponsored by the Chicago Central District in Harvey, Ill., at the Holiday Inn. There were 140 delegates registered. Consultants from International Nazarene Headquarters, Lynda Boardman, General Preschool director; Tim White, general director of Christian Schools; and Jerry Appleby, Ethnic/Urban coordinator, conducted panel discussions and workshops for pastors, administrators, and teachers. There are now approximately 400 Nazarene Preschool/Day-Cares in the United States.


CECIL C. FULTON from Paris, Tex., to Tyler, Tex.  
 LARRY L. HAWN from student, Northwest Nazarene College, Nampa, Ida., to Two Rivers (Fairbanks, Alaska)  
 RANDY HEDRICK from associate, Pekin (Ill.) First, to Graham, Tex.  
 MYERS L. HYMAN to Estill, S. C.  
 DONALD B. McCULLOUGH to Kodiak, Alaska  
 DAVID A. MOORE from Prescott (Ark.) First to Tyler (Tex.) South Park  
 WILLIAM D. NELSON, JR., from Two Rivers (Fairbanks, Alaska) to Denver Thornton  
 CORRECTION: RICHARD H. THOMPSON from associate, Oklahoma City Southside, to Oklahoma City Southside  
 PHILIP E. WHITBECK from student, Nazarene Bible College, Colorado Springs, to Rocky Butte (Brewster, Wash.)  
 ROBERT H. WOODS from Hammond (Ind.) Woodlawn to Shady Grove (Decherd, Tenn.)

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**ANNOUNCEMENTS**



The Reading, Mich., church will observe its 50th anniversary April 24, 1983. District Superintendent C. Neil Strait will be the special speaker in the morning worship service.  
 There will be an anniversary fellowship potluck dinner at Kimball Camp, and an afternoon golden anniversary praise service. The Rejoice Trio will present a sacred concert in the evening service. For further information, contact Rev. Clyde W. Loew, Church of the Nazarene, 319 N. Main St., Reading, MI 49274; phone (517) 283-2519.  
 The Bells Chapel Church of the Nazarene, Belvins, Ark., will celebrate its 76th anniversary April 24. The Sunday services will close out a three-day revival



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## VITAL STATISTICS

### LONGTIME PASTOR DIES



Rev. Leo C. Johnston went to his eternal home in Pasadena, Calif., on Feb. 7, 1983. He was 79. The funeral service was held at Pasadena First Church, and officiated by Dr. Earl Lee and Rev. Jack Nash.

"Brother Leo" pastored 48 years in Upper Sandusky, Ohio; Fort Wayne and Anderson, Ind.; Bradenton, Fla.; Hattiesburg, Miss.; Benton Harbor, Mich.; Redlands, Maywood, and Bell, Calif.

He is survived by his wife, Ruth; two sons, Leo Charles, Jr. (Bud), and Jon Phillip; one sister, Helen Doerr; and one brother, Kenneth.

The family has established a memorial fund in his honor, to purchase preacher-training video equipment for European Nazarene Bible College in Schaffhausen, Switzerland.

### DEATHS

MRS. JOHN F. (MARGUERITE) CHILTON, SR., 77, died Sept. 2 in Decatur, Ga. Funeral services were conducted in Atlanta First Church. She is survived by her husband, John; one son, John F., Jr.; two daughters, Mrs. Jack C. (Barbara) Causey and Mrs. Robert N. (Catherine) Duncan; seven grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

JOHN HENCK, 76, died Nov. 22 in Delta, Pa. Funeral services were conducted by Rev. Luke Light. He is survived by his wife, Irva; two sons, Samuel and Bob; and four daughters, Eunice, Grace, Ruth, and Emily.

JAMES FRANK HICKSON, 80, died Feb. 13 in Arlington, Tex. Funeral services were conducted by Rev. Mark M. Goodwin and Rev. Hugh L. Smith. Surviving are his son, Clyde; three grandchildren; one great-grandchild; one brother; and two sisters.

LAVONNA (WEST) KIDD, 47, died Jan. 24 in Three Rivers, Mich. Rev. Harold DeMott conducted the funeral services. She is survived by her husband, Charles; and two daughters, Taryn and Tamara.

JESSE H. MATTHEWS, 72, died Feb. 9 in Oklahoma City. Funeral services were conducted in Bethany, Okla., Calvary Church. Surviving are his wife, Ruth; one son, Alan; and three daughters, Judy, Janet, and Linda.

LULA A. RILEY, 76, died Jan. 9 in Canton, Ill. Funeral services were conducted by Rev. Ralph Hill, District Superintendent Floyd Pounds, and Rev. Norman Chandler. Interment was in Bryant, Ill. Survivors

# NEWS OF RELIGION

**ALCOHOL AND CRIME.** Excerpts from the 1981 Special Reports to the U.S. Congress on Alcohol and Health reveal a tragic relationship between alcohol and crime.

- As many as 83 percent of all offenders in prison report alcohol involvement in their crimes.
- Studies show that 40 to 60 percent of homicide victims and up to 86 percent of offenders had been drinking when murder was committed.
- Up to 50 percent of the sex offenders and 31 percent of the rape victims were involved with alcohol.
- Estimates of alcohol usage in reported assaults range to 72 percent of offenders and 79 percent of victims.
- Alcohol involvement in robbery offenders approached 72 percent.
- The largest American study reported that 38 percent of child-abusing parents had drinking problems. Other studies have shown that up to 65 percent of child abuse cases are alcohol related. □

### QUAKER ORGANIZATION NOMINATES ISRAELI, PALESTINIAN FOR NOBEL PEACE PRIZE.

Retired General Matiyahu Peled, chairman of the Israel Council for Israeli-Palestinian Peace, and R. Isam Sartawi, a diplomat for the Palestine Liberation Organization, have been nominated by the American Friends Service Committee for the 1983 Nobel Peace Prize, it was recently announced. The two, in addition to other Israelis and Palestinians, have had a series of talks since 1976 in efforts to bring peace to the Middle East through nonviolent means. Both men have had military careers, and have now concluded that peace and justice will come through negotiations and not through continued warfare.

"In the midst of bitter and continued conflict," said Asia A. Bennett, AFSC executive secretary, "the ability of individuals and organizations among the confronting parties to reach across the barriers of conflict and engage in a mutual search for steps toward peacemaking deserves deep admiration and high praise."

She added in a letter to the Norwegian Parliamentary Nobel Committee that "Dr. Sartawi and General Peled have shown both compassion and deep individual courage in initiating and taking part in sustained dialogue despite sharp criticism from their compatriots." □

### CHRISTIAN COLLEGES NEED TO DISCUSS "HIGH TECHNOLOGY"

Christian colleges, especially faculty members in science, philosophy, and theology, ought to be discussing the implications of the "emerging high technology era," Senator Mark Hatfield believes.

Addressing the annual meeting February 1-2 of presidents and trustees board chairmen of member colleges of the Christian College Coalition, the Oregon Republican mentioned genetic engineering and other similar developments of the "high tech society" which could further dehumanize the entire world.

"We must not become the victim of our high technology society; we must be masters of it," he emphasized.

But while admitting there are reasons for concern about today's society, Senator Hatfield reiterated his conviction that the future is under control. "When it seems that the forces of destiny will overwhelm us," he said, "there is always the guiding light of Jesus Christ." As Christ faced the reality of the Cross, so "we must face the reality of where life is moving and decide whether we will be involved with guiding that force," said the lawmaker. □

## "Showers of Blessing" PROGRAM SCHEDULE



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March 20  
"Liberation"

by W. E. McCumber, speaker

include a missionary son, Rev. Jack L.; 2 daughters, Mrs. Carroll (Betty) Tandy and Mrs. Robert (Esther) Bullock; 11 grandchildren; 9 great-grandchildren; and 1 brother.

LILLIE BELLE SAMPSON, 93, died Feb. 4 in Redlands, Calif. Funeral services were conducted by her grandson, Rev. Melvin F. Rich. She is survived by 3 daughters, Elizabeth Kahn, Irene Rich, and Frances Stephenson; 9 grandchildren; 25 great-grandchildren; and 11 great-great-grandchildren.

DOROTHY MAE WALTON, 75, died Oct. 5 in Michigan. Interment was in South Portland, Me., with Rev. Robert Gray officiating. Survivors include a son, Rev. Clifford L., a daughter, Roberta L. Cramer; six grandchildren; five great-grandchildren; one brother; and one sister.

EARL L. WILEGUS, 72, died Feb. 13 in Troy, Mo. Funeral services were conducted by Rev. Eldon R. Kirks in Wright City. He is survived by his wife, Flora; two daughters; and four grandchildren.

#### BIRTHS

to REV. PHILLIP AND ROSANNE (ELS) BOLER-JACK, Newton, Kans., a boy, Phillip Aaron, Feb. 1  
to RUSSELL AND BEVERLY (KRUGER) CANADAY, Independence, Kans., a boy, David Patrick, Feb. 8

to MARK AND JACQUE (COOK) CORK, Phoenix, Ariz., a girl, Jessica Susanne, Nov. 13

to EUGENE RICHARD III AND DENISE (DILE) COX, Adams Mills, Ohio, a boy, Eugene Richard IV, Feb. 7

to STAN AND JAN (PARK) ELLINGSON, Cincinnati, Ohio, a girl, Heather Rae, Feb. 10

to REV. RONALD J. AND BRENDA (STARK) HY-SON, Lockport, Ill., a girl, Stephanie Joy, Jan. 15

to REV. MARK A. AND DEBBIE (DAGGETT) LINER, Pine Bluff, Ark., a girl, Loryn Celiesse, Feb. 16

to RONNIE AND PENNY (VANCIL) MILLER, Malden, Mo., a girl, Tabitha Kay, Jan. 18

to REV. RON AND DEBBIE (HINZE) PERRY, St. Claire, Mo., a girl, Shannon Nicole, Feb. 14

to JOHN WESLEY AND CATHY (NUNAMAKER) REAM, Olathe, Kans., a boy, John Wesley, Jr., Feb. 19

#### ADOPTIONS

by CARROLL AND PAMELA (BLAXTON) DOWD, Twin Falls, Ida., a girl, Brenna Deshawn, born Jan. 15

#### MARRIAGES

NANCY LEE HICKMAN and RICHARD W. SOLOMON at Jacksonville, Fla., Dec. 18

MELISSA MAY and RICHARD ALLUMS at St. Petersburg, Fla., Jan. 1

#### ANNIVERSARIES

MR. AND MRS. JACK BIERCE, formerly of Maryland and Indiana, now residing in Vail, Colo., celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on Feb. 2. Mr. Bierce, now retired, served the Church of the Nazarene as a commissioned song evangelist for 35 years. Their daughters, Jackie McPherson of Colorado Springs, Iris Dilling and Carol Ahlsweide of Vail, Colo., hosted a dinner and surprise reception for them in honor of the occasion. They were presented with a card shower from many friends who knew them during their years of ministry.

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# THE ANSWER CORNER

Conducted  
by W. E.  
McCumber,  
Editor

**What is our church's official position regarding the Moral Majority? Do we support or associate with right-wing fundamental groups? Do we endorse any or all of their beliefs?**

**Secondly, how is our church viewed by church historians in regard to religion and politics in American Christianity? In other words, are we seen as right-wing, conservative, fundamentalist? Please comment.**

To answer your first question, I am not aware of any "official position" of our church concerning the Moral Majority. I'm sure that many Nazarenes do "support" and "associate with" some right-wing fundamentalist groups. And certainly we have "beliefs" in common with all who subscribe to the historic, orthodox teachings of Christianity. So the answer is, no official position, but measures of personal endorsement and support by some of our Nazarenes.

To answer your "secondly"—probably most church historians pay scant attention to us, as unflattering as that may seem. We are young and small among the churches. Those who do take note, I'm sure, assuming careful scholarship on their part, see us as protestant, Wesleyan, Evangelical, and conservative, influenced and "leavened" by fundamentalism but not essentially fundamentalist. □

**What is the "storehouse" of which the Bible speaks? Is it the local church or anywhere in the work of the Lord?**

I assume your reference is to Malachi 3:10—"Bring ye all the tithes into the storehouse." This storehouse is called "my house" in the same verse, and obviously refers to the Temple.

In the light of such scriptures as 1 Corinthians 9:7-14, the tithe should go into the treasury of

the local church, to care for the minister, or ministers, who "feed the flock" attending there, just as the tithe in Old Testament times went to the Temple to provide for its ministry.

Offerings made above the tithe should go where the Lord directs you to send them. Tithes and offerings should be brought in love, as the response of our gratitude for God's grace. To bring "all the tithe," or the *whole* tithe, is to bring it in with the *proper amount* and the *right attitude*. □

**Relating to the sonship-servant principle of authority (wherein one is to respect, honor, and obey those in authority over us), is it wrong for one to inwardly lack respect for one's pastor if one perceives (along with others) that pastor to be egocentric, inconsistent, judgmental, and vengeful?**

**Regardless that one's behavior toward that pastor is loving and orderly, is the inward lack of respect unscriptural?**

If we honestly perceive a man to be "egocentric, inconsistent, judgmental, and vengeful," whatever his office or function in the church, we cannot respect him. (I assume that we are using "respect" here in the sense of esteem, high regard.) To pretend to respect such a person is to kid ourselves. Respect, esteem, has to be earned by a person's total life, not simply demanded because of his title or position.

Paul said to Timothy, "Let no man despise your youth," and then adds, "but be an example for the believers, in word, in conduct, in love, in spirit, in faith, in purity" (1 Timothy 4:12). Timothy was to win respect by exemplary speech and behavior. You are wise to allow for possible misunderstanding, and to keep your own behavior "loving and orderly," but you cannot *compel* your heart to respect a pastor if you conclude that his spirit and actions are unworthy of the gospel of Jesus Christ. To point out to him, in private conversation, these respect-inhibiting factors may be risky to you, but someone needs to do it. □

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## NEWS OF EVANGELISM

### THE BIBLE MESSAGE AND GOSPEL MAGIC

The children of the Pontiac, Mich., church were given a special portion of each service in a recent revival with Evangelists Mel and Donna Justice. Rev. Justice used the medium of magic to teach the children the good news of salvation.

Pastor Simon Gorman, Jr., reports that on Sunday morning, 20 children went to the altar to seek salvation. □

### VISION AND PURPOSE RENEWED

Pastor Charles E. Jones of the Nashville Grace Church reports a mighty outpouring of the Holy Spirit in a recent revival with Evangelist Bob Hoots and Song Evangelists Chuck and Mary Jackson.

Many in the congregation felt it was the most effective revival in the past 20 years. Men and women of the church were touched by a "revival of vision and purpose." The revival continues, with board meetings and church activities becoming times of prayer and testimony. □

### PRAYER PREPARATION A KEY

At the Baraboo, Wis., First Church, the people were ready for revival when the Buckles-Burke Evangelistic Team arrived. For eight days before the opening service, members of the congregation were praying and fasting, including an unbroken 192-hour prayer chain. This preparation was planned

by Pastor Greg Mason and the church board.

Pastor Mason reports, "God came in a special way upon the church, helping the congregation to catch a vision of evangelism to the community." This was one of the best-attended revivals in the history of the church. □

### FAMILIES REVIVED

The families of the Cambridge, Ohio, church were given special attention in a recent revival with evangelists Calvin and Marjorie Jantz.

In the Sunday morning service, Mrs. Jantz spoke especially to families. When the invitation was given, entire families responded and knelt together. Pastor L. L. Kollar reports that not only the altar was filled, but also the first two rows of pews.

In addition to the Sunday emphasis, a special Caravan service was conducted. Ninety children and their adult leaders attended. Many of them were at the altar at the close of the service. □

### RENEWED JOY

Pastor Ron Anzalone of the Columbia, Mo., First Church set a revival objective to "renew the joy of Christian living." The congregation prepared by having prayer groups and altar worker training.

The five-day revival with Evangelist Carl N. Hall was attended by an average of over 100 persons in each service. It climaxed in an outpouring of God's Spirit on Sunday. Pastor Anzalone reported that the altar was lined in both services on the Lord's Day, with shouts of victory, spontaneous testimonies, and the overflow of God's love bringing healing to broken relationships. □



Eighty-five pastors, wives, and missionaries of the Trans South Africa Field gathered at Camp Jonathan in Natal on January 10, 1983, for a three-day retreat. The guest speaker was Dr. Leslie Parrott, president of Olivet Nazarene College. The program included morning devotions, Bible study, lectures and recreation. Dr. R. F. Zanner, Africa Regional director, also shared information concerning the outreach of our church on the Africa Region. Dr. Zanner and Dr. and Mrs. Parrott are shown right center, front row.



# THE CHURCH SCENE



The Newfoundland, Canada, Mount Pearl Church dedicated its enlarged and extensively renovated facilities recently. Rev. William Bahan, Canada Atlantic district superintendent, delivered the dedicatory message. Pastor George Straiton led the congregation in the act of dedication. Edward Peddle was the contractor, and much of the labor was volunteered by the congregation. Harvey Johnson, minister of music, led the spirited service that was attended by several visiting clergy and civic dignitaries, including Mr. Harvey Hodder, mayor of Mount Pearl.

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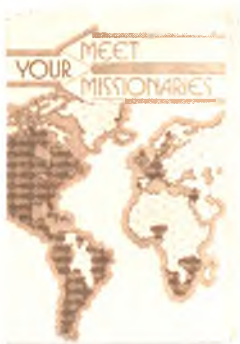
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Watertown, N.Y., First Church was recently dedicated by Dr. Orville W. Jenkins, general superintendent. Over 500 people attended. The new building has 12,400 sq. ft., and seats 600 with the overflow space. The facilities include a sanctuary, gymnasium, classrooms, offices, and kitchen. It is valued at \$1,055,000. Because of donated labor by the congregation, the indebtedness is only \$200,000. Rev. W. John White has been the pastor since August 1, 1979.

## TWO JOIN YOUTH MINISTRIES STAFF

Rev. Larry Leonard, director of Youth Ministries, announces the arrival of two men to serve in staff assignments in the general church office.



Rev. Dale Fallon fills the position of program director of Campus Ministries, succeeding Mike Estep, who is presently serving as church relations director at Bethany Nazarene College.

Rev. Fallon comes to Youth Ministries from the associate pastorate of the Calgary, Alberta, First Church, where he served 10 years. He is a graduate of Eastern Nazarene College and Nazarene Theological Seminary. While in Kansas City attending seminary, he served at Mid-America Nazarene College and Kansas City First Church.

Mission-related activities have a vital role in Rev. Fallon's past ministry assignments. He was a participant in the 1973 "Student Mission Corp" program and he directed several mission projects for Calgary First Church. His organization of backyard Bible schools and community outreach efforts contributed to the growth of the congregation.

Among Rev. Fallon's assignments is

the "Youth in Mission" program. His responsibilities include coordinating the "Festival of Youth in Mission" on the Nazarene college campuses in the U.S. and Canada, directing the "Youth in Mission Training Camp," and overseeing the various summer ministry programs.

Rev. Fallon, his wife, Arliss, and their one-year-old daughter, Lindsey, now reside in Olathe, Kans.



Also joining the Youth Ministries staff is Geron Coale. Mr. Coale has assumed the editorship of the WORD/ACTION Sunday School curriculum for senior highers, allowing the former editor, Rev. John Denney, to take on full editorial director's responsibilities.

Mr. Coale, a native of Oklahoma, received the A.B. degree in speech communications from Bethany Nazarene College in 1972. He served as youth pastor of the Longmont Mountain View and Colorado Springs Trinity churches in Colorado, and Kansas City Central.

In addition to Mr. Coale's youth ministry experience, he taught high school English with emphasis in drama for five years in the Colorado school system. He also served on his district's

curriculum developing committee during that time. He is currently completing the Master of Religious Education degree at Nazarene Theological Seminary.

Mr. Coale is no stranger to the WORD/ACTION curriculum. Before assuming editorial responsibilities, he served as one of the assigned writers. □

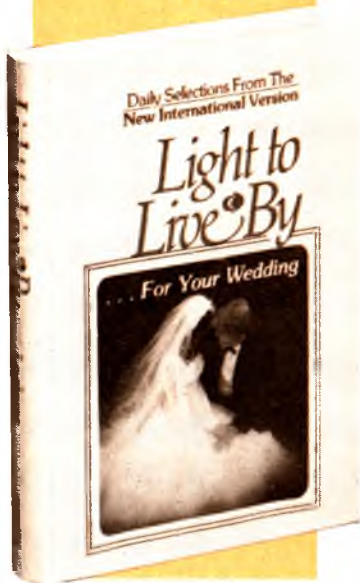
## NAZARENES REPRESENTED AT CHURCH PENSIONS CONFERENCE

Recently Dean Wessels, administrator of the Board of Pensions, and Paul D. Fitzgerald, administrative assistant, attended the Church Pensions Conference. Meeting annually, this conference is made up of most of the major denominational pension boards in the United States. One of the concerns discussed this year was the escalating hospitalization insurance costs.

The Church Pensions Conference is composed of the pension boards of 35 denominations. This group provides pensions for over 260,000 ministers.

Dr. Wessels has served as administrator of the Board of Pensions since 1956 and has participated in the Church Pensions Conference for each of those 26 years. He also served as president of the conference during 1979. □

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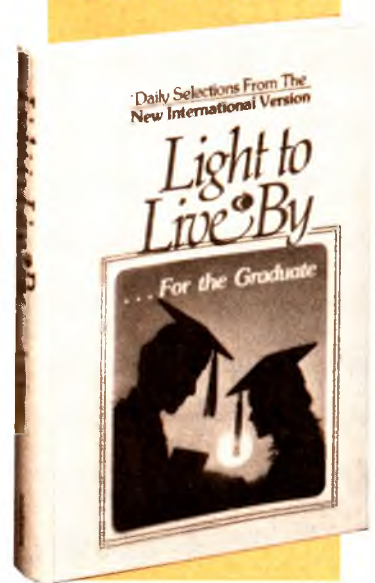
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Dr. V. H. Lewis addressing the conference Wednesday evening

**VAN NOTE NAMED TO EDITORIAL POST**



Rev. Phil Riley, Christian Life and Sunday Schools Division director, has announced the appointment of Rev. Gene Van Note to the position of editorial director for Adult Ministries. Rev. Van Note, who came to Headquarters in September 1976, has served as the editor of *Emphasis*, *Probe*, and the *Dialog Series* prior to this new assignment. He will now edit the *Adult Teacher* and the *Adult Student*, and assume responsibilities for the continued development of the *Enduring Word Series*.

Prior to his time at Headquarters, Rev. Van Note pastored for 23 years in California. He is a graduate of Pasadena College and Nazarene Theological Seminary, and has authored nine books, including *The People Called Nazarenes: Who We Are and What We Believe*.

Rev. Van Note is married to the former Lois Goodwin. They have three children: Susan Lomax, Karen Kochendorfer, and Kevin.

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**NAZARENE LEADERS CHALLENGED BY THE PAST, COMMITTED TO THE FUTURE**

The 1983 Nazarene Leaders' Conference, February 23-25, in Kansas City, was imbued with renewed challenge and commitment.

The challenge by the church's past occurred as its heritage was reviewed in this 75th anniversary year of the denomination. Thursday morning, Dr. George Coulter, Dr. Albert Harper, Dr. W. T. Purkiser, and Dr. Louise Robinson Chapman spoke, as former leaders, on distinctive aspects of the church's holiness heritage.

That night Media Services presented the premier showing of the anniversary film, *The Sun Never Sets in the Morning*—the life of Dr. P. F. Bresee. Viewing Nazarene roots was sometimes emotional, sometimes humorous, yet profoundly challenging. Those present pledged to hold up the banner of their holiness heritage, and to strive for the spirit of dedication of the early leaders.

But the tone of the conference was a commitment to the future, as well. Dr. V. H. Lewis laid the basis for the entire conference on Wednesday night by pro-

claiming the urgent need for spiritual leadership at every level of the church.

Rev. Mrs. Estelle Crutcher spoke Thursday morning, calling on leaders to "pursue holiness." Dr. Orville W. Jenkins gave the concluding address Friday morning, urging those present to "possess the promise."

A number of Nazarene leaders expressed that they felt this was a great way to prepare for the 75th anniversary year.

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**GENERAL BOARD MAKES SIGNIFICANT STRIDES IN SEVERAL AREAS**

The 1983 session of the General Board, February 28—March 2, passed legislation that will affect the general church even to her grass roots level.

The most significant legislation was the acceptance of a report by the Church Dollar Review Study Committee suggesting changes in the base for the computation of local and district church budgets. The report seeks to establish a more equitable formula for the assigning of budgets between the financially stronger churches and districts, and those churches and districts with smaller financial resources.

Other areas of significant reports or legislation are:

**World Mission:** The General Board approved two districts for regular district status—Trans South Africa Western Cape, and Rio-São Paulo, Brazil. World Mission also reported a 7 percent gain in membership in world mission areas in 1982.

**Christian Life and Sunday Schools:** The publication of a Nazarene cate-

chism especially for children was announced. The General Board voted to add four non-English-speaking members to the planning committee for the Enduring Word Series.

**Circulations:** Reported the largest circulation of the *Herald of Holiness* ever—over 200,000 subscriptions, and 7.1 percent increase in Publishing House sales in 1982.

**Finance:** The General Board granted permission for the construction of a maintenance shop to serve the Headquarters complex.

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**REVERBERATIONS OF SIMULTANEOUS REVIVALS**

The movings of the Holy Spirit are being felt across the church from California to North Carolina.

In Livermore, Calif., Pastor Thomas Shaw reports special revival fires through services with Rev. Jimmy Dell as evangelist. The pastor began preparing his people through special messages on revival several weeks before the campaign. People committed themselves to pray every day for one hour.

As a result, a number of people who are new to the church were converted; one couple having severe family problems received spiritual victory and is changing their situation; and a former Nazarene couple, who had been away from the Lord and the church for years have accepted Christ and have returned to the church.

In Atlanta, Tex., Pastor Charles Slusher relates that six families from other denominations were dissatisfied with those churches. Upon hearing the holiness message by Evangelist Linard Wells, they made full commitments to the Lord and received the experience of entire sanctification. Attendance throughout the meeting averaged 91, and by the end of the revival 51 seekers had been to the altar.

The Langley, S.C., church also felt the impact of Simultaneous Revivals. Sixty people came to the altar under the preaching of the evangelist, Rev. Don Ballard. One whole family was touched through "web evangelism"—one small boy in the Sunday School brought his mother; she accepted Christ and brought her mother who also accepted Christ. As a result all of them joined the church.

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Dr. Jerald D. Johnson, secretary of the Board of General Superintendents, gives their report to the General Board.



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