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The Golden Link

General Superintendent Benner

NO GENERATION is independent. No generation starts "from scratch." Every generation has an inescapable connection with the past and with the future. Each generation is like a series of links—economic, intellectual, social, religious—in a great chain of life, related to all that has gone before and to all that comes after.

Furthermore, these generation-links must be considered as *living* links, growing out of all the past and influencing all the future. Only by this living process can the past be transmitted to the future, for such transmission cannot be a mechanical process. Thus, the past never is transmitted to the future just as it was, but is changed by the character, interests, and emphases of the linking generation. In this process improvement is possible if the highest and best elements of the past are conserved and worthy aims for life maintained. On the other hand, if the baser, weaker elements of the past are promoted or given unrestrained freedom, degener-

ation and retrogression are inevitable.

Motherhood occupies a highly strategic position in this situation. Among all the major elements of life, no force exercises greater influence in the life of each successive generation. The mothers of a generation are, to a large extent, the fountain-source of the attitudes, the modes of thought, and the moral and spiritual standards of that period.

Godly, earnest, faithful motherhood becomes the "Golden Link" in the living chain of any generation. In this day when there is apparent such a strong tendency toward careless and inadequate home life, it is important that we emphasize again this determining force of motherhood. The greatest possible blessing and the highest meaning of this Mother's Day of 1953 will come with a rededication of mothers to the high honor, the sacred responsibility, the glorious privilege of being a part of the "Golden Link" of this generation.

God bless our mothers!

"Thy word is a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my path" (Ps. 119:105).

TELEGRAMS

Lexington, Kentucky—Organized new church in Louisville April 8; twenty-one charter members. Rev. Robert Altman called as pastor; church property secured, good location. This makes four since the General Assembly.—L. T. WELLS, *Superintendent of Kentucky District*.

Velva, North Dakota—North Dakota broke the district Sunday-school record on Easter for the second straight year.—HARRY F. TAPLIN, *District Superintendent*; ROBERT KINNERSLEY, *District Chairman*.

Dayton, Ohio—Western Ohio District Easter Sunday-school rally reached an all-time high, April 5, with an attendance of 22,674. There were 4,210 in the Dayton churches.—W. E. ALBEA, *District Superintendent*; O. A. SINGLETON, *District Church School Board Chairman*.

San Jose, California—Just concluded "Time to Climb" Sunday-school campaign; new record set; 15,296, March average; and 23,698 Easter attendance.—KENNETH VOGT, *District Promotional Secretary*.

NEWS IN BRIEF

Dr. and Mrs. D. I. Vanderpool left New York on April 22, on the liner "Queen Elizabeth," for the British Isles. General Superintendent Vanderpool will conduct the British Isles District Assembly, and then go on alone to visit our work in the Near East area. They plan to return to the States on June 2.

Pastor C. R. Lee sends word from Richmond, Indiana: "First Church had great Easter attendance in Sunday school—1,251; and almost one thousand dollars in the Easter offering."

Rev. Clifton B. Nixon has resigned as pastor of the church in La Crosse, Wisconsin, and accepted the call to pastor First Church in St. Petersburg, Florida.

Pastor Herman L. G. Smith sends word from Oakland, California: "First Church is in a progressive trend as indicated by Sunday-school increase and recent revival with Evangelist J. E. Williams. Eleven members received; 481 present in Easter rally; March average was 275. These figures top the records of fifty-one years."

"On Easter Sunday, Colona Heights Church, Monaca, Pennsylvania, broke all records again with 127 in Sunday school. Rev. Donald Woodruff is the pastor."

Pastor Floyd T. Smith sends word from Coolidge, Arizona: "Had great revival in March with Evangelists C. W. and Florence Davis; 100 seekers, counting as they came, and on the following Sunday received 12 into church membership. God is blessing the church; had 243 in Sunday school on Easter."

Superintendent Arthur C. Morgan of Minnesota District sends word: "Easter offering tops any we ever have had, with around \$4,500.00; the big four churches were: Minneapolis First with \$1,270.00; Litchfield with \$400.00; Redwood Falls with \$400.00, and St. Paul First with \$258.00. Our 'baby' church, only three months old, at Spring Lake Park, gave \$125.00."

Pastor Roy Wells sends word from Science Hill, Kentucky: "Our church just closed the greatest revival in years; Rev. C. B. Fugett, evangelist, is one of the best. Largest crowds ever, nice class of members taken into the church, and great Sunday-school rally on Easter Sunday with 419 in Sunday school. Revival still on!"



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Rev. B. E. Longanecker has resigned as pastor of the church in Naperville, Illinois, to accept the call to the church in Dawson, Minnesota.

Rev. G. Chester Morgan has resigned as pastor of the Russell Avenue Church in Minneapolis, Minnesota, to accept a call to the church in Summersville, Kentucky.

Rev. R. P. Wendell, student at Trevecca Nazarene College, Nashville, Tennessee, has accepted the call to pastor First Church in Columbia, Mississippi, for the coming year; he will begin his duties after graduation in June.

Rev. Wesley Stites of Albuquerque, New Mexico, is now pastor of the new church in Spring Lake Park, Minnesota; and within a very short time has received a class of thirteen members.

Rev. Milo Arnold has resigned as pastor of First Church in Yakima, Washington, to accept the call to the church in Dodge City, Kansas.

After eleven years, Rev. Floyd W. Rowe has resigned as pastor of the Southside Church, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, to accept the call to the Mt. Scott Church in Portland, Oregon.

Rev. Roy E. Wolford has resigned as pastor of First Church in Sherman, and accepted the call to the church in Grand Prairie, Texas; he began his work there on Sunday, March 22.

Evangelist Donald K. Ballard has left the field to accept a call to pastor the Holten Heights Church in Tuscaloosa, Alabama.

Pastor W. Raymond McClung sends word: "As a result of the hard work and sincere praying of the people of First Church, North Little Rock, Arkansas, the average Sunday-school attendance for the five-week period, March 8 to April 5, was 754. All previous Sunday-school records were broken on Easter Sunday with an attendance of 984."

Rev. E. C. Stegall has resigned as pastor of the church in Skiatook to accept the pastorate of Southside Church in Blackwell, Oklahoma.

From April 8 through 11, Miss Mary Latham of the Department of Church Schools conducted a class for Sunday-school workers at First Church in Washington, D.C.; and the week following she spoke in evangelistic services in that church.

Motherhood—Its Spiritual Counterpart

By Estelle Crutcher*

ADAM named the woman God gave to him Eve—which means “mother of all living.” Here we have the first statement in the Bible as to motherhood. From then on mothers have been a vital and important factor in the life of man. Bible history reveals the great influence mothers had on the lives of men either for weal or woe. Such names as Sarah, Rebekah, Hannah, Jezebel, etc. are familiar to students of the Old Testament; and we have in the New Testament such names as Mary, the gentle virgin-mother of our Lord Jesus Christ, and Lois, Eunice, Herodias, and others. Profane history reveals the same strong and abiding influence of mothers, both good and bad, upon the lives of men.

However, in this article it is our purpose to present a few thoughts about *spiritual motherhood*. After Jesus accomplished the work of redemption on earth and ascended to the Father's right hand, He poured out His Spirit upon the 120 waiting disciples on the Day of Pentecost, thus bringing into being His Church as it exists in this our dispensation. “For by one Spirit are we all baptized into one body” (I Cor. 12:13). It is through union with His Church by the baptism with the Holy Ghost that God brings forth children to himself. Human family life is patterned after the divine. Even the glorious God-head reveals a Trinity: God the Father, God the Son, God the Holy Ghost.

In the record of creation it is said, “And the Spirit of God moved [margin, ‘was brooding’] upon the face of the waters” (Gen. 1:2). Today the Spirit's creative “brooding” is upon the Church. He produces the germinating power of divine love or life through His body, the Church. “Being born again, not of corruptible seed, but of incorruptible, by the word of God, which liveth and abideth for ever” (I Pet. 1:23). Now the order is love, marriage, motherhood, childhood, adulthood, love, etc. This cycle is none the less true in the realm of spiritual life. God has made His Church the divine repository of the “incorruptible seed”—the Word of God. “And this is the word which by the gospel is preached unto you” (I Pet. 1:25).

As a result of Holy Ghost preaching souls are brought forth into the kingdom of God. Jesus said in John 3:5: “Verily, verily, I say unto thee, Except a man be born of water and of the Spirit, he cannot enter into the kingdom of God.” However there must be soul burden—soul travail—by the Church before this can be accomplished, for the scripture says, “As soon as Zion travailed, she brought forth her children.” Again in the words of Jesus, “A woman when she is in travail hath sorrow, because her hour is come: but as

soon as she is delivered of the child, she remembereth no more the anguish, for joy that a man is born into the world” (John 16:21).

The great, crying need of the Church today is maturity in order to spiritual motherhood. A state of spiritual infancy unfits one for having a share in this vital function of the Church of Christ. Paul wrote to some Christians, “I, brethren, could not speak unto you as unto spiritual, but as unto carnal, even as unto babes in Christ” (I Cor. 3:1). It takes adulthood at least to qualify one for the great task of motherhood. There must be spiritual strength to “carry” a burden of soul, to *labor*, to *travail* in order to bring forth spiritual children.

It is God's sanctifying grace by the mighty baptism with the Holy Ghost alone that can produce the change in the *babe in Christ* and bring him into a state of holiness or spiritual adulthood. This experience delivers him from carnality, which is the weakening and infantile factor in the believer's experience. Paul prayed, “That he would grant you, . . . to be strengthened with might by his Spirit in the inner man” (Eph. 3:16). It is this strength in the inner man that is required to enable individual members of Christ's Church to

Mother's Hands

By Kathryn Blackburn Peck

*I think of her hands, her gentle hands,
And their touch so cool and light
On my fevered head, as beside my bed
She watched through a long, long night.*

*I think of her hands, her busy hands,
As they toiled the long days through
At the endless tasks that a family asks
Of a mother, kind and true.*

*I think of her hands, her prayer-clasped hands,
As she knelt by the old armchair—
“From the paths of sin, oh, bring them in,
And save each one!” was her prayer.*

*I think of her hands, her quiet hands,
As folded they lay to rest,
With toiling done, and the battles won—
The sun gone down in the west.*

*They beckon me ever and ever on,
As at heaven's gate she stands;
And with faith I climb toward the heights
sublime,
As I think of her outstretched hands.*

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fulfill their part in this great work of spiritual motherhood. "Therefore leaving the first principles of the doctrine of Christ, let us go on to perfection [full growth] . . . And this will we do, if God permit" (Heb. 6:1-3).

A GREAT WOMAN

By Mack Anderson*

And it fell on a day, that Elisha passed to Shunem, where was a great woman (II Kings 4:8).

I LIKE the Word of God. It is so sincere, so absolutely reliable, so trustworthy. When it utters a rebuke, it is a deserved rebuke. Likewise, when it offers a compliment, it is worthily given. The Holy Book is no flatterer. It speaks the straight, plain truth like a loyal friend.

One day Elisha and his assistant were on their way to Shunem. This was no doubt a weary journey; the distance was long and they were tired. There were doubtless other places the prophet could have stayed, but his heart was set on going to Shunem, for there was a great woman there who gave him shelter and who made him feel at home.

Elisha said this woman was great because she was great. Wherein did her greatness lie? Why was she singled out from all those who lived about her, and made immortal? It is not intimated that her greatness was merely physical charm, though she may have been beautiful. Nor did it consist of her high social position, though she did have influence and could have had a position with the state. "Wouldest thou be spoken for to the king, or to the captain of the host?" asked Elisha. She replied, "I dwell among mine own people." She was sufficiently protected, and counted it her highest duty and privilege to be the wife of a humble farmer and to make for him a home.

Neither was she great because of her intellectual brilliance, though it is evident she was an alert and brilliant woman. Hers was greatness of soul. It was moral greatness. This can be seen in her life's purpose. She did not choose a life of ease and pleasure, nor did she seek a career, but she determined to make a home. Although living in a different age, she chose the highest vocation open to woman in her day or in any day. With this old-fashioned belief, I am convinced most people today agree.

Home is the place of supreme influence. This nation of ours is of tremendous importance. It has come to us at a great price, but the home is more fundamental and important than our nation.

The Church of God is important. It was purchased by the precious blood of Christ, but there is an institution more fundamental than the Church—it is the maker of the Church and nation. This institution is the home.

*Superintendent of Georgia District

As the stream, so will be the river. Anarchy is not born in the markets of the great cities nor outlawism in street mobs. The question of obedience and law is settled in childhood. What one learns in school may fade from his mind, but the simple lessons of home defy the years and live on. The words of Mother make deeper impressions than any others which touch plastic childhood. A study of the lives of great men reveals that most of them had great mothers.

This woman was great because of her devotion to her task. She never faltered in her devotion to her husband nor her home. She was a devoted mother. When her son became ill, while he was out in the field, the father said, "Carry him to his mother." What a wonderful place to go when in trouble. Where is there a bed in all the world so comforting as her lap? Where is there another physician like her? Where is there such healing in a touch? It surpasses all the remedies of science. She tenderly held the child until he died, but even then did not give up. At great sacrifice, she went personally to seek the aid of the man of God. The child was restored to life as a result of her faith and love. Many boys and girls have been brought back from moral and spiritual death since that time by good and great mothers.

If your mother is with you today, give her a place in your heart. Her armchair ought to have the warmest place by the fireside. Be careful of her; she was careful of you. Be patient with her; she was patient with you. Mother her; she mothered you. Respond to the deepest longing of her heart; be God's man or woman today!

O give thanks unto the Lord; call upon his name: make known his deeds among the people (Ps. 105:1).

THE MOTHERS OF MEN

By Bonnie Youngblood Turley

*The Master looked down to the realms of earth.
Down from the courts above.*

He saw its poverty, sickness, and strife:

He wept at its lack of love.

*"Oh, what can I give to the poor, dark world
That will cause it to sing again?"*

And from out of His heaven of angels fair

He chose the mothers of men.

And so does the Master look down today.

Down from the courts above;

His great heart rejoices when often He sees

The strength of a mother's love.

*He sees through the shadows the light that clear
shines*

Where sorrow and darkness had been;

His great heart is lighter for giving to earth

The wonderful mothers of men.

MOTHER'S DAY

By Cecil Knippers*

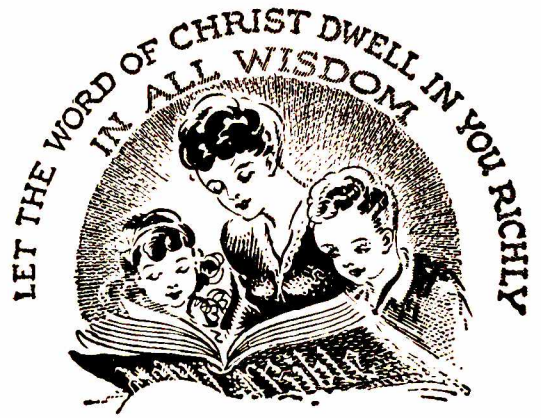
FOR THE past several years on Mother's Day I have sung the old song "Sweetest Mother," in tribute to my mother and the mothers of my audience. It is a well-established fact that a good, godly mother is the greatest heritage one can have. Paul reminded young Timothy of this heritage by saying, "When I call to remembrance the unfeigned faith that is in thee, which dwelt first in thy grandmother Lois, and thy mother Eunice; and I am persuaded that in thee also."

Like Timothy, it is said of the famous Evangelist Sam Jones, that the unfeigned faith that was in him dwelt in his grandmother and in his mother. His maternal grandmother was distinguished for her gentle, modest, lovable disposition and for her strong faith and fervent piety. It is said her temper and her tongue were so consecrated to God that at times the Holy Ghost seemed to take possession of both and come down through them in mighty baptism upon penitents and congregation as she prayed in public. His mother was a woman of superior intelligence and piety and, although she died when Sam Jones was only eight years old, she left upon his young heart and life the tender ministries of motherly gentleness and love which were ever associated in his mind with the angels of God. His "precious mother," as he called her, was a ministering angel to him.

I thank God that, like Timothy, Sam Jones, and others, I too have been blessed with such a heritage. Some of my earliest recollections are of my Grandmother Lockwood as she sat before that old-fashioned fireplace and read her Bible that she kept on the mantel. It was worn and marked and well used. She has been gone now for many years but her influence remains. My Grandma Knippers is now eighty-three, and across these years she has lived a gentle, sweet life. When I was growing up she would remind me that "a good name is rather to be chosen than great riches."

My own mother's life, love, prayers, and devotion have been a steady force for me when otherwise I would have been very unsteady. When I was in my mid-teens my father was pastoring in one of our large cities. One evening a neighbor boy came over and asked me to go with him down the way to a little carnival. I said to Mother, "I'm going with Clarence to the carnival." My mother looked at me and said, "Son, if I were you I wouldn't do that, for a little cheap carnival is no place for a respectable young man, especially one who professes the grace that you profess, and one whose father has such influence as yours as a minister of the gospel in this city." It's not so easy to ignore such tender reproof, but I did.

Upon returning home later in the evening I slipped into my room and was preparing for bed, when I heard my mother softly praying in the



next room, "O God, protect Cecil and help him to see the error of his way before he goes farther in the wrong direction." I didn't get into bed right then, for there's no need to go to bed when you know you can't sleep. I stepped in and knelt by my mother's side and asked her forgiveness, and asked God to forgive me, and to this day I've never been guilty of openly disobeying my mother. It has been well-nigh impossible for me to do so. Yes, as in the case of Sam Jones, my mother too has been somewhat of a ministering angel to me.

The Ministry of a Good Mother

By A. S. London*

MARTIN LUTHER said to his wife: "You make me what you will, you have full sovereignty here." Another said, "I am much what my mother made me." This is the ministry of a good mother. She gives, serves, prays. She serves lovingly, gives self-denyingly, and prays conqueringly.

The best example of a conquering prayer in the Bible is recorded of a woman. The prayer was a mother's petition for a daughter possessed with a devil. Jesus never uttered any other such words of commendation. "O woman, great is thy faith: be it unto thee even as thou wilt."

The greatest gift was a widow's mite. Jesus said, "This poor widow hath cast more in, than all." The greatest service was the anointing of Jesus with a box of ointment. Jesus said of her, "She hath done what she could." The ministry of mothers and all Christian womanhood!

A teen-age girl was about to be expelled from school. A lady went before the faculty and made a plea that the girl be kept in school. The question was asked, "What ought to be done with this lawbreaker?" "I do not know," was the reply. "She did not have my mother."

The *Christian Herald* told of a mother who was sent to Johns Hopkins Hospital to become the mother of a new babe. Her savings had dwindled

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to pennies. She sold a quantity of her blood for twenty-five dollars, for transfusion to another woman. Her blood saved the life of the other patient. "I would sell more of my blood, and even sacrifice my life, if it would keep my children from suffering." The ministry of good mothers! Benjamin Franklin once said, "Ours is largely a mother-made land."

The good mother has a task appointed by God. She is the builder, the protector, and trainer of the child. Things unseen are accepted by the child on mother's faith. He learns of God by her habits of worship. From her lips he hears promises that are to be his refuge and strength.

The Romans were heard to exclaim, "What women these Christians have!" Christian mothers, under Christ, are the redeemers of the race. God suppleis them with patience, kindness, hopefulness, always believing the best, with a love that never fails.

Phillips Brooks preached before the queen of England. He was complimented for his poise and freedom. A friend said, "Didn't you feel disturbed?" "Not at all," replied the great preacher; "I have preached before my mother." John Wanamaker, the great merchant prince, wrote his sister, saying, "Kiss dear mother for me, and tell her I never forget her and that I love her more every day of my life, and only wish that I were a better son." The ministry of a good mother!

A good mother dedicates her beauty and favor, her talents and accomplishments, her powers and possibilities, all to the service of her Christ and the upbuilding of the human family.

A Christian mother sat up on a train for two days and nights, unable to get a berth, and traveled to New York City to see her son before he took a ship for a foreign country during the last world war. She watched him take a small vessel on a stormy night, out to the big ship. The boy came back two or three times and told the mother good-by. While the snow was falling and the winds were howling, the mother made her way back, with a heart that was breaking, and started her two days and nights' travel back to her home.

This same mother followed her son to a Southern city and, unable to find a hotel room, slept in the front room of a small parsonage, on a lounge, in order to see her boy each evening at the five o'clock dinner hour. She would arise early in the morning to make way for the family, walk the streets, or sit in a hotel lobby, waiting for the hour when she could be with the boy she loved more than her own life.

Let us pause to give a rose while she is living, rather than a sumptuous wreath when she is dead. She is the mother of my children! Thomas Carlyle spoke as sad words as can be found in English literature when he said, "Oh, that I had you yet for five minutes by my side, that I might tell you all." "Cherish what is dearest while you have her with you, and wait not until she is gone."

A White Flower—for Mother

By John T. Donnelly*

MOTHER'S life was not easy. Father was a poor man, and from the day she married him she stood by his side fighting the wolf from the door with her naked hands, as a woman must fight.

She worked, not the short-hour day of the union, but the twenty-four-hour day of the poor wife and mother. She cooked, cleaned, scrubbed, patched, and nursed from dawn until bedtime, and in the night was up and down getting drinks for thirsty lips, covering a restless little sleeper, listening for a croupy cough. There were fear-haunted days, and nights of terror, when the dim light burned as she kept a breathless vigil by a little bed while life and death teetered ruthlessly in a fragile balance. When finally the turning tide bore life upon its slow, triumphant surge, her eyes became radiant and the dawn broke on a newer world, a world more fair than ever world had seemed before.

She had time to kiss away the hurt of the bruise and bind the cut with her tender touch. She had time to cheer sorrow from the heart and reason aright concerning child-willed ways. She had time to listen to boyish stories of fun, folly, and triumph. She had thoughtfulness to say the things that spurred ambition on. She never forgot to cook the things which were liked best. She did without the dress, the coat, or the hat she needed, in order that her son need not be ashamed of his clothes before his fellows.

In times when life seemed so alluring and new experiences tempted wayward feet away from the paths of truth, youthful folly would have followed those beguiling ways that led only to sin's dark night; but she won them back through loving counsel, by struggle and stress, by pain and much prayer, to the right ways that she had made her own. And somehow, by love's own strong cords she held them there.

Time came when the burdensome load, the stress, the ache, the joy, the pain, the love, the tears, the long vigil nights of anguish watching while the light burned dim were experienced by another who, as she lay dying, gave back in a small measure what she had given him.

Often one stops and thinks what life might have been if there had been no warm, caressing mother's love. Suppose there had been no soft breast on which to weep out childish sorrows, no clinging arms to have enfolded and comforted when the child-things of a little world went all wrong? Who can know what might have been?

What more shall we say, except,

We may forget her melting prayer

While leaping pulses madly fly!

But in the still, unbroken air

Her gentle tones come stealing by.

And years and time and manhood flee

And leave one at his mother's knee.

*Nazarene Chaplain, with the U.S. Air Force in Germany

The Weakness of Mothers

By Fred J. Hawk*



THE SECOND Sunday of May again brings "a day that's just for Mother—a lovely day in spring." Ever since Julia Ward Howe, the author of "The Battle Hymn of the Republic," made the first known suggestion for Mother's Day in the United States in 1872, the observance of the day has increased with interest and love. Today it is one of

the more meaningful days of the year.

Leaflets were sent out in 1911 containing the following message: "A day that has shown that it has heart and living interest for all classes, races, creeds, native and foreign-born, high and low, rich and poor, scoffer and churchman, man, woman, and child—is Mother's Day, the second day of May. The common possession of the living world is a Mother. Everyone has or has had a Mother." All of us gather and kneel together around the one throne upon which sits Mother.

What is home without a mother? If she is not there, there is no loving smile, the days are long, time goes slowly on, and her gentle care is missed. Mother is the hub around which the home moves.

An officer of the Confederate Army, on his way home after the sunset at Appomattox, tells of how he saw sitting in the seat across from him a frail, withered, hard-working woman, dressed in faded calico and with a sunbonnet on her head. She held by the hand a young man who had lost his sight from a wound in battle. Not only was the light of his eye gone, but also the light of the mind. From her home, away down in Texas, the mother had come to Virginia to take her now sightless and helpless boy back home. She had sent him forth full of energy, hope, and enthusiasm. That was all the war returned to her. But he was her son. A mother's love—many waters cannot quench it, neither can floods drown it. This is the strength of Mother.

But Mother has a weakness. We have watched her as she has met all of the emergencies of life and braced herself to face up to them. We have seen her go forth with undaunted courage to care for her children in all situations. We have thought of her power and poise. But—Mother has a weakness.

An older brother spoke to the author of this article when the author was about to leave home for the first time to go to college. He said: "When you get away from home, don't forget to write home to Mother. And when you return, always take her in your arms and kiss her. She wants

you to express your love for her." *Mother's weakness is a desire for the expressed love of her children.* A tender kiss, a loving letter, a kindly gift, coming from the loyal heart of son or daughter, are the best pay that Mother can receive.

Who can tell the power of the prayer of a godly mother? Samuel was born in answer to the prayer of a godly woman. She prayed so earnestly in the holy temple that the priest thought she was beside herself. But Hannah's prayer was answered and the child was born.

Lincoln often thought of that mother who, when she was dying, called him and his sister into the rude cabin at Gentryville, Indiana, and, laying her hand upon his head, told him she was going on a long journey from which she would not return, and asked him to be kind to his sister, to obey his father, and to love God. Years afterward the great man said, "All I am, or ever hope to be, I owe to my angel mother." We do need more mothers of prayer and faith today.

MOTHER'S DAY PRAISE

By Norman C. Schlichter

*God, for a Christian mother
Who bore me to Thy throne
From the first sweet moment she held me
And knew me as her own,*

*I am ever praising
Thy blest and holy name,
Which from her lips with reverence
Unto my ears first came.*

*"You are my own, and God's, my son,"
Down the years she'd say.
"We'll be together by His side
Some happy, holy day."*

*God, for ALL Christian mothers
May endless praise arise,
In tune with their angel praises sweet
That fill the heavenly skies.*

REMEMBER MOTHER

Behold thy mother (John 19:27).

There was a soldier lying on the battlefield wounded, and the chaplain came and said to him, "You're bad off, comrade." And the man said, "I know, I know." The chaplain then asked, "Shall I pray for you?" And the man said, "Yes, yes; pray with me by all means. But," he said, "Chaplain, pray this, 'Thank God'"—and the pain twisted him like the lightnings twist the great trees of the forest with their wicked hands—"Pray this, 'Thank God for my mother.'" And the chaplain did; he thanked God in the soldier's name for his mother. The dying soldier loved her and would not forget her. Remember Mother!—
CLYDE W. RATHER.

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Memory's Haunting

By Spencer Johnson*

Son, remember (Luke 16:25).

MEMORY is the ability of the mind to recall events of the past. Literal fire and brimstone plus nagging, gnawing memory will make hell a more terrible place than the finite mind can conceive.



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The lost will be haunted by the memory of life's good things that are gone forever. "Son, remember that thou in thy lifetime receivedst thy good things." The man in hell could not forget the material things which God had so freely bestowed upon him. He had failed to wield the power and influence of his riches for good. Men do not go to hell or heaven merely because they are rich or poor. People are stewards for God and the more they possess of money, talents, or abilities, the greater their responsibility. In hell the memory of misused power on earth will bring unmitigated pain and woe.

II

In hell one will remember rejected light. This man was familiar with "Moses and the prophets." He could not plead ignorance. Many a soul in hell will remember when he came face to face with the light of holiness and deliberately rejected—"the will of God, even your sanctification." Those who have rejected light on tithing, restitution, dress and adornment, worldly amusements, sacrificial living, and all the ethics of godliness will find that the light has become darkness. In eternity it will be better to have lived in heathen darkness than to have rejected the light of the gospel. Broken vows, unforgiven sins, and dissipated light will never be forgotten in that world of outer darkness.

III

This man in hell remembered that his opportunities were past forever. He could not curse justice—he had refused the mercy and disregarded the warnings of God. His ears had been deaf, his heart hard to the woings of the Spirit. He alone had fixed the gulf impassable. Once it would have been easy to span the gap. One simple choice by a penitent heart would have opened the road to heaven, but the gulf widened and his repentance and prayer for mercy came too late.

Psychologists tell us that impressions are ever in the subconscious mind, and with proper stimuli will come forth. Sinner, when God says, "Remember," every sin will spring forth like unleashed lions to tear your conscience forever. You

will remember every godly person you ever knew; every revival you ever saw advertised; every sermon, every verse of scripture, and every religious song you ever heard. The memory of every altar call and every kind person who invited you to a place of prayer will haunt you forever. You would give ten thousand worlds if you could have one more chance, but your last ray of hope will have faded in the black skies of despair!

*For of all sad words of tongue or pen,
The saddest are these: "It might have been!"*

It is not too late today! "Seek ye the Lord while he may be found, call ye upon him while he is near."

Why I Believe in Entire Sanctification

By J. H. Shrader*

RELIGIOUS BACKGROUND

I WAS raised in a Christian family. My father was converted and sanctified in the Salvation Army, and my mother in a holiness mission. Our home was a sort of center where many friends of the folks would drop in. Their conversation was almost always religious. The daily consistent and godly lives of my parents, and especially the buoyant and inspiring influence of my mother, all made religion a serious matter, holiness important, and heaven and hell real. A holiness church was organized and my folks entered my name as a charter member.

Inasmuch as I had been raised to say my prayers at night, participate in family prayer, "ask the blessing" at mealtimes, and in general "be a good boy." I (and they all) considered that I was a Christian—therefore, saved! In a general sort of way I knew that there was an experience of holiness that the folks talked about.

RELIGIOUS EXPERIENCE

At one of our church services a situation developed whereby I felt that I *ought* to be sanctified. I followed the directions of the altar workers and claimed the blessing by faith. A feeling of quiet satisfaction came into my consciousness.

The maintenance of my spiritual life now became the primary objective in my daily living. Satan was very real. I struggled to keep my *experience*. A distressing reluctance to reveal my religious convictions to my schoolmates and schoolteachers, the absence of any overwhelming *blissing* that would force me to *shout*, and a fear as to whether I was really sanctified or not pressed in on me. I interpreted such ideas as satanic attempts to cause doubt, so I kept on believing. I tried hard to stay sanctified.

After about two and a half years of such an experience I faced squarely up to the fact that I just did not have the type of victory that my

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fellow church members said that they had. In desperation, in utter personal abandonment of all struggle, I called upon the Lord Jesus to cleanse my heart from sin. I no sooner reached this attitude than immediately I felt most strikingly the inward assurance that the Lord had indeed cleansed my heart. The experience was clear-cut, positive, sudden, specific, and unlike any previous blessing. Its uniqueness lay in its permanence, its elevation of my spiritual life to a new plateau, so to speak, and the complete victory that I now had over everything—every single thing! No more doubts, no fear, no inward conflict. My whole religious life and outlook had suddenly mounted to a new high. Over these intervening fifty years it has deepened and broadened and clarified but has not changed in character.

I now see that my first crisis experience was really what we call conversion; I had then surrendered my will to the Lord and sought to live as I thought that a Christian should. In the second crisis, my approach had been different; already committed to the service of the Lord Jesus, I came this time definitely for a moral cleansing that would liberate me from a sense of inward guilt and spiritual frustration, a sort of dead weight, so to speak, that hung heavy on my religious faith. These two events were different in time and in character.

RELIGIOUS INTERPRETATION

The Bible now took on new meaning. I saw holiness described:

Physically: "Purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean: wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow" (Ps. 51:7).

Biologically: ". . . your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God" (Rom. 12:1).

Psychologically: "Create in me a clean heart, O God" (Ps. 51:10).

Metaphysically: ". . . purifying their hearts by faith" (Acts 15:9).

Epistemologically: "Sanctify them through thy truth: thy word is truth" (John 7:17).

Sociologically: ". . . so be ye holy in all manner of conversation" (I Pet. 1:15).

Theologically: ". . . he appeared to put away sin by the sacrifice of himself" (Heb. 9:26).

Philosophically: "Come now, let us reason together . . . though they be red like crimson, they shall be as wool" (Isa. 1:18).

I read that the experience was pictured as associated with: fire (Isa. 6:6-7); water (Eph. 5:26); blood (I John 1:7); truth (John 17:17); faith (Acts 15:9); and sacrifice (Heb. 9:13). The divine agents were: the Father (Acts 15:8-9); the Son (Heb. 9:14); and the Holy Spirit (Acts 15:8).

I can see that before I was a Christian my mind was self-centered entirely; I lived to suit my own desires and purposes; I never thought of guiding my actions by what the Lord might want me to do otherwise. When I became a Christian, I broadened the scope of my objectives to include

the service of the Lord. This accentuated the duality of my natural motivation. When I experienced my second crisis, I determinedly willed to center all my choices Godward. This singleness of purpose harmonized my mind in its subconscious and conscious areas. The divine will and spiritual power now encountered no volitional obstruction, so that the availability of God's holiness to me is limited only by my understanding of the ways and means to comprehend it and my capacity to apprehend it. All my springs are now in Him—the great Cosmic First Cause, the Living God whose love overflowed into creation, my loving Heavenly Father who sent us His Son Jesus.

None of this have I attained to by my own self-sufficient strivings. My inward urge of *oughtness* expressed a soul hunger which I sought to assuage by reaching up to the great source *out there*. At every step I was met more than halfway by a sense of the *numen* (prevenient grace). I see no evidence that my genes have been changed. My basic physiological traits are the same as my inherited characteristics. But my mind has been changed radically; it no longer is sinful in its self-centeredness, but is Christlike in its love to God. He has made it possible for me to have the mind of Christ (Phil 2:5), to which I gratefully testify.

Come and hear, all ye that fear God, and I will declare what he hath done for my soul (Ps. 66:16).

Just a Housewife

By Pearl Burnside McKinney*

*At times it seems my world is small,
And my imprint on life is dim;
The talents God has given me
Seem too small to be worthy of Him.*

*I clean, I sew, I cook and mend;
I pick up toys from the floor.
I praise my Father for peace and grace—
And then I must ask for more!*

*My tasks are lowly, but I'm repaid
With love, and a challenge, too;
For a mother's hands and a mother's heart
Have burdens not open to view.*

*A preacher, a singer, a leader of men
Are among all the things that I'm not;
But if I can help point a child to his God,
Then a work for the Master I've wrought.*

*At times it seems my world is small,
And my imprint on life is dim;
But if by His grace I can fill my place,
Then my work is made worthy of Him.*

*Mother of four children



The Lord Thy God Will Hold Thy Right Hand

Isa. 41:13

The Gift of Jesus

By Peter Wiseman*

Thanks be unto God for his unspeakable gift (II Cor. 9:15).

MEEETING an aged Christian lady one morning, Lord Tennyson asked, "And what is the news today?" to which she replied, "The only news I know worth while is that Jesus Christ came into the world to save sinners." "Ah," Lord Tennyson replied, "that is good news, and it is true news; it is old news and it is new news."

God has always been giving. There is, however, but one unspeakable gift—the gift of His only begotten Son. God had only one Son and He gave Him to redeem the world.

Jesus Christ came, not as a journalist to study new scenery, customs, or manners of a new country; not as an ambassador to propose terms of peace; not as a ruler merely; He came, the gift of God, to redeem the world. He was specifically the Seed of the woman, according to prophecy. He took flesh, and this is unique, seeing He had something to do about His own birth. He was God incarnate.

What a glorious Personage in the manger! What merit! "Thou shalt call his name JESUS: for he shall save his people from their sins."

This gift is *unspeakable* in its nature. It is a love-gift. "God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son." God gave because He loved. Love always gives. In this wonderful gift we have a proof and an illustration of the love of God. We have also the measure of that love—"so loved."

It is a *free gift*. We have no merit, therefore it must be free. Jesus, when speaking to the woman at Samaria, said, "If thou knewest the gift of God, . . . thou wouldest have asked of him, and he would have given thee living water." She did not know.

It is a *generous gift*. "Not as the world giveth, give I unto you," said Jesus. No! No! Jesus does not give like the world. His giving is not stinted, not selfish; but generous and unselfish, free for all and to all. Thank God!

It is a *meritorious gift*, the gift of the God-Man. In His deity all the claims of Deity are met. In

His humanity all the claims of humanity are met. In the God-Man, God and man meet. Through His deity God reaches down to man, and through His humanity man reaches up to God. He is the only Mediator between God and man—the Man Christ Jesus—through Him to the Father!

A "Hallelujah" Welcome in Rome

By Fletcher Galloway*

"Hallelujah, Hallelujah, Nazarenes!" What a welcome to receive in the ancient city of Rome! As our bus pulled up at the air terminal a big Italian man was shouting it as he ran along beside us, and as soon as we got out he kissed the three preachers on both cheeks. What a welcome!

Rev. C. C. Casto of Sacramento, California, Rev. and Mrs. M. L. Leary of Columbus, Georgia, and the writer were in the party. We had written Brother Alfredo Del Rosso from Jerusalem the time of our arrival, but were not sure he had received the letter. There was no one at the airport to meet us and so we took the bus to the air terminal and planned to go on from there to our hotel. Only those who have been in a strange country where very few speak your language can appreciate the loneliness and feeling of lostness that descends upon a person.

What a happy surprise to hear the "hallelujahs" come rolling through the bus window! Brother Pio Bocchini speaks very little English but he can shout "hallelujah" as plainly as anybody—better than some American Nazarenes I know.

Brother Del Rosso had arranged a cottage prayer meeting that night (Friday) at the traditional spot where Paul was met by the Roman Christians. "When the brethren heard of us, they came to meet us as far as Appii forum, and the three taverns: whom when Paul saw, he thanked God, and took courage" (Acts 28:15).

There were about twenty Nazarenes in the prayer meeting that night and God surely met us as we worshiped together. What a setting! The ruins of an ancient empire—soil stained with the blood of early Christian martyrs—Paul's dungeon only a few blocks away—the towering dome of St. Peter's a few blocks farther—a great city of 1,700,000 population, the world capital of Roman Catholicism—and a little group of humble Nazarenes singing, praying, and testifying!

I can never forget the testimony of Brother Waldo Marchionne. He told, with tears running down his face, how for many years he was a Roman Catholic priest, a missionary in South America, and the people would come to him confessing their sins and seeking peace when he did not have peace in his own soul. But one day he met Brother Del Rosso, who led him into the light—and, "Oh," he said, "thank God, I have found peace! Jesus is my Saviour and my Sanctifier."

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The Young People's Society

L. J. Du Bois, Secretary

Regional Leaders' Conferences

ONE OF THE important features of the N.Y.P.S. work is the annual conferences held on each educational zone for district presidents and members of the district councils. This month sees three of these conferences, bringing to a close the schedule for the year.

The Bethany-Peniel Zone met at the college, Bethany, Oklahoma, December 9-10. While Mark Moore, the elected representative, was not present, having moved from the zone, your secretary was ably assisted by Rev. Ponder Gilliland, general president, and Fred Parker, editor of *Conquest*. Rev. Jack Lee and Rev. E. S. Phillips made valuable contributions to the program, which was centered around guidance for counseling at summer camps. About sixty were in attendance.

The Northwest Zone met at Nampa, Idaho, March 10-11. Rev. Eugene Stowe, council representative, served as co-chairman of the group. There were between forty and fifty in attendance, including a carload from Canada West District.

The Eastern Zone met in Youngstown, Ohio, April 16-17. Professor Timothy Smith is the council representative of this area. Rev. Edward Barton was the host pastor. Canada Central District, as well as the Maritime District, being a part of the Eastern Educational Zone, were included in this conference.

The Olivet Zone met at the college in Kankakee, Illinois, April 20-21. Rev. Wilford Vanderpool is the council representative of this area.

The Trevecca Zone met at the college in Nashville, Tennessee, April 28-29. Rev. William Greathouse is the council representative from the Southeast.

While we do not have the figures as to the number in attendance of the last three conferences, we are encouraged at the interest and enthusiasm shown in the down-to-earth problems of youth work. Never have we seen better attendance or better interest than we have seen this year.

We appreciate the interest that the college men have shown. At each conference the work of the respective college was presented. Ways and means of how the college and district can more effectively work together have been discussed.

The district superintendents have worked closely with these conferences.

They have taken an active part and have in each instance made a vital contribution to the program.

FOREIGN MISSIONS

Remiss Rehfeldt, Secretary

May Schedule

Church, Clifford	May 10-31 N. Carolina
Drake, Lois	May 17-31 Central Ohio
Eades, Rev. & Mrs. Ernest	April 26—May 6 Texas Mexican May 10-24 Dallas May 27—June 14 South Arkansas
Fowler, W. C.	April 29—May 13 N.E. Oklahoma
Hayse, George Matchett, Ruth	May 10-24 Dallas May 24—June 7 Western Ohio
McKinlay, Mary	May 3-17 Michigan May 21—June 2 New Mexico
Penn, Joseph Wise, John	May 10-24 Dallas May 4-5 Northwest Convention May 24—June 7 Oregon Pacific
Withhoff, Evelyn	May 1-8 Central Ohio May 10-24 Western Ohio

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Word from Bolivia

The Lord has done for us "exceeding abundantly" both in helping us at the Alto Church [in La Paz] and also with the Bible school. We do long that both may bear fruit for His glory; otherwise it will be in vain. We are grateful for the faithful prayers which are going up in our behalf and also for the backing of the home church.—MRS. JACK ARMSTRONG, Bolivia.

New Missionary Testifies

I'm enjoying my work as much now as I did the first day I was on duty—if not more so, for I understand it a bit better. God is very good to us and I do praise Him for the privileges which are mine as I work for Him

In three instances, Bethany, Olivet, and Trevecca, a conference of district church school leaders was held at the same time under the direction of Dr. E. G. Benson, field secretary of the Department of Church Schools.

God is helping our youth leaders to get a grasp of their work, to the end that a more vital and spiritual program for our youth may be worked out.

here in Swaziland. I wouldn't trade places with the richest person on earth and be without Christ. He is so blessed to me right now. I love Him with all my heart and do want so to labor with and for Him here that I shall have a small part with Him in the world to come.—GRACE ABLA, R.N., Swaziland, South Africa.

Coast-to-Coast District Missionary Conventions

Contacts have been made with the district superintendents and plans have been completed for the first series of great missionary conventions.

It was strongly felt by the Department of Foreign Missions in session last January that there should be on each district during the fiscal year (May, 1953, through April, 1954) a well-organized and highly inspirational convention emphasizing the world evangelism program of the church, presenting recent developments, and outlining our most challenging opportunities in various world areas.

Dr. Leonard Spangenberg, one of the nine members of the Department of Foreign Missions, says: "Some say that the days of golden opportunities are over. However, at least for a few short days they will be back on your district in the way of these great missionary conventions. Our church has tremendous possibilities to spread the glorious gospel through missions. These meetings will help revitalize the missionary fervor on your district."

An announcement will be made next week concerning the dates of the first series of conventions. WATCH THIS SPACE in the HERALD each week for further information.

They Call Her Blessed

ALABAMA'S Mother of the Year for 1953 is known to many Nazarenes as the former Annie Whitehurst. The wife of Eugene C. Jordan, a talented musician and devoted Christian, she was selected as Birmingham's Mother of the Year in 1941.

Mrs. Jordan has distinguished herself as a good neighbor and citizen by participation in many religious and civic organizations.

Her principal work, however, has been the rearing of ten wonderful children. Each of them is a college graduate or a college student, and all are musicians. Several have distinguished themselves in this field or in some other worthy profession.

Mrs. Jordan's father was the late Dr. Z. B. Whitehurst, who taught for several years at Peniel College, Peniel, Texas, and was the pastor of a Church of the Nazarene at the time of his death. Dr. and Mrs. Whitehurst (who is also deceased) were outstanding Christians and made a significant contribution to the cause of holiness in the South and Southwest.

Mrs. Jordan has followed the example of her father and mother in living a deeply spiritual life. Thus with the assistance of her devout and gifted husband she has been able to pass on her religious fervor and Christian standards to her children. All are active church members, two being missionaries, and none of them smoke or drink.

The Neighborhood Mother

NO, I DON'T refer to the neighborhood gad-about or gossip; I mean the neighborhood mother. She is usually a mother herself and understands boys and girls as well as adults.

Loves Youth She believes that a home is a place to live in and not a house so perfectly kept that boys and girls dare not enter it. Her home is not quarantined against young visitors. She may have a doghouse for the dog, but not for the children—her own or those of the neighborhood.

This neighborhood mother knows how to make candy, cookies, popcorn, and spread sandwiches. Moreover, she does not think that it is an unpardonable sin if the boys and girls eat some of these goodies between meals and in the house on a rainy day. And I dare say that she wouldn't lose her religion if they should get a few crumbs, candy, or popcorn on the floor, even on a beautiful, sunshiny day. She is more interested in lads and lassies than she is in rugs, chairs, couches, and wallpaper. Besides, she can put up with singing, shouting, screaming, running, jumping, and a little mud in the house, at least occasionally.

This neighborhood mother is not too old to send her husband and only son to a neighbor's for the night and have a slumber party for her

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teen-age daughter and her chums. Of course, she knows that those giggling girls won't start to bed before twelve midnight, or probably later. Also, she is fully aware of the fact that they will sleep but little then. Instead, most of the time will be spent in tying knots in one another's clothes, hiding one another's shoes, or dousing one another with water. When at last the day dawns, the whole house will look as if a tornado had struck it.

After the slumber party is over, this neighborhood mother will not spend her time for several days grumbling about how terribly the girls behaved that night. Furthermore, she will not complain to her daughter about being kept awake all night, as if she had been terribly abused by having granted her this privilege. Neither will she "blow her top" if her teen-age daughter sleeps most of the day after. She probably won't tell her beforehand that she expects her to do it, but she will not be surprised if she does.

Boys and girls are more valuable to this neighborhood mother than flowers or vegetables. She wouldn't get too excited if one of the plants in her flower garden or a small tomato plant in her vegetable garden should be ruined by the careless feet of her boy or a neighbor boy while hunting a baseball. She might even forgive a neighborhood teen-ager if he accidentally broke out a window light or overturned some paint on her boy.

This woman doesn't believe that all boys and girls are sinners and on the road to a devil's hell. Neither does she accept the view that Christian young people will always act like grown people. She's still a human being and hasn't forgotten that she was once young and had a little life in her poor old bones. And, for all I know, she might have religion and be sanctified wholly!

ANOTHER edition of the neighborhood mother is what used to be known as the deaconess. She may never have worn the bonnet, but she is a true deaconess at heart.

Neighborly Heart and Hands She loves to help her neighbors and friends. She cares nothing about earthly rewards—public mention or position—she wants only to do God's will and serve humanity. This neighborhood mother does not go into homes to criticize her pastor, church, or neighbors. She only wants to lend a helping hand to someone in need.

Perhaps the mother in the home is sick and the family is not able to hire help. Then this neighborhood mother brings in a warm cooked meal; or it may be that she cleans the house or does the washing. On the other hand, they may be able to pay for help, but they need someone

Stephen S. White

to visit, pray with, and comfort them. The neighborhood mother is just the one who is ready to do it, and she finds time for it in spite of her own home duties. Again, trouble, sorrow, or catastrophe may have come to a neighbor, and she especially needs sympathy. In this case, it is the neighborhood mother who makes the visit and says the right thing under the leadership of the Holy Spirit. She doesn't just talk about the "good neighborhood policy"; she exemplifies it in deed. Like Christ, she goes about doing good, remembering that He said, "Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren, ye have done it unto me" (Matt. 24:40).

DID YOU ever read the story of Dorcas? She was a neighborhood mother. Listen to these words: "Now there was at Joppa a certain disciple named Tabitha,

Dorcas and The Widow of Nain which by interpretation is called Dorcas: this woman was full of good works and almsdeeds which she did. And it came to pass in those days, that she was sick, and died: whom when they had washed, they laid her in an upper chamber. And forasmuch as Lydda was nigh to Joppa, and the disciples had heard that Peter was there, they sent unto him two men, desiring him that he would not delay to come to them. Then Peter arose and went with them. When he was come, they brought him into the upper chamber: and all the widows stood by him weeping, and shewing the coats and garments which Dorcas made, while she was with them. But Peter put them all forth, and kneeled down, and prayed; and turning him to the body said, Tabitha, arise. And she opened her eyes: and when she saw Peter, she sat up. And he gave her his hand, and lifted her up, and when he had called the saints and widows, presented her alive. And it was known throughout all Joppa; and many believed in the Lord" (Acts 9:36-42). I am not surprised that Dorcas was raised from the dead and that a great revival resulted from it.

I am convinced that the widow of Nain was also a neighborhood mother. Two facts prove this to me. First, many people of the city of Nain were in the funeral procession of her son; and second, God had compassion on her and healed her son. The crowd suggests that the widow of Nain must have befriended many of the citizens of Nain when they were in need. Also, the ready healing of her son without any spoken request from the mother seems to me to indicate the same. Anyway, you can't prove that the widow of Nain isn't an example of the neighborhood mother.

Moreover, I would be inclined to place Martha, the sister of Mary and Lazarus, in the same class.

However, I couldn't so easily put Mary, her sister, with this group of neighborhood mothers. She was a mystic and may have spent so many hours at the feet of Jesus that she did not have the time nor ability to prepare a meal for a needy family.

The Good Samaritan illustrates the spirit of the neighborhood mother. Unlike the priest and the Levite, he stood by and cared for the man who had fallen among thieves and had been left to die.

THERE ARE still other types or editions of the neighborhood mother. It may be that she feels especially called to visit and brighten the lives of the aged as well as the sick and bereaved. Or she may give herself to the sending of

Other Types

birthday, anniversary, convalescent, or condolence cards. And finally, there are some who, under the leadership of the Spirit, devote many hours to the ministry of prayer. In this their vision circles the globe—the world is their parish. They intercede mightily for the lost at home as well as those abroad.

In all that I have said I do not mean that the various types of neighborhood mothers mentioned necessarily exclude one another. They interpenetrate with one form usually more dominant than the others. And as a conclusion to the thought before us, I present a beautiful passage which we all ought to read often, Proverbs 31:10-29: "Who can find a virtuous woman? for her price is far above rubies. The heart of her husband doth safely trust in her, so that he shall have no need of spoil. She will do him good and not evil all the days of her life. She seeketh wool, and flax, and worketh willingly with her hands. She is like the merchants' ships; she bringeth her food from afar. She riseth also while it is yet night, and giveth meat to her household, and a portion to her maidens. She considereth a field, and buyeth it: with the fruit of her hands she planteth a vineyard. She girdeth her loins with strength, and strengtheneth her arms. She perceiveth that her merchandise is good: her candle goeth not out by night. She layeth her hands to the spindle, and her hands hold the distaff. She stretcheth out her hand to the poor; yea, she reacheth forth her hands to the needy. She is not afraid of the snow for her household: for all her household are clothed with scarlet. She maketh herself coverings of tapestry; her clothing is silk and purple. Her husband is known in the gates, when he sitteth among the elders of the land. She maketh fine linen, and selleth it; and delivereth girdles unto the merchant. Strength and honour are her clothing; and she shall rejoice in time to come. She openeth her mouth with wisdom; and in her tongue is the law of kindness. She looketh well to the ways of her household, and eateth not the bread of idleness. Her children arise up, and call her blessed; her husband also, and he praiseth her. Many daughters have done virtuously, but thou excellest them all."

The mother described here is so unusual and versatile that she comes near combining within her personality all editions or types of the neighborhood mother. Let me cite two or three specific proofs for my claim. In verse 18, it says, "Her candle goeth not out by night." Who can say that this does not refer to a slumber party she gave for her teen-age daughter? Then there is the twentieth verse—"She stretcheth out her

hand to the poor; yea, she reacheth forth her hands to the needy." This is a wonderful description of many a neighborhood mother. Once again it tells us in verse 28 that "Her children arise up, and call her blessed." She must have made her children happy by always making their friends welcome. No doubt she won their love and respect in many other ways, but she did not overlook the fact that she and they were human beings with a desire to live with joy and sunshine.

THE SUNDAY-SCHOOL LESSON

By Norman R. Oke

Topic for May 10: Paul's Last Years

Scripture: Acts 21:15—28:31; Phil. 1:12-14 (Printed, Acts 28:14-24, 30-31)

GOLDEN TEXT: *And we know that all things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are the called according to his purpose* (Rom. 8:28).

We Christians should memorize some scripture passages until they spring to our lips like the alphabet, readily and naturally. And one of those "must" passages is our Golden Text for today. Romans 8:28 is a dominating peak in the chain of great mountain truths of the Bible. I have used this verse in almost every conceivable circumstance, and I guess you have too.

I use Romans 8:28 as a prod for my own soul. I have knelt before that bit of searching scripture and asked God to apply it mercilessly to me. I have asked the Holy Spirit to give me new and clearer insights into the vast depths of its truth, and to open new windows that I may see the vistas of beauty stretched out before me afresh. If I find that I can accept Romans 8:28 without a quiver of doubt, then I feel that the Lord and I are on good terms and my spiritual state is good; but if wisps of cloud seem to gather around the high peaks of this verse as I gaze at it and I begin to wonder if after all it is actually and totally true—then I know I had better pray till the sun shines in and dispels any accumulating dimness.

Then I also use Romans 8:28 as a spiritual tonic for others. When visiting in homes where trouble has swept in like an angry sea, I have pointed people to this verse as a great rock of solid hope. Has death stolen into the family circle? Did adversity settle down like a numbing frost? Then did questions fly in thick and fast—those befuddling *why's* that the devil uses to cloud our vision? In all of this there has been no easy answer; no human wisdom could tell the logic of it all. What then? Take the suffering

ones arm in arm and lead them to Romans 8:28. Have them stand and gaze till the sun shines through again.

You see, Romans 8:28 does not say that God wills everything that comes our way. Oh, no! Much grief comes

because of our ignorance or thoughtlessness, or sheer awkwardness. God did not want it to happen that way, but now that there has come a crash of things around our feet, God stoops down and patches things up in such a way that when the story is all told we come out winners.

If you have not done so yet, be sure to memorize Romans 8:28.

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CRUSADE FOR SOULS

Roy F. Smee, Secretary

Siamese Twins

PERSONAL visitation evangelism gets results. In a recent letter from Rev. A. G. Hanners, pastor of First Church in Vallejo, California, he tells how his visitation program brought about the organization of a new Church of the Nazarene in the Floyd Terrace area of that city. The story of one layman catching a vision of calling, "Bill Mallory Caught a Vision" and "I Started Calling," was told in the *Church School Builder* (Sept., '52). It was out of the Floyd Terrace area that Brother Mallory brought eighty brand-new people within two months. Before starting services in Floyd Terrace the Vallejo church organized to call in every house in that section of the city. There are about five thousand people living there. Brother Hanners writes, "A few of the adults, quite a few of the members of the Lamplighters Gospel Team, Brother Brewer, and myself combed the area again." They called back again and again, following up and tying in.

As of February 18 they were averaging over 100 in attendance, and the Sunday just before this date they had 126 present in Sunday school. February 22, Dr. George Coulter, the district superintendent, was to be present to organize the Floyd Terrace Church of the Nazarene. Visitation evange-

lism and home missions are Siamese twins in the matter of reaching the lost and building the Church of the Nazarene.

We must keep our enthusiasm hot in this matter of the Crusade for Souls Now. These "grass roots" conferences are helping to do this.

Here is a quotation from a pastor concerning a recent Crusade for Souls Conference: "I just want to take the occasion of this little note to tell you what the recent convention meant to me personally, and to our church here. Never has anything stirred my own soul as did the convention, and I am certainly different, and I am sure a better pastor and soul winner.

"We were fortunate in having a good representation from our church in attendance, especially some of our best men. The change in their lives is very apparent, and has really done something to our people. The first two Sundays following the convention we have had over twenty seekers at our altars, and the blessings of the Lord have been upon all the people in a very marked way. One of the men in attendance was a new convert, and not even a Nazarene yet, and yesterday in the service he dropped in a check for \$500.00 for our home missionary revolving fund. 'And the end is not yet, praise the Lord.'"

These results can be repeated over and over again as our people keep

their hearts stirred in the matter of winning the lost. To this end we are urging groups of churches everywhere to get in touch with us and organize a Conference on Visitation Evangelism. Our districts should plan for such conferences. In areas where we have twenty or more churches, as we have in many cities, city-wide conferences could be sponsored by the leading churches. In fact, the closer we get to our lay people with these

conferences, the more effective they will become. Start planning now!

Christian Family Week

Christian Family Week, leading up to Mother's Day on May 10, is another excellent opportunity for the visitation program of the church. Some churches urge every family to bring another family on Mother's Day. The Friendship Band or callers' group will certainly want to be active, but the contacting of families should go

far beyond this group at this important time of the year. It is a time when every family connected in any way with the church should be visited and made to feel the importance of church attendance. Let us do our best to win families to Christ and establish them in the life of the church.

We will be glad to receive reports from churches on the methods that you used to reach families during Christian Family Week.

THE QUESTION BOX

Conducted by Stephen S. White

Q. If a saved and sanctified person gets out of the will of God unintentionally and has a nervous breakdown and feels like he's lost, has he really backslidden?

A. Your question is somewhat complicated, but if I understand it correctly, I would answer no. Unintentional sin is a mistake, and people do not backslide because of mistakes. They do not become sinners before God by unintentionally getting out of the will of God. Further, to have a nervous breakdown and come to the place where you feel that you are lost does not necessarily mean that you are lost. Only the intentional transgression of God's law or the deliberate failure to walk in the light which He has given can lead to backsliding. Nevertheless, I should add that as we walk with God and grow in grace we should make fewer mistakes.

Q. Please tell me what the oil is in the Parable of the Ten Virgins.

A. Jesus interpreted the Parable of the Sower, but He did not give us such help on the Parable of the Ten Virgins. This means that there has not always been agreement among Bible students as to what the oil stands for in this parable. I would say that the explanation most often given is that the oil represents the "living principle of faith" in the heart, and the lamp the outward form. This is not complete, however, without some word as to the Spirit of God. He is the source of the Christian life within the heart, or the living principle of faith. From this standpoint, then, we could think of the oil as the Holy Spirit in the inner man. This harmonizes with the fact that all through the Bible oil is the symbol of the Holy Spirit. Some would claim that this indicates that the foolish virgins were saved but not sanctified wholly. Others would hold that it signifies that they were not even saved. The latter as-

sert that we have the Holy Spirit when we are saved, but we do not have Him in His fullness until we obtain entire sanctification. Whichever school of thought you or I may belong to, we must both admit that the chief teaching in the parable is that the five foolish virgins were not ready for the coming of Jesus, while the five wise were.

Q. How long was Paul in prison in Rome?

A. No one knows for sure how long Paul was in prison in Rome. It is likely that there were two imprisonments in Rome and some time between them—when Paul went back to Asia, perhaps to Macedonia, and maybe even to Spain. At least this is one view. Thus Paul was in prison for two years or more, then out and away from Rome for a time. Afterward, he was re-arrested and brought back to Rome, remaining in prison this time until he was executed in A.D. 67 or 68.

Q. What was the total length of time Paul spent in Rome?

A. Naturally, the answer to this question is closely related to the answer to the preceding question. If we were certain that Paul's imprisonment in Rome was only one imprisonment and thus that he was in prison in Rome from the time he first went there until his execution, we could be sure that both his imprisonment and his stay in Rome were from A.D. 59, 60, or 61 until A.D. 67 or 68. This would make both his imprisonment and sojourn in Rome from six to nine years. However, we do not know but that his imprisonment was broken into two parts. Further, if it were broken into two parts, we are uncertain as to how long the time in between was and as to where that time was spent—in Rome or elsewhere. This makes it impossible to fix the length of the time Paul was in Rome as well as the

time he was in prison. I am inclined to believe that the time Paul spent in Rome and that which he spent in prison in that city were less than the six to nine years, which must have elapsed between the year he arrived at Rome and the year he was executed there. This would naturally be my conclusion since I believe that there were two imprisonments in Rome and that Paul spent some of the time between the two imprisonments outside of Rome.

Even Down to Old Age

By Charles Francis Hunt*

WIFE and myself were being entertained in the home of one of our very faithful members, the occasion being Thanksgiving Day.

The other guest was a relative of the entertaining family head, in fact, her uncle; Henry was his given name and all of his relatives and acquaintances called him "Uncle Henry." He had passed his ninety-second birthday in July. He is hale and hearty and, except for being exceptionally hard of hearing, is remarkably preserved and does the chores around the farm of his son with whom he resides.

It was my joy and pleasure to visit with "Uncle Henry." He has walked with God for over sixty years and his joy at being used of God in the salvation of his wife (with whom he had lived for over sixty years), a number of his friends and relatives, was unbounded. As he related several instances to me, tears of joy ran down his face and his voice quivered with holy fervor.

Rejoicing with him, I too shed tears of joy, and the scripture came to me in the words of Solomon, "The hoary head is a crown of glory, if it be found in the way of righteousness" (Prov. 16:31).

Then and there I breathed a prayer to God that, as I go down the declining years of my life, I too may have rejoicing because I have been used of God in the salvation of others; also I resolved that the years remaining to me shall be used to His glory.

*Pastor, Sligo, Pa.

NEWS OF THE CHURCHES

Selma, California—We recently had a good revival with Rev. Ellis Lewis as the evangelist. The Lord used him in a wonderful way, giving us nearly one hundred seekers at the altar. We are now closing our fifth and last year with this good church in Selma. The Lord has truly blessed and given us many souls. There have been increases in every department of the church. A Sunday-school unit was added to our church, and this is now free of debt. The loyalty of these good people is deeply appreciated. We have accepted a call to the church at Wasco, California.—L. F. Schroeder.

Rev. Clifton T. Matthews writes: "Although commissioned as an evangelist by our New York Assembly last year, in October I received a unanimous call to pastor our church at Yonkers, New York. We have a loyal and self-sacrificing people, who have a real passion for souls. The Sunday school, under capable leadership, is increasing numerically, the finances are improving, and the Sunday evening services have increased more than 50 per cent. The glory of the Lord is in our sanctuary, and our major theme and message is definite second blessing, Bible holiness. Pastor and people are one hundred per cent for the entire Nazarene program. We have been given a unanimous call to serve the church another year."

Mt. Sterling, Ohio—On Sunday night, March 22, we closed the best revival this church has enjoyed in years. Rev. W. W. Loveless, our evangelist, was mightily used of God in preaching the gospel. Under his rugged preaching the altar filled night after night with earnest seekers; counting them as they came we had fifty-five seekers. Many were saved and sanctified for the first time, and we made scores of contacts with folks

who were strangers to our church. Misses Julia and Leila Hix were a great blessing and added much to the revival with their music and singing. The evangelist pushed our HERALD OF HOLINESS campaign and, for the first time in the history of this church, we went over our quota in subscriptions. Finances came easy; also the church remembered the pastor and wife with a fine cash love offering. Our church was unanimous in desiring Brother Loveless to come to Mt. Sterling again.—Lester L. Meyer, Pastor.

Cape Girardeau, Missouri—We are happy to report the blessings of the Lord on our church; 1953 is proving to be a year of victory. December 31 to January 8, we had a fine revival with Rev. Daniel Stafford, and over fifty seekers prayed through to victory. January 16 to 18 we had a very successful three-day meeting with Rev. Elbert Dodd, district superintendent of Louisiana. Then from January 27 to February 1, Youth Week was held with Rev. Norman Oke as the speaker. Each of these meetings was blessed of the Lord with seekers praying through to real, old-fashioned salvation. On March 22 a new \$34,000.00 educational building was dedicated with Rev. E. D. Simpson, district superintendent, delivering the message. With the completion of the educational unit, our church buildings are among the finest and most completely equipped to be found in the entire church. The church is twenty years old, has over two hundred members, and owns four pieces of property with a valuation of over \$120,000.00. Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Jenkins serve the church as full-time musical directors. We are now serving the church for our thirteenth year, and consider it a privilege to work with this fine people in this splendid city. The Lord has blessed and is blessing. We are Crusading for Souls—Now

and the prospects are good for a harvest of souls. From our church God is calling our young people into His service. Two young men are now pastoring, another will take a church soon, and one is in college preparing for the ministry. Three young ladies have been called to the mission field and are making steps to answer the call.—C. E. Fleshman, Pastor.

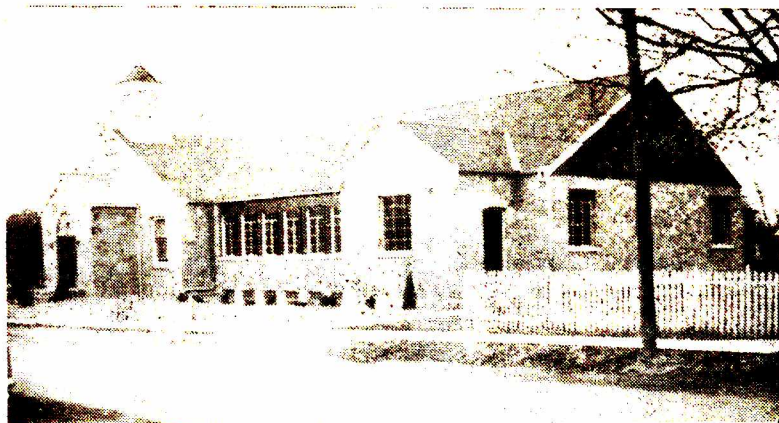
Evangelist Floyd N. Bradley reports: "The Lord has been gracious to me and in spite of my wife's accident last fall, which necessitated some changes in my slate, I have had several successful meetings. The meeting with Pastor DeWitt Dickson at Leicester, Vermont, was a time of blessed fellowship. They have one of the best rural Sunday schools I ever have seen. We felt it was Brother Dickson's prayer of faith at the bedside of Mrs. Bradley in a nearby hospital that brought her back from death and glorified Christ. At Ashland, Wisconsin, with Pastor Elmer Schrag, the Lord met with us, and gave a good measure of success, with a number of new contacts made for the church. Also, it was our privilege to be in St. Louis, Missouri, with Pastor S. T. Sumners and the Wellston Church. This is a fine congregation of real Nazarenes with a spiritual and aggressive pastor. God gave a sweep of victory with wonderful altar services, and the blessing of the Lord upon the people."

Paulding, Ohio—Recently we concluded a successful and victorious revival. Evangelist Leila Dell Miller's talents were blessed of God in our midst, with some entire families literally swept into the Kingdom. The attendance was consistently higher than at any previous time. Miss Miller spoke to the student body of the local high school. This meeting placed the gospel and our church before the community in a new and different way, and we give God the praise for it all.—James D. Holstein, Pastor.

Recently Dr. W. A. Albea, our district superintendent, dedicated the new addition to the church at Bethel. This new addition now gives the sanctuary a seating capacity of 385; there are eight new classrooms for the Sunday school. The entire church is built of native stone, and often has been called the most beautiful church in our community. A new heating system has been installed in the entire church, that is all automatic. March 22 marked the twenty-third anniversary of the church here. These have been twenty-three years of continuous progress for this fine congregation. Bethel now has a membership of 135 loyal Nazarenes, and a weekly average of 200 in Sunday school. The progress of the church here has been remarkable due to the fact that Bethel is a town of only 2,000 population. It has been our happy privilege to serve this people for the past two years, with two years re-

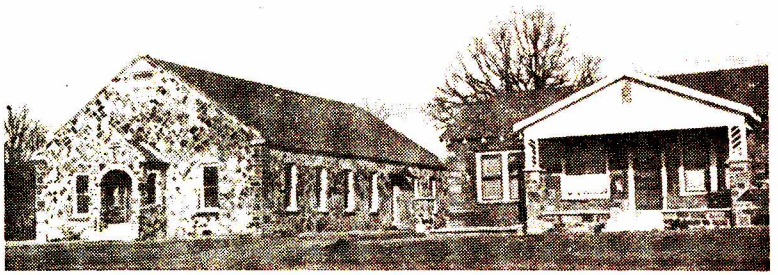
maining on a three-year call. We are happy to report that the trend of progress continues here.—N. C. McNelly, Pastor.

Bethel, Ohio



Nazarene Church and Parsonage, Wister, Oklahoma

March 8 was a high day for the congregation at Wister. With 154 present at the morning service, Rev. Glen Jones, our very efficient and much-loved district superintendent, brought to us a soul-stirring message. There was a wonderful time of fellowship at the noon hour, and a well-planned dedicatory service in the afternoon. Amid a glorious tide of victory the old mortgage went up in flames, and again Brother Jones brought a great message. Among the many visitors were several of the former pastors and preachers that have gone out from this church. We mention especially Rev. Mrs. Bulah Lyles, who was the pastor at the time of the construction of the new buildings; her husband supervised the work. Much credit is due Brother and Sister Lyles. The church is 70 x 40 feet with 7 classrooms. Both church and parsonage are of frame structure, with native stone veneer; built at a cost of \$15,000.00 plus the old church and many hours of donated labor.



These are some of the best years of the history of the church. Since the building, and new location of the church in 1946, the church membership has doubled, Sunday-school attendance has more than doubled, and our district and general giving has increased

over 300 per cent. Coming to Wister in July of '51, we found a people who loved God and the cause of holiness, and were willing to do their best for the Kingdom. Yes, we can pay budgets, have revivals, and build churches!—Fred C. Hinkle, Pastor.

Pastor J. G. Wells reports from Knoxville, Tennessee: "Since coming to First Church last September 22 we have enjoyed a fellowship with some of the finest saints we have found in thirty-two years as a Nazarene. Our predecessors wrought well; strong foundations of holiness unto the Lord were established. We strive to build on these same qualifications. God has helped in this six-month period. Attendance in Sunday school has increased one hundred or more per Sunday; the sanctuary has been completely redecorated and seating finished; the outside of the building has had one coat of paint with another to be applied this spring; many new friends are being made and preaching crowds are growing. The presence of the Lord among us is best of all. The spring and summer ahead are fully planned with the most vigorous program of our ministry to date. If you have friends in the Knoxville area drop us a line, and we will contact them. Our address is 211 Burwell Avenue, N.E., Knoxville, Tennessee."

Cardington, Ohio—Upon arriving at this church I found a typical Nazarene crowd that had been led by a good pastor, Rev. Glenn Flannery. I appreciate his ministry, for he left with a good feeling toward the community and church. I have found a very co-operative people both in the church and community. We recently closed what we felt was a very profitable week of Christian Service Training. The Mt. Gillead and Fulton churches joined with us, with Mrs. H. C. Little of Columbus as the director. She endeared herself to us in a wonderful manner with her rich experience in this work. In spite of the length of the class each night, our working people returned for more and manifested an interest that indicated the spirit and ability Mrs. Little portrayed in handling this position as director.—Veryl W. Jenkins, Pastor.

Evangelist L. M. Payne reports: "I was in a revival with our Spanish Church at Demings, New Mexico, the first part of January. Our returned missionary, Rev. Frank Ferguson, was the pastor and interpreter. Rev. J. Miller and his wife, pastors of the American Church at Demings, who furnished the music, are two of our fine young people out of Pasadena College. It was my first experience to preach to the Spanish and through an interpreter. It was a great blessing to work with these good people, and God was on the scene, giving us souls in every service. The altar was practically full every night. The Spanish people are very attentive, respond to the altar call readily, and pray through with a shine on their faces and a testimony in their hearts. I have recently closed a revival with our Cleveland, Oklahoma, church, Rev. Cleon G. Powell and wife, pastors. The weather was very bad, but God was with us and quite a few were either saved, sanctified, or reclaimed and some united with the church. The Powells are greatly appreciated by the church and the town. They are now rebuilding their old church, making it larger and adding new Sunday-school rooms that, when completed, will be a nice brick-trimmed church and will furnish Sunday-school rooms for all classes, and also the young people's work will be well cared for. I have some open dates in my slate for 1953 and 1954. Write me, Bethany, Oklahoma."

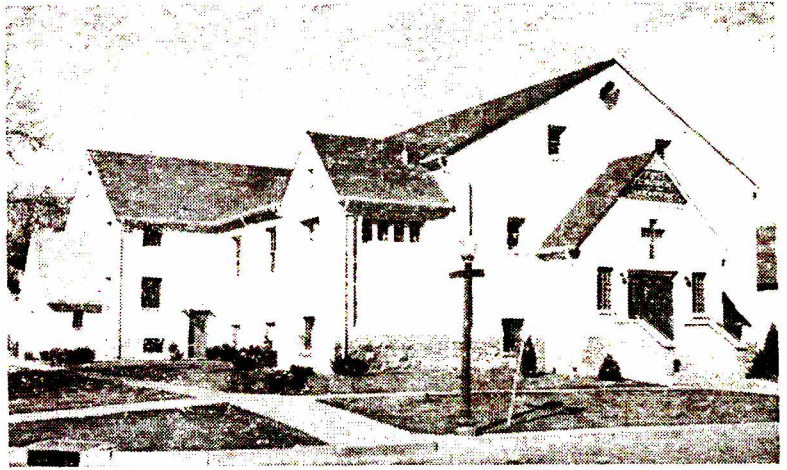
Siloam Springs, Arkansas—We have recently closed a very good revival with Rev. O. C. Weigel, evangelist, and Mr. John F. Whisler, song evangelist. These men make a wonderful evangelistic party. The presence of the Lord was manifested from the first service until the last. Twenty-one folks were either converted or sanctified, with a class of seven received into the church. This makes a total of thirteen new

members since our assembly. Each department of the church is encouraged. On the last Sunday of the revival the pastor was given a unanimous call for another year.—W. O. Felts, Pastor.

Olivehurst, California—We recently closed one of the most fruitful revivals this church has ever experienced. Evangelist Nettie A. Miller preached with the anointing of the Holy Spirit upon her. The attendance was outstanding and around fifty seekers sought God for pardon or heart purity. Fifteen new members were added to the church, on profession of faith, in the last Sunday morning service. The church has undertaken a visitation program under the leadership of our pastor, Rev. D. C. Carter, which we believe will reap a harvest of souls. Many homes are being contacted and new people are being reached. We give God praise for all that has been accomplished.—Mrs. Virginia Henry, Reporter.

New Castle, Pennsylvania—Mahoningtown Church recently enjoyed an evangelistic campaign in which some forty souls were drawn to Christ through the ministry of our evangelists, Rev. and Mrs. Otto Davidson. Their unique, Spirit-filled ministry captured the hearts of the people and proved to be a great blessing to our church. In this first year since organization, God has richly blessed the work here in this section of New Castle. Every department of the church is advancing. We have a consecrated and spiritual group of people who have caught the vision, not only of local evangelism, but also of world evangelism. The Mahoningtown Church is the second organized Church of the Nazarene in New Castle and yet this rapidly growing city offers even more opportunity and challenge to the Church of the Nazarene.—Robert M. Ingham, Jr., Pastor.

First Church, Pueblo, Colorado



Pueblo First Church was organized on December 11, 1922, with 28 charter members. A three-week meeting was conducted by Dr. D. I. Vanderpool, then the superintendent of the Colorado District, and Rev. L. E. Gossett, evangelist. The revival closed on December 10, and another service was held on December 11, with Dr. J. B. Chapman, then editor of the **HERALD OF HOLINESS**, bringing the message after which Dr. Vanderpool organized the church. Rev. L. E. Gossett was called as the first pastor. Through the years, evangelists, superintendents, missionaries, pastors, and leaders of the church have come and gone, and the church has maintained the high standards and ideals of the gospel of Christ as taught in the Bible. Various places of worship were secured until May of 1932, when the present building site was purchased from the Park Avenue Presbyterian Church. Following the assembly in June of '47, Mrs. Barr, our daughter, Bessie Mae, and I came to Pueblo, and we are now completing our sixth year as pastor. These have been years of progress numerically, spiritually, and materially. In 1950 the old building was completely remodeled and a three-story

educational unit built at a total cost of approximately \$70,000.00, with the present indebtedness of less than \$12,000.00. The present average Sunday-school attendance is 370. The church has recently completed the installation

of a new Baldwin electronic organ. Surely we can say, "Hitherto hath the Lord helped us." It is a great pleasure indeed to work with the wonderful people of Pueblo First Church.—James S. Barr, Pastor.

Evangelist Matthew V. Wilson writes: "Recently I conducted a home-mission meeting in Clarion, Iowa. Several souls received definite help from God, and there seem to be prospects here for a new church. I appreciated the boosting and prayers of District Superintendent Gene Phillips. I will be in a meeting in Pottersville, Michigan, April 19 to May 3, then have some open dates in May and June. Write me, 506 S. Rock Island, El Reno, Oklahoma."

Prescott, Arkansas—First Church recently closed a good revival with Rev. C. M. Whitley and wife as evangelist and singer. Many of the older members stated it was the best revival the church had experienced in years. Twenty-six souls prayed through to God. Many nights great waves of God's glory swept over the people. The attendance was very good throughout the revival. Brother Whitley is a dynamic preacher and carries a burden for the lost; Sister Whitley's singing blessed the people. The church extended a call for them to return for a revival in July of 1954.—Reporter.

Rome, Georgia—We closed the best revival in the history of this church on Sunday evening, March 22, with Rev. Joe Bishop as the evangelist. The crowds were the best ever, and the building was filled on the last Friday evening when Brother Bishop gave his hospital experience. As a result of this one service many new contacts were made for the church. Many received spiritual help during the revival, several were saved and sanctified, and the church was inspired and awakened as never before. Brother Bishop preached each serv-

ice under the anointing of the Holy Spirit, and brought gospel truth that moved the hearts of men. Brother Bishop has a message for our day that is a help to the congregation.—Jack Sanders, Pastor.

Providence, Rhode Island, People's Church—Since last reporting we have been happy to have Rev. John W. Hail, our missionary from Cuba, at our church. He gave us a splendid missionary service. In February Rev. Claude Schlosser, and the King's Herald Quartet from Eastern Nazarene College were with us. In the afternoon of that Sunday we had an old-fashioned love feast, breaking of bread; friends came in from other churches, and a blessed time of fellowship was enjoyed. Rev. C. Helen Mooshian spent a week end with us, bringing us missionary messages that stirred our hearts. We have also been blessed of late by having our returned missionary, Miss Esther M. Thomas, with us in the services; her presence is a blessing to our people.—Lura Horton Ingler, Reporter.

On March 30, we completed one year of service at our home-mission church in Lebanon, Missouri. In spite of various obstacles which Satan has thrust in the way, God has given us victory through Jesus Christ. God has deliberately made a way where we thought there was no way. We have had two revivals. Our first meeting was with Evangelists Gene and Wanda Smith. God very graciously blessed us in this meeting, and there were twelve precious souls who came and met Christ at the altar of prayer. Brother and Sister Smith were very definitely used of the Lord in our midst. On March 15 we closed

a meeting with Sister Bertha Pults. She is a mighty preacher of the Word, and many were helped through her blessed ministry.—Harlan V. Heap, Pastor.

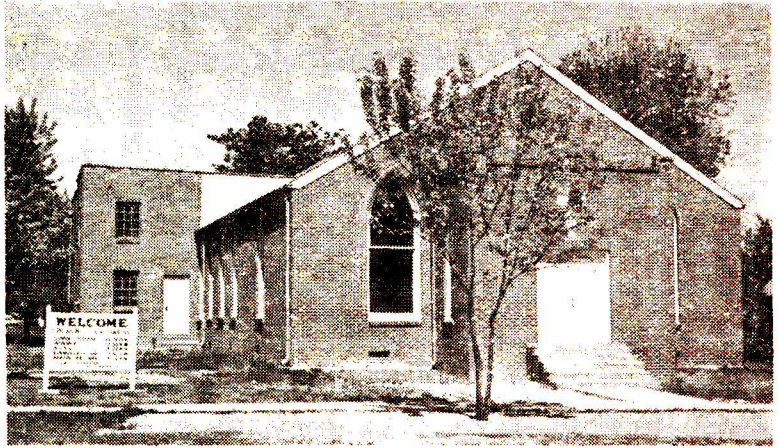
Evangelist Ellis Lewis writes: "Because of a conflict in dates, I have the month of July open. I shall be glad to slate with anyone wishing a summer revival, or with a district for home-mission work. Write me, 206 N. Donald, Bethany, Oklahoma."

Evangelist E. L. Carter writes: "The last eight months have been a busy and glorious time in the service of the Lord. I have had only six days off since Christmas, working on six districts, and have seen hundreds of seekers at the altar. In almost every church I have been asked to return for a later date. I have an open date in May, also one in August, and am now making up my slate for the fall of '53 and into 1954. I shall be happy to slate week or week-end holiness conventions or revivals. Write me, Kincaid, Illinois."

Arcata, California—We recently closed a victorious revival with Rev. and Mrs. W. W. Geeding. The Geedings are outstanding preachers and singers, and Brother Geeding thrills the people with his unique chalk drawings. God gave a host of seekers with new folks finding victory. The Reverend Mrs. Geeding inspired our people with her Sunday-school talk on missions. We broke all records with 261 in attendance, and the Sunday school averaged 219 for the month. Our church has had a tremendous lift under the ministry of the Geedings, and certainly God has great things in store as we walk humbly before Him.—Harold Latham, Pastor.

Tullahoma, Tennessee

Pictured here is the recently remodeled auditorium and our new Sunday-school annex. Coming here seven years ago, we found the congregation worshipping in a white stucco building with only four Sunday-school rooms, one in each corner of the auditorium. The Sunday school was averaging about seventy, and increasing rapidly. About three and one-half years ago, God burdened the pastor to enlarge the building. After much prayer and planning we launched a building program—without one dollar to begin. Now we have a two-story educational building with fourteen Sunday-school rooms. The auditorium was enlarged by removing partitions of the old Sunday-school rooms, and enlarging the choir to seat sixty people. New pews were purchased, a new gas-heating system was installed, the auditorium painted, and the entire building brick veneered. It has been a hard struggle, but God has helped us and we give Him the praise. Last year our Sunday school



averaged 196; our membership has doubled, pastor's salary been doubled, and God continues to show us that the field in Tullahoma is ripe and ready for harvest.—A. A. Forsythe, Pastor.

Dr. Haldor Lillenas writes: "On May 19 Mrs. Lillenas and I will leave New York for Norway. God willing, we plan to spend several months surveying the religious situation there and doing some evangelistic work possibly also in Sweden, looking toward a possible establishment of the Church of the Nazarene in those far northern kingdoms. During our visit there in 1950 we found many Christians in the liturgical and formal state church who seemed to hunger for the more abundant Christian life. Ever since that time there has been a burden on my heart for these people. Will you join us in earnest prayer that a door may be opened for the work of holiness in these needy fields? I am particularly anxious to contact persons who may have been members of our denomination in this country or who have attended our services, but who now live in Norway or Sweden. I should welcome any information you could give us. I am anxious to secure the names and addresses of such persons and any information relative to them, so that if possible we may contact them during our stay in these countries. Please write me, to our publishing house, P.O. Box 527, Kansas City 41, Missouri."

Albuquerque, New Mexico—Central Church has had a good year, with progress being made along all lines. A new parsonage has been erected, also a new annex to the church. Thirteen members have been added to the church, and the Sunday school is on the increase. Wonderful harmony prevails among the members. Due to my wife's health, I am not staying another year, but plan to re-enter the evangelistic field June 1; am now making up my slate for the summer and fall. Write me, 1323 Sixth Street, N.W., Albuquerque, New Mexico.—Charles A. Higgins, Pastor.

Huntington, West Virginia—Walnut Hills Church recently closed a revival with Rev. W. T. (Bill) Elkins as evangelist. Brother Elkins is a man of God with a wonderful Christlike spirit which enables him to reach the hearts of the people. His messages are Biblical and directly aimed at the general spiritual needs of the day. His preaching, along with the sincere and consistent prayers of our good people, brought the blessings of God upon us and we witnessed several victorious altar services. We thank God especially for the children who were reached, as they prayed like veterans

until Christ brought peace to their souls. Others were reclaimed, and some were blessed as the Holy Spirit came in His mighty cleansing power. In spite of the flu epidemic in our locality and the sickness of many of our people, our Sunday-school attendance on the closing Sunday of the meeting was 196. We do appreciate the love and co-operation of our people which was put into practice as they gave us a fine cash love offering plus a beautiful basket of flowers as a special gift of the Sunday school. We are greatly encouraged.—Giles M. Graham, Pastor.

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Evangelists Jack and Ruby Carter write: "We have two open dates we'd like to slate in the Midwest or the Southland. We have August 12 to 23 open, and have a meeting scheduled, August 26 to September 6, in Sylacauga, Alabama. Then we'll be in Minot, North Dakota, October 28 to November 8, and following that have open time, November 11 to 22. We shall be glad to slate with any church needing our services as preacher and

singers. Write us, 609 N. Mueller Street, Bethany, Oklahoma."

Evangelist Don and Louise Adams write: "We have recently closed a series of meetings in Odon, Indiana; Centralia, Illinois; and Carlisle, Indiana. Truly, God is blessing our labors for Him. We are now in a meeting in Palestine, Illinois, then have open dates from May 10 to June 14. Also, we have some other open dates

through the summer and fall for week-end meetings, and some two-week meetings, continuing over three Sundays. Write us, Box 325, Salen, Illinois."

Kelso, Washington—In March this church had one of the finest revivals in many years, with Evangelists Paul and Monica Martin as the special workers. Every message was well received and with perhaps only two exceptions, seekers were at the altar in every service. Many new people were contacted for the church. The "Martinized Sunday-school rally" on the last Sunday morning was unique, and a real boost to the Sunday school.—Reporter.

Ordway, Colorado—Recently we had one of the best revivals in our four years of pastoring. Rev. C. W. and Esther Brockmueller were the special workers. We enjoyed their straight gospel preaching, music, and singing. Several new members were added to the church.—G. F. Pennington, Pastor.

Sunday-School Attendance Report

	1952	March	Percentage
Northern California	13,111	15,296	117%
Central Ohio	10,838	13,392	124
Western Ohio	12,274	12,717	104
Southern California	8,699	9,975	115
Akron	9,401	9,925	106
Southwest Indiana	8,546	9,011	105
Northeastern Indiana	8,550	8,830	103
Alabama	6,346	8,540	135
Indianapolis	7,770	8,006	103
Michigan	7,605	7,936	104
Eastern Michigan	7,725	7,695	100
Kansas	7,250	7,494	103
Oregon Pacific	6,236	7,153	115
Florida	5,825	6,759	116
Northwest	5,856	6,710	115
Colorado	5,803	6,489	112
Southeast Oklahoma	4,009	6,185	154
Idaho-Oregon	5,463	6,168	113
Northwest Oklahoma	5,749	6,037	105
New England	5,932	5,993	101
Iowa	5,590	5,856	105
Chicago Central	4,837	5,272	109
Georgia	4,543	4,951	109
Washington Pacific	4,276	4,912	115
Dallas	4,744	4,900	103
South Carolina	4,185	4,695	112
Louisiana	4,154	4,559	110
Southeast Oklahoma	4,009	4,117	103
North Arkansas	3,607	4,111	114
South Arkansas	3,312	4,102	124
North Carolina	3,422	3,794	111
Northeast Oklahoma	3,740	3,723	100
Arizona	2,966	3,437	116
Houston	2,861	3,214	112
Albany	2,863	3,102	108
New Mexico	2,870	2,990	104
Nebraska	2,617	2,758	105
Virginia	2,532	2,649	105
Wisconsin	2,056	2,443	119
Rocky Mountain	2,348	2,280	97
Canada Central	1,862	2,128	114
New York	1,741	1,944	112
North Dakota	1,579	1,617	102
Maritime	776	901	116
South Dakota	716	814	114
Alaska	301	474	157
Total average attendance of districts reporting			256,054
1952 average attendance of districts not reporting			103,709
Gain of			22,711

Districts not reporting: Abilene, Canada West, Eastern Kentucky, East Tennessee, Hawaii, Illinois, Kansas City, Kentucky, Los Angeles, Minnesota, Mississippi, Missouri, Nevada-Utah, Northwestern Illinois, Northwest Indiana, Pittsburgh, San Antonio, Tennessee, Washington-Philadelphia, West Virginia, Australia, British Isles.

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

Olivet College Church

Since last December 14 the Olivet College Church, Kankakee, Illinois, has been enjoying the pastoral ministry of Rev. L. Guy Nees, formerly the pastor of the St. Clair Church of the Nazarene in Toronto, Ontario. In response to a splendid vote by the local congregation, he accepted his present position to fill the vacancy left by Dr. Lloyd B. Byron, who accepted the superintendency of the North Carolina District.

Experienced as a radio preacher, Brother Nees had previously broadcast his evening services to an audience of approximately 100,000. Since coming to Olivet he has secured time for the morning worship service on station WKAN, which has a listening audience of approximately 250,000. Active also in Youth for Christ work, he has been elected as vice-chairman of the Kankakee Valley YFC organization. Already at Olivet his preaching and personality alike have won him the affection of students, faculty, and the community in general.

Marking one of the high points of the recent past was the spring revival, March 22 to 29, in which both college and church realized much blessing. Preceded by a fruitful student-youth revival at midyear, this evangelistic campaign brought us to the spiritual climax of the year. The evangelist was Rev. Harold Daniels, pastor of the First Church in Albuquerque, New Mexico. With his gripping soul earnestness, his clarity of expression, and his forcefulness of presentation, Brother Danie's furnished the occasion with all that could be desired in an evangelist. A gracious harvest of souls was the result, and a higher spiritual level of living for all who attended.

Under the capable leadership of Brother Nees it is felt by the congregation that the plans for a new church edifice will be brought to completion. Already some \$68,000.00 has been

gathered for that purpose through his own efforts and the faithful pioneering work done by his immediate predecessors. Dr. Lloyd B. Byron and Dr. Ross E. Price.

Under the fine academic leadership of Dr. Harold Reed at the college and the efficient pastoral ministry of Brother Nees at the church, the prospects of Olivet College Church are bright with the promise of a future of ever-expanding usefulness and blessing.

J. RUSSELL GARDNER, *Reporter*

Louisiana District

In February of this year Mrs. Eva Gardner held a week's revival meeting at our English-speaking church in Crowley. Several French-speaking people attended the meeting, and many of them were saved. On March 22 we were able to organize a French-speaking church at Crowley with twenty charter members.

Our Crowley First Church and Pastor J. W. McClung have co-operated in a wonderful way, and they are letting the French-speaking people use their church until we can get a property for them.

Rev. Joseph E. Leje, one of our elders who is a converted French Catholic, was appointed pastor. He preaches in French, and is being used of God in a wonderful way among these precious people.

We feel that this is a beginning of the break-through to these people.

ELBERT DODD, *Superintendent*

Revivals at Pasadena College

Hundreds of young people found God in miracles of pardoning and purifying grace during the spring revival at Pasadena College, Pasadena, California, which closed March 27. Rev. Sammy Sparks, evangelist for the week of morning meetings and the Wednesday night service, was mightily used of the Lord. Altars were fully occupied at each invitation, generally necessitating the use of the front rows of seats. On the closing day so many came that altars were made of all three tiers of seats—at some places as much as four and five rows in depth. It was surely a blessed scene. Young people were minding the voice of the Holy Spirit. There have been many altar responses this year during the revivals and also after regular chapel messages, especially those of our president; but never has there been a similar yielding.

This unusual revival did not just occur. Believing prayer and prayerful personal work became twin keys to unlock the resources contained in the efficacious Blood. Special regular prayer meetings were held for five months before the week of intense evangelistic effort. For some time preceding the meeting, too, and during it, prayer meetings were conducted each morning and night. Moreover, for the final week or so the night prayer services, beginning at nine, were continued until past midnight in a concerted way and sometimes into the

morning or all night. Many persons received miracles of grace during these prayer services, morning and night, both prior to and during the meeting. Some hungry souls not connected with the college came at odd hours and prayed through. A number of students, getting under conviction, when no meeting was on, made their way to off-campus faculty and student homes, where they sought and found wondrous grace. In all the dormitories, for several nights, groups of men and of women would pray for individuals, go out to talk with them as led, and bring the willing ones back to the groups for prayer. Several of the young men who were so recently in the "battle for buckets" in sports were among those most active by prayer and personal work in the engagement for souls.

Following classes on March 27 the Easter vacation started; and it is hoped that a student body with spiritual glow will incite revival fires in hundreds of churches. Special prayer times and organized personal work will be continued when the college schedule resumes on April 6.

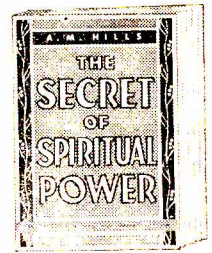
Inasmuch as no report was sent HERALD readers following our student revival in mid-February, that meeting might be briefly mentioned here. For one week a different student preached each morning in chapel and at the midweek prayer meeting. The Lord wonderfully used these young men to reach scores of their fellow students. Morning and evening prayer meetings were conducted before and during this meeting also.

J. KENNETH GRIDER, *Reporter*

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The Western Ohio pastors and their wives again enjoyed a profitable preachers' meeting, March 23 to 25, at Dayton First Church. Always a high point in the district activities, the preachers' meeting is a welcome "must" on every Western Ohio minister's schedule. This tenth preachers' meeting was the best yet! Directed by Dr. W. E. Albea, our highly respected and deeply appreciated district superintendent, every moment of the six seasons was packed with something worth while.

General Superintendent Samuel Young was greatly appreciated for his practical, pointed, witty messages; and his friendly approachableness. Dr. S. S. White, editor of the HERALD of HOLINESS, gave us some heart-thrilling, stirring, deep truths from the Word of God. Rev. Mark Moore, pastor of our Spencerville church, brought three splendid, helpful devotional addresses.

Miss Ruth Matchett, Western Ohio furloughed missionary nurse from Africa, spoke briefly but earnestly of her work in Swaziland and her desire to return. Rev. Charles D. Ide, Olivet Nazarene College field representative, challenged the district to again pay its Olivet Budget in full. (Western Ohio has always paid its Olivet Budget.)

We are grateful to the publishing house for offering us such a good selection of books and supplies especially for ministers, and sending their capable representative, Mr. Elvin Hicks.

We express appreciation to Dayton First Church, Rev. W. B. Walker, pastor, and the other Dayton pastors who so graciously entertained us.

Those periods of prayer around the altar, the uplifting times of song, the optimistic atmosphere of freedom, fellowship, and faith, combined with the ministry of our workers, caused us to leave the convention inspired and determined to make this tenth anniversary year of our district outstanding.

PAUL G. BASSETT, Reporter

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BURN to Rev. and Mrs. Donald Fivecoat of Nazarene Theological Seminary, Kansas City, Missouri, a son, Jon Arthur, on April 9.

to Mr. and Mrs. Fred Chalfant of Detroit, Michigan, a son, Mark Frederick, on April 4.

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WEDDING BELLS—Miss Sheila Lou Duplessis of Omaha, Nebraska, and A 1/c Allen Jaco of Phoenix, Arizona, were united in marriage on March 29 at Central Church of the Nazarene in Omaha, with Rev. W. R. McCroskey officiating, assisted by Rev. Robert Zumalt.

SPECIAL PRAYER IS REQUESTED by a lady in Ohio for the salvation of her father, also that God may undertake in providing a home for her and her sister together;

by a Nazarene lady that God may undertake in a special way for her and her sister, that they may have health to be able to work and meet their bills;

by a friend in Nebraska for a young mother with three small children—she is seriously ill and not expected to recover unless God undertakes—that she may be restored to her family if it is God's will, also for the entire family concerned;

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by an aged mother in Texas (now eighty-five) for her son, whose health is gone, and his wife in sin—that God may get to them at any cost—the mother also needs prayer.

District Assembly Information

SAN ANTONIO—Assembly, May 6 and 7, at the San Pedro Playhouse Auditorium, San Pedro Park, San Antonio, Texas. Entertaining pastor, Rev. J. Paul Tucker, 1737 W. Mistletop, San Antonio (send all mail to the district superintendent). Dr. Hardy C. Powers presiding.

NORTHWEST—Assembly, May 6 to 8, at the First Church of the Nazarene, Nora at Wall Streets, Spokane, Washington. Entertaining pastor, Rev. P. J. Bartram, West 710 Nora Street, Spokane. Dr. Hugh C. Benner presiding.

ALBANY—Assembly, May 7 and 8, at Plattsburg, New York. Entertaining pastor, Rev. Merwyn D. Gray, 5 Morrison Ave., Plattsburg. Dr. G. B. Williamson presiding.

CANADA CENTRAL—Assembly, May 13 and 14, at Toronto St. Clair Church of the Nazarene, 1277 St. Clair Avenue, West Toronto, Ontario, Canada. Entertaining pastor, Rev. Wm. Eckel, 161 Westmount Avenue, Toronto. Dr. G. B. Williamson presiding.

ABILENE—Assembly, May 13 to 15, at the First Presbyterian Church, 10th and Bluff Sts., Wichita Falls, Texas. Entertaining pastor, Rev. Buford Burner, 1106 Fifth, Wichita Falls. Dr. Samuel Young presiding.

IDAHO-OREGON—Assembly, May 13 to 15, at College Church of the Nazarene, Dewey and Juniper, Nampa, Idaho. Entertaining pastor, Rev. Eugene Stowe, 411 Ivy St., Nampa, Idaho. Dr. Hugh C. Benner presiding.

NORTHERN CALIFORNIA—Assembly, May 13 to 15, at Beulah Park, 100 Beulah Park Drive, Route 4, Santa Cruz, California. Entertaining pastor, Rev. J. Paul Alexander, 2410 Gladys Ave., Santa Cruz. Dr. Hardy C. Powers presiding.

WASHINGTON PACIFIC—Assembly, May 20 and 21, at Central Church of the Nazarene, 602 Valley Street, Seattle, Washington. Entertaining pastor, Rev. H. S. Palmquist, 1410 Bigelow North, Seattle. Dr. Hugh C. Benner presiding.

FLORIDA—Assembly, May 20 to 22, at the Church of the Nazarene, Southeast Third Avenue and Sixth Street, Fort Lauderdale, Florida. Entertaining pastor, Rev. George Kercher, 314 S.E. Sixth Street, Fort Lauderdale. Dr. Samuel Young presiding.

OREGON PACIFIC—Assembly, May 20 to 22, at Church of the Nazarene, Holly at First, Medford, Oregon. Entertaining pastor, Rev. Vernon L. Wilcox, 46 Summit Ave., Medford. Dr. Hardy C. Powers presiding.

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LOS ANGELES—Assembly, May 26 to 28, at Bresee Avenue Church of the Nazarene, 1480 E. Washington St., Pasadena, California. Entertaining pastor, Rev. J. George Taylorson, 1400 Bresee Ave., Pasadena. Dr. Hardy C. Powers presiding.

NEBRASKA—Assembly, May 27 and 28, at First Church of the Nazarene, Hastings, Nebraska. Entertaining pastor, Rev. A. A. Schneider, 2009 West 6th Street, Hastings. Dr. Hugh C. Benner presiding.

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North American Indian	June 10

New England	June 24-26
Canada Central	July 3-4
Muritime	July 15-17
Pittsburgh	July 22-24
Northwest Oklahoma	July 29-31
Illinois	August 5-7
Indianapolis	August 26-28
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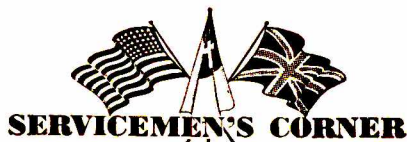
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"I am sure that I speak for all the servicemen, both here and in Korea, when I say that it is certainly encouraging to know that the folks at home are praying for us.

"In closing, I would like to say that I know beyond a shadow of a doubt that I am saved and sanctified. I have found God to be 'a friend that sticketh closer than a brother.' The rest of my testimony is the twenty-third psalm."

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