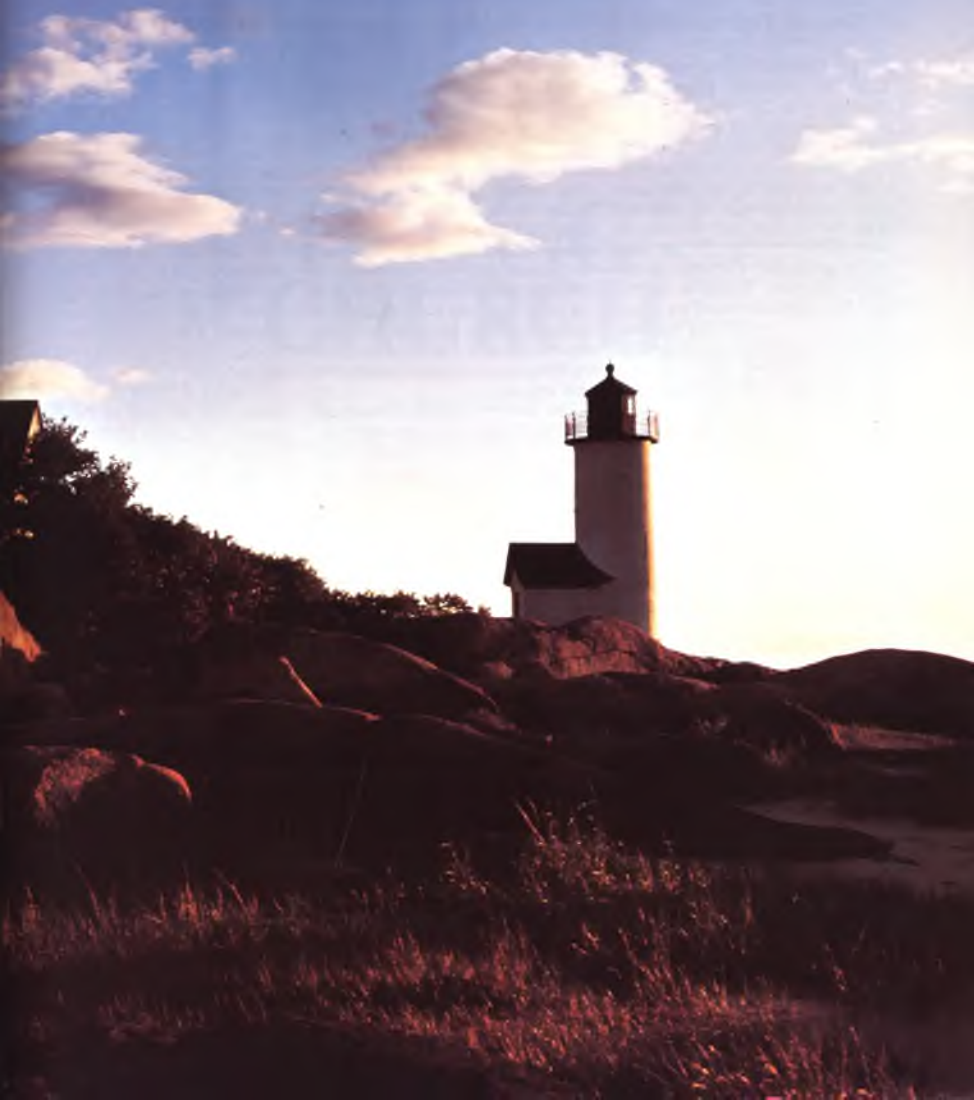


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## AN EDITORIAL

# THE YEAR OF THE BIBLE

IT CALLS THE CHURCH "TO A RENEWED INTEREST IN GOD'S WORD."

ON FEBRUARY 3 at the Presidential Prayer Breakfast in Washington, D.C., President Ronald Reagan signed the proclamation that designated 1983 as "The Year of the Bible." In his remarks he mentioned that one of his most treasured possessions is his mother's Bible. He recalled that he was recently looking through this old Bible and came across a notation in the margin that read, "This is for our nation." The scripture reference was 2 Chronicles 7:14—"If my people, which are called by my name, shall humble themselves, and pray, and seek my face, and turn from their wicked ways; then will I hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin, and will heal their land." This is our hope for a genuine revival that will bring America and the other nations of the world back to God.

And the Bible is the divinely ordained means by which the hearts of men will be convicted and moved toward the Lord. In the Second Book of the Kings, chapters 22 and 23, is found the thrilling story of a spiritual awakening that was trig-

gered by the Holy Scriptures. Hilkiah, the high priest, discovered the long-lost book of the Law when the house of God was being repaired. He showed it to Shaphan, the scribe, who read it and took it to King Josiah. As Shaphan read the words of the Book of God to the king, the ruler of Judah was tremendously moved. He made a covenant for himself and for his people to keep the commandments written in the Law. Moreover, he destroyed all vestiges of idol worship in Judah and reinstated the observance of the Passover. A genuine national revival ensued.

The Year of the Bible should call the church back to a renewed interest in God's Word. President Reagan urged that we "read, study, and apply" the Scriptures. May every person associated with the Church of the Nazarene respond to this exhortation. Nothing will contribute more to the celebration of our holiness heritage during our Diamond Jubilee year.

But the emphasis upon the Bible must reach out far beyond the church if it is to make a maximum impact. It must reach into lives and homes that are not being touched by the church. Here are three ways by which Nazarenes may promote the reading and study of the Bible among their unchurched friends.

1. *Give Bibles.* Our Publishing

House or your local Christian bookstore can supply you with inexpensive copies of the Bible. Such easy-to-read translations as *Today's English Version*, *The Living Bible*, and the *New International Version* will appeal to those who would find the King James Version hard to understand.

2. *Distribute the Year of the Bible devotional guide.* This 30-day guide will introduce new Bible readers to some of the great passages of Scripture. It will be available through the Nazarene Publishing House in late summer.

3. *Start a Bible study in your home.* Pick out one of the Beacon Small-Group Bible Studies available from NPH. Invite your neighbors to join you in finding out what this portion of God's Word has to say to people today.

By all means let us make these final months of 1983 a tremendous thrust for Bible reading and studying, and the Holy Spirit will make the Word come alive in the hearts and lives of those who are exposed to its timeless message. □



by General Superintendent Eugene L. Stowe



Paul M. Schrock

# THE HEALING CHURCH

by BUD REEDY

**T**HE CHURCH of Jesus Christ has always been a healing church. In fact, healing ministry was one of the great characteristics of the Early Church. The Acts of the Apostles is filled with examples of divine healing (Acts 5:15 ff.; 8:7; 9:33 ff.; 14:8-10; 16:18; 28:8 ff.). The church, from the time of Justin Martyr in the first century, through the Middle Ages and Reformation, to the present time, has always emphasized and sought healing for those who were sick. And rightfully so, for our Lord placed a significant emphasis upon meeting the needs of suffering humanity. From the very beginning of His earthly ministry, "Jesus was going about . . . teaching in their synagogues, and proclaiming the gospel of the kingdom, and healing every kind of disease

and every kind of sickness among the people" (Matthew 4:23, NASB). Although His teaching and preaching ministry took precedence, He did not neglect the physical needs of people. It is part of the ministry He has entrusted to the church, to you and me.

And so it is clear from the Bible and from church history that healing is to be a characteristic of the church. And yet, there has been a rather widespread neglect of this important emphasis in some evangelical circles. This neglect may be caused by a lack of understanding as to its importance for the church. But more likely, it is due to the rather "bad press" it has received in recent years. There has emerged an almost unbelievable variety of movements that have made healing the major feature of their ministry. As a result, many thinking believers have been turned off, and understandably so. But we must not fall into the trap of "throwing the baby out with the bath water." Although we should approach the activities of many so-called faith-healers with caution, we cannot do so at the expense of an important doctrine.

We must be healing churches. It is clear from the pen of James that healing is not an optional emphasis for the church (5:13-18). Although it must be kept in proper perspective in relation to evangelism and teaching, it must be present if we are to be the church of Jesus Christ. Upon examination of the classic healing

passage in James, we discover *how* to become a healing church. "Is anyone among you suffering? Let him pray" (James 5:13, NASB). Prayer brings healing. The *Manual* of the Church of the Nazarene is clear that "providential means and agencies when deemed necessary should not be refused." However, the difference between believers and everyone else who goes to the doctor is that "we believe in the Bible doctrine of divine healing and urge our people to seek to offer the prayer of faith for the healing of the sick" (*Manual*, para. 21).

How may our Nazarene congregations around the world become healing churches?

1) Those in our churches who are sick should seek the prayers of the church. "Is anyone among you sick? Let him call for the

elders of the church . . ." (James 5:14, NASB). To keep an illness secret is to miss out on the healing that comes from a healing community. Share your concern with others; let them bear your burden and so fulfill the law of Christ (Galatians 6:2).

2) We should pray publicly for those who are sick. ". . . let them pray over him, anointing him with oil in the name of the Lord" (James 5:14, NASB). Healing services should be a regular agenda on our church calendars.

3) Prayer should be made "faithfully" for the sick. "And the prayer offered in faith will restore the one who is sick" (James 5:15, NASB). Prayer of this kind comes from the knowledge that He is the great physician, that all healing comes from His hand, and that He desires us to be whole. Asked if he believed in divine healing, an old-time preacher responded: "I believe in anything that is divine." Charles Wesley penned the words that reflect such faith:

*With simple faith on thee I call,  
My light, my life, my Lord, my all.  
I wait the moving of the pool,  
I wait the word that speaks me whole.*

Would to God that more of our Nazarene churches were healing churches, that testimonies would become more frequent concerning physical healing, and that the church's healing ministry would bring honor and glory to the One who heals not only from sin but from sickness and disease as well. □

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### PLEA FOR THE BLOOD

Do we sense a tendency in our church among writers and preachers to avoid mention of the blood of Christ? In reading through the March 15 issue of the *Herald of Holiness*, I find no mention of the precious soul-cleansing blood of our Lord. In all the challenging articles, I find no reference to *el Sangre de Cristo*. Is it being left out by intent? Has our religion become too bloody for a society, many of whom stain their hands crimson with the blood of murdered unborn infants? Has the precious blood that permeates the atmosphere of the universe become only a forgotten symbol in the message of the Last Supper? I feel

it emanating from the crucifixion horror and penetrating to the deepest recesses of moral depravity.

By the grace of God the Blood shall never lose its power!

*Orin L. McCaleb*  
Canon City, Colorado

### DANGERS CITED

Your answer on the tongues question in the April 15 issue was very good. If by conscious duplication we mean use of a learned language (although unusually rapid learning might be considered a gift in some cases) this would be clearly hypocritical and spurious for us to cite. Since understanding is evident there is no danger other than that

inherent in hypocrisy itself. If we are referring to a repetition of someone else (although if this is too conscious it might again be hypocritical) as with unconscious duplication an unsuspected danger may arise: we may unknowingly blaspheme Christ or God. I believe this is what Paul has reference to in 1 Corinthians 12:3. That is why tongues should be approached with fear and trembling and should not be entered into without a knowledge of what is being said. While this probably does not bring responsibility until we recognize the possibility, once that occurs we must proceed with care. It would not even be safe to pray in tongues,

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## NOAH'S DOVE:

# She Preached the Gospel of Peace

by CHARLES HASTINGS SMITH

**A**ND THE DOVE came in to him in the evening; and, lo, in her mouth was an olive leaf plucked off: so Noah knew that the waters were abated from off the earth. And he stayed yet other seven days; and sent forth the dove; which returned not again unto him any more" (Genesis 8:11-12).

The dove had found a resting place for her feet. She had found food for her beak, and with fresh sunlight on her wings she had also found a refuge of peace in the swirling flood.

Ever since Adam and Eve were driven from the Garden, men have been searching for peace. Peace—what an elusive word it is!

Politicians promise it in every election. When their constituents ask where it is, they answer, "It will come tomorrow."

Diplomats jet the globe to negotiate the terms of peace. Their frustrated failures crowd the headlines.

Labor seeks peace with management. Employers seek peace with employees.

Preachers preach about it. Singers sing about it. Some have it; some do not.

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Parents work and pray to raise peaceful families.

Pastors dedicate lifetimes to building churches with congregations free from discord, strife, and worldliness.

Psychiatrists fling wide their expensive office doors to the "high-strung," the "uptight," the suicidal, and the depressed.

Marriages collapse at an alarming rate from lack of marital peace. Here in Oklahoma, the state's largest newspaper carries daily classified ads that read: "DIVORCE—\$25.00, plus county fees. Any situation, any county. Day, night, or weekend. One-day service." As I write these lines, Herbert Peter Pulitzer, the multimillion-dollar grandson of newspaper magnate, Joseph Pulitzer, pleads for legal custody of his twin boys in a Florida courtroom.

The unhappiness syndrome boils at all levels of our society. Even the classroom is not immune. One of my longtime friends, an excellent and gifted schoolteacher, retired early. She was in the prime of her wisdom. I asked her why? With eyes turning misty, she said, "There was so much turmoil in the classroom. I was no longer in control—of myself or the students. When a young, slovenly rebel threatened my life, I quit. I will never return. I simply could not cope."

Peace! What an international word it has become. Angry rioters trample the innocent. Bombings in the Near East slaughter the helpless and the night covers the carnage. War walks with bloody boots and the smell of death is heavy. The recent explosion in the Falkland Islands goaded us nearer Armageddon. The fear of nuclear annihilation rides the horizon like a monstrous ghost. Crimes stalk quiet residential streets where children play, and violence gluts the TV screen. A young assassin fells the president, while a continent away, a gunman's bullet staggers the pope and his papal vestments are splashed with blood. "Peddlers of smut" grow rich, fat, and arrogant. Laws are disregarded, God is mocked and His Sabbath is commercialized. Fear makes us its pawns. We barricade our homes, and our castles become our prisons. The flood waters are all around us.

Jeremiah's nation was confronted with the problems of peace. His pen ached when he wrote, "For they have healed the hurt of the daughter of my people slightly, saying, Peace, peace; when there is no peace. . . . We looked for peace, but no good came; and for a time of health, and behold trouble!" (8:11, 15).

It is time to let Noah's dove fly again. Once more she needs to fly to the windows of our hearts—bearing the olive branch in her mouth—preaching to us of a "resting place" in a restless world and a "refuge of peace" in the time of flood. She found these citadels, and so can we.

Arnold Toynbee, the eminent historian, affirms that 21 civilizations have risen and fallen. Nineteen of them fell because of inward decay. There was a moral collapse from within. They fashioned their own golden calves and gorged themselves at the banquets of the carnal. A noted sociologist declares that nations rise and fall in cycles. One cycle is: (1) Bondage to spiritual faith; (2) Spiritual faith to great courage; (3) Great courage to liberty; (4) Liberty to abundance; (5) Abun-

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dance to selfishness; (6) Selfishness to complacency; (7) Complacency to apathy; (8) Apathy to dependence; (9) Dependence back to bondage. One churchman alleges that our retrogression is accelerating. Little wonder that H. G. Wells wrote, "History is but the study of the blunders of the brilliant."

Peace! Do you have it? Do I have it? Thank God, we can. It is a gift—a divine gift—from the inner heart of the Father. It is a gift, unmerited and unsolicited, for "while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us." We are no longer slaves; we are sons. We are no longer prodigals; we are ambassadors. With jubilant tongues we sing, "There is therefore now no condemnation to them which are in Christ Jesus, who walk not after the flesh, but after the Spirit" (Romans 8:1). We, too, can find peace in the flood.

Jesus said, "Peace I leave with you, my peace I give unto you: not as the world giveth, give I unto you. Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid" (John 14:27). Any man can anchor his feet on that promise. Any heart can lean up against those words. Any man, through Christ, can find peace in the time of flood.

Dr. J. B. Galloway lived to be 102. Here are the 12 simple rules that contributed to his longevity, his inner peace, and his optimistic attitude in the floodtimes of life: (1) Live in the presence of God; (2) Always obey the Holy Spirit; (3) Read the Bible every day; (4) Pray without ceasing; (5) Give thanks for all things; (6) Eat moderately; (7) Exercise daily; (8) Retire early; (9) Rise early; (10) Live in the presence of expectancy; (11) Let the first thoughts of the day be of Christ; (12) Never hold a grudge.

Are you caught up in the floods of life? Remember Noah's dove. She found a "resting place" and a "refuge of peace." So can you. Millions have. Millions more will. Come join us. □

### PATTERNS

*You have changed me, Lord,  
And are molding me into  
The pattern of Your likeness.*

*This colorless mass of clay  
With all its imperfections is being shaped  
By Your own love-scarred hands.*

*Each time You mold,  
This nondescript me  
Becomes the quality of Your signature.*

*Continue refining, Lord, until  
Your imprinted design becomes a pattern  
Suited to the decor of Your kingdom.*

—Joan Cockerham Hill  
East Wareham, Massachusetts



# The Bundle of Life

by WILLIAM L. POTEET

**S**HE WAS THREE: a little blonde, blue-eyed angel. The fact that she had been born with Down Syndrome only made Vicki more precious to her family. Then a routine tonsillectomy triggered a tragic chain of events. "Cardiac arrest . . . respirator . . . com . . . irreversible brain damage"—the descriptive words were cold and clinical. They didn't soften the blow to the grief-stricken family.

Our congregation had interceded in her behalf. Just a week before Vicki went to be with Jesus we'd had a healing service. One man who was prayed for was miraculously touched. Vicki was anointed by proxy, since her hospital bed in Hawaii was nearly 4,000 miles away. God answered, but according to His perfect, sovereign will, not our own finite (and sometimes selfish) wishes.

The tiny white casket against the lush green background of a Missouri June symbolized vividly "the bundle of life."

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## ***The Lord your God will wrap your life up and put it with his own treasure."***

of life." Abigail used that descriptive phrase as she interceded for her husband, Nabal, before King David (1 Samuel 25:29). The *New English Bible's* rendering of that verse is beautifully poetic: "The Lord your God will wrap your life up and put it with his own treasure."

A bundle is a temporary thing; it is often fragile. A bundle is not meant for permanence. So it is with life. James describes life as a "mist that appears for a little while and then vanishes" (James 4:14, NIV). Not only does our body's warranty expire at age 70, we are not even guaranteed tomorrow.

A bundle is a container. The contents give it its value. The apostle Paul speaks of the bundle of life as an earthen vessel: "But we have this treasure in jars of clay to show that this all-surpassing power is from God and not from us" (2 Corinthians 4:7, NIV). Life is a special gift, but the value of life lies in what is poured into it.

A friend from Vermont used to drop by the parsonage from time to time with a gift for our family. Sometimes the container she brought us, wrapped in a brown paper sack, was an old peanut butter jar, other times it was an instant coffee or tea jar. Nothing pretentious, nothing fancy; a piece of waxed paper under the lid made a tight seal. But inside the container was pure Vermont maple syrup!

Our three children, born in college and parsonage homes in the Midwest, California, and New England, are as similar as siblings can be and yet as diverse as their regional roots. Each child's set of experiences has given a uniqueness to that life that is of inestimable value. We need continually to remind ourselves not to confuse the container with the contents.

A bundle is a convenient means of transporting something of value from one place to another. A bundle is not necessarily intended to look stylish, be valuable, or even of a great deal of importance in and of itself. It serves a very mundane and utilitarian purpose, transporting valuables to a new location.

David and Bathsheba had a son. While very young, perhaps within the first days of his life, for he is not even named in Scripture, he grew gravely ill. The King fasted and prayed for a week, and when the child died the servants were afraid to tell him for fear he might do something desperate. But David noticed the servants whispering among themselves and realized the child was dead. To the servants' surprise, however, David not only accepted the tragic turn of events, but he got up, bathed, dressed, and sat down to eat. When curiosity over the King's behavior finally overwhelmed them, their questions received this reply: "While the child was still alive, I fasted and wept. I thought, 'Who knows? The Lord may be gracious to me and let the child live.' But now that he is dead, why should I fast? Can I bring him back again? I will go to him, but he will not return to me" (2 Samuel 12:22-23, NIV).

Life moves inexorably, relentlessly, irreversibly toward its end. But we are not lemmings dashing mindlessly over a cliff. The soul has an eternal dimension. Jesus promised to return for me when the place He has been preparing just for me is ready for my arrival!

The bundle of life is, ultimately, His bundle. Life rests in the sovereign hands of God. What does this say about suffering, about a tender young life plucked away so suddenly? God is not capricious, He does not play games with us or taunt us. There is purpose and meaning in all that God does and in all that He permits.

Merrill Womack, a well-known Gospel tenor, was horribly burned in the crash of his twin-engine plane on Thanksgiving Day, 1961. Reflecting on his 13-year ordeal involving reconstructive surgery, extensive skin grafting, and more than a year of hospitalization, he commented, "I wouldn't change a thing, even if I could." Through the crucible of suffering, Merrill and his wife, Virginia, came to experience God's perfect will for their lives.

The "bundle of life" is His gift to us, from the precious little bundle secure in its mother's arms to the equally precious bundle, of whatever age, committed back to God who created it and gave to it the breath of life.

*May God in His love take the bundle of your life,  
And place it among His own treasures, I pray.  
What we give to the Lord is safe in His keeping.  
Won't you give Him your bundle today?* □

### **BE STEADFAST**

*The calm, majestic redwood,  
In spite of gales that blow,  
For centuries long has stood  
In storm and sleet and snow.*

*Because its heart is sound,  
Center and roots alive,  
Even when ringed around  
With fire, it can survive.*

*Though wind-lopped boughs may fall  
And crown hold lightning scars,  
Its crest that stretches tall  
Seems halfway to the stars.*

*Steadfast, unmovable,  
It shields the nesting jays;  
In summer, branches full  
Of breeze that echoes praise.*

*Be steadfast in your soul!  
May God's love, surging strong,  
Preserve your spirit whole  
And fill your life with song.*

—JEAN HOGAN DUDLEY  
Harlingen, Texas

# HOW TO CHANGE LIVES

## ENCOURAGEMENT IS ONE OF TODAY'S URGENT NEEDS



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by GORDON CHILVERS

A POOR German immigrant sat with her children in the waiting room of an Eastern station. A woman noticed her misery and spoke to her. The sad immigrant confided: "My husband has been buried at sea and I am now going to Iowa." Having only a moment, the American pressed some money into her hand and said: "Jesus is with you! He will never leave you alone! He knows you personally and all your cares and difficulties!"

Ten years later, the German said: "That word gave me courage for the rest of my life. It kept me strong and happy through all my troubles."

Encouragement is one of today's urgent needs. Thousands of people

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have become discouraged. Scope for the "ministry of encouragement" is amazingly wide.

Often it is despair rather than sin that kills. People give up because they have no hope. Discouragement can blight lives, dampen devotion, and paralyze service. The person who loses heart, willpower, and courage will not overcome failure. For the few who reach great distinction in life, millions are never heard of outside their tiny personal circles. Many people today find life drab and cheerless. They receive nothing that seems to bring a thrill to life.

A Christian acts wisely, does what he knows to be right. He tries to be kind, helpful, and to serve others, to bring joy into their lives. Yet few say, "Thank you." He sometimes receives no word or sign of appreciation. His efforts are like water spilt on the ground, lost and forgotten. His striving, fighting, and working make no headway. So he leaves off. He breaks down and sinks under the juniper tree like Elijah. He retires from the struggle discouraged.

When the people we meet show their feelings, we find many are discouraged. Some who used to come to our churches are now absent—the discouraged. We remember Christian workers who gave up their service—the discouraged. Today, the faith of many Christians is being tried to its limits. They have lost their earlier enthusiasm—the discouraged.

Misunderstandings and misrepresentations occur, even among Christians. Young people have bright hopes; firmly believe they will be realized. Time, however, does not bring the coveted joys. They get discouraged.

How will the discouraged overcome these feelings? By receiving new hope. John Bunyan's Pilgrim overcame every conceivable obstacle to the celestial city. But when he met Giant Despair, he thought seri-

ously of turning back. Indeed, he would have retraced his steps, had he not discovered a little key. It was called hope. He went on.

People will gain fresh hope when we encourage them. We need to be present-day counterparts of Isaiah's contemporaries. "They helped every one his neighbour; and every one said to his brother, Be of good courage. So the carpenter encouraged the goldsmith, and he smoothed with the hammer him that smote the anvil" (Isaiah 41:6-7).

How can we encourage people?

Expressing appreciation for the service they have given us can do it. While no one worth his salt wants flattery, a little sincere appreciation will often put new heart into a person who is discouraged. When we do our deed and nobody seems to care, then we ourselves may soon cease to care. Most of us have a deep hunger in our hearts for some word that will show that others do not regard our action as useless.

When Walter was at school he was shy and diffident, even stupid. He was frequently in the "dunce corner," with the high-pointed paper cap of shame on his head.

In his early youth, he was in a house where some famous literary guests were being entertained. Robert Burns, the Scottish poet, was admiring a picture. Under it was written the couplet of a stanza. He asked: "Who is the author?" Nobody knew. Timidly a boy crept up to his side, named the author, and quoted the rest of the poem. Burns was surprised and delighted. Laying his hand on the boy's head, he exclaimed: "Ah, my boy, you will be a great man in Scotland some day."

It was Walter's birthday. He went home and wept. From that day, he was a changed youth. One word of encouragement had set Sir Walter Scott on the road to greatness as an author.

Doubtless, a few people will be



come vain because many people have praised them. But a hundred times as many have given way to despair because they received no words of appreciation. Criticism may embitter and discourage, but appreciation seldom does anything except stimulate. Anyway, it is worth taking the risk of making one person proud, while we are encouraging hundreds of others.

Then, we can encourage others by our help. Many missionaries and pastors are working alone. They have to face difficulties, disappointments, and sorrows without the sustaining help of any friend. They must often wonder whether they will carry on, whether their work is worth their effort. A few encouraging words could prevent despair and keep God's servant at work.

Also, we can encourage others by our sympathy, our "feeling with" them. The apostle Paul bids us: "Rejoice with them that do rejoice, and weep with them that weep" (Romans 12:15). We show sympathy when we enter fully into other people's lives and share their troubles. They will know we care for them when we regard their disappointments as more important than our own. Receiving such love will not only halve the sorrow but also will stimulate any discouraged person to try again. This sympathy will infuse new life into people when they might otherwise despair.

Best of all we encourage the downcast by drawing their attention to the God of all encouragement. He is ever present to comfort, to encourage us. As the God of unlimited resources and unmeasured wisdom, He can bring into our lives all that will ensure blessing.

We can draw their attention to God's love. Day by day, we see God's love in action. This love does not treat us as parts of a mass but as individuals with specific weaknesses, peculiar problems, and personal sorrows. This love can encourage us at any time.

Encouragement is urgent for despair is prevalent. The world gives people more than enough discouragement. Let us try encouragement instead. Fortunately, encouraging others can be simple. Yet how valuable it is! □

# NAZARENE ROOTS

## THE FRUIT OF OUR YOUTH



"The Fire of holy love is falling on the young men—the Brotherhood of Saint Stephen. They were out to Pasadena Thursday evening, May 8, and held a meeting of great power and blessing. They were warmly welcomed by the congregation, who joined in the songs, prayers, and testimonies of the young men. Peculiar manifestations of God's love and power were seen among the young men last Sunday evening. After about an hour of song, prayer and testimony, two young men came back to the Lord and found pardon for their sins after which there was a regular old-fashioned love-feast. Truly that scripture was fulfilled which says, 'we know that we have passed from death unto life because we love the brethren.' 1 John 3:14. A. O. H." (*Nazarene Messenger*, May 15, 1902, page 3)

The above report from the *Nazarene Messenger* is signed with the initials of A. O. Hendricks. Young Hendricks was sanctified at an altar along with 39 other young men during the first years of the "Glory Barn" in Los Angeles and later participated actively in the young men's society, The Brotherhood of Saint Stephen. He provides an impressive example of how the church's concern for young people has borne fruit over the years. Ordained by Dr. Bresee in 1904, Rev. Hendricks became the founder or first pastor for as many as 15 churches along the west coast, including First Church of Portland, Ore. He served as college president at both Trevecca and Pasadena, in addition to giving four of his retirement years as missionary to Trinidad and Barbados. During all this time Rev. Hendricks held revivals, camp meetings, missionary conventions, and pastored churches across the country. A co-worker once wrote of him that, "For sixty years he moved at supersonic speed. Just try working with him as I have for sixteen years and see if I'm wrong." It seems appropriate that in 1915 this young "Timothy" was chosen to deliver Dr. Bresee's funeral message in Los Angeles, Calif. (A. O. Hendricks Profile Folder, Nazarene Archives.)

STEVE COOLEY, Director of Archives



The Brotherhood of Saint Stephen, July 4, 1906. The Sunday School teacher, Mrs. L. L. Ernest, can be seen in the center wearing her deaconess bonnet with its distinctive white bow tied under her chin. On her right is Mr. R. E. Shaw, leader of the Brotherhood. The young A. O. Hendricks is seen on her left. Most of the young men are wearing the Brotherhood's maltese cross lapel pin, which bears the inscription of 1 Timothy 4:12, and which is shown above.

**T**HREE CHRISTIANS I MET at different times in the same afternoon said almost the same thing. Jane was smarting from some ill-treatment at her job. She said: "How much it would mean to me if only someone cared!"

Fred was in the hospital, having undergone serious surgery. He commented: "I am here and know no one. If only someone knew about me, how much different I should be!"

Mary was facing a stiff temptation and was almost yielding to it. She declared: "If I could name someone who would stand by me, I know I should master this thing."

We have urgent physical and spiritual needs. Trials, sorrows, and disappointments hurt us. We get relief only when we can talk to someone about them. Yet that is not easy. Often we have temptations too intimate to discuss with friends or relatives. Sometimes we are lonely and have no friend available to speak to about our problems.

We always have someone who cares—Jesus Christ. He calls himself a Shepherd, a unique Shepherd. He said: "I am the good shepherd" (John 10:11). The word "good" includes the idea of "kind," though it means

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more than that. It means "fit," "beautiful," "competent," one who excels in his job.

How exactly Jesus meets our special and peculiar needs!

He has an intimate knowledge of each one of us though we number millions. He knows us so exactly that He calls each of us by name. Although Peter did not know it, he was to face a special period of temptation. Jesus knew that Peter's faith would be so thoroughly tested that he needed His prayer to remain. Lovingly, Jesus addressed him: "Simon, Simon" (Luke 22:31). The words had a ring of assurance about them. Peter overcame the stiffest of trials.

Mary Magdalene knew the deepest sorrow. She had seen her Lord suffer and die and then be buried. She had lost touch with the One she loved most. Tears filled her eyes when she found that the grave that had held His body was empty. Jesus met her and said: "Mary." As soon as she heard her name pronounced by Jesus, sorrow gave way to joy.

Jesus knows where we live. An angel appeared to Cornelius and told him to "call for one Simon, whose surname is Peter: He lodgeth with one . . . whose house is by the sea side" (Acts 10:5-6). When it was necessary for Ananias to go to Saul of Tarsus and heal him of his blindness, Jesus said to him: "Arise, and go into the street which is called Straight, and enquire in the house of Judas for one called Saul, of Tarsus" (9:11).

# The Lord Knows and Cares for Us

by G. WEATHERLEY



Sometimes the house where we live can cause special problems. Jesus is familiar with all the details of our environment. When writing to the church at Pergamos He said: "I know . . . where thou dwellest, even where Satan's seat is . . . where Satan dwelleth" (Revelation 2:13).

He also knows what sort of job we do and where we work. Peter's host is referred to as "Simon a tanner." That job had its occupational hazards. The Jews regarded it as unclean, so Simon lived outside the town, on the seashore.

The Lord knows exactly what we are doing at any moment and what its special significance is. He revealed this fact when He ordered Ananias to go to Saul of Tarsus, and told him, "He prayeth."

As someone has put it: "Jesus has a clear insight into the springs of life and the motives of action . . . He discerns the hidden texture of the inner life."

Jesus never lets a moment pass without knowing how we are. He constantly has us in His mind and is always considering our needs and hurts. He knows we are dependent on Him for our life, well-being, and progress, so He watches us carefully to see that nothing hinders those purposes.

Jesus exercises an infinite care over us. Indeed He cares for each of us as if He had no other person in the world to care for, yet cares for all of us in that way.

When Jesus looked at His followers, He saw a Thomas and a Peter. He saw a Mary and a Martha. How different each was from the other! To Jesus, each name means just one person. He never treats us as a crowd of people, but as individuals who have specific problems and who need particular treatment. Jesus knows each special need and will grant us the blessing that will suit us exactly, though it fits no other person in the whole world as well.

His care over us is tender, loving, helpful, and discriminating. A good and wise mother cares for her children in every place, situation, duty, job, trial, and affliction, whether in sickness or in health. Jesus does this infinitely better than any mother, because His knowledge and love are so much greater than the best mothers have.

Jesus will stop at no effort or sacrifice to secure our well-being. When surrendering His life was the only way to help us, He did just that. He died for us because He had boundless and endless love for us.

He will provide for us most lavishly. We enter into fellowship with Him, we go about our daily occupations. We shall have what we need to satisfy our hunger. In addition to bodily food, we shall have sufficient food to keep us in the most radiant of spiritual health.

Jesus says we shall have more abundant life. This is life lived on resources that are more than equal to any situation in which we find ourselves. Our spiritual life can be vigorous and rich. It has the fullest blessing and contains the truest happiness. Jesus will give us a deep peace and abiding joy. He will grant us everything essential to the enjoyment of an eternal and heavenly life.

Our needs are many, continuous, and difficult to meet. They are all met by our Savior. We have no care we cannot submit to Him. We can have no unsolvable problem. He knows and provides. □



## A Home for a Retired Pastor

by DEAN WESSELS

**G**OD WORKS in mysterious ways His wonders to perform." He also works through concerned laymen, disciplined planning, and willing workers. God used a combination of these elements to produce, from a seed investment, the retirement home of a Nazarene elder.

In April 1975, a concerned layman telephoned Kansas City and asked for Dr. Dean Wessels. This godly woman, calling long distance, explained that her pastor, almost age 60, had not participated in any type of retirement savings plan. She wanted the Pensions office to tell how her church could contribute for him into the Nazarene Tax-Sheltered Annuity Plan. Within a few days of the phone call, the account was opened and the contributions were begun. Two years passed and the pastor was called to another church. His new church faithfully continued to make contributions into the annuity until his retirement four years later.

Upon retirement, the minister moved to another state where a friend had offered to deed one acre of property to him for retirement housing. It was evident that God was working in the hearts of sacrificial laymen when two other friends agreed to build the home at a nominal cost. Another answer to prayer!

To secure the funds for building materials, the pastor turned to his tax-sheltered annuity account which had been in existence for only six years. Another answer to prayer was realized when the minister found that it was sufficient to build his retirement home. For this answer, God had taken the systematic contributions of a savings plan and multiplied them in order to cover the cost of the home.

Concern of faithful laymen, disciplined giving into a savings plan, and loving efforts were all used by God to meet the retirement needs of one of His deserving servants. □

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**G**RANDPA, can a porcupine sing tenor, too?"

The question, inserted in the piping voice of our four-year-old, brought hearty chuckles. A lively discussion of our choir was taking place around the dinner table. No one but my grandson and me understood the origin of his query.

"Gary, don't be silly!" his mother chided mildly. "Porcupines can't sing."

"That one up at our cabin does. Doesn't he, Grandpa?"

I had to acknowledge that Gary's idea probably came from me, out of our mutual experience at the mountain cabin one night. Gary had called me from sleep.

"Grandpa—there's something out there!"

Recognizing a familiar singsong

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by HAL M. VON STEIN

voice, I arose and had Gary join me at the cabin window. The porcupine was a dark blob hunched on the cabin step in the moonlight. Having caught the subdued murmur of our voices and the sound of movement inside the cabin, he remained utterly still for some time, then moved off, singing his little ditty, which sounds something like the soft whine of a puppy.

Gary's willingness to accept my interpretation of the animal sound as "song" gave me a touch of guilt at first. We need to be careful what and how we say things to children because they accept the unusual so much easier than we do with all our qualifying doctrines and theologies. As I explained the origin of Gary's idea, my guilt feelings went away.

We tend to forget that God created the creatures we identify with "nature" and placed them on this earth before man. And this same God has ordained, "Let every thing

that hath breath praise the Lord" (Psalm 150:6).

Much that man identifies as music came to us through the God-appointed voices of "nature." In his preemptive fashion, man has assumed superiority over everything else that sings. But who taught the woodthrush his poignant cadence and indescribable harmony? Who awakens the mockingbird in the night to trill his bars of song? Where does the obvious joy of warblers and countless other creatures come from as they pause in their short, intense lives to sing and to offer mankind a reminder to take time to praise God?

I don't feel qualified to ridicule the porcupine because his voice is unlike mine. But Sunday after Sunday, there are Christians sitting in the pews, listening, who should be singing in the choir.

"We need basses and altos and would welcome volunteers in almost every section of our choir." This invitation could be printed in almost any evangelical church bulletin in America. Some have very sound reasons why they cannot attend choir practice, but many have only excuses.

These people do not understand what they are missing. There is no more important work in this life than worshipping God. The primary work of the organized church is to show the world what God is like. Salvation of souls will follow. The Holy Spirit has drawn multitudes to Jesus Christ and life eternal through song.

God has appointed song as one avenue through which He identifies himself to His people and to the world. It has always been so! God inquired of Job, "Where were you when I laid the foundation of the earth! . . . when the morning stars sang and all the sons of God shouted for joy?" (38:4, 7, NASB). This earth was formed into being in an atmosphere of joyous song.

In ancient times King David, declared by God to be a man after His own heart, appointed 30,000 musicians, 4,000 of whom were singers. His son, Solomon, reduced the choir to 2,000 and divided it in two. These choirs had special living quarters in the Temple itself. Still later, in the second Temple, the choir was concentrated in 12 singing

ers, all male, between the ages of 30 and 50, having five years of training behind them. Today we are invited freely to this high privilege of the sacrifice of praise to Almighty God. Think of it!

Many of our choir directors have years of study and preparation behind them. They offer the best they have, several times each week, out of their busy lives, many with little or no financial help, to coordinate the sacrifice of mortal praise.

Choir work is work. That it is also fun is incidental. It takes time, energy, and commitment. There are people who do not have voice for song, and there are sound, valid reasons why others cannot attend practice, which is essential. But there are others with the gift of song who need to affirm their faith by using their voices for the Lord.

I am not sure about the porcupine singing tenor. But I am certain of one thing—he does the best he can. Do we do our best in our praise to God? □

## SUNDAY IS . . .

*Sunday is a day of worship!  
Worship that gives purpose,  
perspective,  
power . . . to life.*

*Sunday is a day of joy!  
Joy that results from worship,  
from sharing,  
from learning some new truth.*

*Sunday is a day of fellowship!  
Fellowship that deepens with Jesus,  
develops as I meet a new friend in church,  
delights being with God's family!*

*Sunday is a day of strength!  
Strength from worship that is real,  
from friendships that are reassuring,  
from rest that restores life's energies!*

—C. NEIL STRAIT  
Grand Rapids, Michigan



# SAVED BY A SPAR

by ROSS W. HAYSLIP

ON NOVEMBER 11, 1731, a ferry boat on the river Tweed in Scotland was wrecked and capsized as the result of a disastrous flood.

One of the passengers, Mr. Williamson, seized a bale of cotton that was floating nearby, but it became waterlogged and began to sink. Fortunately a heavy wooden spar from the wrecked boat bumped against him. He grabbed hold of it, clutched it close, and even though it rotated several times in the churning rapids, he held on until he was rescued.

For the remainder of his life he greatly treasured the spar that saved him. He even made the request that when he died the spar should be used in the making of his coffin. Forty years after the event, at the time of his death, this request was fulfilled.

Our salvation from sin is closely related to the

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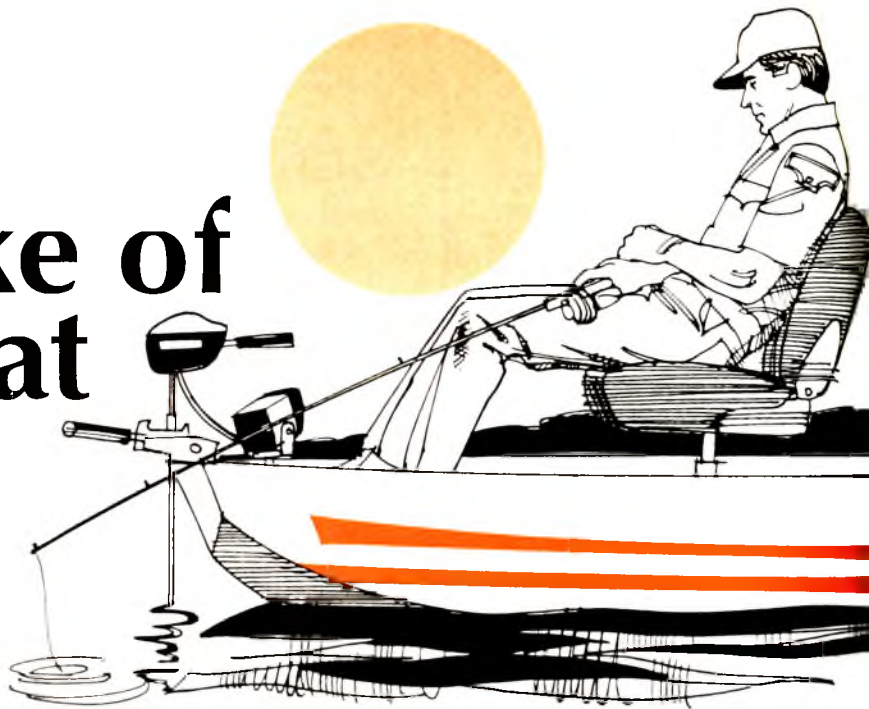
“Old Rugged Cross” on a hill called Calvary. Nothing but the cross of Christ can startle our souls from spiritual sleep. Without the Cross our religious faith has no meaning. The Cross was the climax of a life of rejection, scorn, and apparent failure. Many have been offended and repelled by the Cross. It had an ugliness in its day that still is reflected in ours.

But what happened on Calvary was the means of our salvation. The Jews asked for a sign, the Greeks were devotees of wisdom, but Paul preached Jesus Christ crucified, which was a stumbling block to the Jews and was utmost foolishness to the Greeks, but those who accepted the preaching found that the Cross was both wisdom and the power of God.

At the Cross Jesus gave His life for me. He gave it willingly. He was not a victim but rather the Victor. I shall cherish the old rugged Cross, for it became the instrument of my salvation. □

# The Wake of Life's Boat

by G. FRANKLIN ALLEE



**T**HE LITTLE OUTBOARD MOTOR was chugging along faithfully as it pushed my boat through the quiet water of the northern lake. Along the shoreline slender pine trees were outlined sharply against the western sky, their shadows laying long upon the lake's surface. Overhead, wispy cirrus clouds were turning to burnished copper under the paintbrush of the setting sun.

Hunkered down on the hard seat of the boat, my hand on the steering arm of the motor and my mind on the tasty dinner I was certain my wife was at that moment preparing in our lakeside cabin, I chanced to look back toward the spot where I had been fishing. A moment later I had shut the power off and was letting my boat drift listlessly. As far back as I could see, the wake of the boat was creating its own small disturbance on the surface of the lake, each little wavelet tipped with phosphorescence in the twilight. But what really caught my attention was the way it continued to widen in the distance, spreading out until it eventually spent its force on the distant shores of the lake.

The place was Rainy Lake, a slender body of water that stretches its silvery surface, like the boundary line it is, along the border between Minnesota and Canada. The time was more years ago than I care to reveal, but the impression that scene made upon my mind is with me to this day. My family and I were enjoying a pleasant vacation in a rented cabin on the lakeshore, and that afternoon I had gone down the lake a mile or two to my favorite fishing spot. Now, as dusk fell without sound across forest and lake, I sat in meditative silence, contemplating the ever widening pathway my boat had marked on the water's surface, and likening it to life. Eventually, I knew, each ripple would go on, mingling with any other surface agitation it encountered, until it broke upon the shoreline.

How much like the influence of one's life, I thought; reaching out through each personal contact, deed, and attitude, passing on from life to life in an ever widening

circle, never ceasing until it reaches the shores of eternity.

One of Paul's great statements came to mind: "For none of us liveth to himself, and no man dieth to himself" (Romans 14:7).

What were you saying, Paul? That each of us exerts some amount of influence upon others, for good or evil, and that this influence lingers on in an effective way, even after death?

Couched in the words of a more recent statement, this truth is put like this: "No man is an island." We are socially oriented creatures, living in daily contact with others of our kind, and there is no possible way we can enclose ourselves so tightly that we do not in some measure impart a bit of what we are to all with whom we come in contact. We implant some portion of our character in their lives.

**PRESS DOWN. YOU ARE MAKING SEVERAL COPIES.** As I was about to sign a legal document one day I noticed these words printed beneath the line where I was to apply my signature. It reminded me of the way our influence multiplies as it passes on from one person to another. It does not stop with the individuals nearest us, but goes on in a greater or lesser degree from them to others, and so ad infinitum.

When Jesus said, "He that is not with me is against me; and he that gathereth not with me scattereth abroad" (Matthew 12:30), He was letting us know that there is no escape from influence's obligation, that every life is either creative or corruptive, constructive or destructive.

It is a bit frightening to realize that through my daily walk, by whatever influence I may have, I am either helping lift men to heaven, or I am pushing them further toward hell, that I am a blessing or a curse. But this is a fact I cannot escape. I alone determine which it will be.

Reversing this, I am what the influence of others has made me. I am a composite of all I have ever heard with my ears, of all I have read, of every person I have ever known, with God—I trust—wielding the deciding in-

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fluence. Every individual I have ever been associated with has left his mark upon me.

Dr. Alfred Cantor, in his book *The Healing of the Mind*, says, "Every word you have ever heard, every sight, every sound, in short—every sensation you have ever experienced from the day of your birth to the present—is recorded in your nervous system."

If this is a fact, and most psychologists will agree that it is, then we impress some amount of influence, or persuasion, upon every person who enters the perimeter of our existence, either by the words we speak, the accent we place upon some of those words, the attitude we evidence, or merely by the kind of a person we are. Perhaps this is the one talent with which we all are natively endowed. To emphasize this point, I quote an ancient bit of verse—author unknown:

*Isn't it strange that princes and kings,  
And clowns that scamper in sawdust rings,  
And common folk like you and me,  
Are all building for eternity.*

*Each is given a set of tools,  
A shapeless mass and a book of rules;  
Each must fashion e'er life is flown  
A stumbling block or a stepping stone.*

Lord, grant me the ability to see my influence as it is, the grace to face up to what I see, and the power to make it creative in all my contacts this day, so that when I stand before You in the day of final awards I may hear those wonderful words, "Well done, thou good and faithful servant. . . Enter thou into the joy of thy Lord." Amen. □

## A PRAYER

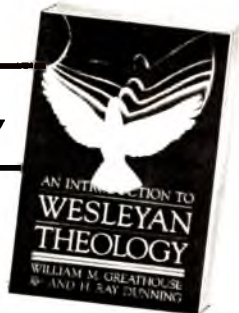
*With thanks I lift my heart to You,  
For mercy and for grace,  
And try to understand a love  
That spans the human race.  
I know the sin, I've felt within  
The depths to which men fall,  
But love so great removes the hate  
As sunlight on us all.*

*Within this world, so torn with strife,  
Pursue us, Lord, each day;  
And by Thy Spirit lift our hearts  
To love like Thee, I pray.  
To put aside our petty selves;  
To lose ourselves in Thee.  
Then humbly, holy, kindly live,  
Please, Lord, begin in me.*

—JOHN A. WRIGHT  
Weidman, Michigan

## Book Brief

### AN INTRODUCTION TO WESLEYAN THEOLOGY



WILLIAM M. GREATHOUSE and  
H. RAY DUNNING, *authors*

PAUL M. BECHTEL, reviewer for the *Bookstore Journal*, wrote that this book "will help any Christian understand the convictions on which his faith is based."

As Bechtel points out, a certain degree of intellectual assent is necessary in affirming basic doctrinal assertions. Ours is a theology based on a heart experience. The simplest can believe and be assured by the

warm inner glow that God has moved in, cleansed the heart, and taken control. But believing is "intellectual assent." Before a life-changing, heart-purifying transaction takes place, the mind has found a presentation of biblical truth reasonable and nodded yes, setting the processes of believing and accepting into motion.

So what did you believe? And what did you accept? Ah, that question can turn a Sunday School class into a lively discussion! The religious influences dominating lives today are widely diversified; doctrinal variations thus infiltrate the church. And few people can translate what they have experienced into words clear enough that another can agree with them.

*An Introduction to Wesleyan Theology* is a book explaining to us what we believe. The 10 chapters are based on key Articles of Faith as found in the *Manual* and after the first time through, the book becomes a handy reference for refreshing one's own beliefs or for teaching.

A fanatic, we are told, is one who has no idea what he believes and is wildly vocal about it. You can avoid that trap by taking advantage of this excellent foundational theology book. □

—Evelyn Stenbock  
Beacon Hill Press of Kansas City  
To order, see page 23.

# the editor's STANDPOINT

## ANOTHER TIME MAY NOT COME

“Too soon old, too late smart.” How often the truth and force of this adage occurs to me!

I thought about these oft-quoted words recently while reading about Edward Braddock’s ill-fated march to capture Fort Duquesne in 1775. The British general brushed aside warnings about the vulnerability of his troops to Indian ambushes. What could ignorant savages do against seasoned, disciplined troops?

As he neared the fort, the Indians struck. Braddock’s men fought in formations prescribed by manuals of warfare and were ineffective against the nearly hidden attackers. The Indians hadn’t read the rule book, and they knew how to take advantage of the forest cover. The gallant Braddock was mortally wounded. His dying words were, “We shall better know how to deal with them another time.”

The trouble is, life doesn’t always permit “another time.” We should learn from our mistakes and not keep repeating them. But some things can never be undone. Pilate’s words, “What I have written, I have written,” can apply to much of our lives.

You can’t have your marriage back to amend the wrongs that wrecked it, once death or divorce has taken away your mate.

You can’t have your children back, to raise them in the light of experience gained, once they are grown and gone.

You can’t have service opportunities back, to be a better witness for Christ, once the people you should have reached have disappeared from your life.

We need to age slowly and smarten quickly. We need to be as wise, sensitive, and careful in every situation as we possibly can be. We need, above all else, the guidance of the Spirit and the Word, which is promised to followers of Christ. In this way we can minimize our blunders and enhance our effectiveness in human relationships.

Life flows too swiftly and people are too precious for us to treat them lightly. Opportunity may knock more than once, but not often is it persistent. There was a good reason why our Lord so often said, “Watch!”

## COMMON SENSE RELIGION

When he was a boy, Benjamin Franklin was steered toward the ministry by his father. That he would not become a preacher was obvious by the time he was into his teens. One straw in the wind was his dislike for the long graces prayed by his father before and after each meal. Once, after winter provisions had been salted away in a barrel, young Benjamin said, “I think, Father, if you were to say grace over the whole cask—once for all—it would be a vast saving of time.”

When I read about the incident, related by Benjamin Franklin’s son, my thoughts sped back to an occasion when long grace made short shrift of a good meal. Doris and I were in a home mission pastorate at the time. One Sunday two preachers stayed for dinner and remained with us until the evening service. For a light supper Doris served sandwiches, Jell-O, and coffee.

I called on one of the guests to return thanks. He prayed at great length and around the world. When he finally reached his “amen” the coffee was cold, the Jell-O had melted, and even the sandwiches looked

tired. The pious windbag mumbled a semiapology, saying, “I guess I got carried away.” The other guest snorted and said, “Brother, he only asked you to say grace—not start a prayer meeting.”

Friends, religion won’t be spoiled by mixing a little horse sense in it.

How many children have been turned off by long, rambling prayers at the dinner table or the family altar. Those who believe that the value of prayer is measured by length should read again 1 Kings 18.

I’ve experienced the frustration of serving as an evangelist in a Sunday morning service where the pulpit was not yielded to me until 11:50. Invariably, the pastor will say, “Pay no attention to the clock. Take all the time you need.” Who is he kidding? Accustomed to benediction at 12:00, most of the congregation stop listening and starts squirming at high noon. There’s no use standing in the pulpit if you’re talking to yourself.

Common sense improves good religion!



Being true to God may cost you home, or friends, or job, or life itself. Obedience to God does not guarantee comfort in this life. Rather, it puts you on a collision course with "the world, the flesh and the devil." You cannot battle with that unholy trio and come out unscathed.

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## HOWARD HAMLIN, CHERISHED FRIEND

Today, the day I am writing this, will be a bittersweet day, a sad/happy day. For today Howard Hamlin will be buried, and I will miss him very much.

I knew about him for years, for he was one of our prominent and publicized laymen. I knew about him as a missionary doctor, reading occasionally of his work during the years he spent in Africa. Since becoming editor of this magazine and moving to Kansas City, I have known him as a physician and a friend. We dined together, talked together, prayed together, and looked into one another's mind and heart. I came to love him deeply.

Howard Hamlin was a gentle and genial man. His quiet manner belied his size and strength. A warm sense of humor never deserted him, even in tough, pain-filled situations. To visit with him for one last time, I violated another's doctor's orders, and with Doris driving, left one sickroom to call at another. I think we both knew it was our last visit this side of heaven. There were some tears, but more chuckles, as we chatted

briefly, prayed quietly, and parted until I make the crossing too.

I was impressed by Howard's teachableness. He was always glad to share what he knew and responded eagerly to invitations to speak at camps, retreats, and conventions. The invitations were frequent, for our people delighted in his presence and ministry. But he was as eager to learn as he was to teach, as willing to listen as to speak. From frequent conversations about the Sunday School class he taught, I sensed his constant pleasure in what he was learning from the class. He was even given to asking my opinions and viewpoints, and we shared books from each other's library.

When I remember Howard, I think of the fruit of the Spirit—"love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faith, meekness, temperance."

Ah, friend Howard, the things you will have to talk about when next we meet!

I am glad his pain has ended, his rest begun, but how I miss him! □

## INESCAPABLE COST

Obedience to God can be costly, not because He is a tyrant, but because the world is hostile.

It cost Abraham his native land and compelled him to live as a stranger and pilgrim on earth.

It cost Jesus Christ His very life, bringing Him to a cruel, lonely death on a cross.

It cost John an exile's hard lot on an island penal colony.

It cost Peter and Paul imprisonment, torture, and death, all of which they endured without a whimper.

It cost John Wesley the fury and assault of mobs, the slander and savagery of the religious establishment.

It cost John Bunyan long years of innocent suffering in Bedford jail.

It cost Francis Asbury the lonely and hazardous life of an itinerant bishop, riding horseback across America's seaboard and frontier for long, exhausting years.

Being true to God may cost you home, or friends, or job, or life itself. Obedience to God does not guarantee comfort in this life. Rather, it puts you on a collision course with "the world, the flesh and the devil." You

cannot battle with that unholy trio and come out unscathed.

If obedience to God is costly, however, disobedience is costlier. "The way of the transgressor is hard." On that way the tollgates are frequent and the tolls are high.

Through disobedience Adam forfeited a happy marriage and an ideal home.

Through disobedience Samson lost his strength, his eyesight, his freedom, and his life.

Through disobedience Saul lost his crown, his sons, and his life.

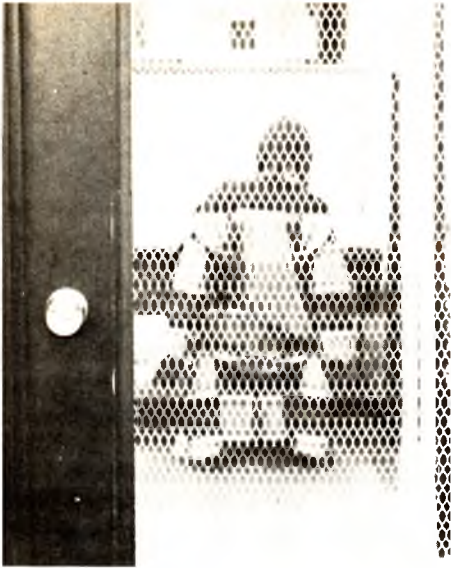
Through disobedience Israel lost its independence and homeland, forcing them into decades of captivity in Babylon.

Disobedience cost the enemies of Jesus their city, their temple, and their land.

It cost Pilate his self-respect and left him with a haunted conscience.

It cost Judas Iscariot the apostolate and earned him the contempt of history.

In the end, disobedience to God costs everything! □



Paul M. Schrock

# THE PRISON MINISTRY—

## Four Ministries in One

by ALLEN D. HANSON

**M**OST CHRISTIANS associate prison ministry with the high walls and guard towers of a large state or federal institution. This is only part of our opportunities to minister to those who are locked up. There are four different ways that we can spread the gospel of Jesus Christ in this important area of home mission work.

(1) Almost every large city or political subdivision has a local lockup or county jail. Men and women are kept here while they wait for court hearings, and many short prison sentences are actually served in these jails. Often these institutions are old, overcrowded, and filthy. Many times these jails are forgotten by local churches, but each one offers a chance to meet the new inmate at an early stage in his prison stay. Lifetime decisions are often made for Jesus Christ during these first days in lockup. Local Christians should be concerned about these facilities. Weekly visitation should be made so that the gospel is available to every prisoner spending a few days behind bars. Weekly contact and prayer are the important factors in this ministry. Christians everywhere need to assure themselves that local jails have a regular evangelistic prison ministry, or solicit help from an established prison service organization in forming a ministry as soon as possible.

(2) Almost every inmate has a family waiting for his release. These family members feel “locked up” with the inmate, and they share much of the trauma of arrest, conviction, and incarceration of the prisoner. In many ways they are serving time with the inmate and they suffer much of the actual pain of imprisonment with their convict.

Welfare will usually care for the financial necessities of dependent family members, but it takes Christian compassion, along with prayer and understanding, to help meet the emotional and spiritual needs of the family. During this critical period in their spiritual lives, the ministry of dedicated Christians, and the

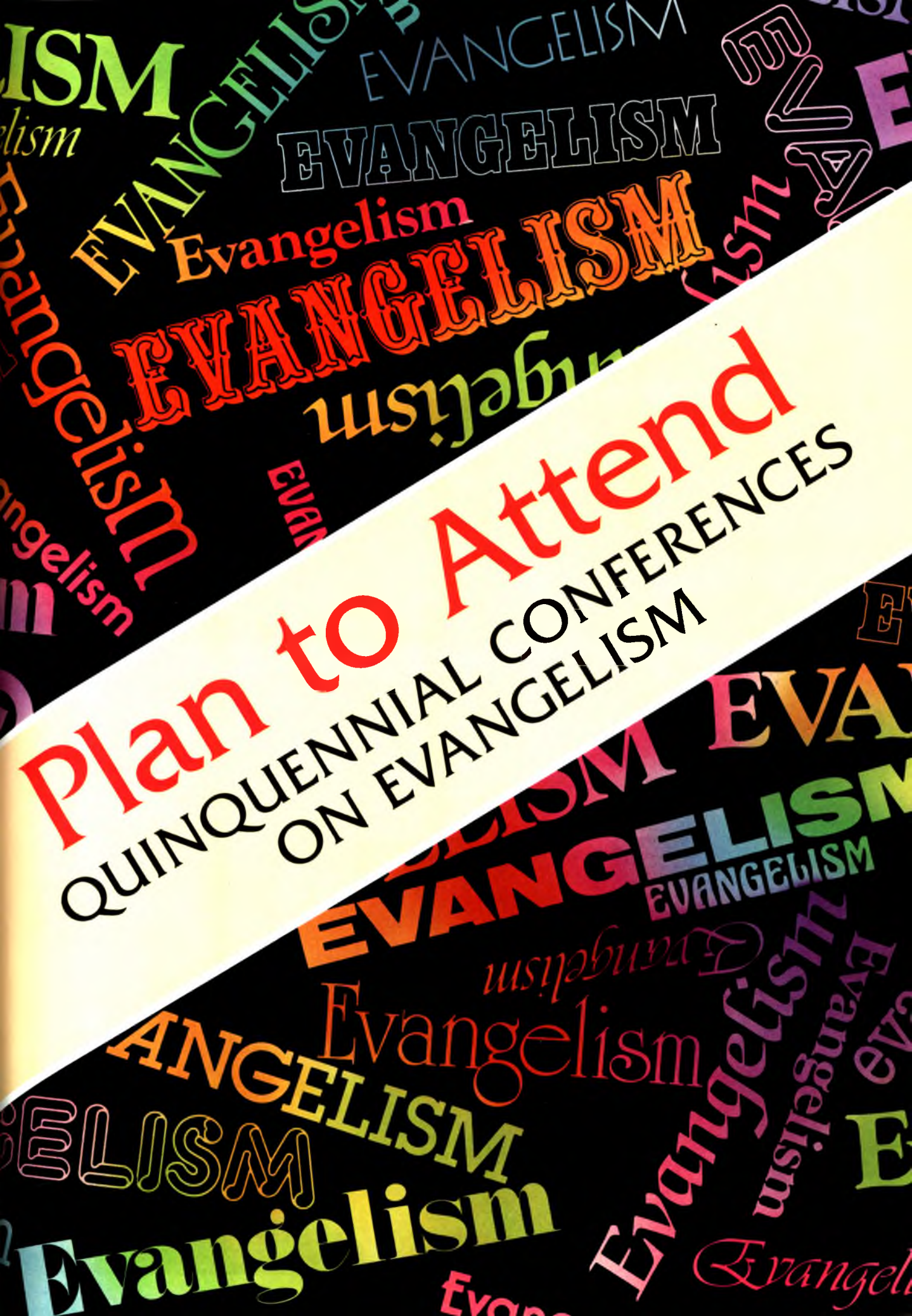
warmth and help of the local church, can mean so much!

(3) Penitentiaries call for special ministry that requires “on the job” training and involves a regular routine almost without interruption. Christians who live within commuting distance of a large state or federal institution can bring the gospel of Jesus Christ into these big prisons to men and women convicted of serious crimes. Few ministries offer a greater challenge and chance to make a real change in an inmate’s future life. Prayer and regular participation are the key to this evangelistic effort. To learn more about the special requirements of this very different mission work, you need to join a group that is going into a large prison on a regular basis.

(4) There are more than 10 million ex-offenders in the United States alone. A prison term can be a terrible thing and these ex-convicts have had a traumatic experience. They tend to distrust the justice system and society in general. They need our acceptance and understanding. Their background and prison sentence often leaves a deep emotional scar. It takes time for the ex-offender to adjust to life outside the prison walls. The love of Christ Jesus through your ministry can help them overcome the trauma and paranoia caused by being locked up in prison. We need to regard ex-offenders as having paid their debt to society and accept them back into the mainstream of daily life. If they are new Christians, we need to accept them into our churches and realize that their prison experience may influence their attitudes and actions for sometime to come. They need our tolerance and our prayers.

Each of these four ministries offers a chance to share the gospel of Jesus Christ with men and women who desperately need our love and concern. We are told in Scripture to “Remember those who are in prison, as though you were in prison with them” (Hebrews 13:3, TEV). When we try to put ourselves in the place of the inmate or ex-convict and his family, we can better understand his special needs and minister accordingly. Prayer is the key to success in all four of these important ministries, and Christians everywhere need to be involved and concerned. □

ALLEN D. HANSON lives in Ottertail, Minnesota. He regularly writes and lectures on the prison ministry and prison reform.



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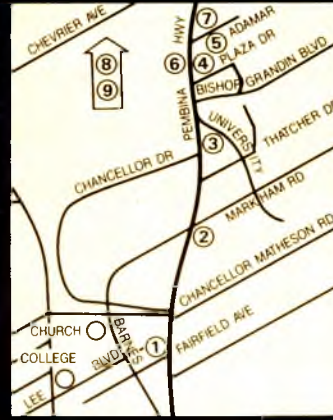
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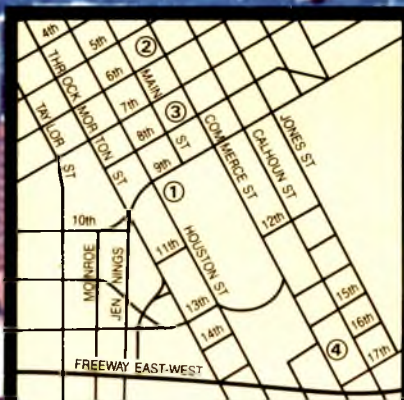
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# CONFERENCE SCHEDULE (U.S.A.)

(Please indicate your preferences on the response form.)

DAY	TIME	PHOENIX	FORT WORTH	TAMPA
<b>Tuesday</b>				
	7:30 p.m.	Robert Coleman	Robert Coleman	Robert Coleman
<b>Wednesday</b>				
	8:30 a.m.	*	*	Curtis Smith
	9:15 a.m.	W. Talmadge Johnson	Neil B. Wiseman	B. G. Wiggs
	10:00 a.m.	Break	Break	Break
	10:30 a.m.	Lenny Wisehart	G. Stuart McWhirter	Don Pfeifer
	11:30 a.m.	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch
	Afternoon	Seminars	Seminars	Seminars
	7:30 p.m.	Eugene L. Stowe	V. H. Lewis	Charles H. Strickland
<b>Thursday</b>				
	8:30 a.m.		Charles Johnson	Jose C. Rodriguez
	9:15 a.m.	Nelson Perdue	Bob Hoots	Gary C. Bond
	10:00 a.m.	Break	Break	Break
	10:30 a.m.	Millard C. Reed	James Diehl	H. B. London, Jr.
	11:30 a.m.	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch
	Afternoon	Seminars	Seminars	Seminars
	7:30 p.m.	Jerald D. Johnson	Orville W. Jenkins	William M. Greathouse

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# PROGRAM RESPONSE FORM

(Please Complete This Form on Both Sides and Return by December 10, 1983.)

## EVANGELISM MINISTRIES

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Please indicate your preference of seminars and workshops by placing a large X in the time slot for each seminar/workshop you wish to attend. Please duplicate the response form for each family member or friend who plans to attend.

A registration fee of \$10.00 for the Canadian Conference and \$20.00 for the U.S.A. Conferences is requested to help underwrite the costs of the conferences. An "Evangelism Tool Kit" of current materials, valued considerably in excess of \$20.00, will be given to each registrant at the U.S.A. Conferences.

### SEMINARS

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### GREETINGS:

The Convention and Visitors Bureaus in the respective cities are serving the church by handling all housing reservations. Requests for housing made on this form will be processed expeditiously and reservations confirmed directly by each hotel. If applications exceed the number of rooms in the hotel of first choice, the Bureau will assign reservations in other facilities at as near as possible rate as requested on your form. As you plan for the Evangelism Conference, please also pray for a mighty visitation of the Holy Spirit on our gathering.

**B. EDGAR JOHNSON**, General Secretary  
Conference Arrangements Committee

### CONFERENCE HOTELS Nearest to Convention Centers to be used.

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October 4-6, 1983

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January 3-5, 1984

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- San Carlos \$42.00

#### FORT WORTH

January 17-19, 1984

- Hyatt \$58.00
- Hilton \$56.00
- Metro/Center \$50.00

#### TAMPA

January 24-26, 1984

- Hyatt \$59.00
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- Holiday Inn \$38.00
- Sheraton \$37.00

### PLEASE CONFIRM RESERVATIONS AS MARKED TO:

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Time \_\_\_\_\_

### NOTES

1. Reservations should be received by December 10, 1983 (Canada, September 1, 1983).
2. Telephone requests will not be honored. All requests must be in writing.
3. Reservations will be held only until 5 p.m., unless special arrangements are made directly with the hotel. Some hotels may require room deposits.
4. All changes of arrival and departure dates should be made in writing to the hotels.
5. Send any cancellations in writing to Evangelism Ministries.



while in this case the danger exists that nothing at all is being said and we are wasting our time. Another article in the issue puts the number of languages at over 3,000 and as Paul says in 1 Corinthians 14:10, none of them are without significance.

Richard W. Bliesman  
Mount Pleasant, Iowa

MINISTERS TO PRISONERS

Five years ago, because of my age and my ability to be of service, as I was praying, I prayed, "Lord, if You are ready for me to come, I am ready, but if You are not ready, what can I be doing while I wait?" He answered, "Write to prisoners."

I was so surprised I stopped praying and said, "Me write to prisoners? I don't know how to start."

But knowing it was His voice, I began, to my best knowledge.

In the past five years I have been writing to over 150 inmates. I soon found myself connected with Prison Fellowship, which Charles (Chuck) Colson, who was a convict, began.

I am happy God chose me to write to them, for it has been a blessing to them as it has to me.

Many have told me that my writing to them has given them a new outlook on life.

Prisons have important rules. In obeying the rules it is safe to correspond with the inmates.

There are some in prison, as out of prison, who will take advantage of our love and sympathy, such as one who wrote me the Lord told him to

ask me for so much money. I knew that was a lie for I did not have any money.

Let's remember, there are inmates who need us to tell them God loves them and gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life.

God is waiting on them to be tired of the life they have been living, and repent and invite Jesus to come into their lives.

Mrs. Myrtle Howell  
Columbus, Georgia

PRAYER FOR THE PRESIDENT

I wish to express my convictions in regard to President Reagan and our government.

How many years has it been since we have had a president take a strong stand for the Bible and bold enough to speak of Jesus in public? It is easy to use the name God or even Christ, but the name Jesus is seldom used. I am 70 years old and do not remember one president that spoke the name of Jesus Christ. Now some say, "So what?" Well most people are familiar with the word God but many seem to fear the word Jesus.

After the attempt on his life President Reagan said, "God has spared my life and the years I have left belong to Him." He is a babe in Christ and needs all the help Christians can give him. Paul exhorted Timothy (1 Timothy 2:1-2) to pray for all men, including kings and all that are in authority.

Rather than criticize or play poli-

tics, let's build a wall of prayer around our people and country and say, "Thy will be done on earth—and in our government."

Brethren, it is the last day.

Gordon L. Kennedy  
Hamilton, Ohio

BROADER APPLICATION

The editorial "Overreaction" (April 1, 1983) touches on such crucial issues of truth that a couple brief comments are in order.

First, much Nazarene preaching today is so filled with accolades of appreciation for everyone within the four walls of the church building that there isn't any psychological room for denunciation of any modern-day generation of vipers (cf. Luke 3:7) who might be at work within the church walls engaging in demonic activities.

Second, the principles of "modesty, simplicity, and economy" are biblical, but why limit them to "dress"? I realize that was the Nazarene practice of a few decades ago, and it had some validity. But in my reading of the Bible, I sense these principles apply to the use of all earthly goods, such as housing, autos, etc. Alas, these have never been addressed, for all practical purposes, and that lack is even more lamentable than the disappearance of reference to "dress."

Fred Lindell  
Mishawaka, Indiana

Editor's Note: Agreed! But "never" is too strong. Appeals for simplicity of life-style, warnings against materialism, etc., have appeared in Herald articles and editorials.

# A Good Deal

by LARRY A. MANCINI

BOB'S FAMILY had recently come to Christ through our church. Following an invitation to attend a service, Bob came one Sunday morning. The Parsonage Improvement Committee made a presenta-

LARRY MANCINI pastors the Olean, New York, Church of the Nazarene.

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

tion and Bob signed up, following the service, to do some painting.

A few weeks later he showed up to paint. It just so happened that we were having a Gospel Concert that evening in our church. One of the members in the group tried to persuade him to attend it but to no avail.

But on his way home, his new 15-speed bicycle, which he uses for transportation, broke down. Actually, the rear axle split in two.

He made a deal with me. If I would take him down to the bicycle store, he would attend the service. I did. He came. The Lord was speaking to Bob. Following the concert, he made his way down to the altar. This was only the second time he had been in our building.

The next Sunday he was in church with his family. I wish you could have heard his testimony. Time alone will tell what obedience to God and kindness to man will result in. □

# IN THE NEWS

## PEOPLE AND PLACES

**LeRoy D. Peterson** of Maple Heights, Ohio, was recently elected State Representative of the 17th House District of the State of Ohio. Peterson, a 1968 graduate of Bethany Nazarene College, received 58 percent of the vote in his house district that includes 15 communities. He has previously served as a city councilman in Maple Heights (a Cleveland suburb) for three terms.

Peterson is a member of the Bedford, Ohio, church, and has served in several capacities there including board member, Sunday School teacher, church usher, and as a coach for teen basket-

ball and softball teams. He and his wife, Ponce (Briscoe), have two children, Susan and Kevin. □



**Ken Hathaway** has received the "Outstanding Young Men of America" award for 1982. This award was presented by the national organization of U.S. Jaycees in recognition of outstanding professional achievements.

Ken is a graduate of Bethany Nazarene College and Nazarene Theological Seminary. He has pastored in Missouri and Oklahoma, served as a commissioned evangelist for five years, and is currently pastoring the recently organized Yukon, Okla., Canadian Hills Church.

Ken and his wife, Brenda, have three children: Matthew, age 8; and twins, Katherine and Kent, age 18 months. □

series will be initiated with the release of volume 2, *The Wesley Century*. This six-volume set will feature holiness literature beginning with the Early Church and continuing into the 20th century. Plans are also being made for the Old Testament section of *Beacon Bible Expositions*. They will be developed as soon as the last volume of the New Testament, volume 9, has been released early in 1984.

All books published by any of the divisions of the church or by the Missionary Study Committee come under the purview of the Book Committee. □

### NAZARENE SUPPLEMENTAL RETIREMENT PROGRAM SHOWS NEW GROWTH

The Nazarene Supplemental Retirement Program (TSA, KEOGH, IRA) has shown new growth during the past months. The program has participants among all church and church agency employees, including ministers, lay employees, and evangelists.

From October 1982 through March 1983, there was a 72 percent increase over the previous six months in the number of individuals enrolling in the program. Contributions to the program also increased during the six-month period by 51 percent over the previous six months. Since its beginning in November 1963, the Nazarene Supplemental Retirement Program has enrolled over 3,200 individuals who have made contributions in excess of \$17 million.

Contract negotiations during 1982 brought several improvements in the program. Beginning in October 1982, all "old money" contributed or earned by participants prior to that date was moved up to a 14½ percent interest rate. All those monies plus contributions received between October 1, 1982, and December 31, 1982, are now earning 14½ percent guaranteed through the end of 1983.

The contract also provided for contributions to be placed in five-year

### BOOK COMMITTEE MEETS

The eight-member, official Book Committee of the Church of the Nazarene recently met in quarterly session. This committee is appointed by the Board of General Superintendents subsequent to each General Assembly.

Besides being the church's 75th anniversary year, 1983 is a banner year as far as books are concerned. By year's end, there will be in excess of 75 published volumes. Three major works are a part of this total: *Beacon Dictionary of Theology*, *Exploring Christian Holiness*, vol. 1, and *Called unto Holiness*, vol. 2.

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"cells." Each "cell" receives an interest rate guaranteed not to fall below an announced minimum. After five years, the "cell" receives "new money" rates again.

All contributions received during 1983 will begin a new "cell" earning 11 percent interest during 1983. The interest rate for the remaining four years of this "cell" is guaranteed not to fall below 9 percent.

In addition to the contract advantages, tax laws have liberalized contribution amounts, making it possible for individuals to use additional "catch-up" options for past years of service. One option allows up to \$10,000 to be tax-sheltered during a year.

Also, it is now possible for qualified individuals to have both a TSA and an IRA account. This allows for more flexibility in retirement planning. □

### HEADQUARTERS HAS SERVICE AWARDS CHAPEL

On April 14, 1983, a chapel service was held to honor employees who had completed 2, 5, 10, 15, or 25 years of continuous service at Headquarters as of January 1, 1983. The employees who were honored received a pin designating their years of service. Paul Spear, Headquarters Services director, paid special tribute to Miss Sylvia Frank. He presented her a gold watch in recognition of her 25 years of continuous service to the International Headquarters of the Church of the Nazarene.

Rev. Richard Neiderhiser, pastor of the Grandview, Mo., church, spoke from Mark 10:43-44: "Whoever wants



Rev. Richard Neiderhiser speaking at service awards chapel.



Paul Spear (r) presents a gold watch to Sylvia Frank for 25 years of service.

to become great among you must be your servant, and whoever wants to be first must be slave of all" (NIV).

Rev. Neiderhiser voiced the gratitude of the thousands of Nazarene constituents whom he felt he represented, and expressed his thanks to Headquarters employees for their part in the ministry of Christ through the church around the world. In closing his message, Rev.



Pictured (l. to r.) are those honored for 10 years of service and over: Sylvia Frank, 25 years; Melton Wienecke, 15 years; Verl Peterson, Esther McNutt, and Roland Miller, 10 years.

Neiderhiser said to the honorees, "What we do today is pay tribute to your servanthood, give recognition to your faithful term of service, and express our gratitude for your commitment to Christ."

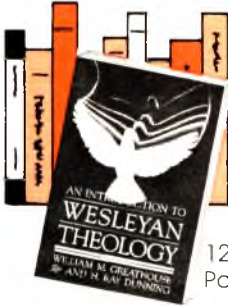
Following the presentation of the awards, the employees shared in a brief time of fellowship and enjoyed some refreshments. □



Those honored for five years of service were (l. to r.): Judy Veigl, Pam Stelting, Miriam Hall, and Dale Jones; not pictured are: Denny Bergstrom, Lynda Boardman, and Linda Gabourel.



Those honored for two years service are shown (row 1, l. to r.): Diane Merki, Shirley Marvin, Gary Hayes, Robert Hempel, Christian Sarmiento, Gene Frye, Bill Rolfe, and Kathy Wright; (row 2, l. to r.) Maxine Power, Maria Valdes, Teresa Layman, Pam Tracy, Carolyn Goings, Faye Allen, Vicky Darling, Darlene Weller, and Sheree Denney. Not pictured are: David Best, Phyllis Brown, Loretta Cloud, Yvonne Hatfield, Karen Kochendorfer, L. Guy Nees, Bruce Oldham, Don Owens, Blaine Strauser, Bill M. Sullivan, and Theresa Grigory.



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### NAZARENE NEWS EDITOR ACCEPTS CHICAGO POST

Rev. Robert Brunson, the Nazarene News editor, became coordinator of ethnic/urban ministries with the Chicago Central District and moved to Chicago in June.

Before coming to Headquarters, Rev. Brunson served as a missionary in Peru and Costa Rica for 12 years. Most recently he taught Old Testament and Hebrew in the Nazarene Seminary of the Americas in San Jose, Costa Rica. In addition to his teaching assignment, he also served as vice-rector and academic dean.

A graduate of Bethany Nazarene College and Nazarene Theological Seminary, Rev. Brunson has an M.A. in Old Testament from Fuller Theological Seminary. He is married to the former Norma Hendrix. They have two children: Robin Michelle and Sheri Renae. □

## OUR COLLEGES AND SEMINARIES

### MVNC HOLDS COMMENCEMENT

Mount Vernon Nazarene College's 14th annual commencement was witnessed by 1,300 family members and friends on May 24. There were 174 degrees awarded during the 90-minute ceremony—the most degrees ever awarded at MVNC.

Dr. Jerald D. Johnson, general superintendent, was the commencement speaker for the annual event. He challenged the graduates to "commit your lives, your talents, and your faith, to achieving spiritual solutions for what are ultimately spiritual problems." Johnson reminded the graduates that such solutions can make a tremendous difference in their lives, in the church, and in the country.

Following the commencement ad-



President William J. Prince (l.) hands Dr. M. C. Clay, retiring chairman of the Board of Trustees, a plaque representing MVNC's appreciation. Dr. Harold Graves (r.), new chairman of the Board of Trustees, looks on.

dress, Dr. William J. Prince, president of MVNC, formally accepted the Class of 1983 from Dr. Robert Lawrence, vice-president for academic affairs. Drs. Prince and Lawrence, and the registrar, Rev. William Bennett, officiated over the awarding of 153 bachelor of arts, 17 associate in applied science, and 4 associate in arts degrees.

As part of the commencement ceremony, the college, by action of the Board of Trustees, awarded an honorary doctor of divinity degree to Rev. Jack R. Archer, pastor of Mount Vernon First Church. Dr. Stanton Parry, vice-president for finance and manage-

ment, noted that Archer's tenure at Mount Vernon First has closely paralleled the beginning and growth of MVNC. Currently serving on the MVNC Board of Trustees, Archer is also a Fellow of the College.

The Service Above Self awards were given to Joy Wells and Jonathon Merki for their outstanding contributions to the college over the past four years. Wells, the daughter of Henry and Vi Stephenson, majored in pre-seminary and Christian education and was active in Mission in Action Fellowship. Merki, the son of Robert and Elizabeth Merki, majored in English literature and Christian education. He was involved in Living Witness, the peer counselor program, and served as English Department assistant.

During the commencement exercise, Dr. Prince told that Dr. M. E. Clay had announced his retirement as chairman of MVNC's Board of Trustees at the board meeting held early that morning. Dr. Harold Graves, superintendent of the Southwestern Ohio District, was elected by the board to replace Dr. Clay.

Currently the superintendent of the West Virginia District, Dr. Clay had served as chairman of the Board of Trustees for 13 of the 15 years the college has been in existence. Clay also retires this summer as superintendent of the West Virginia District. Following the announcement of Dr. Clay's retirement, Dr. Prince presented him with a plaque and gift certificate in appreciation of his work at the college. □

### MANC RECEIVES GIFT

Dr. Roger Parrott, chief development officer, announces the gift to Mid-America Nazarene College of \$150,000 from the Victor and Effie Speas Foundation. This gift was made by the foundation and the directors of First National Bank of Kansas City.

The gift will be applied toward the \$4 million library and science building renovation project. It will specifically



Dr. Johnson addresses 1,300 students, family, and friends at MVNC's 14th annual commencement.

go to provide and equip a new anatomy and physiology laboratory in the Osborne Science Hall. □

### NBC HOLDS 12TH ANNUAL EVANGELISM CLINIC

One hundred and twenty-five students at Nazarene Bible College in Colorado Springs received classroom and on-the-job training in Nazarenes-In-Action Personal Evangelism Training. Mrs. Ruth DeLong, regional coordinator of personal evangelism, was the clinic instructor. Rev. Chris Hale, pastor of the church in Dumas, Tex., gave his testimony and shared how personal evangelism had played a major role in the two churches he has pastored. Janet Williams, professor of evangelism, gave classroom training for three weeks before the clinic began. Mrs. Beverly Burgess from Evangelism Ministries directed the clinic, and Mrs. June Cole, regional coordinator of personal evangelism, also attended.

Because of the large number of students taking the training, many used the Salvation Questionnaire going door to door while others made appointments with prospects in their churches. Out of 266 calls, 172 persons heard the gospel proclamation with 49 making commitments to Christ. There were an additional 37 prospects to be followed up by individual churches.

One of the students had a contact with a deaf school and presented the gospel through a translator. Of the 32 teenagers who saw the gospel presented in sign language, 20 invited Christ into their hearts.

Six non-Nazarene groups were involved in the classes and on-the-job training. Through this class one community church has six new people and are using the *Basic Bible Studies* to follow up these new Christians. The class also included reaching into the Spanish and Korean communities. Many wives of students took the training.

After the training, one student said: "I was all ready to throw out this plan until I saw my trainer use the outline with the scriptures and present it in an effective manner. I am thrilled that I will be able to use it in many different situations." □

### 1983 ENC COMMENCEMENT

The 61st annual commencement exercises of Eastern Nazarene College were held May 30, in the Lahue Physical Education Center on campus. Degrees were granted to 147 students, including 7 associate of arts, 84 bachelor of arts, 36 bachelor of science, 3 master of education in moderate special needs, 2 master of education in early childhood education, 9 master of arts in family counseling, 1 master of arts in

pastoral counseling, and 5 master of arts in religion. Choral selections by the A Cappella Choir preceded the commencement address by Rev. Sydney Martin, pastor emeritus of the Parkhead Church of the Nazarene, Glasgow, Scotland. Citing the words of Moses from the Old Testament, Rev. Martin challenged each of the graduates to be a prophet. He defined that term as applying to persons of vision, reason, action, and passion.

Honorary Doctor of Divinity degrees were bestowed upon Rev. A. Gordon Wetmore and Rev. Sydney Martin. Dr. Wetmore is an alumnus and past administrator of Eastern Nazarene College, recently elected president of Northwest Nazarene College in Nampa, Ida. Dr. Martin is a retired pastor, educator, and author from Twechar, Scotland.

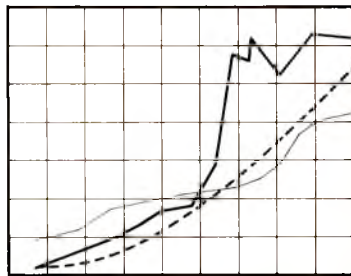
Commencement weekend also included Alumni Day held on Saturday, May 28, culminating in the Alumni Banquet attended by 500 persons. Alumnus of the Year Awards were awarded to Mrs. Ann Rearick of Massapequa Park, N.Y., and to Mr. and

Mrs. Charles Caldwell of Quincy, Mass. Achievement Awards were presented to Mrs. Betty Ferruzza of Lancaster, Pa.; Dr. Keith Bell of Mid-America Nazarene College; and to Mr. Greg Niblett of North Quincy, Mass.

Following the banquet a dedicatory program was held in the new Edith F. Cove Fine Arts Center. Greetings were brought by President Stephen W. Nease, Mayor Francis X. McCauley, and Mr. Charles Cove, nephew of Professor Edith Cove in whose memory the building was named. The prayer of dedication was offered by Dr. Roy Carnahan, chairman of the Board of Trustees.

On Sunday morning, Dr. Stephen W. Nease brought the message for the annual baccalaureate service held at Wollaston Church.

This 61st commencement was also highlighted by the granting of emeritus status to three faculty members: Dr. Harvey J. S. Blaney, Dr. Alvin Kauffman, and Dr. Lyal Calhoun, and by the awarding of a posthumous degree to Mr. Bill Ross, a student who died of cancer last year. □



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# ACTS 29— The Church Goes On

ACTS 29 could be the story of the church in action. The discipling group sponsored by Youth Ministries, ACTS 29, is living out the story in Colorado Springs in the summer of 1983.

This year the team has doubled their ministry efforts by forming two teams of 12 members each, instead of the traditional one 12-member team. The teams are made up of 10 college students each, along with a leader couple for each "family" unit. Mike and Deena Funk will be the leader couple for ACTS 29 I, which began their ministry June 2 and will conclude August 21. ACTS 29 II began their ministry June 9 under the leadership of Kyle and Sue Bunker. They end their summer ministry August 28.

Each family has become a Christian

discipling community for the summer, focusing on discipleship principles, personal ministry skills, and leadership training. In addition to their meeting together each evening and weekends for training, they will work 40 hours a week on the staff at the North Pole Amusement Park and contribute their paychecks to the group to earn their support. While working, they are challenged to "live the Word" daily in life-style and testimony.

ACTS 29 is a program unit of YOUTH IN MISSION, under the supervision of Dale Fallon, Campus Ministries program director for Youth Ministries. For more information write: Dale Fallon, YOUTH IN MISSION, 6401 The Paseo, Kansas City, MO 64131. □

Rev. Bruce Oldham, general director of NYI Bible Quizzing, has announced this year's NYI theme study books for small-group Bible study and Bible quizzing.

*Romans* and *James* will be the focus of the year-long coordinated study. Kicking off the emphasis are two units in the *Word-Action Series* Sunday School curriculum for teens this summer: *James* is featured in the junior high age level, and *Romans* is targeted in the senior high age level. The Bible study curriculum for summer camp, *Freedom in the Son*, looks at the concept of salvation and sanctification from *Romans*. *Discovering Romans and James*, the official "discovery group" workbook for the year, will offer church youth groups an intensive study of the two books for individual reading and for weekday or Sunday NYI meetings.

Teens involved in Bible quizzing will memorize over 100 verses this year from *Romans* and *James*. A new book, *The Quiz Director's Handbook*, is being offered to help leaders integrate Bible application, memorization, and quiz programming into the total NYI program.

"We are hoping that through this coordinated program, every NYI member in the local church, from teen through young adult, will get involved in *Romans* and *James* this year," states Rev. Oldham. "Bible application and memory work is a key to growing youth groups, and can be challenging and exciting."

All of the above materials are offered through Nazarene Publishing House. □

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## LAMB'S CLUB PAYS MORTGAGE

The Lamb's Manhattan Church of the Nazarene has paid off its mortgage in full, due to the interest and involvement of Bethany, Okla., First Church.

Early this year, after spending a week in prayer and fasting for the Lamb's, Dr. Ponder Gilliland invited Pastor Orville Jenkins, Jr. to share the Lamb's story with the Bethany First Church congregation. The church's Finance Committee recommended that the church set a goal of \$100,000 to be raised for the Lamb's, but later decided to raise that goal to one-half the indebtedness, or \$137,500. When the love offering was counted it totaled \$173,000. Just two months prior to that time, the Bethany congregation had pledged over \$200,000 for world missions in their annual Faith Promise Convention.

With the help of the Finance De-

partment of the General Board of the Church of the Nazarene, and the Church Growth Division, the General Board designated \$100,000 for the Lamb's. The two gifts made it possible to pay off the mortgage on Good Friday, April 1, 1983.

Paying off the mortgage at that time saved the Manhattan church over \$52,000 in interest. □

## FOR THE RECORD

### DISTRICT ASSEMBLY INFORMATION

**KANSAS CITY**—Aug. 17-18. College Church, 2020 E. Sheridan. Olathe, KS 66062. Host Pastor: Paul G. Cunningham. General Superintendent: Dr. Orville W. Jenkins.

**NORTH CAROLINA**—Aug. 17-18. Church of the Nazarene, 8614 Pineville-Matthews Rd., Pineville, NC 28134. Host Pastor: Max S. Murphy. General Superintendent: Dr. Jerald D. Johnson.

**GEORGIA**—Aug. 18-19. Atlanta First Church, 1600 Agape Way, Decatur, GA 30083. Host Pastor: Keith Wright. General Superintendent: Dr. Charles H. Strickland.

**JOPLIN**—Aug. 18-19. Church of the Nazarene, 2000 Grand Ave., Carthage, MO 64836. Host Pastor: Bud Garber. General Superintendent: Dr. V. H. Lewis.

**NORTHWEST INDIANA**—Aug. 19-20. First Church of the Nazarene, 3134 Swanson Rd., Portage, IN 46368. Host Pastor: Hylyard Irvin. General Superintendent: Dr. Eugene L. Stowe.

**MISSOURI**—Aug. 25-26. Southwest Church of the Nazarene, 4543 Magnolia Ave., St. Louis, MO 63110. Host Pastor: William J. Sunberg. General Superintendent: Dr. V. H. Lewis.

**SOUTHEAST OKLAHOMA**—Sept. 1-2. First Baptist Church, Ada, OK 74820. Host Pastor: John L. Harrison. General Superintendent: Dr. Charles H. Strickland.

**SOUTHWESTERN OKLAHOMA**—Sept. 1-2. Western Oaks Church of the Nazarene, 7901 N.W. 16th St., Oklahoma City, OK 73127. Host Pastor: Robert Snodgrass. General Superintendent: Dr. V. H. Lewis.

### DISTRICT ASSEMBLY REPORTS

#### LOS ANGELES

The 33rd annual assembly of the Los Angeles District met in Pasadena, Calif. District Superintendent Paul Benefiel, completing the third year of an extended term, reported.

Dr. Eugene L. Stowe, presiding general superintendent, ordained Stephen Ray Bearden, David Michael Best, Felix G. Cordero, Marty L. Edwards, Stephen Keith Gustin, Jerry David Hansen, David Hall Jenkins, Michael E. Lodahl, Mark William Pitcher, and Mark Luther Sanford, and recognized the credentials of Mac Dean Culver and Joseph R. Warrington.

Elders Roger E. Bowman, Earl Lee, Norman V. Shoemaker, and Ira L. True, and laymen Harold Bell, Carlton Burlison, Gary Morris, and Howard Wooton were elected to the Advisory Board.

Mrs. Lois Ward, Rev. Douglas W. Brumbaugh, and Rev. Norman V. Shoemaker were reelected NWMS president; NYI president; and chairman of the Board of CL/SS, respectively.

#### SOUTHERN FLORIDA

The 10th annual assembly of the Southern Florida District met at Bradenton, Fla. District Superintendent Robert H. Spear, Jr., completing the first year of an extended term, reported.

Presiding General Superintendent Jerald D. Johnson ordained Jeffrey Hunter Baughman and Jay Stephen Shoff.

Elected to the Advisory Board were elders Joseph Benson, Pal Wright, and Neil Wiseman, and laymen Alan Underwood, John Vasey, and C. O. Woody.

Mrs. Jan Wright, Ted Underwood, and Rev. Paul Bickes were reelected NWMS president; NYI president; and chairman of the Board of CL/SS, respectively.

#### ALASKA

The 33rd annual assembly of the Alaska District met at Anchorage. Alaska District Superintendent Robert Sheppard, completing the first year of an extended term, reported two new churches. Chugiak and Valdez.

Presiding General Superintendent V. H. Lewis ordained Gary Thomas and Paul Bentley.

Elders Roy Nickels and Wes Smith, and laymen Glen Larson and Everet Schmelzenbach were elected to the Advisory Board.

Adeline Reimer was reelected NWMS president; Paul Bentley was reelected NYI president; and Lyle Coblenz was elected chairman of the Board of CL/SS.

#### NORTHERN CALIFORNIA

The 78th annual assembly of the Northern California District met in Concord, Calif. District Superintendent Grady W. Cantrell, completing the first year of an extended term, reported.

Dr. V. H. Lewis, presiding general superintendent,

ordained Wilbur W. Chiu, Arthur C. Fisher, James R. Healy, William J. Rushing, and Thomas G. Shaw.

Elected to the Advisory Board were elders E. Wayne Knox, James S. Shaw, and LeRoy Tipton, and laymen Paul Price, Quentin Smith, and John Wilcox.

Wilma Shaw, Russell Martin, and J. Ronald Gilliland were reelected NWMS president; NYI president; and chairman of the Board of CL/SS, respectively.

#### NORTH FLORIDA

The 10th annual assembly of the North Florida District met at Marianna, Fla. District Superintendent Jonathan T. Gassett, completing the first year of an extended term, reported.

Presiding General Superintendent Jerald D. Johnson ordained Richard Thomas Bowden.

Elected to the Advisory Board were elders Henry P. Cooper and Aubrey R. Ponce, Sr., and laymen Jim Herndon and Ed Sawyer.

Mrs. Grace Pickenpaugh was reelected NWMS president; Rev. Stanley Wade was reelected NYI president; and Rev. Clare St. John was elected chairman of the Board of CL/SS.

#### OREGON PACIFIC

The 40th annual assembly of the Oregon Pacific District met in Salem, Ore. District Superintendent Carl B. Clendenen, reelected to a four-year term,

## SOME VERY IMPORTANT PEOPLE

The highest award issued in our Caravan program is the Phineas F. Bresee Award. We congratulate these award winners and all who worked with them in the program.

**Cindy Alkinson**, Bourbonnais, Ill.

**Maria Barwegan**, Bourbonnais, Ill.

**Brent Bittenbender**, Warren, Mich.

**Jennifer Boldt**, Enid, Okla.

**Gary Boyce**, Sidney, Mont.

**Laura Boyce**, Sidney, Mont.

**Taira Brasington**, Warren, Mich.

**Debbi Caddell**, Bourbonnais, Ill.

**Stephanie Carter**, Bourbonnais, Ill.

**Amy Clark**, Tucson, Ariz.

**Susan Cotner**, Bourbonnais, Ill.

**Melissa DeFelice**, Valparaiso, Ind.

**Carrie Dierksen**, Enid, Okla.

**Tim East**, Warren, Mich.

**Galyn George**, Zionsville, Ind.

**Lisa Hadgen**, Lowell, Mass.

**Jennifer Harville**, Carthage, Tenn.

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**Tina Hill**, Pleasantville, Ohio

**David Hofstetter**, Mount Joy, Pa.

**Kenneth Hofstetter**, Mount Joy, Pa.

**Mazonne Jackson**, Gilman, Ill.

**Sarah Jansen**, Warren, Mich.

**Bobby Johnson**, Bloomfield, N.M.

**Jeff Jones**, Leawood, Kans.

**Marilynne C. Jorgenson**, Vancouver, Wash.

**Kim Kale**, Bourbonnais, Ill.

**Jason Kay**, Reynoldsburg, Ohio

**Albert Kidder**, Lowell, Mass.

**Tamara Kimball**, Longview, Wash.

**Paula Kosinski**, Cape May, N.J.

**Corey Kranz**, Idaho Falls, Ida.

**Katrina Lierman**, Chula Vista, Calif.

**Judy Lund**, Erma, N.J.

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**Howard Snyder**, Fort Myers, Fla.

**Todd Sparrow**, Bourbonnais, Ill.

**Scott Stewart**, Carthage, Tenn.

**David Striefel**, Minneapolis, Minn.

**Teri Striefel**, Minneapolis, Minn.

**Chereé Summerhill**, Vancouver, Wash.

**Gwen Taylor**, Bourbonnais, Ill.

**Sharon Ward**, Tucson, Ariz.

**Mathew Waterman**, Lowell, Mass.

**Gerhard Weigelt**, Kansas City, Mo.

**Matt Whilis**, Bourbonnais, Ill.

**Sandra Young**, Oklahoma City, Okla.

The list of winners will be continued in future issues.



The Central Florida District ordination class is pictured (l. to r.): Dr. Jerald D. Johnson, general superintendent; Dr. J. V. Morsch, district superintendent; ordinals and wives, Rev. and Mrs. Rodger DeVore, Rev. and Mrs. Alan Queen, Rev. and Mrs. Barry Wagner, and Rev. and Mrs. Edward Thomas.

reported two new churches, Independence-Monmouth, and Sandy.

Dr. Eugene L. Stowe, presiding general superintendent, ordained Todd A. Bramhall, Robert L. Hennigan, Ron L. Kidd, Ray A. Leach, Michael S. Lemont, Everett Lee Jantzen, Palmer Skidgel, James B. Smith III, and Larry E. White, and recognized the credentials of Kenneth J. Harper and James Tussant.

Elders Marlyn Anderson, Ron Greeno, Gary Hennecke, Ernest McNaught, and Richard Parrott, and laymen Willard Friesen, Gordon Olsen, Leo Quails, James Scarth, and Charles Zickefoose were elected to the Advisory Board.

Leon Lark, Mark Bodenstab, and Richard Parrott were reelected NWMS president; NYI president; and chairman of the Board of CL/SS, respectively.

#### SOUTH ARKANSAS

The 31st annual assembly of the South Arkansas District met in Little Rock, Ark. District Superinten-

dent Donald Irwin, completing the second year of an extended term, reported.

Presiding General Superintendent Charles H. Strickland ordained Duane Baty, Paul Holderfield, David Moore, Bob Richburg and David Warren, and commissioned Verlin L. Anthony minister of Christian education.

Elected to the Advisory Board were elders Dallas Hudspeth and Joe Lee Tompkins, and laymen Robert Rhodes and C. R. Sawrie.

Doris Bohall, J. D. Sailors, and Dan Holom were reelected NWMS president; NYI president; and chairman of the Board of CL/SS, respectively.

#### CENTRAL FLORIDA

The 10th annual assembly of the Central Florida District met in Winter Haven, Fla. District Superintendent J. V. Morsch, reelected to a four-year term, reported a new church, Sanford, Fla., El Bethel.

Presiding General Superintendent Jerald D. John-

son ordained Rodger DeVore, Alan Queen, Barry Wagner, and Edward Thomas.

Elders Charles Acheson, Jim Cummins, and Charles Kirby, and laymen M. D. Archer, Lew Hall, and Joel Love were elected to the Advisory Board.

Mrs. Sue Price was reelected NWMS president; Rev. Rodger DeVore was reelected NYI president; and Rev. Nathan Price was elected chairman of the Board of CL/SS.

#### INTERMOUNTAIN

The 71st annual assembly of the Intermountain District met at Nampa, Ida. District Superintendent Hoyle C. Thomas, completing the first year of an extended term, reported

Dr. Orville W. Jenkins, presiding general superintendent, ordained Robert R. Ogden.

Elders Clarence J. Kinzler, Ronald A. Rodes, and Ronald K. Kratzer, and laymen Leon D. Doane, Wally Howard, and Ralph Shoemaker were elected to the Advisory Board.

Mrs. Jo Kincaid was reelected NWMS president; Michael H. Allen was reelected NYI president; and Ronald J. McGilvra was elected chairman of the Board of CL/SS.

#### WASHINGTON PACIFIC

The 40th annual assembly of the Washington Pacific District met at Puyallup, Wash. Retiring District Superintendent Kenneth Vogt reported three new churches, Cougar Mountain, Seattle Beacon Hill, and Sequim Valley. Bill Burch was elected district superintendent, but declined.

Presiding General Superintendent Eugene L. Stowe ordained James E. Bale, David A. Tish, and Arthur F. Williamson.

Elected to the Advisory Board were elders Steven C. Fletcher, Paul Anderson, Winston R. Ketchum, and Earl B. Wheeler, and laymen Curtis Bottemiller, Larry Hull, Robert Woodroof, and John E. Wordsworth.

Mrs. Sara Little was reelected NWMS president; Tillman L. Wright was elected NYI president; and Elvin Hicks was reelected chairman of the Board of CL/SS.

#### EASTERN LATIN AMERICAN

The 26th annual assembly of the Eastern Latin American District met at Jersey City, N.J. District Superintendent Jose Cardona, reelected to a four-year term, reported a new church, Rahway, N.J.

Presiding General Superintendent William M. Greathouse ordained Rene Escalante.

Elders Manuel Rivera Negron and Ferdinand Santiago, and laypersons Amador Nieves and Alida King were elected to the Advisory Board.

Miriam Mouson, Ruth Mendez, and Ferdinand Santiago were elected NWMS president; NYI president; and chairman of the Board of CL/SS, respectively.

#### NAZARENE CAMP MEETINGS

NEW YORK—Aug. 12-21, Camp Taconic, Red Hook, N.Y. Special workers: Rev. Lenny Wisehart, Rev. Nelson Purdue, and Dr. Henry Spaulding; Rev. Lee Everleth, music, Dallas D. Mucci, district superintendent.

#### MOVING MINISTERS

GORDEN E. BOWEN to Carlisle, Pa.  
JOHN C. BOWLING from Dallas First to Kankakee College (Bourbonnais, Ill.)

LEON CHAMBERS from evangelism to McComb (Miss.) First

DAVID FREESE to Bedford, Pa.

LAWRENCE C. GRANT III, Chaplain, USNR from Guam to the Naval Surface Weapons Center (NSWC), Dahlgren, Va.

THOMAS W. MOORE from Grassland (Tahoka, Tex.) to Paris, Tex.

SUMNER L. MORRISON from Junction City, Kans., to Joliet (Ill.) Crystal Lawns

ARTHUR W. MYERS from Carlsbad (N.M.) First to Pampa, Tex.

HERBERT L. NEWELL from associate, Rochester (N.Y.) Calvary, to associate, Manchester, Conn.

DAVID F. NIXON from St. Louis (Mo.) Overland to Pekin (Ill.) First

DOUGLAS B. RESTRICK from associate, Arlington (Va.) Calvary, to associate, Circleville, Ohio



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CARL SINGLETON from Countryside (Columbus, Mo.) to Gladewater, Tex.  
TIMOTHY F. THOMPSON to Bowie, Md.  
CHARLES R. WATKINS from Royalton (Ill.) First to Quincy, Wash.  
E. VERBAL WILLIAMS from York, Pa., to evangelism

### MOVING MISSIONARIES

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### RECOMMENDATIONS

I recommend REV. ARTIE WHITWORTH as he leaves the pastorate to enter the field of evangelism. He has served as a successful pastor for many years and has been in Kansas University, completing his work on the master's degree in administration. He is now open for revivals and is a good preacher. His address is: Box 38, Albany, OK 74721, phone (405) 920-0258. —Wendell Paris, Southeast Oklahoma district superintendent.

REV. AND MRS. DAVID GRAY are reentering the field of full-time evangelism. For a number of years, they served as song evangelists; they are now carrying both the preaching and the music. They will go to any church that calls them. We recommend these

folk to you. They may be reached at Hammond First Church of the Nazarene, 815 Michigan St., Hammond, IN 46320. —Thomas M. Hermon, Northwest Indiana district superintendent.

### VITAL STATISTICS

#### LONG-TIME PASTOR DIES



California district superintendent, gave a eulogy and Pastor Ralph L. Scott conducted the service and prayed

Rev. Hertenstein spent 42 years of ministry pastoring Nazarene churches in Oregon, Indiana, Olivet, Ill., College Church, Colorado, and California. After retiring in 1960, he was called back into the ministry and spent 10 years as interim pastor, completing 52 years of service. He had known every general superintendent. Dr. Bresee influenced his school life in Pasadena where he was converted. Then he went to Nampa, Ida., where he graduated and started to preach under Dr. H. Orton Wiley. He was ordained by General Superintendent R. T. Williams.

Rev. Hertenstein is survived by his wife, Zylphia; one son, Gerald Hertenstein of Santa Monica, Calif.; three grandchildren, John Hertenstein of Los Angeles, Linda Fisher of Redlands, Calif., and Sheri Sivanson of Garden Grove, Calif.; and two great-grandchildren, Tracy and Kirk.

#### MOTHER OF PAUL SPEAR DIES

Lula Belle Spear Godby, 85, mother of Headquarters Services Director Paul Spear, died June 3 in Lake Cumberland Humana Hospital at Somerset, Ky.

She was a member of the Crawfordsville, Ind., First Church. She married Perry Spear in 1916, and he

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preceded her in death in 1939. In 1968, she married S. R. Godby, who survives.

Also surviving are two sons, Paul Spear of Kansas City, and James Spear of Cincinnati; a daughter, Virginia Anderson of Indianapolis; a sister, Mrs. Minnie Leigh of Grason, Ky.; a brother, Clarence Calder of Crawfordsville; 10 stepchildren; six grandchildren; six great-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

A memorial service was held at Science Hill, Ky. The funeral service was held in Crawfordsville, Ind., First Church. Rev. Grant Barton, a former pastor, officiated. Burial was in Oak Hill Cemetery.

#### DEATHS

LLOYD Q. DIBBLE, 72, died Mar. 30 in Parma, Ida. Funeral services were conducted by Revs. Milo E. Wittkopf, Herbert Lilly, and Walter J. Hopper. Surviving are his wife, Dorothy; one son, C. Henry; two daughters, Mrs. Walter (Ann) Hopper and Sue; six grandchildren; and one brother.

DR. WILLIAM N. HARRINGTON, 82, died May 25 in Gainesville, Fla. Funeral services were conducted by Rev. Don Scarlett, Jr., and District Superintendent Jonathan T. Gassett. Rev. Harrington pastored churches in Maine, Rhode Island, New Hampshire, Florida, Massachusetts, and North Carolina, and served as an evangelist for 12 years. Surviving are his wife, Mary (Carnes); 3 sons, William J., Earl, and Roy; 1 daughter, Jean Smith; 10 grandchildren; and 2 great-grandchildren.

PEARL BREWSAUGH HAUFLE, 92, died Feb. 26 in Gainesville, Fla. Funeral services were conducted by Rev. Don Scarlett and District Superintendent Jonathan Gassett. Surviving are 5 sons, Ernest, Eugene, Oscar, Charles, and J. G.; 3 daughters, Pauline Jernigan, Edith Benson, and Theima Collins; 21 grandchildren; 30 great-grandchildren; and 3 great-great-grandchildren.

RUSSELL HENDRICKS, 79, died May 8 in Clearwater, Fla. Funeral services were conducted by Rev. Earle Hollett. He is survived by his wife, Lenora; and one brother.

MRS. OLASM JACOBS, 83, died Mar. 7 in Springfield, Mo. Three weeks later, Mar. 28, her husband, OSCAR E. JACOBS, 91, died. Rev. Eddie G. Stark conducted the funeral services for both. Mr. Jacobs was a lay preacher for many years, active in eastern Oklahoma, southeastern Kansas, Arkansas, and southwest Missouri. Survivors include 2 sons, Earl and Eugene; 6 grandchildren; and 10 great-grandchildren.

MICHAEL A. LYNCH, 27, died May 30 in an automobile accident near Oologah, Okla. Funeral services were conducted by Rev. Tommy Loving. Interment was in Collinsville, Okla. He is survived by his wife, Vickie; his parents; one brother; and two sisters.

MARIE YOESTING MULER, 72, died June 10 in Edmond, Okla. Funeral services were conducted by Rev. Jim Womack and Rev. Gerald Locke, former district superintendent. She is survived by two brothers, Clarence and Roy Yoesting; and three sisters, Clara Strelow, Alice Clark, and Dorothy Henton.

HARRY O. PASCHAL, 95, died May 10 in Clearwater, Fla. Funeral services were conducted by Rev. Ron Featherston and Rev. J. L. Buchanan. Survivors

# NEWS OF RELIGION

**HEALTH-IMPAIRED AMERICANS TO RECEIVE AID FROM FOUNDATION.** There are more than 10 million health-impaired Americans—most of them old and infirm—who find such daily activities as eating, shopping, bathing, and dressing impossible to do without assistance. Also in this country there are more than 120 million people who attend churches or synagogues on a regular basis.

In a unique national effort to bring these two groups together, the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation recently announced a \$2.25 million grant program to assist volunteers from local ecumenical coalitions of churches and synagogues in caring for elderly and disabled individuals in risk of institutionalization. Under the Interfaith Volunteer Caregivers Program, cosponsored by the National Interfaith Coalition on Aging, as many as 15 ecumenical coalitions will receive three-year grants of up to \$150,000 each.

The program seeks to enable the health-impaired to remain in their homes by having volunteers locate vulnerable persons and their caregivers. The coalition would then make a major commitment to personal care for the impaired and respite care for the caregiver, establishing linkages with existing benefits programs, and in general ensuring that adequate support is provided to allow the impaired person to remain in the community.

Said Dr. Leighton Cluff, executive vice-president of the foundation, "The Interfaith Volunteer Caregivers Program is a program about people helping people. This is a philosophy firmly rooted in the tradition of religious organizations and is the fundamental principle underlying this program." □

**U.S. JUDGE RULES CONSTITUTION GIVES PRAYER GROUP RIGHT TO MEET AT SCHOOL.** A federal judge has upheld the right of high school students to form prayer groups that meet on school property during regularly scheduled activity periods. The ruling by Chief Judge William J. Nealon came in the U.S. Middle District Court of Pennsylvania in a case brought by a former student at Williamsport Area High School. While a student at the school, plaintiff Lisa Bender had requested permission to form a club to read scriptures, pray, and discuss religious questions during a regularly scheduled student activity period. The request was denied although no student group previously had been denied the opportunity to take part in the activity period.

Judge Nealon said the case was one in which "a number of students acting voluntarily and free of outside influence have requested permission to form a club and meet during the school's activity period on the same basis as other student organizations."

He said in this case the school district was unconstitutionally denying students an opportunity to exercise their right of free speech. □

**RESEARCHER CLAIMS A NEWBORN BABY COULD HAVE A HANGOVER.** Is it possible that a newborn baby could have a hangover? This and other questions regarding Fetal Alcohol Syndrome (FAS) are answered by Lucy Barry Robe, author, recovered alcoholic, and research associate at New York Medical College, in an exclusive interview in the May issue of *Listen* magazine. As a result of extensive study, Ms. Robe has concluded that pregnant women should completely abstain from alcohol. "Alcohol permeates every cell of the adult body," she says. "Therefore it's going to permeate every cell of the unborn baby's body too."

She also says newborn babies of alcoholic mothers experience withdrawal from alcohol, thus making them alcoholics as well. "If I, as an alcoholic, pick up a drink now after almost 15 years of sobriety, I'll retrigger my own addiction, and I'll be drinking alcoholically again. . . . So what happens when that newborn baby becomes a teenager and picks up his or her first drink? Could not that drink retrigger that prenatal addiction? That could explain much of what is called the 'instant teenage alcoholic.'" □

According to Ms. Robe, a pregnant alcoholic presents another threat to her unborn child: irreversible physical and mental abnormalities. These include smaller heads, moderate mental retardation, smaller eye openings, and flat noses and upper lips—all classic characteristics of FAS. □

## "Showers of Blessing" PROGRAM SCHEDULE

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July 31  
"Invitation to Service"

by W. E. McCumber, speaker

include 2 daughters. Orpha Schoger and Juanita Wainscott; 8 grandchildren; 17 great-grandchildren; and 1 great-great-grandson; and 3 sisters.

MRS LORA ESTELLE VAUGHN, 62, died May 27 in Seminole, Fla. Funeral services were conducted by District Superintendent J. V. Morsch and Rev. Leon G. Cook. She is survived by her husband, Rev. Vola L.; one son, James L.; two daughters, Marilyn Thompson and Pamela Vick; and five grandchildren.

#### BIRTHS

to LARRY AND JANE AVILA, South Dartmouth, Mass., a boy, Andrew John, May 17  
to JIM AND BETTY BRAISTED, Jamestown, N.D., twin boys, Mark John and Matthew James, May 6  
to ED AND JUDY (COLLUM) CORBIN, Farmer City, Ill., a girl, Sarah Suzanne, June 7  
to DALE AND JOYCE GRENZ, Jamestown, N.D., a boy, Daniel David, May 3  
to REV LARRY AND DIANE HALE, Swayzee, Ind., a girl, Ashley Rene, June 4  
to JAMES AND SHARLA (COLEMAN) HULL, Haywood, Okla., a boy, James Jared, May 19

to REV. STEVE AND CINDY (HARRIS) INGER-SOL, Olathe, Kans., a boy, Colin Michael, June 8  
to MARK AND LINDA IVEDAL, Jamestown, N.D., a boy, Ryan Michael, Apr. 30  
to MARCUS AND DEBBIE (KILGORE) KIDWELL, Yukon, Okla., a girl, Amy Diane, May 17  
to STEPHEN J. AND LUGENE (BAILEY) LORD, Truth or Consequences, N.M., a boy, Chayson Robert, Apr. 19  
to REV. LAUREL AND SHARON MATSON, Milwaukee, Wis., a boy, Laurel Lyndon, Jr., Feb. 10  
to RANDY AND BEV McBURNETT, Hanover, Ind., a girl, Heather Lenore, May 4  
to GRANT AND PATTI (TURNER) PEEVER, Kent, Wash., a boy, Timothy Andrew, Apr. 30  
to KEN AND NANCY SANDERS, Baytown, Tex., a girl, Elise Kathleen, Dec. 11  
to LARRY AND ANGELA (McNABB) SPAULDING, Amarillo, Tex., a boy, Aaron Cole, March 14  
to REV ED AND DEBBIE (MORGAN) WEAVER, Olathe, Kans., a girl, Jami Lyne, June 4  
to KEN AND TRISHA (STUCKEY) ZINGERY, Vicksburg, Miss., a boy, Ryan Scott, May 6

#### ADOPTIONS

by REV. RICHARD C. AND LAVONNE (LAWSON) DICKSON, Petersburg, Ind., a boy, Orville Wayne, age 7, and a girl, Tabitha Lynn, age 4, on June 1

#### MARRIAGES

CYNTHIA LYNN HEATH and DARRYL BRAWLEY EVANS at St. Louis, Mo., May 7  
ROCHELLE LEIGH SCUDDER and ANDREW DAVID MARTIN at Brevard, N. C., May 21

#### ANNIVERSARIES

MR. AND MRS. JOE H. TURNER celebrated their 72nd anniversary on May 7, 1983. They are now in a nursing home in Hamlin, Tex. They were honored with a reunion of all their seven children and their families June 10-11.

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## THE ANSWER CORNER

Conducted by W. E. McCumber, Editor

**Where did Jesus go, or what did He do, in the three days He was in the tomb?**

I don't know.

On the basis of 1 Peter 3:18-20, some teach that He entered Hades and preached to those who perished in the Flood. Others, citing Ephesians 4:8-10, teach that He entered Paradise and led from it the righteous dead, transferring them to heaven. However, these verses have been given a variety of interpretations and where devout scholars cannot agree on these obscure passages, dogmatism is unwarranted if not arrogant.

I don't suppose we will know for sure until we can ask the Lord Jesus himself—and His answer may surprise all the exegetes. □

**Last week I saw an advertisement where one of our Nazarene churches was going to show the movie "Chariots of Fire." I was crushed. For over 40 years I have been taught it was wrong to go to the movies, not because of the story but because of the personal lives the characters lived, and now we are showing them in our churches.**

**Is the Church changing its stand on this issue?**

The only "chariots of fire" I know anything about are those mentioned in 2 Kings 2:11 and 6:17—and I haven't seen them. I don't know anything about this movie and cannot identify its cast, so I'll not comment on it.

I do know that in some of our local churches and on some of our college campuses, movies are occasionally shown that are supposed to be "wholesome."

You distinguish between "our churches" and "the Church." If, by "the Church," you refer to our official position on movies, as stated in our *Manual*, that position is given in paragraphs 33.1 and 379.4, which cannot be changed except by the General Assembly.

Whether all local churches or all individual Nazarenes adhere to the *Manual* statement is another

matter and can only be honestly answered in the negative.

Do not press too far the argument based on the actors' personal lives. If one's personal character and conduct must correspond with a role played to qualify a drama or movie as good, it would be embarrassing to ask any of our people to portray Herod, Pilate, or Judas in church plays at Christmas and Easter.

Anyhow, act on your own convictions. I think the best question to ask about any form of entertainment is the positive one—"Will it help me to be holy?" Putting the question negatively—"Can I do it without backsliding?"—nearly always greases loopholes. □

**You stated in a February issue, "We should tithe our full income, not what is left after paying bills." You went on to say that the only legitimate exclusions are business expenses, not personal expenses.**

**Could you please tell me just exactly where this is found in the Bible? I have never seen this before, nor do I ever recall anyone stating this, that is, that there are any exclusions of any kind.**

As an agrarian community, Israel was to tithe the "increase of the threshing floor" and "the increase of the winepress" (see Numbers 18:24-30; Deuteronomy 14:28-29; 26:12-15).

What the increase was to farmers, the net profit is to the businessman. Suppose a man operated a hardware store, and his year's gross sales were \$1,000,000. If his business expenses—the cost of the merchandise and operation of the store—were \$900,000, he has an increase or net of \$100,000. The tithe on his *gross* income would be \$100,000. That would leave him nothing to maintain his home and family. He should pay tithes on \$100,000—and not deduct first what it cost him for his family's upkeep.

Have I made myself clear? You see, if a businessman could not exclude business expenses, and his margin of profit was less than 10%, he would actually have to send his wife and kids to the neighbor's to eat! □



The Ky family found a church home through Moving Nazarenes Service. Pictured (l. to r., back row): Chay Kim, Kim Lay (mother), Thein Tsu Ky (father), Ou Dom, Puthara (cousin), and Thay Sum; (front row) Sopheap and Thida.

### MOVING NAZARENES SERVICE BRINGS HOPE

The Church of the Nazarene is reaching out to many Cambodians who have immigrated to the United States. The Moving Nazarenes Service has been the tool for giving the Christian hope to Cambodians all over the U.S.

A list of Cambodians who moved from Minneapolis to various cities was sent to the Moving Nazarenes Service in Evangelism Ministries at Headquarters. Moving Nazarenes contacted pas-

tors of churches in the areas where these Cambodians lived and asked them to visit these persons. Some of these visits found Cambodians who were new Christians; several had accepted Christ while they had been in refugee camps in Thailand, the Philippines, and Indonesia. These new Cambodian Christians were hungry for fellowship and anxious to learn more. The *Basic Bible Studies* by Charles Shaver were translated into Khmer and made available to them.

One family in Rochester, Minn., sponsored a Cambodian refugee family and began taking them to church regularly. The 17-year-old son, named Thay Sum Ky, accepted Christ and the father was under conviction. They moved to El Cahon, Calif., after about a year, hoping that some of their Cambodian friends in El Cahon could help the father find a job. The Rochester church sent Moving Nazarenes Service the name and address. Through this service Rev. Tonis Gopal, pastor of the University Park Church in California, was contacted.

Rev. Gopal visited the Ky family to invite them to church, and they began attending. Within a few months the fa-

ther, Thein Tsu, accepted Christ as his Savior. Later his wife and the two older children made commitments to Christ. Thay Sum was baptized in Minnesota and the others were baptized at University Park Church. This family has received hope, and this hope in the Lord Jesus Christ has made a big change in their home. Every day they read the Bible as a family, and they never eat a meal without thanking Jesus for the food. Mr. Ky has organized a Bible study and is taking a Buddhist friend to church with him.

Another young man named Sambo Ung from Cleveland experienced the warmth and friendship the Moving Nazarenes Service brings. He was a new Cambodian Christian and had been attending the Parkside Church in a suburb of Cleveland. He moved to Los Angeles and was visited by a pastor at Los Angeles First Church—because of a contact through Moving Nazarenes Service. Instead of being lost in the big city of Los Angeles, or attracted to another church, he is now a part of Los Angeles First Church.

The Moving Nazarenes Service is an effective means to maintain contact with persons who move to another city. It assures them of a friendly face, an invitation to the nearest Nazarene church, and a warm visit in a city that may seem strange and unfamiliar. □



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### HUNGER AND DISASTER FUNDS PROVIDE RELIEF

In a letter from District Superintendent Modesto Rivera O. of Peru North to Rev. Louie Bustle, and translated from the Spanish by Mrs. Bustle, Rev. Rivera said that food had been purchased for the flood-devastated areas of northern Peru.

Because many roads were washed out, transportation was a problem, but then, said Rev. Rivera, "We made many trips to the government offices and finally the Colonel of the Air Base in Chiclayo helped us to take three tons of food. We distributed this to the Nazarene churches of Chiclayito, Piura, Sullana, and their extensions. . . . We plan to take the rest of the food to Paita, Talara, and Negritos.

"The rains have affected in a tremendous way many of our churches in the Department of Lambayanque. We have provided help for eight families of Chepen, the extension works of Batangrande, the church in Zana, a family in la Victoria, the Cabinillas family in Urrunaga, the Reyes Diaz family in Lopez Albuja and the Favila family in Urrunaga.

"On Saturday the 14th of May, we were traveling to Piura with the truck loaded with food so that from there it could be delivered to Paita, but once

again the waters washed out the highway in two places and we had to return and are waiting to make the trip in a few days.

"We are so pleased that the Colonel was able to take the food in for us free, which gives us the transportation funds to purchase more food."

Once again the World Mission Division thanks all the Nazarenes and friends who continue to support the Nazarene Hunger and Disaster Fund. This makes it possible for us to send emergency funds immediately when disaster strikes without warning. □

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## NEWS OF EVANGELISM

### PRAYER IS THE KEY

Rev. Eldon Kirks, a former evangelist, currently pastoring at the Wright City, Mo., church, says prayer is the key to revival. The church started preparation months ahead of time. The people prayed for "old-fashioned conviction," and new people were added to the church. Rev. Udell Moss was the evangelist for the week.

Six couples who were new to the community have started attending and are getting involved. Five of the couples were dissatisfied with their previous denominations. They have found a home in the Church of the Nazarene. One couple had formerly been a part of the Nazarene church; they attended the Simultaneous Revival services and accepted Christ.

A Christian lady had been praying a long time for her lost husband to accept Christ. The man's brother-in-law started attending church at Wright City and invited her husband to the revival. He attended every night and in one service prayed through and found Christ as his personal Savior. The following Sunday he went to the altar seeking "second blessing" holiness. □

## THE CHURCH SCENE

The Calvary Church in Río Piedras, Puerto Rico, celebrated its 20th anniversary on March 20, 1983. Calvary Church is the only English-speaking Church of the Nazarene on the island. Maxwell Gillette, a charter member, gave a brief history of the church. Rev. Harry J. Zucher, a previous missionary to Puerto Rico who was instrumental in beginning the church, participated in the morning



Marley Park Church, Glen Burnie, Md., has added a new three-level center section which has tied the sanctuary and educational unit together. Pictured is the complete church layout. The addition includes a new entrance, with a large foyer and adult classroom on the second level. The first level is a fellowship hall with modern kitchen. A balcony, large classroom, and media center is on the third level. The sanctuary has also been completely renovated, including padded pews and wall-to-wall carpet, as has every room in the basement and educational unit. A new nursery, toddler's room, pastor's study, and office rooms have been completed. The entire project was completed for about \$300,000 with less than \$100,000 indebtedness. The former parsonage on the front of the property was moved to a new location for an associate's residence. General Superintendent William M. Great-house was the speaker for the dedication on January 23. The retiring pastor is Rev. Harold A. Parry.

service with District Superintendent Benjamin Roman. Rev. C. Cleve James, who pastored Calvary Church for seven years, gave an inspiring message. The present pastor, Rev. O. K. Perkinson, officiated at the special service. □

On March 27, the Eau Gallie Church of Melbourne, Fla., celebrated its 25th anniversary. Rev. D. Paul Ray, former pastor, preached in the morning service. Dinner was shared together at noon. A sing-spiration was enjoyed during the evening service. Many church friends were in attendance. Dr. L. Kenneth Adams is the pastor. □

The Bethany, Okla., Calvary Church held groundbreaking services Sunday, April 17, for its new sanctuary and office complex. The sanctuary building will include six classrooms, a choir rehearsal room, and an auditorium with a seating capacity of 850.

The church began in August of 1953 in a tent revival. It was organized September 12, 1953, by District Superintendent W. T. Johnson. Rev. and Mrs. R. E. Hodgson were the leaders of the church during its infancy and early stages.


The present pastors, Rev. and Mrs. Carl Summer, came in January of 1966. In 1977, the church purchased 10.6 acres of land for relocation. Completion and dedication of the present facilities was August of 1981. Construction of the new facilities has begun and is expected to be completed in the spring of 1984. □

The Hubbard, Ohio, church presented the "Living Cross," the Easter story in music, narration, and slides on Palm Sunday. The 50-member Chancel Choir sang the Easter Cantata. "Then

Came Sunday," directed by Ron Messett and narrated by Chuck Phipps. Over 350 people attended.


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**SCOTT ELECTED CHAIRMAN OF THE WORLD MISSION DEPARTMENT**



Dr. Robert Scott, superintendent of the Southern California District, was unanimously elected chairman of the World Mission Department of the General

Board in their meeting held in Colorado Springs, June 22.

Dr. Scott formerly served as vice-chairman of the department. He succeeds Dr. Howard Hamlin. Rev. Don Gibson was elected vice-chairman. □

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**NEW MISSIONARY ORIENTATION SESSIONS HELD**

Twenty new missionaries appointed by the General Board in February 1983 met in Kansas City for orientation sessions June 15-18.

The missionaries spent three days in concentrated classes in preparation for overseas service. Subjects covered included adjusting to other cultures, customs, and languages; maintaining health of families; discussion of World Mission Policy, travel and freight, finances, and other phases of missionary life in another country.

Missionaries who received their country assignment met with the regional director from that region for private conferences during the orientation sessions.

The sessions were climaxed with a sending service on Sunday morning, June 19 in the Overland Park, Kans., church. General Superintendent Jerald D. Johnson delivered the message and commissioned the new missionaries to their assignments. □

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**REGIONAL DIRECTORS MEET IN KANSAS CITY**

The six directors of international regions of the Church of the Nazarene met in the World Mission Division Office on June 13 and 14, with Dr. L. Guy Nees, division director, and Rev. John Smee, administrative assistant.

Present were Rev. Louie Bustle, South America Region; Dr. James Hudson, Mexico, Caribbean, and Cen-

tral America Region; Dr. Donald Owens, Asia Region; Rev. Darrell Teare, South Pacific Region; and Dr. Richard Zanner, Africa Region. Also present was Rev. Thomas Schofield, acting director for Europe, Middle East Region.

Their discussion covered a wide range of topics related to their areas. Included were the overseas districts' roles in the celebration of the 75th anniversary of the church. Several of the directors said they had set a goal for each district in their regions to organize two churches on Anniversary Sunday.

The directors discussed World Mission policy relating to their areas; growing national restrictions on the transfer of funds raised; problems relating to purchase of literature published in the U.S. and other facets pertinent to the international church overseas. Several division directors at headquarters met with the regional directors during their sessions. Rev. Phil Riley, Christian Life and Sunday School Division director, discussed Sunday Schools and literature; Dr. Mark R. Moore, Education Services secretary, conferred with the regional directors on accreditation of Bible colleges in each region; Mrs. Phyllis Brown, NWMS general director, discussed the international development and implementation of the NWMS.

In other sessions the regional directors evaluated the Asia Regional Conference in Seoul, Korea, April 12-13, 1983, in preparation for other regional conferences to be held in 1983 and 1984. □

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**HERITAGE CURRICULUM ANNOUNCED**

*The People Called Nazarenes: Who We Are and What We Believe*, by Gene Van Note, is now off the press. Rev. Phil Riley, director of the Division of Christian Life and Sunday School, announced that Van Note was commissioned to write this book as part of the 75th anniversary celebration of the Church of the Nazarene.

*The People Called Nazarenes* is an exciting, once-in-a-lifetime study on Nazarene heritage prepared specifically for adult Sunday School classes. It will replace the regular adult lessons for the fall 1983 quarter.

*The People Called Nazarenes* contains many interesting features, including a look at the history of the church and a careful look at the Articles of Faith. It traces, in layman's language,

the history of the doctrines of entire sanctification and Christian perfection from New Testament times to the modern era.

Copies of *The People Called Nazarenes* can be ordered on the S/O/N Church Literature Supplies Order Blank at a special 75th anniversary price. It will be available after the fall quarter's study for new membership and churchmanship classes at the regular price. For further information on this historic heritage study, contact your pastor or your Sunday School ordering secretary.

Heritage studies featuring the diamond anniversary of the Church of the Nazarene will also be a part of both children's and youth Sunday School curriculum during the month of October. □



Gene Van Note shows Dr. Jerald D. Johnson and Rev. Phil Riley a copy of his latest book, *The People Called Nazarenes: Who We Are and What We Believe*.

**CARLSON ELECTED SUPERINTENDENT OF ROCKY MOUNTAIN DISTRICT**

Rev. Arnold R. Carlson, pastor of the Casper, Wyo., church, was elected superintendent of the Rocky Mountain District, June 9. Rev. Darrell Slack, the former district superintendent, did not allow his name to be considered for a vote.

Rev. Carlson is a native of North Dakota, a 1949 graduate of Pasadena College with a B.A., and with a masters degree in 1951. He pastored churches in California at Exeter, Denair, Bakersfield, Riverside, and Redwood City; and at Casper, Wyo. He served as district treasurer of the Northern California District from 1968-72. He has worked on a number of district boards, including his present position as a member of the District Advisory Board.

Rev. Carlson is married to the former Grace Cromer. They have one son, Phillip, and three grandchildren. □

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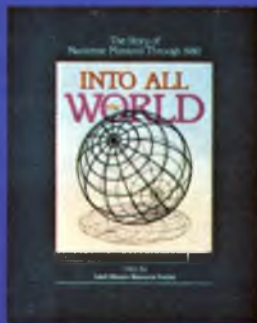
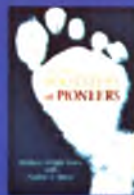
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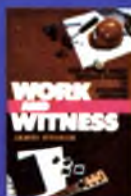
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