Faithful witnessing is fruitful work. There is first of all a favorable reaction in the experience of the witness. Having committed himself among others he has a heightened obligation to prove his word by his life. Those who witness have greater care to attain Christlikeness. Silent, unidentified Christians, if such be possible, have a tendency to grow careless. By his telling of the good news the believer’s faith in the message and the God of love who gave it grows stronger. This means that the urge to tell others is intensified. The impulse to share comes with greater frequency and grows more compelling. Furthermore, the prayer burden on the heart of one who has testified to his fellows is deepened and personalized. He makes a prayer list and becomes an intercessor.

These kindlings in the hearts of the several members of a church will soon break out in revival fire which will bring new life to the whole church. The spiritual pulse is quickened, vision is enlarged and clarified, faith to attempt great things for God is born anew.

Witnessing also lengthens the arm of the church in its outreach to the lost of earth. It adds names to the prospect list. It increases the potential for evangelism by enlarging the “outer court” into which the unconverted are welcomed, that they may come under the influence of the church and its saving message. It will fill empty pews that mock the preacher. Altars will be lined with hungry-hearted seekers after God. The witnesses will become soul winners. Names will be added to the church roll and written in the Lamb’s book of life.

During the Week of Witnessing, October 5-12, a pastor’s wife spent two hours in house-to-house visitation. She rang 116 door bells, made 73 contacts, and turned in a list of 34 prospects, 9 of whom were in the services of the church the next Sunday.

Finally, a chain reaction is begun which adds more volunteer lay witnesses, more recruits for full-time Christian service. There is no end to the chain; link by link is joined until there are more people, more converts, more churches, more money, more souls won to Christ, more workers in the Lord’s vineyard.

The Week of Witnessing was one of the big events of the Golden Anniversary year, thanks to the co-operation of the Departments of Evangelism and Church Schools. We ought to do the work of witnessing every week.
After eight and one-half years of a successful pastorate at First Church, St. Marys, Ohio, Rev. Robert L. Ellis has resigned to accept the call to pastor Goodwin Memorial Church in Anderson, Indiana.

Rev. and Mrs. J. W. Parkins, Leesburg, New Jersey, will celebrate their golden wedding anniversary on December 18. Brother Parkins has served as pastor on the Pittsburgh, Washington-Philadelphia, and Philadelphia districts. He was ordained in 1929. They will be glad to hear from their friends.

Are Our Nazarene Youth Camps Worthwhile?

It was a revival meeting at our San Marcos, Texas, church on the San Antonio District. One night a fine-looking young man came forward for prayer. Later I learned that he was studying business at Southwest Texas State Teachers' College in that town. He prayed through and with obvious sincerity renewed his vows to almighty God. I was interested in learning more of the background of this young man and he was kind in filling in the details of his spiritual life for me.

It seems that through the efforts of a friend back in northwest Indiana this young man had first come in contact with the Church of the Nazarene, and had attended a youth camp on that district, where he was converted. Although coming to Texas he had backslidden, he was interested enough in the Church of the Nazarene to get back to God.

But my thoughts went back to northwest Indiana and one of our youth camps such as are held throughout the denomination every summer—for it was there that this young man found God.

Are our youth camps worthwhile? Jesus said that one soul is worth more than the whole world! This estimate of the Church of the Nazarene includes the soul of this now victorious servant was a great paper.
This Work MUST Go On!

Last week, while preaching at the European Assembly in Vereeniging, Transvaal, I received two cablegrams, one from Dr. Hardy C. Powers and the other from Dr. G. B. Williamson. Dr. Powers informed me of the death of our beloved missionary and pioneer in New Guinea, Rev. Sidney Knox. At the close of my message that morning I relayed this sad news to the assembly, and saw by their tears and prayers that Sidney Knox was their missionary too. Their prayers also united in the thought that God would raise up a score of such missionaries to carry on in New Guinea and in other needy lands. Surely this work must go on!

Dr. Williamson's cable was more encouraging, for it gave us the report of one million reported witnesses during one anniversary week. My heart rejoices in this demonstration of love and faith by the people called Nazarenes. It occurs to me that we could repeat this witness nearly every week in the year if we would organize for it and keep at it.

Following the European assembly we traveled to Stegi, Swaziland, in company with Dr. and Mrs. W. C. Esselstyn, and there dedicated the new Bible school administration building. Some seven hundred people were present. Rev. Kenneth Bedwell is the principal here, and he and his staff are building for the future in the lives of the forty-eight students attending this year. While here we learned that the Stegi mission station had made a total of one thousand testimonies during the Week of Witnessing, seven hundred of which were made by the Bible students themselves. Also, on the anniversary Sunday there were seventeen seekers at the altar, seven of which were new cases (heathen), all as a direct result of the one thousand witnesses given. Another word has reached me from Rev. and Mrs. Kenneth Singleton, that their mission station at Cottondale completed one thousand witnesses during anniversary week. One woman reported forty-seven. This work too must go on!

Our next stop was Lourenco Marques for a service and then on to our headquarters in Portuguese East Africa (Mozambique) at Tavane. Here we took part in another two-day workers' conference where more than one hundred pastors and evangelists were gathered. We also saw here the forty-seven students in the Bible school where Lorraine Schultz is the principal.

Today we arrived in Plus Ultra, Furancungo, about 950 miles north of Lourenco Marques. We flew to Tete on an eight-passenger plane and took nine hours for the journey. The rest of the way was via Rev. Norman Salmons' 1953 Chevrolet pickup truck. To say that the roads were less than a dual highway is the understatement of the year. It took us five and one-half hours to cover ninety-five miles. It made me think of a "crazy" song I overheard on a radio some time ago, "I'm All Shook Up." This country is rugged, but its spiritual need is great. So long as we have missionaries like Rev. and Mrs. Norman Salmons this work will go on!

Our next stop is Nyasaland.

Great Men Choose the Bible

By CHRISTINE WHITE

A questionnaire was sent to the "one hundred greatest men in Britain" asking, "If you were to spend a year absolutely alone (in a prison, for instance) what three books would you select to be your companions?"

Ninety-eight of the one hundred named the Bible first in their list of chosen volumes.

"The Bible," says Henry Van Dyke, "walks the ways of the world with familiar feet. . . . No man is poor or desolate who has this treasure for his own."

What would life be like if there were no Bibles? For many years no Bibles were allowed to be printed in Russia, and only a few are permitted under the present regime. A radio speaker who had attended a Protestant service of worship in Russia told how the reader of the scripture for the day tenderly uncovered a few tattered leaves of the Bible carefully wrapped in a linen cloth. Christians know how to treasure the Word of God in Russia. In free America we take for granted the privilege of owning a Bible.
John Bunyan studied the Bible with devout earnestness and cherished it with reverence throughout his life. At one time under fierce temptation by reason of a heresy called Antinomian error, he records, "The Bible was precious to me in those days." The foreword to *Pilgrim's Progress* ("Grace Abounding") describes graphically the conversion and struggles of the man who gave to the world the book our fathers loved so well.

Lincoln, Garfield, and a host of others have testified to their need of the Bible to guide and direct them, and even the roughest of men may be subdued and quieted by the words of the Book of books. A story is told of a mother, alone with her children in an isolated home in the West. One night during a raging snowstorm three rough-looking men sought shelter and, according to the code of the times, she could not refuse them. Their appearance and manner alarmed her, but she fed them, then opened her Bible, read to her children, and heard their prayers. This courageous woman went to rest secure in the knowledge that God's Word was powerful, and no harm came to her or her little ones.

In homes agleam with polish and chrome there may be thick darkness; while in some plain rooms where frugal meals are spread the Lamp of God's Word may cast a glow of heavenly light. God's Lamp hung in the living room would check no innocent laughter, chill no honest heart. It would bring new beauty to the pictures and carpets, grace to the loveliest drapes. Oh, that the Christ, born in a barn, were welcome to our living rooms! Instead, He is present sometimes in the dining room, where grace is said, but oftener only in the nursery. In a former age the Bible was the Companion of great men. Surely we need to return to its truths today and make them precious to our hearts!

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**God's Holy Word functions in every area of life—**

**Seen but Not Heard!**

By K. BOYLE

It was Charles A. Wells who said: "One of the greatest weaknesses that afflicts the churches today is the *spiritual illiteracy of the membership.* Judges in juvenile courts and divorce courts have warned that the sharp lines between good and evil are becoming so vague that both parents and children drift into the habit of doing evil without realizing they are breaking the laws of God and of a Christian land."

More persons own Bibles today than ever before, but it is a question as to how much they read them, and there is another question as to how much attention they give to the Scriptures when they do read them.

To have the mind cleared of everything else and read ten verses is far better than to scan ten chapters with one's thoughts on something else. Since the Bible is the Word of God, it should never be approached except in the spirit of reverence and devotion.

Many of us like to complain about "conditions." We like to tell what we would do if we just had the chance; yet we do little or nothing. Have you ever stopped to think that "conditions" are just about what we make them?

Someone has said that "today the center of the home is the *telephone,* whereas it was formerly the Bible." This observation, sad to say, is all too true. And not only is this true about the telephone, but many other things as well have taken the place in the center of the family activities that the Bible once occupied. While many of us look down upon the bar and the card table, yet in many Christian homes the magazine rack, the television set, and the record player have filled this center place. Even many of God's children are more familiar with the meaning of many of the world's slogans than they are with God's "Thou shalt . . ." and "Thou shalt not . . ."

Too many people today can tell you immediately the "beer that is second to none," and what "LSMFT" means who cannot tell you the Ten Commandments, much less the words of the Sermon on the Mount.

We need to "find our way back to God," for at least a few moments each day if we would train ourselves to hear His voice and let His words be implanted in our hearts. This we must do if we would know the "new commandment" and the Great Commission as well as we know the schedule of the daily television programs.

Somewhere I read that it is a century-old custom, observed by all Russian people, that when one of them departs on a journey, his friends congregate for the purpose of sitting down together for one *minute* of silence—one *minute* of reflection and of prayer for the welfare of the traveler.

How we need to "sit down with God" for a time each day, to listen to His voice as He speaks to us, to gather strength through the knowledge of His Word, in order to be prepared for the day's journey of life.

Let's keep a "silent minute" with God each day!
It was December 31—the last day of 1957. The next day our Golden Anniversary year would begin. What would our founder like to say to us? I sought and found his grave near downtown Los Angeles. There I found a modest, gray granite stone with the words—

Rev. Phineas F. Bresee
1838-1915
Founder of the Church of the Nazarene

It was a modest marker in the middle of a family plot with most of the graves occupied by those of his immediate family.

Four thoughts came to me as I stood in quietness beneath the palms.

First, I realize that Evergreen Cemetery on East First Street is only about two miles from the old “Glory Barn” once located in the very heart of downtown Los Angeles, and six million people. The grave really overlooks the hurrying millions he loved and to whom he ministered. It is not in the quiet acres of a lonely cemetery but in the center of the multitudes. Here he labored in life; here he now sleeps. To me it is symbolic of the mission of the Church of the Nazarene, in the very words of Dr. Bresee: “We are debtors to every man to give him the gospel in the same measure as we have received it.”

Not only is he buried among the masses, but he is buried in an International Cemetery—international so far as population is concerned (this is the oldest cemetery in Los Angeles). Among the cemetery’s population of 78,000 are men from many nations and many creeds. There are Union soldiers and Confederate soldiers; there are Chinese, Japanese, Koreans, Indians, Russians, etc. There are the colored and the white, the pioneers and the new graves, the old and the young. Dr. Bresee preached to many races of people in old First Church, and is now buried in an “international” cemetery, symbolic of our great missionary task: “Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature” (Mark 16:15).

Also, this is a forgotten grave. In trying to locate Dr. Bresee’s grave I asked more than thirty Nazarenes before I found one who could tell me where the founder of our church was buried, and how to get there. Our people are not careless nor purposefully neglectful. This is largely true of every pioneer. Some time ago I visited Sammy Morris’ grave in Fort Wayne, Indiana, and faced the same difficulties in finding this grave. We stopped by to see Carry Nation’s marker near Kansas City, Missouri, and faced the same problem. A few national characters have been immortalized in national cemeteries, but apart from these, most leading figures lie in forgotten graves, reminding us that what we do in this life is to be done with an eye single to His honor and glory. We are to do it for the One who never forgets—and He will bestow the real reward with His “Well done, thou good and faithful servant,” on the resurrection morning.

Then, finally, with hat in hand and head bowed, I began to feel the impact of the warm southern sun upon my back and shoulders. The Spirit seemed to whisper to me saying, “I am putting My thumb to your back, urging you to go out and witness to the world, as your founder witnessed, with a sense of mission and holy compassion.” The little daisies about three inches high sprinkled the lawn with their tiny white petals and little gold hearts, each looking so clean and bright. They too seemed to say, Go while you have life; go and tell this living story of heart purity to the masses, to men of all nations, with the warmth of the great Father heart.

“He being dead” yet spoke to my heart with a message for this Golden Anniversary year!
Five Points Essential

By CORA TRONNES
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I have always maintained that there were five essential points to a successful Christian life.

First—the heart must be right. Jeremiah, the weeping prophet, said, “The heart is deceitful above all things, and desperately wicked: who can know it?” (Jeremiah 17:9) David, the sweet singer of Israel, said to God, “Create in me a clean heart, O God; and renew a right spirit within me” (Psalms 51:10). Peter said at the Temple gate, “Repent ye therefore, and be converted, that your sins may be blotted out” (Acts 3:19). Jesus told the Galileans, “Except ye repent, ye shall all likewise perish” (Luke 13:3).

Through repentance and entire consecration we receive a right spirit. No matter the profession, it’s the humble and contrite spirit that generates love, and this spirit spells victory. To be carnally minded is death. (See Romans 8:6-7.) God has called us unto holiness, and without this holiness no man shall see the Lord. (See Hebrews 12:13-14.) Jesus suffered outside the gate to sanctify His people. Thus, you see, we must be saved from inherited sin and sins committed.

Second—the head. We must be His witnesses. “With the heart man believeth unto righteousness; and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation” (Romans 10:10).

We need to study the Word to get intelligent information; then we must follow sound judgment and pray in order to learn God’s will for us. The Word gives light, direction, and a purpose. A “know-it-all” is not respected either in business or in religious life. The wise man said, “Where there is no vision, the people perish” (Proverbs 29:18).

James said, “If any of you lack wisdom, let him ask of God” (James 1:5). Let Jesus be your Example—He “went about doing good.” I would never guess the miles I have traveled over hill, vale, town lots, and city streets looking for lost sheep, and then felt shouting happy on the next Sunday morning to see new faces in the church.

I could say, “Thank You, Lord, for two good feet to help answer my prayers.” Paul said to have "your feet shod with the preparation of the gospel of peace” (Ephesians 6:15). Get into the middle of the road and then go straight. Don’t be sidetracked by every “wind of doctrine.” When I have finished this life, I want to walk right into heaven, bringing some sheaves for the Master.

Fifth—the pocketbook. If God has your heart, head, hands, and feet, He also should have your pocketbook. When He owns you and your money, you are His steward; therefore you are obliged to be a faithful disperser of His possessions. The tithe is the Lord’s and we are to “bring . . . all the tithes into the storehouse, . . . and prove me now” (Malachi 3:10). Jesus commended the widow’s mite. She gave her all. He does not ask my all. I cannot give a gift until I first pay my debts. It takes money to send forth missionaries, support them, build churches, and support pastors. I would be a robber if I refused to support God’s workers who are called to preach the gospel at home and abroad.

Some modern gadgets and worldly inventions are a benefit to Christians, but some are not. I am not obliged to keep up with the Joneses, but
I must meet God to give account of my stewardship.

Here is the conclusion of the whole matter: 

"Keep thy heart with all diligence" (Proverbs 4:23). "Study to shew thyself approved unto God" (II Timothy 2:15). Check your consecration and walk in the light. "Who shall ascend into the hill of the Lord? . . . He that hath clean hands, and a pure heart" (Psalms 24:3-4). "How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of him that bringeth good tidings!" (Isaiah 52:7) "As every man hath received the gift, even so minister the same one to another, as good stewards of the manifold grace of God" (I Peter 4:10).

"Fear God, and keep his commandments: for this is the whole duty of man. For God shall bring every work into judgment, with every secret thing, whether it be good, or whether it be evil" (Ecclesiastes 12:13-14).

Yield yourselves fully to Christ and He will make your life a success. Amen.

WORLD-WIDE BIBLE READING—
Fifteenth Birthday

Servicemen Started It

"Out here I have had time to think about the deeper things of the spiritual life. I'm writing you, Mom, to ask that you and Pop read a chapter of the New Testament each day. I will read the same chapter 'way across the other side of the world and I will feel, somehow, we are united, sort of joining invisible hands. And if I come back, the church and the Bible will mean more to us than ever in our lives."

When the tearful voice of the mother relayed this message over the phone and hung up before the Bible Society secretary was able to get her name, she did not realize that this letter would begin a program now known as World-wide Bible Reading, sponsored by the American Bible Society.

"The Book That Lives," the theme for this year, gives added meaning to the program because it was just fifteen years ago that the longing of this unknown marine on Guadalcanal for spiritual fellowship started a chain reaction of Bible reading that now reaches millions of people in fifty different countries.

Each year a packet containing an attractive poster, a brochure, a bookmark of Bible reading, an information sheet, and a sample bulletin is sent to every minister in the United States and to chaplains in the churches and on military posts for use on Universal Bible Sunday, the climax of this program. Since its inception, the program has followed an upward curve in co-operation from the churches and enthusiastic coverage by the religious and secular press. A cautious estimate reveals a coverage by approximately 5,000 newspapers and magazines, reaching more than 40,000 readers.

One of the most gratifying results of this Bible reading emphasis is its growth around the world. Thirty-six thousand posters and a million bookmarks were shipped from the United States to all the foreign agencies and sister societies. In addition to this, thousands of the posters and bookmarks were printed on the field.

In Thailand, for example, the Bangkok municipal government permitted the display of the Bible posters in public places. Many leading bookstores and newsstands had Bible displays, and the program was announced on radio and television. Two leading newspapers, Siam Roth (Thai) and Bangkok Post (English), carried the Bible reading lists in significant places.

Bible Day in Brazil has become a significant event. In Sao Paulo, in a Bible Day mass meeting, thirty thousand people blocked part of the eight-lane thoroughfare passing through the city. Two planes of the Brazilian air force scattered two million leaflets advertising the meeting. Music was provided by a two-hundred-piece band from the Assemblies of God and a quartet from the Russian Baptist church. At the singing of the closing hymn, thousands of Bibles were held high in praise to God.

And so in Japan, Korea, India, the Congo, Liberia, Egypt, Greece, and many other countries Bible reading was emphasized. From person to person, family to family, friend to friend—wherever there are love and concern for others and the Living Word—the little bookmark continues to be a bond of love, a declaration of faith, and a circulating testimony that the Bible lives in the lives of people everywhere.

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Aquila and Priscilla made a home for Paul at Corinth (Acts 18:1-2). They were under the influence of his preaching for about eighteen months and must have learned much of Christian doctrine. They became helpers of Paul, had church services in their home, were good Christian workers—laymen of which any holiness church of today could well be proud.

It is probable that this couple were left in charge of the church of Ephesus during Paul’s absence. “And he came to Ephesus, and left them there” (Acts 18:19). During Paul’s absence Apollos came to Ephesus. It matters not whether he came as a supply pastor or as an evangelist. He was an eloquent speaker, fervent and convincing. Furthermore, he was trained in the use of the Scriptures, particularly to teach the way of Christian conversion. Verse 25 declares that he knew only the baptism of John, which we take to mean the first work of grace, repentance and regeneration.

Aquila and Priscilla perceived that Apollos was correct on preaching of the baptism of John, but that he needed the baptism of the Holy Spirit, which was Christ’s baptism. That baptism would cleanse the heart of Apollos from the last remains of carnality. This fine, well-trained lay couple were probably sociable as well as tactful. They seemed to take Apollos into their own home, and possibly over a period of time expounded the doctrine of holiness to him. They not only testified to it, but lived it day by day before him, demonstrating its perfect love and its power to keep.

Apollos decided it was time to leave town (verse 27). We are left in doubt as to whether or not he heeded the lay preaching he had heard. But the lay couple had been faithful to their responsibility. It must have taken courage to face a talented man with the message of the way of God more perfectly, and to have him seem indifferent to it. If Apollos had been a college man, he might have taken a superior attitude, and appeared to be offended that laymen would try to teach him theology. But these laymen—style A.D. 58—did their duty.

We often wonder if a lot of our holiness laity—A.D. 1958 style—know our holiness theology well enough to enlighten anyone who does not know about the doctrine or the experience. Personally, we have known several laymen who have been under the preaching of some of our best preachers. They moved into another town and affiliated themselves with Calvinistic groups, and according to their testimony they could see “no difference between them and the Nazarenes.” But we are grateful, indeed, for another and better class of laity. We did not have to go to a college to learn the doctrine of holiness. We learned it from laymen, and from preachers considered to be no better than average. One lay teacher of an adult class presents the doctrine of holiness so clearly and so simply that even the unlearned in the class may understand. Of course there are the other kind of teachers who do not mention holiness, possibly
because they do not wish to become involved beyond their ability or knowledge.

No doubt there were untrained laymen in A.D. 58 as well as the trained, the true as well as the untrue, much the same as we have in our Golden Jubilee year of 1958. But we believe the thing that grieves a lot of our pastors is the fact that many laymen could improve their knowledge of holiness theology and become trained to present it, and they neglect the opportunity to take the training.

Our laity may learn holiness from our Nazarene periodicals as well as from laymen and preachers. The laity, style 1958, have access to several holiness units of Christian Service Training. We are told in verse 25 that Apollos was diligent, fervent, and instructed. But we have known holiness laymen, style 1958, who did not want to be bothered with instruction. Shame! We have a spiritual experience far beyond what Apollos had. And we have just as much opportunity for learning as Aquila and Priscilla ever had. May God help us to take advantage of every opportunity to increase our ability to witness concerning the experience of holiness. Then may He give us holy boldness to use our talents to the glory of God and the holiness church of which we form a part.

Music Memoettes

By OVELLA S. SHAFER

Rev. George Bennard, Holiness Song Writer, Called Home

Rev. George Bennard, at one time a Salvation Army officer, then a Methodist minister, and still later an interdenominational evangelist, who authored over three hundred hymns, was called to his heavenly reward on Tuesday, October 7, 1958, at the age of eighty-five years.

Last February 3, while the hymn writer was ill in a Pasadena, California, hospital, arrangements were made to have a phone on the stage of Phil Kerr’s “Monday Night Musicals” at the Pasadena Civic Auditorium, and a young lady vocalist broadcast to Bennard’s hospital room his soul-saving song—“The Old Rugged Cross”; after which several thousand people joined in on “Happy Birthday” to this eighty-five-year-old veteran of the Cross.

He was born in Youngstown, Ohio, in 1873 and at an early age assumed the responsibility of caring for his mother and four sisters upon the death of his father. According to army chaplains, radio stations, and various other national polls, “The Old Rugged Cross” still remains America’s favorite after forty-five years. Millions of copies have been sold—in fact, so many that the Rodeheaver Publishing Company, who bought the copyright, has no record of its volume of sales.

What made this hymn a favorite and makes it keep living? Because of its divine inspiration based on Galatians 6:14 and John 12:32, and its particular emphasis on the Blood atonement. As a young minister, around forty years of age, Mr. Bennard was called to conduct a revival campaign for a friend, Rev. L. O. Bostwick, in Pohagan, Michigan; and it was in this parsonage during a testing time, after reading, studying, and waiting before his Lord, that, at the foot of the cross of Christ, George Bennard received a renewed spiritual experience and from his inmost being cried, “I’ll be true to the cross of Christ.” Uplifted by this spir-
ritual exaltation and accompanying himself on his well-loved guitar, he first sang the melody and the words in this parsonage kitchen of what later became the famous song “The Old Rugged Cross.”

His hymn “The Christ of the Indian Road” was inspired by his reading of Dr. E. Stanley Jones’s *The Christ of the Indian Road.* “Tell Me His Name Again” was written after he heard the holiness missionary, Mrs. C. W. Troxel, tell of Mrs. Li, the Chinese woman, who accepted Jesus Christ the first time she heard His name, but who came back the next day begging the missionary, “Tell me His name again!” Dr. Charles Stalker used this hymn in fifty-two different countries around the world. Other hymns that have become famous are: “Speak, My Lord,” “Have Thy Way, Lord,” “Jesus Is Dearer than All,” “It Was for Me,” “There Is None Like Jesus,” “I Want to Live His Love to Show,” “God Answers Prayer,” and “I’m Going There, Are You?”

George Bennard received many notable recognitions in his lifetime, among which were the occasion when he and his wife were honored passengers aboard an “Old Rugged Cross” float in Pasadena’s famed Rose Parade, witnessed by two million people and seen by additional millions on television. Then his home town, Reed City, Michigan, erected a large, rough-hewn cross on a hilltop near the Bennard home, and a large sign has been installed which reads: “Home of the author of ‘The Old Rugged Cross,’ Rev. George Bennard.”

But no longer is this hymn writer at home in this world; he has been called to the heavenly ranks. His body was shipped from Michigan to Los Angeles, where on Tuesday, October 14, services were held in the Church of the Open Door. Thus lives on the life and memory of this hymn writer, who bore a striking resemblance to John Wesley in appearance and in his preaching a second-blessing holiness (he reveals this belief in the third stanza of “The Old Rugged Cross”). Yes, George Bennard blessed countless throngs with his dedicated, godly life and ministry.

Fifty-seven years ago a conference of the representatives of the American Bible Society and its auxiliaries passed the following resolution:

“Resolved, that the auxiliary Societies should endeavor to induce all the churches in their territory to devote one service in the year to the presentation of the Bible Cause . . .”

The next reference to a special day for the Bible cause was in connection with the celebration of the centennial of the British and Foreign Bible Society. The Sunday nearest the anniversary date, March 8, 1904, was endorsed by all the leading denominations in this country as the Bible’s Day. Special worship services were held across the country celebrating the international aspects of the two Bible Societies.

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PEACE!

By L. Guy Nees
Pastor, First Church, Los Angeles, California

Joseph Leibman, the author of Peace of Mind, tells this interesting story in connection with the writing of his book. When he was a young man, full of exuberant fancy, he set down a list of earthly desirables. This list included health, love, beauty, talent, power, riches, fame, and several minor ingredients—what he considered to be man's perfect portion. He then took this list and showed it to an older man. "This," he told him confidently, "is the sum of mortal goods. Could a man possess them all, he would be as a god."

"An excellent list," the older man said, as he pondered it thoughtfully, "well digested in content, and set down in reasonable order. But it appears, my young friend, that you have omitted the most important element of all. You have forgotten the one ingredient, lacking which, each possession becomes a hideous torment, and your list as a whole, an intolerable burden."

"What is the missing ingredient?" asked the young Leibman.

The older man crossed off the entire list that had been handed him and wrote three words, "Peace of mind." These three words stirred in the soul of Joseph Leibman for years, until finally the result was the book bearing that title.

THE BIBLE

By F. W. Davis

Thank God for the precious old Bible, That has stood the test of the years, Our Road Map from this earth to glory, Our Comfort in sorrow and tears. Tho' condemned by hell and agnostics, God's Word, so precious and pure, Will stand when the earth is dissolving And His truth shall forever endure!

It tells of our Saviour's returning When the heavens roll back as a scroll. It tells of the saints at the rapture, And depicts the home of the soul. Let us trust each promise it gives us, And enlarge our faith in His Word. Someday we shall see Him in glory— Our Saviour, Redeemer, and Lord!
God's Word

By EVELYN PICKERING

Families close are joined together
When God's Word they read and share,
Finding hope and inspiration
In His message written there.

God speaks through the Holy Bible
With a quick and powerful word,
Piercing soul and spirit asunder,
Sharper than a two-edged sword.

God's Word is a mighty Messenger,
With glad news to young and old.
As a boost to Christian living
Families find its worth untold.

of life. All the time we will be saying to ourselves, But I'm really not doing what I ought to be.

I may be talking to someone this day whose life is torn by conflicts, obsessions, torments. You have been trying to find peace in a multitude of different ways, only to see it elude your grasp in the most needful moment. Have you tried God? Have you submitted your life to Him? Have you dedicated your whole being to His will? I challenge you to make this commitment and can assure you that in so doing you will find real peace—not as the world giveth, but lasting peace.

Unsung Heroes of the Golden Anniversary

After seeing our father’s name (Rev. C. B. Jernigan) quite a few times in the Herald of Holiness and his picture on the front cover of the Preacher’s Magazine during this year of our Golden Anniversary, our thoughts turned to the “unsung heroes” who valiantly helped all along the way. Our father had great respect and love for the men who helped to build and unite a great movement of holiness for God.

Could our father speak now, I am sure he would call names not seen in print, thanking them for their part in helping to lay the rough stones for the foundation on which the Golden Anniversary is securely anchored. It was these men whose lifelong association and unselfish participation as friends and co-workers helped to inspire and make possible the glowing report from the Southland when the Holiness Church of Christ was united in 1908 at Pilot Point with the Pentecostal Church of the Nazarene.

These heroes were not heroes just because they were brave and took a stand for the church and a stand against sin and Satan. They were heroes because they were steadfast, never wavering when persecution came from other Christian groups—in violent reaction against organized holiness. If it had not been for these unsung heroes how could the General Assembly minutes of 1908 show that the Holiness Church of Christ came in with 90 separate churches, helping to make the grand total of 228 uniting together?

There came also two schools: the Arkansas Holiness College at Vilonia, Arkansas, and the Missionary and Bible Training School, located at Pilot Point, Texas. There were eight missionaries on the field and one paper, the Holiness Evangel, printed at Pilot Point. This all was accomplished by God’s help and the aid of unsung heroes.

No one man, although he may be resourceful and valiant, when scaling heights of treacherous mountains, does it alone. It is only by the help of others that the pinnacle is reached.

Here we wish we could call in a loud voice a complete list, from all over America, of the names of those whose service and sacrifice for the Church of the Nazarene have already been recorded in heaven, where the ink never fades nor the pages get stuck together—but every name is seen, no matter how small the writing. This list of names would be made up from the laymen, as well as from the lesser known preachers who stood valiantly by, daring and overcoming the devil wherever they found him.

If your “unsung hero’s name” in this year of our Golden Anniversary was not mentioned, because of neglect or oversight, when by rights it should have been, wipe unbidden tears from your eyes and turn your gaze to heaven, where God never forgets and every Christian hero receives his crown of reward—a crown that fadeth not away.

—JOHNNY JERNIGAN AND
MARGARET JERNIGAN RAMSEY
Monday:
“We know not what we should pray for as we ought”—how often we have knelt with blank minds, inert, indifferent if feeling were the test! But not for long. “The Spirit also helpeth our infirmities.” God knew we wanted to pray real prayer; our hearts were open, and somehow, from somewhere, there came a specific need, a word of faith, a fresh grip. The exact, definite “must” that was the will of God for that one prayer caught fire in our spirit. We know “the Spirit helpeth.” (Romans 8:26.)

Tuesday:
“We know [all too well] that the whole creation groaneth . . . in pain”—this is a world at cross-purposes. For everyone the darkness deepens—sometimes. Faith in God is no magic to evade life’s sorrows. But “we know that all things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are the called according to his purpose.” Knowing, we have the secret that transmutes pain. (Romans 8:22, 28.)

Wednesday:
We do not know. “. . . it doth not yet appear what we shall be.” The future is veiled—even tomorrow. It may bring tragedy, loss, undreamed-of tests. For “we see not yet all things put under him.” But we “see Jesus.” Nothing can rob us of the sight. And “we know that, when he shall appear, we shall . . . see him as he is,” and stand with Him, pure in that presence. (I John 3:2-3; Hebrews 2:8d-9a.)

Thursday:
We do not know the answer to all the questions. Satan and men can throw unanswerable “whys” at us. For “now we see through a glass, darkly.” But we do know the one essential thing, “Whereas I was blind, now I see.” “We know that we have passed from death unto life.” We know “him that is true,” "the only true God, and Jesus Christ, whom thou hast sent.” Better than guessing the answers is trusting the One who cannot lie. (I Corinthians 13:12; John 9:25; I John 3:14; 5:20, 13; John 17:3.)

Friday:
“We know not the voice of strangers”—and well for us that these do not attract us. We are not hankering after newer doctrines or greener fields. But we “know his voice,” and we will follow it through darkness and storm and danger. For He himself is the Way that is truth and life. (John 10:4-5; 14:5.)

Saturday:
We know not—it has not “entered into the heart of man” what is “prepared for them that love him.” We can guess “by the Spirit.” But we do “know that . . . we have . . . an house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens.” And we know it will just suit us, for we know its Builder and its Furnisher. Jesus said, “I go to prepare a place for you.” (I Corinthians 2:9; II Corinthians 5:1; Hebrews 11:10; John 14:2.)

Sunday:
Many things we do not know, and cannot. “Our knowledge is a torch of smoky pine.” “We know in part, and we prophesy in part.” But the things we know weigh heavier in the scales. (Read I John, all five chapters, if you doubt this.) And there is more. We may know “the things that are freely given to us of God.” “Then shall we know, if we follow on to know.”

“I count all things but loss . . . that I may know him, and the power of his resurrection, and the fellowship of his sufferings.” (I Corinthians 2:12; 13:9; Hosea 6:3; Philippians 3:8-10.)

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**Address Change**

Rev. and Mrs. Charles Hapgood Strickland, retired foreign missionaries who have been living at Vereeniging, Transvaal, South Africa, have now moved to P.O. Box 35, Scottburgh, South Coast, Natal, South Africa. NOTE: Do not confuse this gentleman with the Rev. C. H. Strickland who is superintendent of our European work in South Africa. He is still living at Florida, Transvaal, South Africa.

Rev. and Mrs. O. K. Perkinson have returned to Uruguay. Their address is: Casilla 975, Correo Central, Montevideo, Uruguay.

**Furloughing Missionaries**

Miss Avinell McNabb, Miss Mary McKinley, and Miss Lois Pass have left Africa for furlough early this month.
trust that he will soon be reclaimed and walk with the Lord as he once did.

ANSWERED PRAYER
IN BRITISH HONDURAS

God has answered our prayers. Little Baby Stephen has been normal now for over a month. We feel it was a definite answer to prayer. He began to improve over a month. We feel it was a definite answer to prayer. He began to improve. Pray that the seed may grow and ripen into a fruitful harvest for the Lord.

God has been blessing in the church. The attendance is building and new people have been seeking the Lord. The gains have been coming in a gradual but substantial way. We praise the Lord for this.

Thanks to those of you who have been sending us used literature. We have been sending the roads with it. In fact so much so that we find people waiting all along the road each Sunday for their Sunday paper. Some we are reaching in this way that we would not have the opportunity to reach otherwise. Pray that the seed may grow and ripen into a fruitful harvest for the Master.

Your prayers have been realized in a very special way. Please continue to pray for our day school here in Corozal, that God will help us to have sufficient students that in the future we may have a government-aided school.

—LEONARD YORK.

When and where did sin originate—in heaven, hell, or the Garden of Eden?

Sin did not originate in hell. Instead, hell was a creation of sin in that it was prepared for the devil and his angels. This does not mean that those who die in sin will not go to hell. However, they will be aliens, even in hell, for hell was not specifically prepared for wicked men. Sin did not originate in the Garden of Eden. Adam and Eve did sin and fall there, but there was sin before their time. Where did sin begin? Within the angelic group, some of whom sinned and fell before the first sin in the universe was not then. It started with Satan, who had been an angel, and some other angels who followed the example set by Satan. Sin is not eternal. It arose out of the free choices of finite beings—angels first, and then Adam and Eve and other men.

Last Sunday in Sunday school the teacher called for a definition of repentance. The answer which was given did not satisfy me. Can one speak of repentance separate from sin, or must there always be sin before there can be repentance?

Of course I do not know of the context of your question, and because of this might not answer it as well as I could have if I had been there and heard all of the discussion. Nevertheless, I’ll do my best. For me, repentance is always in some way related to sin. One of the best definitions of repentance which I have ever heard was given in these words: “A turning of the mind and will, in response to the prophetic ‘voice,’ away from self and the world, to God.” Then the writer who gave these words went on to say that they set forth the correct meaning of the Hebrew word for repentance in the Old Testament and the Greek word in the New Testament. To put it briefly, then, repentance is a turning from sin to God.

Your reference to the resurrected body of Jesus in your answer to the fourth question in the Question Box for October 22 awakened my interest. Here was my reasoning: Christ’s resurrected body was tangible enough to be touched and recognized by His disciples; and He ascended as such. Further, Christ declares that He and the Father are one. Also, the place to which He went must be as tangible and real as His ascended body. There He dwells with His Father. The body of the Father will be tangible, too, even though the Word does say that He is Spirit. Finally, we are told that Jesus will come in like manner. I am not contending, only inquiring.

Anyone with your seventy-eight years and the many years that you have preached the gospel, along with the very kind and complimentary letter which you wrote, has a right to make some inquiries. I believe that if I could sit down with you and discuss this matter we would soon find ourselves not very far apart. Certainly the Bible calls Jesus’ resurrected body a body. In addition, He no doubt took this body with Him into the Godhead. This means to me that Christ can make His body, although it is a spiritual body, visible and tangible when He cares to, but its more normal or natural condition is that of invisibility and non-tangibility. This may not help you, but if it doesn’t, just pray that God will help me to understand this truth better. Anyway, I’m planning to meet you at the Eastern Gate over there, and we’ll find out for sure then the exact nature of Jesus’ resurrected body. God bless you and make these years of your life the best that you have ever had.

We have a wonderful pastor, but he has one fault. He holds his service Sunday morning too long. Most of the people who make up the congregation live miles out of town. I believe that if he would cut the service a half-hour shorter, so many people wouldn’t walk out after Sunday school.

Do you believe that this is part of the reason why so many people won’t stay for morning worship?

That’s probably one of the reasons. God help us preachers to know when to quit! I would suggest, however, that you pray for your pastor more. Maybe that would help him to get through with his sermon more quickly. Along with this, I would advise that you thank God that your pastor has only one fault. Really, I believe you, along with many other Nazarene congregations, are very fortunate in the pastor you have.
To me, the Bible is supremely a Book on religion. It tells me about the true religion. It gives directions for contacting the ultimate Reality of the universe—God. It presents the truth as to the only true religion. There are other viewpoints from which the Bible may be studied but, frankly, they have never meant much to me. Its religious value has outclassed everything else.

Again, the Bible tells me how to solve the greatest problem of my life, the problem of sin. Through its teachings I can get rid of sinning as an act, and sin as an inborn state. To me, these truths are clear as crystal in the Bible. I have followed the recommendations given there and have experienced what they claim a person will experience if he obeys them.

It is not merely on theoretical grounds, then, that I believe the Bible, though I do believe it on those grounds; it is also on experiential grounds. The Bible is a living, dynamic Book for me as an individual.

Third, the Bible not only enables me to solve the most difficult problem which I have ever faced; it also tells me how to keep that problem solved. It provides a road map for the Christian life which is so definite and clear that everyone can understand it, if he will. The Bible is an infallible rule of faith and practice. A person who has found Christ—the dynamic Center of the whole Bible—can go on and follow Him through the principles which are laid down in this Book of books. Thank God for an infallible rule of faith and practice of such a nature that the wayfaring man, though a fool, need not err therein!

Another aspect of the Bible, which greatly enlarges its meaning for me, is its devotional character. I not only need rules which give me direction after I am saved and sanctified; I need inspiration, comfort, blessing, and sustenance from within—and the Bible provides these for me. A storehouse of devotional literature is found within its pages. The twenty-third psalm has become a priceless gem of devotional literature, not by accident, but because in it there is that which meets the need of the Christian as he moves along for Christ in this difficult world. I'd be afraid to say how many times I've read this psalm and received help from it.

"The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want." What a beginning! And as one reads on, he is in the same kind of atmosphere. The twenty-third psalm is sublime because it is of the earth, earthy, and at the same time it is of heaven, or heavenly. It brings heaven and earth together in a unique fashion, so that every needy soul can find strength and encouragement in its words.

What is said of the twenty-third psalm may, at least in a measure, be said of many of the psalms, and of many other passages in the Word of God, in both the Old and the New Testaments. God's Word certainly is the Bread of Life to our souls as we walk on the King's highway.

Thank God for the Bible! What a blessed Book it is! To read it is to fall in love with it. It is as necessary for Christian living, with its inspiration and blessing, as food is for physical living.
Fix It Yourself!

We have a little table lamp at home, somewhat like an old-fashioned kerosene-oil-burning lamp. We use it on the kitchen table when we eat there. It augments the light which is in the center of the kitchen. It was bright and shining and steady when it was first bought; now it doesn't look quite so nice with its brass body and green shade, but we still like it. Recently this lamp became very unsteady; it would act as if the shade and globe were going to fall off—it had the "shakes."

By Stephen S. White

I am not much for "fixing it yourself," especially when it is something mechanical. I am not a mechanic and have never made a practice of doing much along that line. However, I became weary of the unsteadiness of this little lamp and decided to investigate one day while I was at home alone. I found that a nut on a bolt which held the top part of the lamp to the body had come loose. I got some pliers and tightened it up, and from that standpoint the lamp is as good as new now. Once in a while when I achieve a triumph like this I'm a little more inclined to believe in "fix it yourself" than before. However I am not yet completely converted to such activities, by any means. I'd rather have somebody else come in and do the fixing.

But I am thinking of this little lamp and "fix it yourself" in connection with two verses in Matthew 5: "Therefore if thou bring thy gift to the altar, and there rememberest that thy brother hath aught against thee; leave there thy gift before the altar, and go thy way; first be reconciled to thy brother, and then come and offer thy gift." (vv. 23-24). My thought in this connection is that there are some things in the Christian life that can't be fixed unless you fix them yourself. The principle of "fix it yourself" is the only principle that you can follow. God himself can't clear up a bad relationship that exists between you and your brother. You must do it. It is a bad relationship when you think as you shouldn't of him or he thinks as he shouldn't of you. In either case there is something for you to fix up.

These verses deal especially with the latter type of thing. "Therefore if thou bring thy gift to the altar, and there rememberest that thy brother hath aught against thee; leave there thy gift before the altar, and go thy way; first be reconciled to thy brother, and then come and offer thy gift." Again let me say, there are some things in the Christian life, in my relationship with others, some maladjustments, that I must clear up myself. God cannot take care of them for me; begging Him to do it will not make any difference. I must face the situation and fix it myself.

If men's hearts—even those who profess to be Christians—were suddenly put on a canvas, we'd be amazed at the number of little frictions that exist between them and others. Either they feel badly toward a brother, or a brother feels badly toward them. Only God knows what an avalanche of blessing and victory and revival would come upon us if we could get everybody to meet these conditions as they ought to be met; to be willing to humble himself and do everything possible to clear up bad relationships between him and his brother. What an atmosphere of good fellowship would follow! Wouldn't that be wonderful! I say again, my friend, it's a case of "fix it yourself." Nobody else can do it for you, not even God himself.

P.S. What I have said above is absolutely true! However, if you'll start out to fix up things with your brother, God will stand by you. He will go all the way with you. In other words, if you furnish the will power and action, God will provide the necessary grace.

"Give Gifts with a Christian Emphasis"

The Nazarene Publishing House is a business concern, of course, but we should remember that it is a Christian business concern. It belongs to the Church of the Nazarene; it belongs to you and me, to every member of the Church of the Nazarene. At this Christmas time it is especially emphasizing the thought of giving gifts "with a Christian emphasis." Certainly this is needed today as never before. Not only are we commercializing Christmas, in many instances, but also we are secularizing it; we are making it of this earth, earthy. We are buying gifts and sending Christmas cards which have no thought of a Christian Christmas connected with them. Why not see that every gift you send to loved ones or friends this year, whatever the nature of that gift may be, has something about it which calls attention to Christ? He is the center of Christmas; and if we leave Him out, it is not a Christian Christmas.

Some of the Christmas cards sent out at Christ-
mas time are ridiculous; they are a disgrace to Him whose birthday we celebrate at this time. The same may be said of many of the careless gifts which are passed out. Let's make this Christmas different.

The Sunday School Lesson (Continued from page 15)

Person. Our leaders urge us to witness, to go out, but an even greater authority than this must motivate us. It must be the word of Christ who speaks and gives command, "Go ye.

The Method of the Commission
Each disciple must join with his partner with fortitude and daring. Perhaps Jesus was concerned lest they would give regard to their comfort and forget their message; so they traveled light. There was the air of urgency; "Now is the accepted time."

The Effect of the Commission
There was no hesitation, but an immediate obedience to the words of their Master. "And they went out, and preached." In faith and courage they called men to repent. Devils were cast out, the sick were healed, and Christ was made known.

To study this lesson with an open mind and heart, one must face some searching questions:

What about our present-day methods? Have we substituted the traditions of men for the commandments of God? Surely there is no "bleacher" crowd among Christ's followers. Accept the command of Christ. Go out this week, with a partner, and take the message of hope to the oppressed and sin-weary.

What about our message? Was not the first message of John the Baptist, of Jesus, and now of the disciples that of repentance? Truly the road to revival is humility and repentance.

Let us repent at any point where the Spirit speaks, for repentance is a must at any point where new light is received. Not only hear what the Master says, but choose to go for the Master, and then speak!

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Universal Bible Sunday
December 14

"The Book That Lives" is the theme of the American Bible Society for Universal Bible Sunday this year—December 14. Beautiful posters and the church bulletins portraying men of many nations grouped around the written Word reading about Christ, the Living Word, will call attention to people of all denominations of the importance of the Word of God in world culture. As always, the American Bible Society is promoting a campaign of Bible reading between Thanksgiving and Christmas.

Surrounding Population Deserves Churches

Typical of the growing concern felt for providing religious services to the many, many suburban developments around the great cities in America was the Convocation of the Town and Country Church in York, Pennsylvania, last month. It was pointed out that, while the United States population grew by 25 per cent in the last twenty years, suburban population had increased by 75 per cent. At least 2,000 Protestant churches must be built every year to serve the growing and shifting population. What a terrific opportunity for them in our Golden Anniversary year campaign to organize a church a day! Surely if ever we needed it, we need now the twentieth century counterpart of the nineteenth century pioneer farmer who gave a corner of his newly homesteaded farm to build a church. Mr. Suburbanite Nazarene must plan to buy two lots in the new development, one for himself and one for a new church.

Protest American Cardinals in Papal Elections

Questions concerning the citizenship status of United States Cardinals Spellman of New York, Mooney of Detroit, and MacIntyre of Los Angeles, who participated in the election of Pope John the Twenty-third, have been raised by Protestant groups. It is pointed out that no American citizen may lawfully participate in the affairs of a foreign government without sacrificing his American citizenship. The Protestant groups contend that the Vatican is more than a church; it is a foreign nation.

San Diego Council Conducts City Census

Every family making up San Diego's almost 500,000 people is being visited this month in a religious census sponsored by the San Diego (Cal.) County Council of Churches. The county has been divided into forty geographical areas, and one minister is in charge of each area committee. Fanning out over the city, 15,000 church census takers are asking two questions at every door:

What is your church preference?
Is there a Bible in your home?

Those cards stating a preference will be forwarded to the churches indicated. It is the most thoroughgoing religious census ever conducted in San Diego County. A follow-up visitation is also planned.

Nazarene Ministers Benevolent Fund

A retired elder in the Northwest, having given thirty-three years of his life to the Nazarene ministry, writes concerning the N.M.B.F. Fund:

"This money has helped us greatly and even more than the money we have appreciated the thoughtfulness of the church in providing this care for the older minister, many of whom have long been without a congregation's support."

The memories of those who have served God and the church, but who are now faded from the active ministry, must never be forgotten. They were in the forefront of the battle in yesteryears. Because they won we have a well-established work and the Church of the Nazarene today. With indomitable courage they made their beachhead. We must not forget to care for our old soldiers. THEY HELPED US . . . NOW LET US HELP THEM.

By R. L. LUNSFORD

This year, give gifts "with a Christian emphasis." And I might add that I know of no place where you can buy such gifts better than from your own publishing house—the Nazarene Publishing House.

DEAN WESSELS, Secretary

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Christmas Thoughtfulness

Would your church or missionary society like to do something special at Christmas for someone in need of help and who is not expecting anything? Check with your district superintendent to see if there is a home mission pastor on your district you can help. Or write to the Department of Home Missions (Box 6076, Kansas City 10, Missouri) for information about an overseas home on your district you can help. Or write to the Department of Home Missions (Box 6076, Kansas City 10, Missouri) for information about an overseas home mission pastor or one of our Negro workers. None of these receives assistance through missionary box work. Your thoughtfulness would provide an unaccounted blessing at Christmas time and there are several for whom it would be of real help.

ROY F. SMEE, Secretary

October 30 was the interest-paying date for depositors in the General Church Loan Fund. Checks went out to depositors and interest was credited to the account of those who requested their interest to accumulate in the total amount of $6,903.36 for that half-year period. The depositors are earning money while their deposits are helping to build churches across our denomination.

Total church extension loan funds by the end of October had reached the amount of:

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Of this amount, $442,973.61 represented savings deposits in the General Church Loan Fund; $186,751.14 was permanent funds in the General Church Loan Fund, including $41,411.65 in a reserve trust fund for the protection of depositors; $4,500.00 is an annuity received this year for the General Church Loan Fund; and $330,259.05 was the amount in the non-borrowed, short-term loan fund of the Division of Church Extension. This was the first month these total funds had reached $900,000.

YOU

may help as we near the end of our Golden Anniversary year. Our goal was one million dollars in total church extension loan funds by the end of 1958. If churches that have building funds they will not be using for at least a year, and individual Nazarenes with savings and investment funds will not invest in deposits, we will easily reach our goal before January 1. Nearly $100,000 is needed during November and December.

If you have been thinking and praying about making a deposit, send it in now, or write to the Division of Church Extension (Box 6076, Kansas City 10, Missouri) for further information. Interest is paid at 3 per cent, 3½ per cent, and 4 per cent per annum, depending upon the length of term and amount of the deposit. A new folder explaining about the fund has just been printed and will be sent on request at the present time we have church building loan applications on hand for $73,200 above our available funds, and new applications are received every week. Through these funds Nazarenes are able to work together to supply our congregations with greatly needed buildings. And the Division of Church Extension, in its twelve years of operating these loan funds, has a record of not losing one cent of principal or interest on a church loan.

Announcements

RECOMMENDATION

Rev. and Mrs. Willis Brand, 2446 Welser Park, Fort Wayne, Indiana, are commissioned by our General Conference as batteaux evangelists, and she as song evangelist. They have had considerable experience in their twenty-eight years in the ministry in both pastoral and evangelistic work. He is a trained baritone soloist and she an accomplished musician, playing the organ, Swiss bells, etc. They have traveled over 875,000 miles in 44 states and Canada. They do well in revivals, conventions, and special services. We commend them to our people.—Paul Updike, Superintendent of Northwestern Indiana District.

WEDDING BELLS

Rev. Mrs. Lena Franks, 3321 The Plains and Mr. Edward F. West, of Athens, Ohio, were united in marriage on November 7 at Ironton, Ohio, with Rev. Drel H. Goof, non-in-law of the groom, officiating.

Miss Beulah Logan and Ralph L. Sullivan, Troy, Ohio, were united in marriage on November 15 at Troy, Ohio, with Rev. Mrs. Marion Kunkel, non-in-law of the bride, officiating.

SPECIAL PRAYER IS REQUESTED by Evangelist F. H. Lacy, now in Ireland, for Mrs. Lacy, now out of the hospital but still quite ill—able to attend some of their meetings—that God may heal her completely.

by a mother in Illinois for "my son in children's home—he is being tempted of the devil and wants to be saved";

by a mother in Ohio who has faith in prayer for her son who is an alcoholic;

by a lady in Colorado that the Lord will heal her body—that she may be able to dispose of some property—that her children may yield to God and get sanctified—for several unspoken requests;

by a lady in Maryland that "I may get victory over a residual problem," for the salvation of her son and that he may break away from the worldly crowd;

by a mother in Tennessee for a young couple to get a deeper and richer experience in God, and that they may desire God's will in all their plans;

by a reader in Ohio for a closer walk with God, for a revival in that community, and for healing of his wife and son;

by a husband and father in deep trouble because that God will give him another chance with his wife and family—near fifty years of age and now in prison.

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District Assembly Schedule for 1959

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South Dakota ............................... June 17 and 18
North Dakota .............................. June 24 and 25
Northeastern Indiana ...................... July 8 to 10
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Evangelists' Slates

A to C

Abia, Glen W. 2515 S. Williams St., Denver, Colo.

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Alden, A. L., 527, Kansas City 41, Mo.

Alden, John C., 104 E. 17th St., Kansas City, Mo.

Alden, W. I. 200 S. 8th St., Carrollton, Mo.

Alden, E. A., 201 E. 17th St., Kansas City, Mo.

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G and H

Galms, L. Lee. 3342 Olsen Drive, Corpus Christi, Texas. Nov. 26 to Dec. 7.

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(ST)
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