Christianity is a way of life. The Bible faithfully describes the way to obtain and retain that life. The Manual of the church reflects that description. Guidance in both the negative and the positive aspects of that life are given. This guidance is not given arbitrarily but is stated because it is true to life. In fact, men do not make real laws; they only discover them and write them down. I have been impressed recently that the newspapers (the daily record of men’s lives) faithfully verify what God and His Church teach.

1) An American city saw 135 murders in 1957 and was dubbed “Murdertown, U.S.A.” The homicide captain of the local police force blamed the situation on a breakdown in the moral code. Said he, “I don’t think it would hurt our people to examine themselves, to attend church perhaps more regularly.”

2) Dr. Selden D. Bacon, director of the Yale Center of Alcohol Studies, said recently, “Alcoholism is a three-legged stool: 1. Alcohol itself; 2. Internal needs and conflicts that alcohol seems to solve; 3. The various drinking cultures of our modern society.” Without these three “legs” alcoholism could not exist.

3) Dr. Alton Ochoner, professor of surgery at Tulane University School of Medicine and one of the pioneers in research on the relationship of cigarettes to cancer, addressing the Chicago Medical Society, said, “All cancers except cancer of the lung occur with greater frequency with each decade after the fifth. Cancer of the lung is the only exception. It develops much more rapidly than any other cancer.” He indicated that heavy smokers who have passed age fifty-five without developing lung cancer “have subjected their heart and blood vessels to the deleterious effects of tobacco and develop coronary thrombosis and die before they have a chance to develop cancer of the lung.” He said studies also had shown “without any question or doubt” that there is a cancer-producing agent in smoke from cigarettes.

4) Circuit Judge Wendell E. Green of Family Court, Chicago, recently administered the famous Youth Rally pledge to about fifty thousand teen-agers in that city. A portion of the pledge states: “I pledge, To respect my parents and to act so as to bring them honor, To keep out of trouble and help others to stay on the right track, To serve God, to be a credit to my country and to make my city a better place to live in.”

5) A prominent state official imprisoned for the theft of $1,500,000 in 1956, speaking from his prison cell, said recently, “Any man who has one true friend is a fortunate man. Aside from my family, I have learned that I don’t have a friend in the world.”

If in no other way, read the newspaper and prove that God’s ways are the best ways and that the way of the transgressor is hard.
Telegrams . . .

Minneapolis, Minnesota—Nineteenth Minnesota District Assembly and camp meeting closed Sunday, July 29, after a wonderful week of blessing. Reports show gains in membership and finances in every department; eleven “10 per cent” churches; membership net gain, 76. One new home mission church. N.F.M.S. a “star” district. Paul Anderson and Donald J. McErlane ordained; Miss Emma Jeanne De Vries consecrated deaconess. Leadership and ministry of Dr. Hugh C. Benner, beloved general superintendent, an inspiration and blessing to all. Rev. James McErlane’s preaching and Paul McErlane’s singing blessed of the Lord. District Superintendent Roy Stevens’ report received with joy and love offering as he begins another year of three-year call. Minnesota District is on the march.—Edward J. Johnson, Reporter.

Cincinnati, Ohio.—Fifteenth Western Ohio Assembly signally honored by God’s presence, challenged by presiding Superintendent D. I. Vanderpool, and district led to new achievements by District Superintendent W. E. Albee. His report indicated 11,273 members, 14,553 average Sunday school attendance, 2 new churches; General Budget giving, $108,535; general interests, $144,232; grand total, $1,499,680. Twenty-nine churches on “10 per cent” giving list; 39 had 10 per cent gain in membership. Wilbur L. Jackson, Douglas D. McAdams, Bernard F. Miller, and Noah A. Wyatt ordained.—Paul G. Bassett, District Secretary.

Dr. Lawrence B. Hicks has resigned as pastor of Central Church in Orlando, Florida, to accept the call to pastor First Church in Chattanooga, Tennessee.

Revs. Oscar and Nettie Hudson were married at Sunset, Texas, August 10, 1898. Evangelistic labors have carried them throughout the nation. On August 10, this year, they celebrated their sixtieth wedding anniversary quietly at their home, 1457 N. Sierra Bonita Avenue, Pasadena, California. They have three daughters living—Mrs. Venus Floyd, of Temple City; Mrs. Virginia Revengaugh, of San Jose; and Mrs. Mabel Mcguin, of Pasadena, California.

Rev. Roy A. Bettscher writes that “after seven wonderful years as pastor of First Church, Chattanooga, Tennessee, I am resigning” to enter the evangelistic field. Brother Bettscher served as an evangelist for fifteen years prior to going to Chattanooga.

Herald 1 had ever seen, but now I am taking it, I hope for life. My church label is not Nazarene . . . I take eight of the best Christian journals published, but the Herald of Holiness is the only one I read most of the time at one sitting.”—Oregon.

“Because of the favorable response to the anniversary issue I believe our regular subscription list will show good gains next year. We have already received two new subscriptions from non-Nazarenes as a direct result of the complimentary copy.”—Pastor in Florida.

“Through neglect we have allowed our subscription to the Herald to lapse, and frankly we are miserable without it. Bertha Munro’s wonderful spiritual thoughts, the Sunday school lesson in which Brother Poole puts so much, the outstanding editorials, the God-blessed articles . . . all these magnificent jewels! Please put us back on your list.”—Oregon.

Dr. Kenneth S. Rice has resigned as director of Christian Service Training to accept the call to pastor First Church in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, and will be moving there around September 1.

Rev. T. Earl Rowan, graduate from Nazarene Theological Seminary with the class of ‘58, has accepted the pastorate of the church in Zephyrhills, Florida.

Rev. J. L. Longnecker has resigned as pastor of the church at Carmi to accept the pastorate in Georgetown, Illinois.

After nearly forty years of pastoral work in Nazarene churches, Rev. and Mrs. Robert L. Major are retiring from the active ministry. Sunday, August 24, will be their last Sunday in their present pastorate—Pleasant Grove Church in Lansing, Michigan.

After pastoring the church at Beloit for two years, Rev. Russell Bush has accepted a call to the church at Kiowa, Kansas.

Gleanings

from the Office Editor’s Desk

“I saw in —— where the Nazarenes were issuing a Herald of Holiness to commemorate fifty years of the church. I sent some coins to the pastor of the church here and the paper came at once. Was I pleased with this fine issue! It was the first copy of the
Some Credentials of the Sanctified

By E. WAYNE STAHL, Retired Nazarene Elder, Lowell, Massachusetts

Rereading that wonderful classic on holiness, *A Plain Account of Christian Perfection*, I was impressed by the frequency with which the author, John Wesley, insists that three things are evidences that the believer has the experience of sanctification. Again and again our great spiritual ancestor declares that among these evidences are *rejoicing evermore, praying without ceasing, and giving thanks in everything*.

For instance, Wesley, referring to a person witnessing to the experience of the second work, writes that such a one, whose life and conduct agree with his testimony, can be believed when he says, "I feel no sin, but all love; I pray, rejoice, and give thanks without ceasing."

Again, the great Methodist states that a person thus blessed has "experienced a total death to sin, and an entire renewal in the love and image of God, so as to 'Rejoice evermore. Pray without ceasing. In every thing give thanks.'"

Then the author of the *Plain Account*, answering the objection of an opponent who says that one who professes to live without sinning would have no need of the atonement, definitely declares that such a professor will always require the merits of the divine death on Calvary and reiterates, "The perfection I hold is love rejoicing evermore, praying without ceasing, and in everything giving thanks."

A few lines after this he writes that this love "fills the heart, expels pride, wrath, evil desires, prays without ceasing, rejoices evermore, and in everything gives thanks."

Continuing this, our Methodist "man sent from God, whose name was John," gives us a lovely picture of those whom he has personally known who have had the experience of perfect love. He says that "they love God with all their heart; He is their one delight, and they are continually happy in Him. They love their neighbor as themselves. They feel a sincere, fervent, constant desire for the happiness of every man, good or bad, friend or enemy, as for themselves."

And he climaxes this glorious affirmation with these words, "Their souls are streaming up to God in holy joy, prayer and praise."

He answers the argument of critics of the holiness experience that the one who has it need not expect the witness of the Spirit to the fact. He states that this witness is imperative in times of temptation; then we read, "Were it not for this [the witness] the soul could no longer abide in the love of God; much less could it 'rejoice evermore. . . . In every thing give thanks.'"

Yet again he insists on these three credentials of the sanctified when he writes of "those who are sanctified, who are fathers in Christ, who 'rejoice evermore, pray without ceasing, and in every thing give thanks.'"

Then shunning not to declare "the whole counsel of God," Wesley writes warningly of the danger for those professors who "are undeniably wanting in longsuffering, and Christian resignation. They do not see the hand of God in whatever occurs, and cheerfully embrace it. They do not 'in every thing give thanks, rejoice evermore.'"

To some readers the mighty Methodist's continual references to these "credentials" might seem "vain repetitions." But to those who know the glory and triumph whereof he writes, it is occasion for transcendent wonder that God should put into the soul such signatures of celestial grace. They illustrate what an illustrious poet has sung:

> As when we dwell upon a word we know,
> Repeating, till the word we know so well
> Becomes a wonder, and we know not why.

The secret of realizing this trilogy of Christian graces is having "Christ in you, the hope of glory." When one can truly testify, "I am crucified with Christ: nevertheless I live; yet not I, but Christ liveth in me" (Galatians 2:20), then we have the answer to the prayer:

> Live out Thy life within me;
> In all things have Thy way;
> Thy transparent medium,
> Thy glory to display.

How continually Christ rejoiced! Even in the shadows of Golgotha, He spoke of "my joy," and led the apostles in singing a hymn of praise. Repeatedly we read of His giving thanks. And His life "in the days of his flesh" was a perpetual praying.

> "As he is, so are we in this world" (I John 4:17c).
If we would manifest to “them that are without” that Christ dwells in our hearts by faith, we must have these heavenly credentials.

Then the world will take knowledge of us that we have been with Him who was “holy, harmless, undefiled, separate from sinners.” Then we demonstrate that we have obeyed the apostle’s mandate, "Be ye therefore followers of God" (Ephesians 5:1). The word “followers” of this verse is in the Greek the one from which comes our word “mimeograph.” We are to be “copies” of our Divine Original.

**How to Be a HAPPY NAZARENE**

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I. Personal Holiness, Co-operation and Organization Essential

Of course it goes without saying that to be a happy Nazarene one must, above all, remain a happy Christian. For the Church of the Nazarene believes in vital, growing religious experience, and ever seeks to encourage such spiritual reality in all that is done, whether by worship or preaching or organizational promotion. The church fails just to the extent that a member who has become unhappy as a Christian can remain happy as a church member.

But beyond possessing a vital religious experience, a Nazarene, if he is to be happy, must be able to approach his church obligations with certain basic perspectives.

For one thing, he must see clearly that personal holiness through Christ is the central emphasis of the Bible and the only proper emphasis in the message and methods of the church. Those who believe that “church truth,” or “dispensational truth,” or divine healing, or particular forms of church polity, or premillennialism, or water baptism (or any of its modes), or some prophetic hobby, or the seventh day, or any other thing should be the hallmark of scripturalness, the criterion of the true church, and the one string of the pulpit, will never be happy Nazarenes.

We take seriously the inspired Apostle Paul in maintaining that “the end of the commandment is charity [love] out of a pure heart, and of a good conscience, and of faith unfeigned,” and that if we fail to aim first and always at this we will inevitably be turned aside “unto vain jangling” (1 Timothy 1:5-6, see marginal reading). There is enough vain jangling in the world because of primary hammering on secondary matters without our adding to it. Now if a Nazarene sees this with sufficient clarity he will be happy as long as his church presses this above all, no matter how he may personally believe concerning prophecy or baptism; and he will stay happy when other Nazarenes disagree with him about these secondary issues, simply because he knows they are secondary rather than primary, and not worth “falling out” over as long as the main job is being done.

In visiting a sugar factory I noted that though there were several by-products, each valuable in its place, the chief concern was sugar. The mill never lost sight of its main product by preoccupation with by-products. So Christ came into the world to make possible the salvation of all men from all sin— inward and outward— in this life, and their happy preservation in that deliverance by the power of the indwelling Holy Spirit. Let that be the grand aim and watchword of a Christian, and he thus far qualifies for being a happy Nazarene.

But again, to be a happy Nazarene one must be convinced that as far as the Lord’s work is concerned an orchestra is better than a solo, teamwork is better than star playing, cooperation is better than independency. The “itch” for stardom must be burned out of the heart by the baptism with the Holy Spirit.

Since he knows he has but one life and God expects him to make the best use of it, the wise Christian invests it where it will yield the largest
ratio of dividends to the kingdom of God. He cheerfully subordinates self in order to belong to something bigger than he is that will multiply his best efforts while he lives and preserve them after he dies. The fact that in the process of accomplishing more he himself may be less prominent bothers him not at all, for he is dead to self. Unless a Nazarene has this perspective he will not be happy.

Of course the principle of co-operation implies its necessary corollary: organization. If we would co-operate effectively we must organize efficiently. The happy Nazarene, therefore, believes in organization, which is another way of saying he believes in leadership, in proper rules and processes, in respecting the opinions and votes of others. To this end he gladly relinquishes his insistence on always having things his way. He kindly and prayerfully speaks his mind and conscientiously votes; then having done as much, submits graciously to the will of the majority or to the decision of the leader.

Only when the primary objective of the church—the salvation and sanctification of men—is clearly imperiled will he be unyielding; and he will be careful not to imagine this is true when in reality it is not. And in this spirit of co-operation he is encouraged and enabled by scripture, in that he is commanded to “be filled with the Spirit,” in order that he may not only sing to himself in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, but may submit himself to his brethren “in the fear of the Lord.” Such a Nazarene is indeed a happy one.

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Living in the Light

By JESSIE WHITSIDE FINKS

I must live in the light, the radiance so bright
That shines in the face of our Lord.
There will be no shadows, miasmas, or mists.

If I walk in the light of His Word!

If I but know the full light of His truth,
I may walk untrammeled the way.
My path will grow brighter as onward I go...
End at last in the perfect day!

If I live in His light I shall have no fear
While in this dark world below
And shall reach that fair city where they need no sun,
For the Lamb is the Light, whom I know!

In that better country I shall live for aye
With loved ones who have gone on before.
In that promised land with my harp in hand
I shall praise Him whom I adore!

(To be continued)

With Our Pioneers

In the notable company of living pioneers in the Church of the Nazarene, Mr. Irving R. Delano, of Milwaukie, Oregon, has a double distinction.

Mr. Delano not only has been a member of the Nazarene denomination for more than fifty years, but also he has been a member of the same church for more than fifty years. His continuous membership has been and is in the Moreland (Sellwood) Church of the Nazarene, Portland, Oregon. He joined that church on December 22, 1907.

Mr. Delano’s pastor is Rev. Vernon L. Wilcox.

The Moreland Church will join with all other Nazarene churches in simultaneous worship services on Sunday, October 12, celebrating our fiftieth anniversary.

Services will be conducted at Pilot Point, Texas, on Monday afternoon, October 13, at two-thirty o’clock, at which time a bronze and granite memorial will be unveiled at the exact spot where the original union took place in 1908.—Nazarene Information Service.
Someday you shall go away, someday soon, for embarkation time is near.

Far away? Yes, very far. You shall take ship, set sail, and be off on your last circuit.

Farewell . . .

But whither bound? There is a heaven to gain and a hell to shun. There are only two destinations: heaven or hell. Inclusion in one means exclusion from the other.

Jesus asks the question: “What is a man profited, if he shall gain the whole world, and lose [forfeit] his own soul? or what shall a man give in exchange for his soul?” (Matthew 16:26)

The soul? Yes, it is a question which pertains to your inmost and eternal self! Nor is it merely that your soul may be lost someday, but unless you are born again your soul is lost already. “He that believeth not is condemned already, because he hath not believed in the name of the only begotten Son of God” (John 3:18).

Lost already? Yes, but not hopelessly so, unless you have sinned against the Holy Spirit. However, if you continue to reject the offer of salvation, there will be a parting of the way, and your soul will go out into a Christless eternity.

Maybe even now the pendulum is losing its momentum, and the clock of life will stop, never to go again so far as this world is concerned. Some heartbeat will be the final one. I remind you that it is a very thin envelope in which you are wrapped. A bubble of air in the blood, a drop of water on the brain, an ounce of lead, an inch of steel, a foul breath, and all is still and dark!

Some people laugh at the Bible and its teaching (theology). Theology, or the doctrine of the Bible, is a science relating to the soul life of man, like negative and positive electrons relate to electricity. There are simply no “if’s” about the matter at all. Life, death, the here and now, and the hereafter, are realities! Five minutes after you are dead you will know that the Bible is true and that heaven and hell are real places.

I beg of you, don’t lose your soul!
Lost like a river running into an unknown sea! Lost like lightning in the sullen cloud! Lost like autumnal leaves, when the north winds rage! Yes, lost, only that your soul is not a river, nor a flash of lightning, nor autumnal leaves. It is the spiritual, immaterial, and immortal part of your very self, destined to live on beyond the sunset of time.

Lost—grotesque delirium nor torture was ever equal to the thought of being lost for an endless eternity!

Whither bound? Heaven! Is that your answer? And are you sure about your destination? “My hope is built on”—what? “Jesus’ blood and righteousness”—if that is so, let me congratulate you! “Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and thou shalt be saved” (Acts 16:31).
Missing the bus may go to prove that...

“God Works in Mysterious Ways”

By DONNA CLARK

How mysterious are the ways of God! How glad we all should be that we do not know what lies ahead! It is in the mystery of the future, in the mystery of God, that we behold His greatness. If we knew it all and could explain it, would it seem so miraculous—the creation? The Incarnation? The Resurrection? The Ascension, and finally, the Second Coming? It is the mysteriousness of this world and of the Creator in which we rejoice.

How many little things happen day after day which we do not understand? Of course we wonder why they occur, but do we give God a chance to show us the way? We try to reason things out for ourselves. But, “Trust in the Lord with all thine heart; and lean not unto thine own understanding.”

Several examples of these “mysterious occurrences” have taken place only during this past year.

One, which will long be remembered by all who took part, took place on a Free Methodist college campus. It was on a night when a film was scheduled to be shown. However, soon after starting, the machine broke and refused to work. Someone suggested we pray, and he began to lead. Others soon continued, and there followed one of the greatest prayer meetings on campus, which resulted in a real revival. Also, it might be noted here that the film was shown at another date with no interruption.

Another instance, which I remember, was the same year shortly before Christmas. On my way home from work one evening I lost ten dollars which did not belong to me. I immediately began to worry about it, never stopping to pray. After I arrived home, my employer called and asked me to come in two hours earlier the next morning to work, which I agreed to do.

The next morning when I awoke, it was raining very hard. This combined with the early hour and the loss of the money set me in a discouraging mood for the day. To make matters worse, after walking four blocks to the bus line, I missed the bus by a matter of a few feet, which meant I had to walk twenty-two blocks to work. Suddenly on the way the thought occurred to me to pray about the money. Almost exactly the same moment the idea came to me to look down. Although the morning was dark, the street light shone. There, in a puddle, was the muddy ten-dollar bill which I had lost the night before. Immediately two thoughts entered my mind. First, if my employer had not called me in to work early, the money would have been found by someone else. Second, if I had caught my bus I would not have walked by the spot where the bill lay, which proves that “all things work together for good to them that love God.”

Then there was the matter of a job, which I was seeking very earnestly. Finally a very high-salaried job of which I was capable was offered to me. Everyone urged me to take it, but I hesitated because I did not wish to sell liquor. It seemed as if God spoke to me saying, “Do not take it. Something better is waiting.” So I refused the job. The very next week I found a better position with shorter hours, higher pay, and no doubts involved.

The very latest incident certainly proves, more than ever, that God is working out His purpose. Although we hated to move, the time had come for us to rent out our house. The family we chose had four children. Soon afterwards they asked us about a church close to the house. We suggested the Church of the Nazarene and they began attending. Three weeks later the mother was converted and is now a regular attender at all services and a member of the choir.

Oh, how wonderful it is that God has the future mapped out and, although we cannot see through the black darkness into the light ahead, praise the Lord, we can always depend upon God to work in “mysterious ways His wonders to perform!”

STEWARDSHIP

Quote

The world needs men who in partnership with God make money and use it for Him.—W. J. Werning, in “Investing Your Life.”

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Like Ezekiel’s wheel in a wheel, when the sands of our Golden Anniversary year have run out, and the first half century of our denominational existence is history, a very special decade also will have come to a close.

This will be the windup of the first ten-year period of our “10 per cent plan,” also known by some as the “tithing the tithe plan.”

This plan was formally adopted by the General Board and the Board of General Superintendents to become effective in 1948-49. Nazarenes will remember that it was introduced to the church as “both a spirit and a practice” in the brochure prepared at the request of the general superintendents.

Its advocates, both laymen and elders, fervently hoped that the plan would become a yardstick for individual church and district support of world missions. It was never thought of as a ceiling on General Budget giving, but rather it was hoped the plan would become a new floor under the ever-growing program of world evangelization that has characterized the Nazarenes from the beginning.

While statistics covering the decade cannot be compiled until after the current summer season of district assemblies, the gains of the first nine years are so impressive they deserve to be told.

9-Year Statistics Cited

These statistics afford new and amazing evidence of the bounty of Almighty God, who has been pleased to pour out blessings beyond measure both spiritual and material, as the Church of the Nazarene through the years has held true to its first love—winning souls to the Master.

In the last nine-year period, from 1948-49 through 1956-57:

- Number of churches increased 27 per cent.

I Found God

I reached for God—
When time awakened at the dawn
In pink excitement of escape
From poignant darkness of the night.

I reached for God—
When eventide had stretched her tents
(Holed through by aeons’ wear and tear)
And let the eyes of God beam through.

And then—
When in the valiant vale
Of undraped bare existence
‘Mid dust of dreary days
I prayed and stayed—
With self dethroned,
Bereft of all I owned,
Alone,
My heart became His own—

’Twas then that
I found God.

By L. Alline Swann
and $39,085,000 in 1957 (a dollar increase of $15,594,000). General Budget giving for world missions during the same period went from $1,559,269 in 1949 to $2,736,839 in 1957 (a dollar increase of $1,177,570).

"10 Per Cent" Plan in Action

These amounts and percentages would seem to justify a conclusion that as God has blessed them the Nazarenes have been and are responding.

Nazarenes have become better and better stewards during this period in which their denomination has been the fastest growing holiness church in all modern history.

The largest single factor in the astounding and heart-warming 76 per cent increase in General Budget (world missions) giving is the increasing acceptance of the "10 per cent" plan. Individual churches and districts are taking the plan seriously and working at the job of "giving not less than 10 per cent of all monies received to world missions," which were the exact words of the challenge placed before all Nazarenes by the general leaders.

In evaluating this notable gain in stewardship, church leaders are aware that inflation is mirrored in part in the total. As the cost of living and salaries and wages have increased, faithful Nazarenes have upped tithes and offerings. One national index shows that prices have increased about 25 per cent during the nine-year period, and salaries and wages have increased about the same.

Perhaps another way of showing this gain is by the increase in the per capita giving during the period. In 1949 it was $104.64. Nine years later, in 1957, it reached $133.77. Fifty years ago, in 1908, it was $13.52.

"10 Per Cent" Districts

From reports of the first eighteen district assemblies this year, substantial gains are the rule in most areas. However, it is too early to estimate very accurately how many "10 per cent" districts there will be.

Six districts were "10 per cent" for world missions last year. The same number comprised that distinguished company in 1955-56. In all, during the nine years of the plan, a total of twenty-seven districts have qualified for this highest honor.

The great Northeastern Indiana District, with its missionary-minded leader, Superintendent Paul Updike, leads all districts. It has been "10 per cent," or more, for eight years. In 1949-50, no district qualified.

Two districts have been within the select circle three times each: Idaho-Oregon and Akron (Ohio), with Rev. I. F. Younger and Rev. C. D. Taylor as superintendents, respectively. Two others have been "10 per cent" districts twice each: Central Ohio and Canada West, headed by Dr. Harvey S. Gallo­way and Dr. Edward Lawlor, respectively.

Nine other districts have been on the list once each: Alaska, Chicago Central, Iowa, Kansas City, North Dakota, Northwest, Pittsburgh, Tennessee, and Wisconsin.—Nazarene Information Service.
“I’ve been buried alive!” The cry came from the big wastebasket in the janitor’s closet at the church on a Sunday afternoon. It was the voice of a once beautiful church bulletin folder in terrible distress. “I’ve always had a horror of being buried alive and now it has happened! The lady to whom I was given at the church door used me attentively until I told her it was time for the benediction. I felt I was really being helpful to her, and then to my utter dismay, she placed me on the pew and went off home. I wanted to go home with her to remind her of the other services of the church. Really, I should have rendered my finest service yet. I am in the prime of life but it is all over now. I’m buried alive!”

“Quit complaining,” said a tearful voice from across the dark basket; “you were at least treated with dignity. The man who used me dropped me on the floor and when the service was over he left me there. As the people started to leave I looked around through the wilderness of feet and saw many others who like myself had become mere clutter on the church floor. Common clutter! That’s all I was—rubbish to be trampled on, to be gathered and burned! I had hoped to lend dignity to the house of God, but I feel I have only cluttered its floors!”

A third bulletin was sobbing. Its poor face was all marked senselessly and its inside pages were desecrated with foolish writing. “I was so happy,” it sobbed, “when I was given to a beautiful young lady. I wanted so much to help her worship. I enjoyed having her take me in her hand and let me tell her where to find the first hymn. Soon another young lady was shown to a seat beside her and, to my dismay, during the prayer she wrote a note on me and passed me to her friend. Soon they were writing notes back and forth on my pages. I felt like a traitor. I wanted to help them worship. I didn’t want to help divert them from worship. I guess I’ve been a failure. I almost wish I had never been born.”

It was silent for a while in the dark bottom of the wastebasket and then like a voice from the dead came the lament of another bulletin. “I cannot show my face,” he gasped, “for I am too badly mutilated. I too was once prepared reverently for a lofty service of helping people worship God. This morning I was given graciously to a well-dressed man. I was so proud, for I was sure I could help make his hour in God’s house more meaningful, but alas I was due for disappointment. He didn’t follow a single line of my guidance. I could not help him enjoy the hymns nor the scripture lesson. He glanced at my beautiful front but did not see the beauty it held. During the sermon he folded and unfolded me; he rolled and unrolled me. He tore me and he tattered me. He once got out his pencil and figured some kind of money deal on my back. By the time the pastor had finished his sermon I was simply dirty pulp.

“The man seemed ashamed to throw me on the floor and he didn’t want me in his pocket, so he stuffed me in the hymnbook rack. There the custodian found me and had to spend a long time digging my disgusting pieces out and putting me in the waste. I would have been discouraged with life had I not looked about me and seen many other bulletins who were actually serving God and people. They helped the people enjoy the service by informing them of each worship experience as it came. When the service was over they were permitted to go home with the people, so that all week they could help them keep the announcements in mind. I know they will die in due time, but they will not be slain and buried alive as we have been. I guess we bulletins in the wastebasket can but count ourselves casualties in a great cause. We will not have died in vain, for the good people will eventually learn to give their church bulletin an opportunity to live its full, useful life and glorify God by helping men to worship.”

Lincicome says—*

What sanctification will not do: sanctification will not produce uniformity. It cannot produce uniformity because of the several ways sanctified people differ.

First, they differ in their thinking. We can’t all be of the same opinion. Opinions are about as numerous as the sands of the sea and many of them about as worthless. Opinions operate in a very
limited sphere. They were made to be changed—they never were intended to be stereotyped.

Sanctified people differ in their personalities. Of the two billion eight hundred million people who live, there are no two faces alike, no two voices alike, no two walking gaits alike. This is why we can't insist on uniformity in religion—for personality knows nothing of uniformity. When we speak of unity, there are always those among us that look for uniformity. They think we are not making any progress at all until we all think alike, dress alike, see alike, and all get blessed alike. They are looking for uniformity. We must make a deep distinction between unity and uniformity. Unity is essential and obligatory while uniformity is impossible and undesirable. It is perfectly irrational to expect the baptism of the Holy Ghost to merge our personalities into one common monotony. This would make a bunch of apes out of us.

We also differ in our capacities. Some have a hundredfold more than others. This is what makes a bigger heaven for some than others. I believe there will be degrees of happiness in heaven. Someone asks, If there will be degrees of happiness in heaven, who will be the happiest? I believe it will be the person who has the greatest capacity to take in heaven. We will all be fully happy in heaven but will not be equally happy.

Sanctified people differ in their thinking doctrinally. They differ in their thinking with reference to the doctrine of the second coming of Christ, the doctrine of divine healing, and the doctrine of baptism.

We can't all think alike ethically. Some good people think it is wrong to drink coffee, to take medicine, to ride the streetcar on Sunday, to wear a necktie, to use the telephone on Sunday, or to carry an insurance policy on their real estate or on their lives. Sanctified people differ in their moral and spiritual perception. This is largely due to two things—namely, enlightenment and inheritance.

Holiness will produce unity, a threefold unity: unity with yourself, unity among yourselves, and unity with God. The first great work of heart holiness is the co-ordination, organization, unification, and harmonization of the soul’s faculties. Holiness unifies the faculties of the soul, the heart, the mind, and the will. Holiness trends everything in us the one and same direction. The worldward pull and the hellward pull are eliminated.

Godliness creates a distinction all its own. The godly are indeed men of distinction—redeemed, purified, a peculiar people, zealous of good works. And the peculiarity consists in this, they are a people of His own possession, God-owned, Spirit-possessed.—Roy E. Swim.

The Christ of the Cross

Behold the Lamb of God, which taketh away the sin of the world (John 1:29).

I am becoming keenly observant of the fact that the world in general is making more and more of the Cross of Christ and less and less of the Christ of the Cross. Indeed it is a very popular thing to wear the cross on a necklace or on a bracelet. Yet untold thousands of such individuals undoubtedly know nothing of the Christ in experiential reality in their hearts and lives.

It is not the Cross of Christ that we behold which taketh away the sin of the world but it is the Christ of the Cross (the Lamb of God) that we behold who taketh away the sin of the world.

It is not the Cross that gives meaning to Christ—it is Christ who giveth meaning to the Cross!

As I look upon the scene at Calvary, it is not the sight of the Cross that makes the tears course unbidden down my cheeks, but it is the sight of my Christ on the Cross that touches my heart until the fountains of my ransomed soul break up in rivers of unspeakable gratitude and love.

Joseph of Arimathea, coming to the Cross, claimed the body of Christ and bore it away to his own tomb. Thus Joseph of Arimathea placed eternal life in his tomb, for on the third day Christ arose triumphantly over death, hell, and the grave. So we, coming to the Christ of the Cross, may claim Him as our very own and take Him in faith from the Cross into our hearts (our hearts, that were tombs of death in trespasses and sins), thus bringing eternal life into our hearts once dead.

Truly we who are crucified with Christ are buried with Him by baptism into His death and shall be with Him in the likeness of His resurrection. We shall rise in Him and with Him triumphant over death, hell, and the grave.

"I am the resurrection, and the life: he that believeth in me, though he were dead, yet shall he live: and whosoever liveth and believeth in me shall never die” (John 11:25-26). Oh, “thanks be unto God for his unspeakable gift” (II Corinthians 9:15)—the gift of His only begotten Son on the Cross! “Behold the Lamb of God, which taketh away the sin of the world.”

By DON M. LEWIS
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Does Doctrine Matter?

In the eyes of men, conduct takes precedence over doctrine; a man's behavior is usually more important than his creed. Human judgment, of necessity, must be based mainly upon the fruits of the life—God alone having the power to look upon the heart, fully discerning and perfectly judging the controlling motives. Hence the average person would rather have a Good Samaritan with limited creed and overflowing love than a Pharisee or Levite with perfect creed and limited love. It is significant that at the illegal and unjust night trial of Jesus, following His arrest in Gethsemane, the leading question concerned “his disciples, and... his doctrine.” For most people the membership counts more than the Manual, the fellowship matters more than the truth professed and propagated.

Doctrine Despised

It is easy to fall into the foolish and dangerous snare set for us in the popular and misleading question, “Does it matter what a man believes if his life is right?” and to think and speak as if doctrine, after all, is comparatively unimportant. There are, unfortunately, preachers who unconsciously encourage this trend of thought by a constant cry that “people are over-indoctrinated”—as if doctrine itself could be blamed for the lack of virile, progressive holiness experience in some lives and churches. Doctrine, without experience, can be a letter that killeth, but this is not the fault of the doctrine itself. Rather, it is a failure in heart obedience on the part of those to whom the doctrine is delivered.

In actual fact the reverse is true. Of sound doctrine—scripturally expounded, wisely taught, and sensibly applied—comforting and dynamic in its operation and outworking, we have too little; of hobbyhorses and pet doctrines, of sentimental and skeleton truth, and more especially of false doctrines, a spate.

Admittedly, there are people whose lives are better than their unscriptural beliefs, who more truly reflect the spirit of Christ than the unbalanced teaching they hold; as indeed, there are also hypocrites, zealous in their profession and propagating of Bible truth, whose “lives laugh thro’ and spit at their creed.” But these are exceptions to the general rule that, as no man can gather grapes of thorns or figs of thistles, we can gather in character and conduct only that which is accepted and believed in the heart.

Doctrine Honored

Nowhere in the Word of God is doctrine undervalued or the vital connection between the teaching embraced and the life lived ignored. Hearing and doing are the two poles upon which the whole teaching of Jesus revolves; for Him knowledge, plus action, is the key to happiness. In the Epistles of Paul belief and behavior are found as Siamese twins, and doctrine and duty are as parent and
child throughout the Old and New Testaments.

Describing certain Jewish beliefs as “doctrines of men,” Jesus revealed the outcome as a life of imagined self-righteousness, in which hollow virtues and blind omission alike were condemned by God. With the same insight Paul labels erroneous beliefs of his day as “doctrines of demons,” resulting in the worst type of spiritualism—a spurious Christianity paying lip service to the name of Jesus, but denying His Godhead, the atoning Blood, and holy living.

By the same law of cause and effect, the acceptance of “that form of doctrine” delivered by Paul to the Christians in Rome—the full Christian message of abounding sin and abounding grace, of man’s lost and helpless estate and the believer’s faith-union with Jesus in His death and resurrection—should have as its glorious consequence the exchange of sin’s slavery for the love-slavery of righteousness. The doctrine of holiness, soundly based upon the great redemptive truths of scripture, the will of God, the work of the Cross, the baptism with the Holy Ghost and fire, the fellowship of the Church, and the second coming of the Lord, teaches, offers, and demands a transformation of life which is freedom indeed.

**Doctrine Alone**

Of itself, doctrine cannot save. It is to experience as the rails to the train, the skeleton to the body, the plans to the building, the prescription to the medicine, the wiring system to electric light and power—it is the form, or mold, or womb of truth in which faith’s co-operation with the Holy Spirit gives birth to divine purity and power in experience. Doctrine alone is as impotent as seed in a packet; it can germinate and become the active, growing life of full salvation, grace, and godliness only when it is given, as it were, the soil, sun, and rain of three essential scriptural conditions.

The first, a **residence in the heart.** “But God be thanked,” exults Paul, “. . . ye have obeyed from the heart that form of doctrine which was delivered you.” Without the welcome of faith in the heart the most perfect scheme of truth is powerless and lifeless. Hence the requirement of an honest and good heart by Him who said, “My doctrine is not mine, but his that sent me.” Father and Son and faithful doctrine are impotent unless faith gives truth her roots in the soil of a sincere heart. And knowing that the devil’s greatest ally against our message is the “evil heart of unbelief,” we pray with Wesley,

*Inspire the living faith*

Which whosoever receives,

The witness in himself he hath

And consciously receives;

The faith that conquers all

And doth the mountains move,

And saves whoe’er on Jesus call

And perfects them in love.

The second, a **response from the will.** Genuine obedience is always connected with the will. The mental perplexities professed in understanding the teaching of a clean heart are often a camouflage for moral conflict, an unwillingness to work out what God is prepared to work in the soul. “If any man will . . . ,” said Jesus, “he shall know of the doctrine.” Like Bunyan’s Pilgrim, the man who wills to climb the Hill Difficulty of limited understanding, despite every roaring lion of opposing doctrine, will find the House Beautiful of experience at the top.

The third, a **revelation in the life.** Doctrine, divorced from doing, is deadly; but doctrine, adorned by the ornament of a meek and quiet spirit, by the graces and fruits of a consistent life, and by the best qualities of Nazarene membership and fellowship, becomes as attractive as a lovely bride to her husband. A belief that behaves will also beautify, inspiring the prayer,

*I want that adorning divine,*

*Thou only, my God, canst bestow.*

The beauty of holiness is the final proof of the doctrine of holiness.

**Doctrine Delivered**

By road or rail, sea or air, delivery can be a costly item, varying according to the value of the freight and the distance it must be conveyed. For fifty years our leaders, laymen, pastors, and missionaries, have been paying the price, as Paul did, to deliver this liberating truth to the servants of sin. Still there are world areas where there has been no delivery of a doctrine that falls as the rain and distills as the dew upon the thirsty souls of every land. With greater efficiency, guided economy, and God-given zeal may we deliver the doctrine that fully delivers.

*Reach your arms, extend a hand of healing,*

*To dying souls afar;*

*Send your light, the love of God revealing,*

*To be their guiding star.*
My Place in the Revival Meeting


God never uses unprepared men; and the divine order seems to be that He must have laborers before there can be the harvest. Thus the value of any true revival is largely determined by labor preceding and during the meeting, all this in co-operation with the God of the harvest.

There are those who would call in question the value of special services called the revival meeting. They proceed to outline discouraging factors, as the expense, the misspent effort, the spasmodic attendance of church members, the nonattendance of sinners, etc. There is, however, one spiritual law which we must never forget, “Whosoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap” (Galatians 6:7). We reap revivals only as we sow the right seed. And, as God is the same in this our day, certainly we have a right to believe that genuine revivals shall come if the Christian assumes his rightful place in the revival meeting.

In answer to the question, “Where is my place in the revival meeting?” I must realize that a true revival is more than an increase in religious activity; it is a genuine work of the Spirit in response to my obedience to Him. Further, I must accept the fact that God, if I will let Him, chooses to work in and through me. With this in mind, I shall seek to make my greatest contribution for the success of the revival meeting and:

1. Humble myself before the Lord with all honesty (II Chronicles 7:14).
2. Give myself to prayer, not only to speak to Him, but to let Him speak to me (Luke 11:5-9).
3. Seek to restore and maintain a true fellowship of love among all believers in Christ (Acts 2:1-4).
5. Accept the Word and share it in the power of the Holy Spirit, seeking to win others to Christ (Acts 8:1-8).
6. Resolve to be faithful in attendance to each revival service (Hebrews 10:25).

Missionaries on the Move

Rev. and Mrs. Robert Ashley are home on furlough. Their address is 5245 No. Sereno Drive, Temple City, California.

Rev. and Mrs. Dale Sievers arrived in Nicaragua, July 12, to begin their second term of service.

After September 1, Rev. and Mrs. Maurice Rhoden will be at Minami 16, Nishi 12, Sapporo, Japan.

Rev. and Mrs. Robert Wellmon have moved to a new address. It is Apartado 38, Granada, Nicaragua, Central America.

Greetings from Nyasaland

By JAMES GRAHAM

At the beginning of this year God gave us a wonderful promise: “Call unto me, and I will answer thee, and shew thee great and mighty things, which thou knowest not” (Jeremiah 33:3). We have used this promise much in prayer these past months and we have proved God faithful to His Word, particularly regarding the matter of a site for our mission station.

Many of you have been praying for this site also.

When we arrived in Fort Johnston we were not exactly welcomed, for the authorities felt that the area was being well looked after—though there was little of the gospel message being preached, and nothing of holiness. We were told that our chance of securing a grant of land was very slender. We learned that the plot had been sold, as the owner and was disappointed to hear that the plot had been sold, as he was interested in buying it.

Being newcomers, we have had to contend with a certain amount of fear and suspicion. One of our interpreters who recently sought the Lord was talking to a village headman about the new missionaries. The headman was skeptical and asked our friend, “Who are these Nazarenes? Why have they come only now? You know the Bible speaks of the coming of false prophets in the last days?”

This man has evidently lost his fears since then, for he now urges his people to come and hear us.

God is working at our different preaching points. Souls are finding the Lord and showing signs of real spiritual life. Others are under conviction for sin and are counting the cost. God is leading on to victory. We are confident that He is going to show us greater and mightier things in the days ahead.

Continue to pray for Fort Johnston and Nyasaland that God will raise up an army of fire-baptized workers and establish His kingdom in this dark land.

Brother and Sister Hall are seeking to get established in the Blantyre-Limbe area. Pray that they may secure a suitable site for our third center of operation. At Chipoka a capable African evangelist and his wife are manning the first Nazarene station. The work there is going ahead.

Okinawa Council Reports

By MATTIE B. SHEPHERD

Already several churches have been formed on this newest branch of our Japan field. During Dr. Eckel’s visit to Okinawa for this council meeting, the First Church of the Nazarene in Okinawa was organized with fourteen full members. Second Church, Mashiki Mission, is going well and we are hoping and praying for a church building to house the growing congregation. Also, while Dr. Eckel was here, we opened our third church just north of Nago in a spot called Ame-soko. Here some sixty-five people have shown great interest in a Christian work being opened in their community.

Tithing Institute in P.E.A.

Not long ago we held a Tithing Institute here at the main station. Seventy-five preachers, Bible school students, and district leaders attended a full schedule of classes which lasted all day long and evening for a full week. We used lectures, charts, blackboard illustrations, several classes in arithmetic (many have never gone to school), object lessons, question periods, and
Servicemen's Corner

From a Chaplain's Report

"God has honored the chapel program this quarter with some real visible results. A real spirit of evangelism has been apparent in the Sunday evening services. Three weeks ago I began an additional Sunday morning worship service. I have been thrilled at the response it has received; both services have witnessed an increase.

"This quarter I began Youth for Christ services on Saturday evening. One of these services stands out in my mind. Rev. Gerald Johnson came down from Frankfurt to speak at one of our rallies. God used him in a wonderful way. At the close of the service three men came forward to accept Christ. They really prayed through to a wonderful experience.

"It has certainly meant a great deal to my family to have the opportunity of fellowship with the Johnsons. They are doing an excellent job in laying a real foundation for the Church of the Nazarene in West Germany."—CAPTAIN WILLIAM A. MARTIN.

From Madrid, Spain

"I am sending in my change of address, and would like to thank you for sending the church literature and papers. It is such a blessing and help to me. I enjoy them so very much."—S/Sgt. GERALD M. PITTS.

Discharged

"I have completed my time in the army and am now back home. I want to thank you so very much for all the wonderful mail I received from you while in service. It was surely a blessing and help to me. You are doing a great work, and may God richly bless you."—BURDETTE E. LAIR.

Massachusetts Serviceman Writes

"Since finding God, four years ago, it has been my privilege to spend almost three years in the wonderful fellowship of the Church of the Nazarene. I have spent nearly four years in the service now, and as anyone knows, the rigors of training and the like make it easy for others to forget about God. Praise His name, I have not forgotten since the moment in Korea when I felt His presence!"

"We (my wife and two daughters and I) attend the Lowell, Massachusetts, church, where we have recently transferred our membership. Thank you for the many courtesies shown in the past."—PFC WILLIAM L. GIBSON.

GOLDEN ANNIVERSARY CRUSADE 1956-60

V. H. LEWIS, Secretary

Moving Nazarenes

The story of our program for those who move never ends. It never loses its interest to our readers. Here once again is a look into this thrilling work.

England: "Thank you for your letter received this morning concerning Mrs. ———. I admire the technique to keep contact with precious souls. Really our ——— Church is nearer. So will send on the letter to the pastor there. Thank you for the follow-up card enclosed. With every good wish and His blessing on your work and labor of love for Him.

Pennsylvania: "A few weeks ago you wrote us about a family at ———. They have started to church and are attending every Sunday. They are a real blessing to the church here. Thanks a lot.

Ohio: "Mr. and Mrs. ——— are now attending faithfully. She is our Sunday morning pianist and works with our chorus group. They have not transferred yet, but are saved to the church."

Nebraska: "The progress has been slow, but these folks have attended Sunday morning services for a few Sundays and last Sunday enrolled in our Sunday school. Thank you so much for letting us know about these good people."

Arizona: "I wish to express my appreciation for the information regarding Mrs. ———. We have made contact with them and two of the children are in Sunday school. Mrs. ——— has talked favorably regarding church attendance. Our calling group as well as the pastor will keep at the job, and trust God through prayer and interest to bring her in."

North Carolina: "He was not home when I called and had to work last Sunday, so could not come to church. We brought her to church last Sunday morning, since she had no way with him working, and she seemed very happy to be in our services. We hope to have them both in church next Sunday."

California: "She was in our services on
Easter Sunday and brought two others with her to the services.

Tennessee: "Have contacted this family twice. They were impressed that the church went to the trouble to find them. No open results yet. Have promised to visit church."

Missouri: "The results of the call were favorable; don't attend anywhere regularly. Have been here in —— three years. Both admit need of spiritual help and have promised to attend our services. They were very appreciative of the call."

Oklahoma: "I received the call on Friday, called that afternoon. They were in Sunday school and church Sunday morning. We appreciate this service. Might have missed this family otherwise."

Illinois: "She is attending our Sunday school—appreciate getting the card."

Wisconsin: "Her mother is ill and they go home often. Will start attending church here as soon as they don't have to go home each week. Was very happy I called."

Florida: "She is now active in our church; also her brother is attending Sunday school."

Michigan: "All are coming to our church and Sunday school."

California: "I called and they received me most warmly. They seemed to be impressed that our church made such a service possible to its pastors."

Ohio: "They are transferring to our church."

Illinois: "They attended church last Sunday evening after I visited them Saturday, and seemed very happy to be in church. I believe we will win them."

Florida: "Now attending. You are doing a wonderful work by helping us keep in contact with those moving. I hope every pastor will co-operate with you."

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**Final Report on Graham Crusade**

Final tabulations of the Billy Graham Crusade in San Francisco indicate that a total of 696,525 attended services during the seven-week campaign in the Cow Palace, with 27,544 conversions recorded. Nineteen services drew capacity crowds, with the largest attendance usually in the Thursday evening youth rallies. Thirty-eight thousand attended the follow-up rally in the Seal's Stadium with an additional 1,534 conversions recorded. Follow-up teams are contacting the Crusade converts, helping them to find church homes and to become effective Christians.

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**Religious Services in National Parks**

One hundred and twenty-five college students in training for the ministry will conduct children's Bible classes and religious services for whole families in twenty-six of the national parks during the summer period.

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**Gospel Literature Distributed at World's Fair**

Evangelical Christians are taking advantage of the World's Fair at Brussels...
to distribute Gospel portions and other pieces of Christian literature. Distribution is being made at the Bible Pavilion sponsored by the Belgian Congo Mission. The Pocket Testament League is distributing more than 75,000 Gospels of John in five languages: Dutch, French, German, Danish, and English. Workers report that much interest in the Bible is being shown by the Roman Catholic visitors at the Fair.

Church-related

College
Council Formed

A Council of Protestant Colleges and Universities was founded at the close of the Quadrennial Convention of Church Colleges held at Drake University recently. Expected to give a united voice to the church-related colleges of America, the Council will undoubtedly strengthen Christian education in America. Of the 1,800 colleges and universities in this nation, more than 700 are church-related.

Brazil to Permit Bible in Schools

For the first time in its history, the Brazilian government has granted permission for the Bible to be taught in the country that prodled students. Permission came about largely through the efforts of religious radio broadcasts in the country that prodled unprecedented response from listeners, indicating an interest in knowing more about the Bible and the Christian way of life.

THE WORD:

The Word of God is the same as God himself; there is no separating the two. In His Word there is life: "... the words that I speak unto you, they are spirit, and they are life" (John 6:63).

In His Word there is healing: "He sent his word, and healed them" (Psalms 107:20). In His Word we find guidance: "Order my steps in thy word: ..." (Psalms 119:133).

Through obedience to His Word there is security: "... the Lord thy God will set thee on high above all nations of the earth: and all these blessings shall come on thee, and overtake thee, if thou shalt hearken unto the voice of the Lord thy God" (Deuteronomy 28:1-2).

—Sadie J. Wright
Shreveport, Louisiana

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Explain Genesis 1:27. In the "Young Adult Topics" (3rd Quarter, Volume 33, Number 3), a writer states on page 24 that God does not have a body and that God's image refers to man's superior intelligence, man's moral nature, and man's free will. I have also read that since man is a triune being, this makes him in the image of God (body, soul, and spirit). If man's body is like God's, please explain the following: John 4:24; Colossians 1:15; and Philippians 2:5-7. In Genesis 1:26, God said "our image." In Matthew 3:16-17, the Godhead is in three different forms.

"God Is...

The writer in the statement to which you refer in Young Adult Topics is correct. God does not have a body in His ultimate nature, or existence. As John says in 4:24, "God is a Spirit: and they that worship him must worship him in spirit and in truth." This writer is also correct in declaring that God does not have a body and that God's image in man refers to man's superior intelligence, moral nature, and man's free will. That is, he is correct in describing this image of God in man in terms of the inner man and not in that which is physical. This means that the view which would explain the image of God in man by means of the latter's threefoldness is incorrect. Man was not created in the image of God because he (man) is body, soul, and spirit. This does not constitute the image of God in him, for God in His inner essence does not have a body.

"Our Image"

The "our image" in Genesis 1:26, many conservative thinkers hold, is a reference to the fact that God is a Trinity—three Persons in one. In Matthew 3:16-17, God is definitely described as a Trinity. But in this connection we must remember that each Person in the Trinity can express himself in different forms, some of these forms being physical. However, this does not mean that any of the three Persons which make up the Godhead is in His inner essence physical. The fact that in Matthew 3:16-17 the Holy Spirit manifests himself as a dove, the Father through a voice, and the Son, or Christ, through a human nature and body, does not in any sense signify that they are not in their inner essence spiritual. All three Persons of the Godhead have existed from all eternity and are not physical in their ultimate essence.

"The Image of the Invisible God"

Now let's go back to a consideration of Colossians 1:15 and Philippians 2:5-7. These are two of the greatest passages in the Bible on Jesus Christ, the Second Person in the Trinity. Many books have been written about them, but we can set forth their meaning only briefly. In studying Colossians you should read first from verse nine through the chapter. These verses furnish the context.
Great Falls, South Carolina—Recently we had a wonderful revival with Evangelist Dave Erickson and wife as the special workers. We appreciated the preaching of this splendid young evangelist, and the two also sang together. God gave an altar service in every service except one. We thank God for His blessings.—W. W. Ross, Pastor.

Rev. Clint Mitchell recently resigned as pastor of the Quincy Avenue Church in Tulsa to accept the work of the church in Miami, Oklahoma. He would be glad to contact your friends living in Miami or attending college there. Write him, P.O. Box 663, Miami, Oklahoma.

Lisburn, North Ireland—Sunday school anniversary services were held in our church (British Isles North District) June 28 through 30, with Rev. F. Webster of Leeds, England, as the special speaker. Two choirs, selected scholars, and the primary choir occupied the special tiered platform—with solos, recitation, and duets given by selected scholars. A "March of Witness," led by youthful aerodistillists, preceded the Sunday afternoon service. At the closing service on Monday night, prizes and badges were presented in connection with the scripture examination, the building fund drive, pennies plan, and Caravan tests. These meetings were well supported by parents and friends, with several decisions registered among the young people and adults.—Albert J. Lown, Pastor.

Norfolk, Virginia—In our recent revival at First Church, the Lord blessed the ministry of Evangelist Claude Jones and many new contacts were made for Christ and the church. The services were well attended, and practically every service was crowned with visible results at the altar of prayer. We are confronted with a great challenge here—First Church celebrated its fiftieth anniversary three years ago and the community is rapidly changing. We have purchased a choice location in another part of the city, but at a high figure, and are under considerable financial strain. We share the responsibility of our other churches in reaching the great host of service personnel in this the greatest naval center of the world. Only recently we have contacted 170 men whose names have been sent to us—they are from Nazarene homes all over the nation, but many are lost in the shuffle of a great city. Pray for us in the building program and that we may reach lost souls.—Merwyn D. Gray, Pastor.

New York District

N.Y.P.S. Convention

The annual convention of the New York District N.Y.P.S. convened on Friday, May 9, at Poughkeepsie, New York, with District President Albert Stiefel presiding.

Rev. Ponder Gilliland, general N.Y.P.S. secretary, was the featured speaker. His inspiring messages on personal witnessing were a real challenge to our youth.

Our district president, Rev. Albert Stiefel, resigned after four years of devoted service. The convention presented the Stiefels with a love offering in appreciation of their services.

Rev. Herbert Rogers, pastor of the Poughkeepsie church, was elected district president with a nearly unanimous vote. The churches then pledged money to send both him and his wife to the International Institute. Other officers elected were: Rev. Ralph Montemure, vice-president; Miss Eulaline Wingo, secretary; Bernard Szymanski, treasurer; Mrs. Janet Williams, youth-supervisor; Wayne Crevoiserat and Ruth Oort, youth-council representatives. Patricia Reed, Donald Mayhood, and Bruce Tracy were selected to represent the New York District at the International Institute.

The convention ordered the division of a former Long Island zone, due to the vast area which it covered. Rev. Roland Stanford was appointed president of the greater New York area, and Rev. Robert Utter was appointed president of the Long Island zone, which comprises those churches east of and including the East Rockaway church.—Robert F. Utter, Reporter.

Maplewood, Missouri—In recent weeks our church has had a forward move under the leadership of Pastor Clifford L. Bryant. Due to overcrowded facilities and no way to expand at our present location, we find it necessary to build a new church. A lot has been purchased for $27,000, with plans being made to sell our present church and begin building on the new location in the near future. The value of the sanctuary and educational center, when completed, will be about $25,000. On the evening of June 21 a "loyalty dinner" was held for members and friends of the church, for the purpose of officially launching an $85,000 church expansion drive. District Superintendent E. D. Simpson and wife were present. Everyone present accepted the challenge of General Chairman Harold T. Rutter for sacrificial giving, with most families giving an amount to be paid weekly for the next three years, which exceeds the amount of their tithe. We have exceeded our goal of $85,000 already. Also a real spiritual awakening has taken place as we put selfish desires behind us and move forward in faith.—Betty Rutte, Reporter.
Oakland, California (Colored)—We thank God that Bethel Church is moving forward under the leadership of Pastor Earl S. Watson. For the first two years he has been our pastor, all local obligations were met, the membership doubled, and we received each year the Evangelistic Honor Roll Certificate, the Sunday School Achievement Awards, and were also a Star N.F.M.S. for two consecutive years. We realize this is the “Day of Challenge, Advance, Exploits, and Triumph.”—Mrs. J. Johnson, Reporter.

Evangelist G. F. Underwood writes: “Since leaving the pastorate two years ago and entering the field of evangelism we have had a glorious time in the Lord’s work, traveling in seven states. God has blessed as we have worked with our pastors and people and we have seen hundreds seeking God for pardon and heart purity, also many claim divine healing. We have had a number of recalls, and have a few open dates in 1958; we will go as the Lord may lead. Mrs. Underwood gives religious readings and we sing together. We travel by house-trailer and will go anywhere. Write us, 245 Mulberry Street, N.W., Warren, Ohio.”

Ministers’ Retreat
Eastern Nazarene College

More than two hundred and fifty ministers and their wives, of the Eastern Educational Zone, accepted the invitation of Dr. Edward Mann and the administration of Eastern Nazarene College to come to the college for the eighth annual ministers’ retreat.

An especially fine program of inspiration, recreation, and worship had been arranged, one feature of which was “Ask the D.S.” A panel composed of district superintendents and moderated by Dr. G. B. Williamson discussed and answered those problems and questions which were presented by the ministers. Another very interesting part of the program was presented by Dr. J. Glenn Gould. “Sermons on the Creed.” In this he presented the value, the necessity, and the urgency of using the Apostles’ Creed in worship and sermon.

It was most helpful and inspiring to have Dr. G. B. Williamson accompanied by his wife in the Retreat. He spoke each morning to the men and each evening to the entire group on the general theme of “Our High Calling.” These messages challenged the thinking of each one, brought our devotion and devotion to the cause of Christ under close spiritual observation, and caused each to look upon the ministry as of utmost importance.

Mrs. Williamson was a source of pleasure and inspiration to the women as she spoke of her world-wide travels and helped them to sense some of the conditions and problems which womanhood faces here as in other parts of the world. She, as she alone can, thrilled the hearts of all who heard her read the scripture prior to the evening services.

The afternoons were given over to recreation, sight-seeing, and fellowship.

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Lawton Heights Church, Lawton, Oklahoma

The Lawton Heights Church was organized on Easter Sunday (April 15) of 1952 with thirteen members. Coming here in September of 1955, we found a fine group of people and a beautiful church building, 40 x 80 feet, completely furnished with blond furniture. This building was constructed under the leadership of Rev. Jack Abbott. In 1956 the brick and stone finish was put on the church, and it is now valued at $50,000. In the fall of ’57 we began work on a parsonage—the people had a will to work and to give. The parsonage was completed this past spring; it has three bedrooms, is valued at $13,000, and the debt is only $1,500. Since its beginning, the church has shown steady and substantial gains in every department. Feeling it is the Lord’s will, we have now resigned to accept a call to pastor our Capitol Hill Church in Oklahoma City.—Garland Johnson, Pastor.

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Maritime District Assembly

The fifteenth annual assembly of the Maritime District was held in the Oxford, Nova Scotia, church, July 10 and 11, under the able leadership of Dr. Hardy C. Powers. It was fitting that this Golden Anniversary assembly should be held in the Oxford church, the oldest Nazarene congregation in Canada.

From the opening service a marked spirit of unity characterized the sessions. Dr. Powers challenged the audience with his message telling of the progress of our missionary work in New Guinea.

The first major item of business was the twelfth and final report of District Superintendent J. H. MacGregor. With characteristic victory, he reported the liquidation of district indebtedness and the establishment of a new work at Truro, Nova Scotia. Following the report, Dr. Powers spoke words of appreciation for the faithful service of Rev. and Mrs. MacGregor. A love offering was given them as an expression of the appreciation of the district for their labors of love.

Upon the recommendation of Dr. Powers the assembly voted unanimously to call Rev. Bruce Taylor of Augusta, Maine, to assume the responsibilities of district superintendent. The Maritime Nazarenes look forward to days of victory under his able leadership.

The N.F.M.S. convention preceded the assembly, and Mrs. M. E. Carlin, district president for twelve years, presided with gracious dignity. She submitted her resignation, asking that she be relieved of the responsibilities of president, and Mrs. C. R. Teal was elected to succeed her.

Evangelist and Mrs. Ralph Mickel contributed greatly to the services with their ministry in music and the Word. Many of the messages throughout the week were climaxed with genuine victories at the altar of prayer.

Delegates and visitors to the assembly were provided gracious entertainment by Pastor Verbal Williams and his generous people of the Oxford church.

—Reporter.

Rev. Emmett E. Taylor writes: “After some two and one-half years with the wonderful people of our Central Church in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, I am resigning to re-enter the evangelistic field as of September 21. Will be glad to go as the Lord may lead; write me c/o our Nazarene Publishing House, P.O. Box 557, Kansas City 41, Missouri."

Evangelist Wanda L. Becker writes: “I apologize to pastors and churches where I have had to cancel meetings—some due to my own illness, and several because of the illness and recent death of my father. I am now back in the field, and would be glad to reslate these meetings if any pastor or church so desires. I deeply appreciate the kindness of our people. Write me, 819 Central Avenue, Newport, Kentucky.”

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Deaths

LELA BEATRICE MILLER, wife of Rev. Ira E. Miller, of Cochis, Ohio, died in the hospital on June 28, 1958. Rev. and Mrs. Miller moved to Cochis last September after completing six years of ministry at the West Lafayette, Ohio, church. They had served forty-three years in the Church of the Nazarene, serving as pastors in eighteen different congregations, three of which they had organized. Mrs. Miller broke her hip in April, but after spending a month in the hospital was well enough to return home when she suffered a stroke. Mrs. Miller had endeared herself to many folks in the church. Mr. and Mrs. Miller had planned to make their home in Cochis since they had retired from the ministry, but Mrs. Miller had been called to heaven. Funeral services were held in Cochis; then the body was taken to Caro, Michigan, where another service was held, and where she was buried.

MRS. DOROTHY E. SHERWOOD, wife of Rev. Raymond B. Sherwood, superintendent of the Nevada-Utah District, died June 23, 1958, after a long illness, at the age of fifty-three. She and Mr. Sherwood were married June 30, 1925; two children were born to the home—Mrs. Virginia Betzer and Rolland B. Mrs. Sherwood and her husband have been in the active ministry in the Church of the Nazarene for twenty-two years, eleven in the pastorate and eleven in the Nevada-Utah District. She was president of the missionary society for the entire twenty-two years, eleven years as the district president, As a most faithful Christian, Mrs. Sherwood loved her God, the church, and her family. Funeral service was held in Reno, Nevada, with Dr. Roy E. Sime as secretary of general sessions, bringing the message, assisted by others from the church. She was preceded in death by her mother and stepfather; and is survived by three sons, Frank, Clyde, and Cloyd, all of Olympia. Funeral service was conducted by Revs. Mr. and Mrs. Sherwood, and Ellen Kemery, with interment in the local cemetery.

MRS. JULIA SHORT of the Olympia Church of the Nazarene died March 21, 1958, at Olympia, Washington, at the age of seventy-one. She was a charter member of the First Church of the Nazarene, a devoted Christian, and loved by all who knew her. Even the suffering of her illness did not dim her vision of her Lord's face nor cool her love. She was preceded in death by her husband, Wallace Short, and by eight children—Mrs. William C. Clyde, and Floyd, all of Olympia. Funeral service was conducted by Revs. Mr. and Mrs. Sherwood, and Ellen Kemery, with interment in the local cemetery.

LOYAL S. HECKMAN, age sixty-nine, died February 22, 1958. He was a charter member of the First Church of the Nazarene, a devoted Christian, and loved by all who knew him. Even the suffering of his illness did not dim his vision of his Lord's face nor cool his love. He was preceded in death by his wife and three children—Mrs. Raymond B. Sherwood, and Mrs. Donald L. She was a charter member of the First Church of the Nazarene, a devoted Christian, and loved by all who knew her. Even the suffering of her illness did not dim her vision of her Lord's face nor cool her love. She was preceded in death by her mother and stepfather; and is survived by three sons, Frank, Clyde, and Cloyd, all of Olympia. Funeral service was conducted by Revs. Mr. and Mrs. Sherwood, and Ellen Kemery, with interment in the local cemetery.

CORA GRAY RUSSELL was born December 27, 1874, and died March 28, 1958, in Peniel, Texas. She was a charter member of Kansas City First Church in Peniel, Texas, January 16, 1871, and died in Kansas City, Missouri, January 16, 1871, and died in Kansas City, Missouri. Mrs. Russell was a faithful Christian, and a member of the Church of the Nazarene, serving as a teacher and Sunday school superintendent for seventeen years. She lived a beautiful sanctified life for almost a half century.

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WESTERN ILLINOIS—Assembly, August 20 and 21, at the District Center, 7700 Arch Road, Overland Park, Kansas (from Kansas City Union Station by Santa Fe Railroad to Streator, Illinois. Send mail and other items relating to the assembly c/o the entertaining pastor, Rev. W. A. Burton, Route 1, Camby, Indiana. General Superintendent Vanderpool presiding.

INDIANAPOLIS—Assembly, August 27 and 28, at the District Campgrounds, Route 2, 1000 Heights Blvd., Houston, Texas. General Superintendent Miiller presiding.
the assembly c/o the entertaining pastor, Rev. Paul Barnes, P.O. Box 3, Chicopee, Georgia. General Superintendent Williamson presiding.

MISSISSIPPI—Assembly, September 10 and 11, at First Church, 603 W. Silas Brown St., Jackson, Mississippi. Send mail and other items relating to the assembly c/o the entertaining pastor, Rev. B. W. Downing, 618 W. Silas Brown St., Jackson, Mississippi. General Superintendent Powers presiding.

NORTH CAROLINA—Assembly, September 17 and 18, at First Church, 1217 E. Green St., High Point, North Carolina. Send mail and other items relating to the assembly c/o the entertaining pastor, Rev. J. H. Eades, 1219 E. Green St., High Point, North Carolina. General Superintendent Powers presiding.

SOUTH ARKANSAS—Assembly, September 17 and 18, at First Church, 9th and Battery, Little Rock, Arkansas. Send mail and other items relating to the assembly c/o the entertaining pastor, Rev. Kline Dickerson, 800 Battery, Little Rock, Arkansas. General Superintendent Vanderpool presiding.

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WEDDING BELLS

Miss Dorothy Turner and Mr. Howard Richard Allender, both of Kankakee, Illinois, were united in marriage on July 11 at First Church of the Nazarene in Kankakee with the pastor, Rev. Bennett Dudney, officiating.

Ruth Pauline Enoch and Arden C. Degner of South Milwaukee, Wisconsin, were united in marriage on June 28 at First Church of the Nazarene
in Milwaukee with Rev. Frank H. Enoch, father of the bride, officiating, assisted by Rev. Victor F. Enoch, her brother, of Fayetteville, North Carolina.

BORN—to Rev. and Mrs. James F. Balleu of San Luis Obispo, California, a son, Kregg James, on July 19.  
—to Bruce and Berdella (Tonk) Wilkinson of Midland, Michigan, a son, Lee Whitman, on July 2.  
—to Mr. and Mrs. Everett W. Moore of Mowrence, Illinois, a daughter, Marilyn Ruth, on June 24.

SPECIAL PRAYER IS REQUESTED by a Christian lady in Nebraska for her father, who has cancer (incurable); her mother, who has heart trouble; and her brother in deep sin—all unsaved; by a Nazarene lady in Texas that they may have a real revival in that place with souls praying through to God; by a friend in Indiana that he may have a better prayer life; by a Nazarene lady in West Virginia for the salvation of a daughter and her husband in another state; for a son-in-law, and for a husband who is going deep into sin and bringing disgrace upon his wife and children; a brother-in-law who refuses to let his family go to church—urgent request for the salvation of these individuals, also that the church in that place may get "on fire for God"; by a Nazarene minister for "the reclamation of a Nazarene youth caught in the current of skepticism and worldliness"; by a reader in Ohio that his son may have the assurance of salvation, and for a very special unspoken request; by a Nazarene lady in Oregon that God will undertake for a physical condition of a nephew in California—for a sister in Oregon, in danger of losing her soul, is in poor health, and needs help financially—for an aged father—for an unsaved husband, who needs a change of climate for health conditions—for a son in the U.S. Navy, now in California, that God will help him to live a Christian life—and a special unspoken request—"God is the only answer"; by a lady in Guatemala for God's special help and blessing in their mission work that they may reach more souls; by a Nazarene lady in Texas for "my family of six children and their families" and also for an unspoken request, and for herself; by a lady in Oklahoma that God may undertake and restore her hearing—she believes He is able.

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