A few years ago in the Northwest a woman paused on the top steps of a neighborhood church as she was leaving the sanctuary. She had been absent from divine worship for nearly twenty years, yet she was keenly disappointed in the pastor's message and in the tone of the church service. She had not found what her heart had been seeking. With tear-filled eyes she picked her way down the steps, and cried out, "There must be a better way than the way we are living." Her heart had spoken. Within two weeks she found a group that led her to the cross of Christ, and the miracle of grace happened again. In less than two months' time her husband followed her in penitence, and he too rose triumphant and changed!

Another scene—one that took place over nineteen centuries ago in Jerusalem. Here at a council meeting of the young Christian Church the founding fathers were trying to decide what to do with the recent influx of gentile converts. Some die-hards had insisted that these new Christians accept Judaism with its ancient rite of circumcision. But wiser counsel finally prevailed. James, the chairman, instructed the new converts concerning certain ethical practices and warned the legalistic meddlers to let them alone. It was Peter who closed the debate with a telling argument. Already the Holy Spirit had been given to the gentiles even as to the Jews, he insisted, and this Gift was provided by God in answer to their hearts' need (Acts 15:9). His inference was that the heart's need is universal; therefore the gospel in its fullness is also universal.

In every century the heart has its own inner reasons for longing for peace and cleansing. But there is a divine correspondence between our hearts' cry and God's provisions. John Wesley insisted that the commands of God were only covered promises. His standards speak of the divine enabling. This is why the gospel of the Son of God, when preached in its simplicity and power, is never irrelevant. Still the Saviour of men is rightly depicted as One standing at our hearts' doors knocking and seeking admission. Angels must marvel at God's compassion and restraint! Let Him in today!
Kankakee, Illinois—An operating budget of $1,015,000 for 1960-61 was adopted by the Olivet Nazarene College Board of Trustees at their annual meeting, February 10. President Harold W. Reed reported a balanced budget for the past year and an enrollment increase of seventy. Nebstall Hall for women is nearing completion and will be dedicated September 30. Plans for a financial drive to erect a million-dollar Science Building were approved; a substantial salary increase for the faculty was voted. Professor Curtis Brady was employed as chairman of the Fine Arts Department. Clearance was given to employ five additional teachers to teach courses in Bible. Evidence of God's blessing on the college were manifested in the morning chapel service when more than twenty students bowed at the altar and found victory.

—R. L. Lunsford, Department of Public Relations, Olivet Nazarene College.

Bethany, Oklahoma—Dr. Roy H. Cantrell, president of Bethany Nazarene College for thirteen years, was re-elected for another five-year term at annual Board of Trustees meeting in Bethany, February 10. Also elected to five-year terms were Harold L. Craddock, business manager; Rev. Curtis Smith, director of Public Relations; Dr. C. Harold Ripper, dean of college; Dr. Vernon A. Snowbarger, dean of students; and Dr. D. D. Danskine, registrar. Board established a Development Council to project needs of the college for next ten years, including extension of McConnell Hall, enlargement of Fine Arts auditorium, and construction of new Science Building. Plans nearing completion for women's dormitories, to be started as soon as $50,000 is on hand. Recent debt reduction and improvement campaign campaign raised $373,419 in cash and pledges; indebtedness reduced by $260,000. With enrollment at record of 1,112, Bethany Nazarene College progresses with unity to serve the community. Recently they moved to the Lake City Church in north Florida, to spend their latter years in the quieter atmosphere.

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Rev. Kenneth Neiderhiser, formerly pastor at Brownsville, resigned to accept a call to pastor the church in Athsburg, Pennsylvania.

Pastor Alvin T. Smith sends word from Chicago: "Rev. H. Dale Mitchell of Elkhart, Indiana, and the King's Trumpeters of Olivet Nazarene College conducted a wonderful three-day evangelistic Crusade in Austin Church. Valentine Banquet was crowned with young people praying through to definite victory. The preaching was superb, the music inspiring, and the Holy Spirit was present."

On Sunday afternoon of February 7 the daughter and two sons had a reception in honor of the fiftieth wedding anniversary of their parents—Rev. and Mrs. C. H. Alger. They were married on February 1, 1910, at Enid, Oklahoma. Brother Alger joined the Church of the Nazarene in Ponca City, Oklahoma, in 1909 and has been a minister in the church since that time. He pastored the church at Woodward and then because of impaired health was forced to retire from the active ministry. They moved to Bethany, Oklahoma in 1919 and have been faithful to God and the church through the years. They have three children: George, of Oklahoma City; Mrs. Guy Faulkner, of Bethany; and Rev. Danford Alger, Nazarene pastor of First Church in Waco, Texas.

Pastor R. V. Clay of First Church, Norwood, Ohio, sends word that, beginning on February 14, they engaged the services of Mr. Don Bowman and wife (Frances) as music directors, with plans to reorganize their choir. Mrs. Bowman is accomplished in piano, organ, and accordion.

Dr. Timothy Smith, who is assisting in the preparation of the Nazarene history, spoke at the University of Colorado "Religion in Life Week," at Boulder, February 22 to 26. He is currently teaching at East Texas State College, Commerce, Texas.

On Sunday afternoon of January 17 a special service was held at Emmanuel Church of the Nazarene, Miami, Florida, with the pastor, Rev. J. D. Benson, in charge, presenting a "This Is Your Life" program in honor of Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Brinson—Nazarenes for more than forty years, and faithful servants of God in many capacities. She was a member of the Pentecostal Church of the Nazarene in Kentucky in the early days; they were both members of Miami First Church—the oldest on the Florida District. Mr. and Mrs. Brinson were presented with a nice plaque in honor of their services in the local church and the community. Recently they moved to the Lake City Church in north Florida, to spend their latter years in the quieter atmosphere.

In Ourselves We Are Nothing

By E. RALPH WRIGHT

Stone in the hand of the sculptor,
Or steel to be turned in the lathe;
Paper in the hands of the writer,
Music unwritten to be played—

But of themselves they're nothing,
Just crude bits of paper or stone:
Steel without meaning or measure.
Music without harmony or tone.

But placed in the hands of a master
To be worked to their finest intent,
They bring forth beauty in giving—
So useless are we, unless spent!

"Follow me, and I will make you..." (Matthew 4:19).

Rev. Samuel G. Davidson, age fifty-three, died January 16, in a hospital in Houston, Texas. He had entered the Nazarene ministry in the early 1930's, and pastored churches in Oklahoma, Kansas, and Texas.

Evangelists P. P. and Marie Belew have been confined for a few days in the Mississippi Baptist Hospital, Jackson, Mississippi. Continued prayer for their recovery would be appreciated.
I knew there would be revival—

When I Heard the Pastor Pray!

By EVANGELIST G. FRANKLIN ALLEE

And I sought for a man among them, that should make up the hedge, and stand in the gap before me for the land, . . . (Ezekiel 22:30).

"Remember the Hanobys, Father; and there's the Madison family, they need Thee; and speak to the Reilys and the Freemans; Mr. Viberg and Jimmy Sparkman [these names are not the real ones]. . . ." On and on it went, until it seemed there was no end to the list of the needy, and the earnestness of the prayer took hold on my heart, even as it went on record before the Throne of Mercy.

The pastor and I were having prayer together in his study preceding the evening’s revival service, and as he poured out his heart in intercession, fertilizing his prayer with sincere tears and energizing it with soul yearning, naming the parents of many of the Sunday school children, pleading for the salvation of people who never darkened the doorway of his church, weeping over an alcoholic (pitiful in his enslavement)—I knew why I had come to this particular church with the assurance that the Holy Spirit would give us souls.

Such burdened intercession as this, much of it for people to whom the pastor was in no way indebted, and for whom he was not obligated by reason of his position, could not go unrewarded indefinitely. Such faithful personal work as he and the church members were carrying on was certain to bear fruit, "much fruit."

And have a revival we did!

Never during that series was there a barren altar service. Attendance increased until we scarcely had room to seat the people. Glory crowned the mercy seat. Tears soaked the mourners’ bench—and God gave the victory!

Nor was the pastor alone in his concern for the wayward. Such interest is communicable. The laymen shared their shepherd’s burden of prayer, assisted fervently at the altar, and worked diligently at the task of bringing the unsaved to the services.

A tender, heartfelt concern for the lost must be the driving force behind all our Christian activity if we are to succeed in the work of the Kingdom— as God counts success. Without this a minister is as ineffective as a saw without teeth. Without it a layman becomes a burden on the pastor’s shoulders, a liability to God, and a dead weight, in carrying which the church will lose much of its strength for conquest.

In the kingdom of Christ no other mere human force is so effective as tears that find their source in a broken heart. Without them as eloquent witnesses even the Holy Spirit is unable to work effectively through the people of God; for there is more power in a pint of tears than in many barrels full of logic.

And where there are such tears there will be much effort put forth. There is only one true measurement of a Christian’s concern for the lost, and that is the amount of energy he is gladly willing to expend to bring them under the influence of the gospel. All attempts to convince ourselves otherwise are vain. If our concern does not press us to put forth every possible effort to bring about the salvation of sinners, then we are lightly burdened.

If there are merit marks, held in store for those who put themselves out to win souls for Christ, as the Bible so clearly teaches, then will there not also be demerits for any who carelessly neglect their duty in this? The answer to that question is found in Ezekiel 3:18. Read it and be moved.

Lord, help me to win the souls You would lay upon my heart. Amen!

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"The Son of Man Is Come"

By JACK FORD

He came, a Heavenly Song in our disharmony;
He came, the Morning Star to sorrow’s night;
He came, a Healing Balm for every malady;
He came, the Kiss of Love for love-starved lives.

He laid Him in the cradle of our infancy;
He slept aboard our slender, storm-tossed barque;
He laid Him on our cross of pain and infamy;
He laid Him in our narrow tomb and dark.

He comes today to give His salve and share
The yielded life committed to His care!

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In holy living, 
in anointed preaching—

LET US EXCEED!

JOHN A. MONROE
Pastor, Roseville, California

Except your righteousness shall exceed the righteousness of the scribes and Pharisees, . . . (Matthew 5:20).

The Pharisees were in their origin a pure and holy people, but they had surely degenerated before the coming of Christ. History has shown that the way of man has been up and down, hot and cold, close to God and then far from the fold, living up to the ordinances of God in the fullness of the Spirit and then drifting away from the Spirit to hold the ordinances in "a form of godliness, but denying the power thereof" (II Timothy 3:5).

Every age, every church, every individual faces the problem of being and keeping filled with the Spirit. The letter of the law, the doctrines of the church, the rules and special rules are tangible things which can be possessed, read, followed, and, as it were, handled; but the Spirit is like the wind that "bloweth where it listeth." It is easier to follow that which can be seen with the eye than to follow that which is perceived with the spirit. The Holy Spirit is real and we can be aware of His presence, but He is not something that can be corked up in an earthly vessel to be used at will. Nor can it be taken for granted that, because we have the background of a holiness heritage, He is present to empower, to unctionize, to bless, and to bring forth visible fruit—although He is the very One who does all these things.

Today we are living in a time of great opportunity. In our land there is little or no persecution of Christianity. All the modern conveniences of our day are at our disposal. We have great leadership, plans, and techniques. Church plants are being built, modernized, enlarged, beautified, and wonderfully equipped. The population is increasing rapidly, and although many never darken a church door, people know about Christ. Could it be said that Jesus was speaking of today when He said, "When the Son of man cometh, shall he find faith on the earth?" (Luke 18:8) In other words, "Shall the soil have brought forth a harvest proportioned to the culture bestowed on it?"

How wonderful it is to realize that this is the dispensation of the Holy Spirit and Jesus promised that He would abide forever! He is the Spirit of truth and power. He it is who is to "reprove the world of sin, and of righteousness, and of judgment" (John 16:8). Perhaps, however, we need to be reminded that He is a divine Personality and not just an influence. Thus we must treat Him as a Person without grieving, quenching, or ignoring Him in our worship and service, recognizing and giving Him credit as He works in and through us to the spreading of the gospel. This is the dispensation of the Holy Spirit, but can it be said that we are seeing results in our lives, homes, churches, and communities commensurate with the desire and promise of Christ concerning the work of the Holy Spirit?

Let us not drift in this great and glorious day of opportunities when, by our inviting Him to fall afresh upon us, the Holy Spirit can and will lift us above the righteousness of the scribes and Pharisees. He can and will lift us out into the realm of victory, grace, and power that we may bring forth precious fruit which will be a witness to the honor and glory of the Father. Let us pray that over and over again we may come like Paul "in demonstration of the Spirit and of power" (I Corinthians 2:4).

NOT COMMONPLACE

By OVELLA S. SHAFER

Let me not ever label "commonplace"—
  Clear dewdrop diamonds on a velvet rose;
  Variegated leaves caressed by breezes;
  The lucid white of newborn winter snows;
  The tranquil beauty of silver-blue stars;
  The soaring butterfly in carefree flight;
  Vast everlasting hills, landmarks of God;
  Resplendent morning bursting gray of night;

  A spiral ocean shell's pink, pearly bosom;
  Bluebirds warbling from their shady bowers;
  Myriad mysteries of life and death;
  The hallowedness of happy trysting hours;
  A child's fond prattle or a mother's prayers;
  An altar where a seeking soul found grace;
  Our Bible—church—and Jesus' blood atonement;

May none of these be ever—commonplace!
"And he said unto them, Come ye yourselves apart into a desert place, and rest a while (Mark 6:31)."

Our Lord loved the people, but how often we read of His going away from them for a brief season! He tried every little while to withdraw from the crowd. So He went up—up to get near to His Father and to be alone with Him. I cannot help but feel that what the Church of God needs today, more than anything else, is that she should go apart with her Lord and sit more at His feet in the sacred privacy of His blessed presence. True religion is indeed practicing the presence of God; but in order to do this, one must have a little chapel of personal retirement. "Come," says the Master; "Come ye . . . apart into a desert place." He did not mean by that a vast, waterless, treeless, grassless, flowerless waste, but rather a place deserted by the people, a place of tranquil and undisturbed and intimate communion.

We are living in a very wonderful age. But it is an age of drive, of hurry and stress and storm. The tragic fact in the life of the average American is the absence of apartness and repose. We have too little time for the inner chamber. We prefer the limelight and the crowds. Nothing appeals to us like the strenuous and the thrilling. Repose and meditation is too tame for this jet age.

The sad part of this temper is that it is creeping into our churches. Christians by the hundreds are regulating their devotions by the clock. Their hands are full but their hearts are empty. There are Christians in all our churches who are so busy rushing hither and yon, on errands of mercy, it may be, that they are never alone with God. Oh, for the lost art of meditation! Oh, for the tonic of the secret place and of waiting on God!

The yielded Christian has no struggle about giving his share and more. He doesn't begrudge what he is under obligation to give. He regrets that he doesn't have more to give to God's cause.—Exchange.

No one hears the machinery of the brain. Ours is an age of fuss and trumpet blowing. We seem to have more faith in the whirlwind than in the "still small voice." God usually speaks in the still whispers, but we cannot hear these whispers for the clamor of the street. We have been taught so much the art of being strenuous that we have well-nigh lost the art of being still.

Richard Jefferies says that men do not know what they miss because they will not be quiet. "The lake must be calm, if the heavens are to be reflected on its surface." One of the blessings of the old-time Sabbath was its calm, its restfulness, its holy peace. We have a strange idea that nothing is being done unless somebody is talking. The inquiry that is nearly always made concerning a religious gathering is, "How many did you have there?" We seem to think that if the speaker was a good talker and the house was crowded out the meeting was a big success. But with most of us there ought to be hung in the inner sanctum of our souls a sign which reads in part, "Be still."

I am pleading for more prayers, more communion with God. "Take time to be holy." The great men of action have ever been men of prayer. Go off into the quiet and find out where you stand with the Infinite. Climb the heights and be alone for a little while with your Lord. How haggard and hollow-eyed the most of us look! Ah, friends, the shining face comes from the mountaintop, where Moses got his. Deep religion is the religion of the "still small voice." There is a music that no one can hear until the ears are anointed. Yes, there is a lesson to be learned from the Master—the lesson of retirement, of nestling close to His side, of resting in Him. There is a "sweet Beulah Land" to the soul that has found this rest in Him.
The Bible still declares the wrath of God:

"AND IT WAS NIGHT"

By DORA HALL McCANDLESS

After Bible class one Sunday morning a member of the class came to me with a criticism of my teaching that has lingered long in my memory:

"You don't teach often enough about God's terrible hatred of sin and unbelief and their fearful consequences. I need to be reminded often of what the Lord has saved me from in order to keep me on the straight and narrow path."

Her words came as a shock and I have wondered at times if we, teachers and preachers alike, to whom God has committed the sacred stewardship of His Word, do not stress the love of God and what He has saved us to, namely, heaven with all its delights and blessings, to the neglect of the other side of the picture, that is, hell with all its torment and anguish. If this lady, a fine Christian, felt her need to be reminded from time to time of what Christ had saved her from in order to supply her with the needed moral courage and spiritual strength for a close daily walk with her Lord, then certainly there are others who feel the same way. Besides, there is always the possibility that there are some present in the class who have never surrendered to the Lord. Perhaps this type of message may reach them also. Furthermore, we are responsible before God to teach or preach, as the case may be, all the Word.

Years ago we used to hear strong Bible lessons and sermons along this line; in fact it was just such warnings that led to my salvation. But now? Just try to recall, if you can, when last you heard such a soul-stirring message?

Too often we picture God as an easygoing, soft-hearted Father who, when we stand before the judgment seat and shed a few tears for a lifetime of unbelief and sin, will pat us on the back with a forgiving hand and say the comforting words: "There, there, that's all right. I know you're sorry," and will swing wide the pearly gate.

If so, we but deceive ourselves, because Christ himself warned Nicodemus, "Verily, verily, I say unto thee, Except a man be born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God" (John 3:3; 5). And it's only when we know what the Bible says about the future of these unbelievers that we can understand what the Christian has been saved from.

The Apostle John uses just four short words to describe their future state and condition: "And it was night" (John 13:30), but what an eternity of time these few words cover! Judas had deliberately turned his back on Christ and gone out into the night, endless night—an eternity of darkness. Could anything be more awful, especially when the Bible warns in no uncertain terms that "it is a fearful thing to fall into the hands of the living God" (Hebrews 10:31)?

Even as eternal life is God's reward to all believers, just so is eternal darkness the sentence passed upon all unbelievers. John 8:21 brings out very clearly the thought that all who shut the light out of their lives die in their sins and cannot enter heaven because they have loved darkness rather than light. Therefore their everlasting portion is what the Bible designates as "outer darkness," a place of "weeping and gnashing of teeth" (Matthew 8:12; 22:13). This, after all, is but the natural result of the inner darkness that enshrouds their minds.

The Scriptures have other names, too, for this awful place: the "lake of fire" and the "second death" (Revelation 20:14; 21:8). But how can a man die twice? The Bible answers that. The first death is physical and is an experience common to all, saved and unsaved alike, with the exception of those who will be raptured. It is the departure of the soul and spirit from the earthly body of the individual (James 2:26a). The body of the saved goes into the ground, but his soul and spirit go directly into the presence of his Saviour (II Corinthians 5:8). This is the only death the believer experiences (Revelation 2:11; 20:6).

But the unbeliever dies twice: first, physically, at which time his body goes into the ground; and, second, spiritually, when his soul and spirit go directly into hell or, more correctly translated, Hades (Luke 16:22-23), a place of torment and anguish. There they remain until the time of the great white throne judgment, when death and hell will deliver up the dead that are in them, at which time these unbelievers will be judged "every man according to their works" (Revelation 20:11-15). Christ is the Judge (John 5:22) and their sentence is the lake of fire. This spiritual death is what the Bible means by "the second death." That this does not mean annihilation or oblivion is clearly brought out by Revelation 20:10, where torment in the lake of fire is "for ever and ever."

"And it was night—a horrible picture, yes, but it is God's Word we are teaching or preaching, not

"Many a good name is quartered by the sharp knife of gossip."—MAGGIE CULVER FRY.
our own. And, after all, He does not leave us to close our lesson or sermon on a despairing note, because across the midnight blackness of this awful background His marvelous grace shines forth in a glorious rainbow of promise: "Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and thou shalt be saved" (Acts 16:31). And backing up this promise comes the blessed assurance, "He that overcometh shall not be hurt of the second death" (Revelation 2:11). And just who is this overcomer? The Bible leaves no doubt as to that: "For whatsoever is born of God overcometh the world: and this is the victory that overcometh the world, even our faith" (1 John 5:4). Yes, praise the Lord! We have a "whosoever will" gospel message to proclaim (Revelation 22:17).

By SYLVAN F. STARKS
Nazarene Layman, Central Church, Tulsa, Oklahoma

I discovered that equipment and location do not guarantee "service" at—

SERVICE STATIONS!

A few weeks ago we were driving through a small city for the first time in several years. As we approached an intersection, I observed what I thought to be a service station on one corner. It had the driveway, the familiar canopy, large display windows, but—no gasoline pumps. Closer observation revealed that it had been a service station at one time, but now it had a sign over the door identifying itself as a church. A frame annex had been built onto the rear of the station to provide space for an auditorium.

As we drove on down the road, I mused about the appropriateness of this unique and unusual conversion. Here was a building which had been originally designed to serve the needs of the motoring public, traveling the streets and highways in that area. At one time, no doubt, it had been a "lifesaver" to many motorists needing gasoline, oil, tire repair, or some vital accessory at a critical moment in their journey. But apparently, for some reason or another, it had failed to prosper its owner and had ceased to be a service station for the wayfaring motorist.

However, a transformation had taken place on that corner. Now once again the doors are open to the wayfarer—to all who journey on the "highway of life." Now it stands as a symbol of service and help to those in spiritual need; a place of "refueling," of adjustment, and certainly a place for the traveler to check his "bearings" on the "highway map" so as to make sure of his direction and destination.

How refreshing it is to continue on our journey after a thorough "servicing" at a reputable service station!

More recently I had another service station experience that sobered my thoughts along this line. My gas tank gauge showed dangerously low, so I pulled into a service station for a refill. This station had every indication of a thriving, prosperous business. There stood the gleaming, freshly painted pumps; advertising banners fluttered in the breeze; the display windows were full of products and placards; and the shelves within were well stocked with supplies. It appeared they would be able to cope with any need or emergency a motorist might have—but there was no attendant around! Reluctantly, and disappointed, I drove on to the next station, where an eager attendant started out to meet me as soon as I turned into the driveway and took care of my needs with courtesy and dispatch.

The sobering thought was, What kind of "service station" am I serving in? Do we have all of the fixtures and facilities but no service? Are we ready and eager to serve the weary or needy wayfarer who comes to our "station"—or does he have to drive on to some other station?

Why do YOU attend the services of your church? To some it may be a matter of duty or respectability. To some it may be a matter of habit or custom. A few may attend against their wills. But in every service I am sure there are those who attend as a matter of "life or death." They must have spiritual help, strength, and refreshing, in order to face and overcome the daily battles and temptations. If we only knew the spiritual hunger and exhaustion of some who attend our church services and prayer meetings, I am sure there would be a different spirit in our testimonies, our prayers, and our singing.

This spirit of victory, power, and joy in our services has been the attraction of the Church of the Nazarene in years past. God forbid that we should fail our generation!
We aren't all going to the same place
by different roads, so—

Let's Be Realistic!

By FLORA E. BRECK

Shall we—in spite of busy days—take more time to think realistically regarding spiritual matters and our personal relationship to God? In this connection a western minister explained certain things quite clearly. He told of a Mr. W. whose church work was to advise moneyed people to remember God in their wills. At the moment he was interviewing a Mr. Smith (we will call him). But Mr. Smith seemed unimpressed. "Tell you what you do," said Mr. W. "You go home and think this matter over carefully when you're all relaxed and rested. With your bedroom slippers on, tonight in front of your fireplace, won't you please think things out? Here's what you do: While comfortably resting there, ask yourself three questions: "1st—Who am I? "2nd—Where am I going? "3rd—What will I do when I get there?"

Mr. W. didn't expect to hear from the man for days, and was surprised when the very next day the man found his way to Mr. W's office. Smith admitted: "No, before that I scarcely knew my purpose in living. I didn't know which way I was headed nor what I'd do afterward." To make a long story short, his decision was the one desired by Mr. W. The businessman had decided to make his money—and his investments—live on after his death for the glory of God. So many people who are considered "good and upright" don't really think things through as to their eternal values and their personal attitude to God. Perhaps at some previous time they were warm, spiritually speaking, but secular things later had blocked communion to and from God, and their Christianity had dried up like the lake which is no longer fed with fresh water. It appears that the devil wants to keep you from thinking, and many temptations come between you and God, causing you perhaps to forget your main purpose—to love and serve God and to enjoy Him always. We must try more continuously and more truly to realize that without spiritual refreshment (from the Water and Bread of Life) one's years may count for little.

It's so easy to let things make us drift away from God. At such times perhaps people are carried downstream almost without their knowledge, it's so gradual. One may lose the ability to see things in focus. All of us have heard two neighbors talking together, getting along smoothly. The non-churchgoer says, "Yes, we're all going toward the same place, even though by different roads." But the spiritual one thinks to himself, No, we are not going to the same place at all. Aloud he says, "Friend, let's take a closer look, lest we drift and go downstream, and thereby lose so great a salvation!"

Contributions

By LOUISE JOHNSON

"The best things in life are free." I have heard this statement many times and have often repeated it to other folk. Many would look at me in amazement and say, "Just what is free? I had to pay for everything I possess." Maybe you have felt the same way at times, especially when you were upset or worried. Perhaps you have paid with money for everything you have in your home that is visible. How about the invisible things? Are there any in your home? If not, I think you have a house instead of a home. What about love, kindness, generosity, and friendliness?

If you are a Christian you should also have an unseen Guest in your home all the time, or do you have Him there only on Sundays? During the rest of the week do you have books, magazines, papers, or things around that you are ashamed to have out on Sundays—so you hide them in the closet and invite the Lord to occupy your home that day? If the pastor drops in unexpectedly, do you wish you had covered up some of the things he saw when he entered the door?

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3. A few days later, the Sheridan is in operation as Dr. Samuel Young, general superintendent (center); Arch Edwards, production manager (left); and M. A. (Bud) Lunn, assistant manager (right), watch the 1960 special issue of the Herald coming off the delivery section.

4. One of the thousands of copies of the 1960 special issue of the Herald of Holiness which were mailed to our churches about February 20.

the windows of our homes, regardless how great or small they may be, we can see some of the most beautiful things that eyes can behold. We might see the white, fleecy clouds floating along, seemingly with not a care. Perhaps the birds have just returned from their winter stay in the South and are sending forth their voices in song, telling the world they are happy to be back with us. Some are building nests, and some are fixing up old ones—their songs could be the rent payments they are making! People, like birds, sing when they are happy.

Our lives may be compared with those of trees, shrubs, or plants. We watch them in their dormant state and then as they begin to awaken, bringing forth their beauty after a winter's rest. Day by day changes make them more beautiful. Aren't these some of the great contributions the Lord makes to our lives? The plants breathe, sleep, eat, and then grow into beauty. We do similar things, but what do our lives show for them? Do we awaken in the morning feeling as though the whole world were resting upon our shoulders, or do we have the feeling of thankfulness to God for the night's rest? Are we thankful that we awakened with our health and strength so that we can go on cheerfully with His help regardless of what our lot for the day might be?

How about the raindrops falling on the dry, thirsty land? So many times we can see the beautiful rainbow with its magnificent hue, or the brook with its waters gently flowing downstream. If it strikes a snag or obstacle, it does not stop and splash back, as many folk would do on similar occasions, but instead in some way it goes around the hindrance and continues merrily on its way.

God has given us so many beautiful and worthwhile contributions. However, the greatest He has given is His Son. "For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life" (John 3:16). Let us accept this contribution wholeheartedly, thus making our lives more beautiful in every way, for ourselves and for those around us.

Again I say, "The best things in life are free."

How about a firm handshake, a pat on the shoulder, a kind, encouraging word, a helping hand, a smile, or a prayer for someone? These are some of the priceless contributions with a lifetime value that we can give which will stand the test, and money can neither buy nor sell these.

Let us refuse to be halfhearted in our service for God. Let us repent, believe, and walk in the light; then He will be beside us at all times contributing to our lives. We need to stand by Him in return for His great gift of salvation to us.

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Peculiar to the holiness people have been the things for which they contend as their spiritual standards. They have dared to preach and teach that some things do not belong in the sanctified life regardless of the cost in popularity and favor. It has been a lonesome battle at times because the rest of the church world has failed to verify these standards and has smiled with forced indulgence upon our ways.

As each new generation has come into the church, they have looked with questioning minds upon some of these standards. Quite frequently in holiness homes childish minds will ask the reason for some of the negative thinking. The further the church moves from the genetic fathers, the greater the trend to weaken some of these standards, especially those that are left to personal discretion without a “Thou shalt not” attached. It is then like a man who would try to get work on a one-thousand-acre wheat farm but would insist on plowing with one mule and a Georgia stock rather than to use the latest model tractor and plow that the man had purchased to use.

God has infinite patience with those who are plowing with the Georgia stock through ignorance, but it is doubtful if He has any more patience with those who willfully refuse or neglect to avail themselves of His sanctifying power than the farmer would have with the man who refused to use the tractor rather than the mule and Georgia stock. Many such may be among the number who will say, “Lord, Lord, have we not prophesied in thy name? and in thy name have cast out devils? and in thy name done many wonderful works?” (Matthew 7:22)

An infilling of divine love is part of the experience of entire sanctification. God does not impart the fullness of His power without the fullness of His love. It would not be safe!

By MILTON HARRINGTON
Pastor First Church, Reno, Nevada

By FRED KILLAM
encouraging to find support coming, not from a religious field where it might be expected, but from men of science who may never have heard of the holiness people.

As our fathers of the faith determined the spiritual standards of church membership, it becomes increasingly apparent that they were guided by the Holy Spirit of God. In the General Rules of the Church of the Nazarene, the pledge is made to avoid evil of every kind, including: "... using of tobacco in any of its forms, or trafficking therein" (pages 36-37, 1956 Manual). Everyone now knows that medical science has gone on record as stating that tobacco can possibly be a cause of lung cancer. The contention of the church that this habit is physically damaging is now supported.

Of more recent date, and of far less publicity, is another statement of science that could have been made for the benefit of the holiness people. Again in the General Rules of the church the pledge is made, "... In like manner also, that women adorn themselves in modest apparel, with shamefacedness and sobriety; ..." (page 37, 1956 Manual). The weekly news magazine, Time, dated November 30, 1959, provides an interesting paragraph on page 16.

Arthur Flemming, Secretary of Health, Education, and Welfare for the United States Government, announced that Food and Drug Administration chemists had discovered that seventeen different coal-tar dyes used in lipsticks caused either death or illness when fed to rats. Of course, the argument arises that the women could digest only an infinitesimal speck of lipstick. This is probably true. However, the cancerous element is there and the FDA banned the dyes, effective January 6, 1960.

The holiness people now have a great right to be thankful that they have had spiritual conviction and foresight enough to abstain from some of the things that today may be producing cancer.

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Thought for the Day

by BERTHA MUNRO

Piece by Piece

(Ephesians 6:10-20)

Monday:
Yesterday—a sermon, "Christ's Victory"; the very word victory implies strife. No victory except at the end of battle. Christianity proves its real nature by conquest in the crushing sorrows and baffling problems that all must face. Commitment to Christ is commitment to battle—and battle directed against us with all the animus of a tricky, deadly, determined spirit of evil.

Today—the thick of the fight, alone! Victory is not automatic, not even usual. But it is assured, provided I use the resources provided. Paul says, "Put on the whole armour of God." Victory is contingent on a continuous, direct, personal relationship with God. Piece by piece I must check the armor and make it mine. Not Saul's, borrowed. It must fit me.

Tuesday:
Every piece I find to be a means of God's getting himself to me. "Loins girt about with truth." Sincerity—sureness of myself and sureness of God—my whole self open to Him. No alibis, no excuses. (He knows me completely anyway. No use pretending.) The passage clear between Him and me, the fresh wind of the Holy Spirit blowing away all the subterfuges that would set up barriers to His working in and through me. His truth is basic strength.

Wednesday:
"The breastplate of righteousness"—the integrity which makes one a whole man, a unit for God. The entire life organized, directed in accordance with His thoughts. Ready for inspection by God and man, from motivations clear through to actions and reactions.

Thursday:
Then the peace-bringing gospel, the wonder of that gift which is "the desire of all nations," ours to share—a grasp of its meaning, its possibilities, its actual possession. Those magic buskins of stability, also readiness—no personal axes to grind; only Christ's peace, the "possession of adequate resources."

Friday:
The shield of faith." Faith in God. faith in oneself; the deep awareness of God's absolute dependability and of one's own honest commitment—it is to be counted on. It will turn the tide in the unexpected emergency. "The helmet of salvation," the indispensable asset of personal Christian experience. If I have committed myself to straight thinking, building a sound philosophy of life with facts at the core, those facts will not fail me when emotions have run riot.

Saturday:
"The sword of the Spirit, ... the word of God" was not intended to be kept shut up in a black Book, however sacred. It was given for use. If I have made it truly mine, the Spirit and I can direct it to good effect when the enemy presses hard.

Sunday:
Then prayer and watchfulness. Keeping the contact clear, facing each day with the disposition to depend on God. Making aggressive use of the contact, praying not only to ward off blows from myself—praying for others. Multiplying my own victory manifold because I fight in an army, and the conquest I never could achieve individually I can make through prayer for some mightier warrior.

I want the "whole armour." No vulnerable spot.

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MY TESTIMONY

By MARIAN L. KNORR

I've tasted of God's wondrous grace; I've felt His touch of love; I've found a hope and solace by looking up above!

I've read the only living Book; I've searched its pages fair; And in all of life's tempests, Pure honey I've found there.

I've plunged into the fountain deep; I've felt its cleansing tide; And through the Holy Spirit I have been sanctified.

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Have You Seen the 1960 Special Issue?

The 1960 special issue, which you received last week, is one of the most beautiful which has ever been produced. The Herald of Holiness has never had a more attractive cover. Further, it has never had a subject which has a more universal appeal. This is especially true since we live in the day in which we do. There are confusion and fear on every hand. No one knows what a day may bring forth. This makes the subject of the 1960 special issue very important. Its title is “The Life to Come.” It will do every member of the Church of the Nazarene good to read it. It would do every Christian good to read it. More than this, every human being, whether he will admit it or not, is interested in its theme—“The Life to Come.”

On the inside of the front cover we have a quotation from the Bible which has to do with the life to come. It is one of the most moving messages of the Bible on the future life and has been read millions of times at the bedside of the dying saint or at funeral services. Turn and read it, my friend, and even though you may have read it many times before, it will get your attention as but few passages in the Bible will. This is followed by these articles: “Life That Shall Endless Be,” by G. B. Williamson; “Christ Is Coming Back Again!” by Maynard James; “The Certainty of a Final Judgment Day,” by T. W. Willingham; “The Wicked Shall Be Turned into Hell,” by Mel-Thomas Rothe well; “Great-heart, Christiana, and Standfast,” by the editor; “I Am the Resurrection and the Life,” by Paul T. Culbertson; “The Christian’s Glorious Hope,” by E. W. Martin; “Don’t Be Misled,” by George W. Privett; “The Eastern Gate”—the story of how it came to be written, on the inside of the back cover, and the song itself on the outside of the back cover. Add to all of these presentations the double-page spread of pictures about the work of our church and several other brief but worthwhile features, and you have the 1960 special issue of the Herald of Holiness.

“The Life to Come”—this is the theme of the 1960 special issue of the Herald of Holiness. Read it yourself and then help your church pass it out to thousands of your friends and neighbors. They will be interested in reading its significant message!

Holiness in the Old Testament

Some claim that Ezekiel 36:25 was Wesley’s most-used text on holiness in the Old Testament, but there are those who think he had no right to preach holiness from it. Nevertheless this verse, when read in its context, not only states that something unusual was going to happen to God’s people as a nation, but also suggests the experience of entire sanctification for the individual. The latter was graphically set forth as a possibility which occasionally might come to an individual in that day and would be much more common during the dispensation of the Holy Ghost. Begin with verse 21, if you doubt this, and read on through verse 29. You will notice that the prophet is talking about bringing the people out of a heathen land. But that is not all; he is also talking about taking the spirit of heathenism out of individual men. That is, they are not only going to be saved from sinning, but they are going to be cleansed from sin.

In discussing the verses to which I have referred, that is, Ezekiel 36:21-27, Adam Clarke says: “Here is the salvation that God promises to give to restored Israel; and here is the salvation that is the birthright of every Christian believer: the complete destruction of all sin in the soul, and the complete renewal of the heart: no sin having any place
within, and no unrighteousness having any place without." Certainly, on this basis, we can say that if Adam Clarke were preaching today on holiness he wouldn't hesitate to use this passage in Ezekiel.

If you are inclined to think that Adam Clarke was prejudiced toward this kind of interpretation because of his relation to the Methodist movement, turn to Matthew Henry's Commentary and read his discussion on Ezekiel 36:25-38. His comment on verse 27 reads thus: "That since, besides our inclination to sin, we complain of an inability to do our duty, God will cause them to walk in his statutes, will not only shew them the way of his statutes before them, but incline them to walk in it, and thoroughly furnish them with wisdom and will, and active powers, for every good work. In order to do this he will put his Spirit within them, as a teacher, guide, and sanctifier. Note, God does not force men to walk in his statutes by external violence, but causes them to walk in his statutes by an internal principle. And observe what use we ought to make of this gracious power and principle promised us, and put within us: You shall keep my judgments."

Along with these comments, permit me to point out just a few things about this passage, beginning with verse 24: "I will take you from among the heathen, and gather you out of all countries, and will bring you into your own land." This verse opens the way for something better, which is described thus: "Then will I sprinkle clean water upon you, and ye shall be clean: from all your filthiness, and from all your idols, will I cleanse you. A new heart also will I give you, and a new spirit will I put within you: and I will take away the stony heart out of your flesh, and I will give you an heart of flesh. And I will put my spirit within you, and cause you to walk in my statutes, and ye shall keep my judgments, and do them. And ye shall dwell in the land that I gave to your fathers: and ye shall be my people, and I will be your God" (vv. 25 to 28).

It is no surprise that Wesley preached holiness from this text. It certainly is one of the great mountain peaks of all the prophecies of the Old Testament. It not only brings us truth as to God's people who were living then but also spiritual truth as to the possibilities of grace in this life through the sanctifying power of the Holy Ghost.

Build for Time AND Eternity!

Too often men have been inclined to separate time and eternity. They speak of a view as being "this worldly" rather than "other worldly," and sometimes talk about a life being "this worldly" rather than "other worldly," or vice versa. But a life which is well balanced is both "this worldly" and "other worldly." We are creatures of two worlds; we are living here, and we will live somewhere else throughout eternity. Our temporal existence is infinitesimally brief in comparison with our future sojourn, but the former is not of infinitesimal value in comparison with the latter.

Men may say what they please about the Bible and its teaching, but even aside from it, most of them have a feeling that this life doesn't end everything. More than that, they have been inclined to believe that what is to happen to them in that life which is to come will depend largely on what they do here. But someone may say, "Life here is so uncertain"; and that is true. Who knows what a day may bring forth? Nobody! If we live at all today, we'll live dangerously.

We live on the brink of eternity all the time. Every time you get into an automobile, every time you make a step, every time you take a trip on the train, every time you get into an airplane, every time you eat, every time you take a drink of water, every time you go to sleep, every time you do anything, you may come upon that which will bring your present career to an end. The uncertainty of life is one thing that nobody with any understanding ever denies. No one who reads these lines would have the audacity to stand up and say to himself, or to anybody else, "I'll be alive on this earth, or active in this world, ten minutes from now." No one of us has any definite and final claim on any part of the future of this present life.

Nevertheless, we must not let fear possess us and cause us to be inactive. We must act now and do the best we can today, regardless of the fact that life may end any moment. John Wesley answered rightly when somebody asked him how he would live if he knew that was to be the last day for him on this earth. In essence, his reply was, "I'd follow the program I have already outlined for the day."
Every moment of our living here is important. We must do with all our might what our hands find to do.

Along with this, we must not forget that even this present life is made up of many things—not just intense activity in one direction only, even if it's good activity. There should be laughter as well as tears; there should be joy as well as sorrow; there should be relaxation as well as work; there should be lightheartedness as well as seriousness. We are mortals with many aspects to our lives, and each must have its place. There must be time for loved ones, for friends, as well as for God and the church. Blessed is the man who can live in the present—which is moving so rapidly toward the future—and still enjoy himself—still feel his connection with his fellows and with his God amid the multiplied happenings of life.

Certainly there is some time for everything in which we can participate here except that which is contrary to the will of God. Within this realm, there are many more things than some of us realize. We must be a part of this world as well as prepare for the next. The best way to prepare for the next world is to truly live here and now—be a part of this world in the sense in which God wants us to be a part of it. We must build for time AND eternity!

Master or Servant?

If the present trend continues, Americans will have more and more leisure time. The drive for shorter work weeks, automation, and labor-saving devices combine to make this a certainty. However, at least one minister is concerned as to what effect all of the extra hours will have on the church. Rev. J. Edward Carothers of Schenectady, New York, pastor of the First Methodist Church, states that “technology has made recreation possible and the nation is off in pursuit of sport. Just where we will come out is anybody’s guess excepting the plainly obvious fact that more and more this recreation is going to take place on the week end and up to now the churches have depended on Sunday to make the gospel known. The time which we thought would be gained for leisure has been commercialized through the introduction of devices which clutter our lives, and keep us subject to noise, motion, distraction, and almost anything which will enable us to escape self-realization and self-discovery.”

Remember the Sabbath

The National Retail Merchants Association and the Variety Stores Association have again asked retailers to remain closed on Sundays. The two groups represent twenty thousand, five hundred businesses in all fifty states. Reiterating an earlier joint statement, the organizations said, “There is no need for any retailer to open on any Sunday and we strongly condemn such a practice.” Many civic and religious groups have expressed vigorous support of the statement.

Serious Fire at Taylor University

A $750,000 fire destroyed the Administration Building of Taylor University, liberal arts college in Upland, Indiana. The predawn blaze started in a basement chemistry laboratory. University officials immediately launched a drive for $1,500,000 to erect replacement facilities. Taylor University was established in 1846 by Methodists. The college became independent in 1922.

Catholics Join Church of England

According to the latest Anglican yearbook, some 10,410 converts from Roman Catholicism were admitted to the Church of England between 1954 and 1956.

Presbyterian Ministers Vote

The following statement was submitted in a questionnaire to readers of Monday Morning, a magazine for Presbyterian clergymen. “A Protestant minister should not vote for a Roman Catholic candidate under any circumstances.” And the results were as follows: 379 agreed with the statement, 390 disagreed, and 17 were undecided. The separation of church and state is a matter of vital concern to every American Christian.

Laymen’s Opportunity

Dr. F. Stanley Jones, veteran missionary-evangelist, speaking to ministers in Fort Worth, Texas, recently declared the next spiritual awakening will come through Christian laymen, “the great untapped source of power in the Church today.”

Protests and Letters Do Help

Protests to the Treasury Department’s Alcohol and Tobacco Tax Unit by religious and temperance groups have brought cancellation by the U.S. Brewers Federation of the balance of a series of two-page magazine ads. They carry the slogan, “Good for You.” Protesters alleged that the series violated a federal law prohibiting misleading advertising or representation that alcoholic beverages have beneficial effect. The Barley and Malt Federation also dropped a series of thirteen full-page advertisements.

Missionaries on the Move

Miss Mary McKinlay has returned to Africa for her third term of service. Her address is Box 14, Bremerdorp, Swaziland, South Africa.

Miss Gladys Owen has moved to Dingeni, P.O. Box 55, Pigg’s Peak, Swaziland, South Africa.

REMISS REHFELDT, Secretary

Foreign Missions

Miss Edna Lochner is home from Africa for her first furlough. Her address is 1018 DeGroff, Fort Wayne, Indiana.

Miss Doris Brown has returned to the field in Africa. Her address is Nazareth Mission Station, P.O. Box 55, Naboomspruit, Transvaal, South Africa.
New Chaplain

Gerald Wayne Black has been called to active duty in the naval chaplaincy, and is at this time in Chaplains' School. His address is:

L.T. JG GERALD WAYNE BLACK, CHC USNR
BO Q D-2, Room 201
U.S. Naval Base
Newport, Rhode Island

Chaplain Black was called to duty from a pastorate in Petersburg, Texas. At the close of his eight weeks' training, he will be assigned to a new base.

Welcome to our ranks, Wayne!—PONDER W. GILLILAND, Director.

From a Chaplain

"I enjoy my work, and just hope that in some way the Church of the Nazarene will benefit from it. This has been a good year from just about every aspect. Our chapel program has been quite rewarding. . . . We have had a fruitful year in souls—have given invitations frequently on Sunday mornings, in addition to our regular evangelistic services each Sunday evening. I'll be attending the Advanced Course at Ft. Slocum starting January 19, and am actually looking forward to it."—CHAPLAIN CLIFFORD E. KEYS, JR.

Discharged

"I have sincerely enjoyed your publications. I have also received spiritual help from chaplains, pastors, and friends whom I have met while in the service. I am especially grateful to Chaplain Everett Penrod, Rev. M. R. Korody, and his church folks in Alaska. To servicemen now serving in the armed forces, God has commissioned each one of you to be a witness of Him. You are not only soldiers of freedom, but also soldiers of truth. The opportunity to witness surrounds you all the time, and perhaps you will be the only Christian some will ever meet. Don't fail to witness to them.

"Again, to all of you, a very hearty thanks!"—WINN JOE.

As Thy Faith

One of our Pedi pastors told us of a touching incident which he experienced not long ago. While visiting he came to a village where an old man and two little girls sat around a fire.

One of the little girls said, "Come and sit down, Evangelist; I want to tell you something."

Wondering what it was, he sat down and listened.

"Yesterday when I got home from school," the little girl went on, "I had such a severe stomach-ache that I was unable to eat lunch. I couldn't even walk. I asked my parents to carry me to the tree where we always meet for Sunday school, so that I could pray, because you had told us that, if we repented, Jesus would help us in everything, and I have repented of my sins. My parents refused to take me to the tree. So I crawled on my hands and knees to that stone over there and prayed, and just as soon as I said, 'Amen,' the pain left completely. Now I really know that God helps those who love Him, when they ask Him."

We were happy for this example of believing faith on the part of one of God's little children.

We have also been made happy these past weeks by the fact that all four of our young men who are in Bible school training for the ministry from this zone are becoming engaged to Christian girls who truly have a burden for the work of the Lord and who, we believe, will make fine pastors' wives. The parents of these young men are very angry. Two of them have told their sons that if they marry Christian girls in a Christian ceremony they need no longer look to their parents for any kind of help at all.

Pray for these young people. We look to them for the future leadership of our Pedi church. The devil fights them every step of the way in setting up Christian homes, for he knows that is a deathblow to the old ways of heathenism.—PAUL DAYHOFF, Transvaal, Africa.

Good Days in Haiti

The Bible school has kept our noses to the grindstone this year. Our final enrollment was thirty. The semester went well scholastically and spiritually, though we had some problems which the Lord has helped us to solve, we believe to His glory.

December was the time for our district assembly with ninety-one delegates and preachers here on the Bible school campus. Reports showed a 40 per cent increase in baptized members and a 31 per cent increase in probationary members. Our emphasis last year on tithing and giving evidently had an effect too, for the total giving of our Haitian Christians increased 65 per cent, even though Haiti is now at its lowest economic level since we have been here. For these victories we say, To God be the glory!

Near the end of December we made a trip to the south coast to the Jacmel area, where the voodoo priest converted in April is still faithful to the Lord. About three dozen people in the community have since been converted.—PAUL ORJALA, Haiti.
“I Believe God”


Golden Text: I can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth me (Philippians 4:13).

Paul, a prisoner, in a sense a “little man” physically but a great man spiritually, had great influence and accomplished great things for himself and others. Circumstances can never fully alter the plan of God for our lives. God makes the wrath of man and nature to praise Him!

Storm: Many portions, perhaps all, of Paul’s life could be written under this title. Sailing from Caesarea with Luke and Aristarchus and Julius, the Roman centurion, the company moved up and around the eastern coast of the Mediterranean Sea to the southern coasts of Asia Minor and then southward to the island of Crete. Here they should have stayed, at the port of Fair Havens, had they followed the advice of the veteran traveler, Paul. Julius, following rather the advice of the captain, allowed the ship to set sail again in order to get to a more commodious port on the western end of the island. But the “northeastern” hit with all its fury, and for fourteen days and nights without sun, or moon, or stars they were driven by the fury of the deep.

Shipwreck: Paul received a divine assurance that all 276 aboard would be saved. He promptly informs the rest, with the very human remark that “I told you” this would happen but God has promised that no lives shall be lost. Driven by the fury, and for fourteen days and nights without sun, or moon, or stars they were driven by the fury of the deep.

Dr. Charles H. Strickland, superintendent of the South Africa District, requested prayer for Rev. J. J. Scheepers, who was seriously injured in an automobile accident in November. We have recently received the following letter from Brother Scheepers, dated January 25, 1900:

“... The Lord has been good to us and I am well on my way to recovery. It has not been easy these past two months and there were days that we thought the Lord was going to call us home. Shortly after the accident thrombosis developed in the right leg and the lung. The blood is still not quite right, but it is much better. I expect to be going into the hospital this week again to have the plaster cast removed. Then it will be another month until I will be able to use the leg again. The Lord willing, I will be able to attend the General Assembly. Then I will be able to thank all you people personally for all you have done for us.”

Canal Zone Venture

The Ancon church in the Canal Zone has begun Spanish services on Sunday afternoons. Rev. Fred E. Agee writes:

“On January 17 there were twenty-eight present, all Spanish-speaking. Most important of all was our first Spanish convert. A Spanish lady stepped out from her seat after the message and accepted Christ as her personal Saviour. We rejoice in this victory and pray for many, many more to follow.”

New Churches

District Superintendent C. D. Taylor organized a new church at Macedonia, Ohio, on January 17. Rev. J. L. McClung has been appointed pastor and a church building has been purchased. This is the twelfth new church on the Akron District this quadrennium.

Two new churches were recently organized on the East Tennessee District by Superintendent Victor E. Gray. The first was at Smithville, with Rev. Charles Porter, who held the revival meeting that closed with this organization. There is a fine college town and prospects are excellent for a good church. The new church was sponsored by the district and W. A. Sharpston has been appointed pastor and the congregation is meeting in the American Legion Hall. There have been
five new churches this quadrennium on the North Arkansas District.

A new church was recently organized by District Superintendent E. D. Simpson at Barnhart, Missouri. Rev. William Denbow was appointed pastor. This is the tenth organization since the 1956 General Assembly on the Missouri District.

On January 7, District Superintendent James C. Hester organized a new church at Annaville, near Corpus Christi. Rev. L. Lee Gaines has been appointed pastor. This is the second new church on the San Antonio District for the quadrennium.

Tips to Travelers Overseas

If you vacation or travel abroad, please remember:

1. Attend services in our churches in the British Isles and our overseas home mission areas, including Australia, New Zealand, South Africa (European), West Germany, Panama Canal Zone, Alaska, and Hawaii. Write the Department of Home Missions for the location of our churches where you will visit.

2. Your presence and interest will be of encouragement to our overseas Nazarenes and you will be richly rewarded in the fellowship and worship with Nazarenes around the world.

3. Be courteous and thoughtful. Our pastors overseas are busy men in the pastoral duties of their congregations. They do not have time to act as sight-seeing guides.

4. Remember to pay your own way. Many pastors overseas have a very meager income and are not operating a tourists’ hotel and restaurant. They will help you to find comfortable lodging at reasonable rates. Put a good offering into the collection in the churches you visit.

5. Pastors and evangelists should not expect to preach in the churches they visit, except when invited to do so before they begin their trip. They should expect reimbursement only for officially planned revival campaigns or other services of a specific nature.

These suggestions are presented at the request of the General Board. We hope your trip will be enjoyable and spiritually rewarding. Every Nazarene is a missionary wherever he goes.

Can you tell me where Jesus was from the age of twelve when He was in the Temple conversing with the doctors until He began preaching? I can’t find the answer to this question in the Gospels.

These were the “silent years,” and during this time Jesus was at home with His parents. Read Luke 2:42-52. There you will find all that is given of the years from the time Jesus was twelve until He was thirty, when He was baptized by John the Baptist and His public ministry began. See Luke 3:21-23, where we have the account of Jesus’ baptism and a statement as to His age in the first part of verse 23, which says: “And Jesus himself began to be about thirty years of age.” The purpose of the Gospels is not to give a complete biography of Jesus’ life. Therefore they have very little to say about the years from twelve to thirty. We can speculate much about what Jesus did during that time, but that is about all. He lived with His parents at Nazareth, and no doubt He worked with His father in the latter’s carpenter shop. Also, He must have received the instruction in the Scriptures which was usually given to the children of His people in that day. Beyond this, there is not much that we can say with certainty.

In Genesis 1:26, God says, “Let us make man in our image.” Is this a recognition of the Trinity?

I believe that it is. However, there are at least two other explanations of the “us.” For some, it is the plurality of power or intensity. In other words, it is nothing more nor less than an emphasis upon the greatness of God. For still others, it is an indication of the fact that the people of that day held to polytheism, or to the belief in many gods. Of course, no conservative Christian thinker accepts the latter explanation.

What do you think of that theory which holds that there was a long period of time between the creation of the heavens and the earth and what follows as to creation in the first chapter of Genesis?

This is what some have called the restitution theory. It was the first lesson in Bible study that I learned in Peniel College, Peniel, Texas, which later became a part of Bethany Nazarene College of Bethany, Oklahoma. Dr. E. C. DeJernett, the man who had more to do with starting Peniel College or Texas Holiness University, as it was first called—than anyone else, was the man who first outlined this view for me. He separated the first verse of the first chapter of Genesis from the remainder of the chapter. This first verse tells us of the creation of the heavens and the earth. They were brought into existence by the Almighty God out of nothing. Then, as the restitution theory claims, something happened which brought chaos into that which had come from God’s hand. This is described by these words in Genesis 1:2: “And the earth was without form, and void; and darkness was upon the face of the deep.” Usually those who have held this theory have explained this sudden upheaval by the fall of the devil and the other angels who sinned with him. They were cast out of heaven and came to the earth, where they brought disorder and ruin. Between this catastrophe and what had been brought into being by Genesis 1:1, there was an all-but-limitless length of time. Then “the spirit of God moved upon the face of the waters. And God said, Let there be light: and there was light” (Genesis 1:2-3). Thus the recreation was begun and, according to those who have held to the restitution theory, proceeded on the basis of a twenty-four-hour day. This view provides time for the geological ages between the first verse of Genesis and the beginning of the second. At the same time it makes possible the elimination of evolution in the re-creation which follows. Little is said about this restitution theory today. Instead, even many conservative scholars teach that the first verse of the first chapter of Genesis refers to the creation of the original matter from which the organized universe was made in the succeeding verses.

In addition, they hold that the periods of time called days in the first chapter of Genesis need not necessarily mean twenty-four-hour days such as we know. They may signify periods of time which might be extended into geological ages. As to my own view, I would say that I am still much more skeptical as to the whole idea of evolution than even most conservative thinkers are. Just the other day I read where some outstanding scientist said that we are absolutely sure of the fact of evolution, but we know practically nothing about the method of evolution. But just how we can be so sure about the one and so much in the dark as to the other still
remains a very great puzzle to the writer, especially since the fact of evolution is not a matter of immediate experience. I believe that the first verse of Genesis has to do with the creation of the primitive matter which became the source of what followed. This means that, from the second verse on, Genesis describes the organization of the original stuff of the universe into the actual units of creation. This is true, whether we take the days as literal days or long periods of time.

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