National Family Week
May 1-7
AN EDITORIAL

THE FINAL CHAPTER of the Book of Proverbs contains a beautiful description of a model woman and a fitting tribute to motherhood. Though Solomon is accredited with the writing of the first 29 chapters of this book it is commonly accepted that the final 2 chapters, which includes this tribute, were penned by some unknown author. At this season, when mothers are remembered and honored, it is fitting that we turn our attention to this Word of God which describes the qualities of a model woman.

The first qualification mentioned by the divine writer is her personal character and value. "Who can find a virtuous woman? for her price is far above rubies" (Proverbs 31:10). Because of these qualities she has the respect and confidence of her husband and her family.

Moreover this model lady is known for her ceaseless labors. Hard work is always honorable and can be a source of blessing, especially when it is God's work and in His will.

Reliability is another quality of this woman. She reaches out a hand of help to the poor and the needy. She is dependable and readily available, ministering to others while at the same time maintaining her own household and caring for her family.

God points out that such a woman is circumspect in her own appearance, dress, and conduct and, because of her sterling character and deportment, contributes to the standing and acceptance of her husband in the community.

God's Word also speaks of the diligence of such a woman—diligence in pursuing her worthy goals in life and diligence in living a holy and exemplary life. One of the great needs in our day is consistent living of the holy life. Our life-style must reflect our Christian faith and testimony.

The sanctified heart shuns the very appearance of evil in any and every form. The holy, Spirit-filled person stands against sinful and evil living, not from a negative spirit or attitude, but from the wonderful relationship found with Christ Jesus in His saving and cleansing presence. Jesus lives within, and His abiding presence is far more satisfying than all the world has to offer.

Lastly, the model mother is worthy of praise because of her godliness. Our little mother has been with the Lord now for several years, but we still cherish the memory of her godly life during all the years she lived among us. We honor the model woman of whom God speaks. We acknowledge the debt of gratitude, praise, and love due every godly mother. Such mothers are the strength of our nations, our homes, and our Christian faith!

A FITTING TRIBUTE TO MOTHERHOOD

THE WORD OF GOD DESCRIBES THE QUALITIES OF A MODEL WOMAN.

by General Superintendent Orville W. Jenkins
The President of the United States has proclaimed Thursday, May 5, 1983, a National Day of Prayer, calling upon all citizens of the United States to pray, in their homes and churches, for the nation and its leaders.

Prayer “for all that are in authority, that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and honesty,” is enjoined upon Christians by the Scriptures (1 Timothy 2:1-4).

Nations are driven to prayer in times of war, and many days of prayer have been proclaimed by presidents during the stress and sacrifice of armed conflicts. Prayer during times of peace, and to preserve peace with liberty, is vitally important to national welfare, also.

We urge our Nazarenes in the United States, therefore, to participate in this day of solemn recognition of God as the source of our blessings and protector of our freedoms.

Because the welfare of any nation has an impact upon all nations, and because our church is truly international in constituents and interests, we further call upon all Nazarenes everywhere to pray for their respective countries and leaders.

In the name of Jesus Christ, and in the power of the Holy Spirit, let us call upon our Father in heaven to direct our rulers, to preserve our freedoms, to revive our churches, to give success to programs aimed at the relief of suffering, and to enlarge our opportunities and commitment to evangelize the lost of earth.

“Men ought always to pray, and not to faint” (Luke 18:1).

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EDITOR ENcouraged

We appreciated so very much your brief editorial titled “Exceeding Various,” which appeared in the February 1, 1983, issue of the Herald. Keep it up!

Verna and Ken Frey
Capitan, New Mexico

AMERICA’S CHARIOTS

The Herald article, “You Can’t Trust Chariots” (February 15, 83) relates, intentionally or otherwise, to the continuing National Defense debate. Harold Ivan Smith speaks of the “Billions for Defense” headlines, adding, “It’s like Christmas Eve for the defense industries.” He asked a question, “Dare our nation think that weaponry will do more for us than a spiritual and moral awakening?”

Mr. Smith is mistaken in his implication. Millions of Americans from grassroot citizens to leading senators side with the president’s $245.3 billion request for defense. In this regard, Mr. Reagan finds strong support in the Christian community. In the light of Soviet nature, we do not find a strong military position inconsistent with Christianity. To imply that our desire to spend billions for defense is synonymous with trusting chariots more than God is patently false!

Certainly, it is fatal for a nation to trust entirely in chariots. I remind readers, however, that we are here today in free America because “The Lord of Hosts” blessed our chariots from Normandy to Berlin, from Guadalcanal to Okinawa, and from Normandy to Berlin.

Harold Frodge
Giff, Illinois

BRILLIANT GRANDCHILD!

This is to let you know what the Herald of Holiness means to one little girl. My granddaughter Bridget is not yet 10, but for the past four years we have been sending her the Herald. At first we sent it to her mother, but Bridget became so fas-

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THE TRUE TEST of our religion is how we live at home. No thermometer so accurately registers the spiritual tone of the home as do the thermometers of the soul. They rise and fall, as the emotions of love and discord are displayed. They are the silent umpire that calls us out when our relationships corrode and grow cold.

A haunting question now comes to mind: How easy am I to live with? Is the free-flowing channel of God’s love in my heart ever clogged with an attitude of complaint?

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Does my attitude always convey to those around me a love and willingness to make life a little easier?

Dear old gray-haired Nancy Johnson, who is now in heaven, once gave me her definition of the truly sanctified. She boldly declared, “A sanctified person is one with a God-implanted disposition not to have his own way.” How fittingly this description of the sanctified applies to one who is easy to live with. One lady upon being asked if her husband had a den replied, “He doesn’t need one; he growls all over the house.”

Yes, it is the growl around the house that quickly lowers the spiritual temperature to near zero. Unkind words spoken in anger cause a broken heart to bleed. They also make a long day for the one we promised to “love and cherish till death do us part.”

No one contends that we cease to be human when we belong to God. There will always be those times in the home for sincere discussions. However, personal opinions should never be uttered with intention to wound those we love. It is not always what we say, but how we say it, that may retard the spiritual progress of those who listen. The attitude shown at the time we speak will leave an imprint on the heart that time alone will not erase.

We all should ask ourselves this question: Do I always seek, even in small ways, to show my love to those with whom I live?

The saddest of all future possibilities will be a broken family circle when life for all of us is over. When we all stand before a holy and just God to give a full account for life’s conduct, it will then be too late for the question, “Have I been easy to live with?”

May God help us to create an atmosphere, by words and actions, that will help those about us grow in grace.

Gentle Thoughts

Within the shadows of a mind
Small echoes that we hear
Often are the gentle kind,
As memory to our ear;
A small voice softly calling,
“May I go out and play?”
A teardrop softly falling
On graduation day;
Secrets softly whispered
Upon a Christmas Eve;
Little prayers prayed nightly
For blessings we receive.
Each mother’s heart is flowing
With echoes of the past,
For that’s God’s way of showing
How deeply love can last.

—VIRGINIA A. COPLING
Augusta, Georgia

MAY 1, 1983
A S I WALKED OUT of the cemetery that morn­ing I looked back over the billowing sea of gray tombstones to a green carpet-covered mound em­bracing a flower-banked coffin and said, “See you later, Mom!”

I had said it many times before, and had seen a smile and a wave of the hand, and had heard an enthusiastic response, “OK, see you later, Ken . . . and don’t stay away so long this time!”

“This time” was different, because there would be no more coming home to her as before. Now my mind was rushing back over the years to catch and to hold some precious memories that could give support to the emptiness of the present moment, as I paused for one last look.

I could hear her recount that bold and daring trip from Ireland with her brave husband and four small children—the landing in Halifax, Nova Scotia, and finding their way to Toronto, Ontario. It was always without complaint, but in the spirit of a new adven­ture. I often asked the question, “How did you find the Church of the Nazarene?” and listened as she relived those early days of deep involvement in the church

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when “Old St. Clair” became such a vital part of their lives. Here in this community of faith, their daily life demanded entire commitment—and they found the price was not too great.

I recalled the day her husband died, the stunned church and friends, and how she held the home togeth­er. Bill and Sandy had already enrolled in min­isterial studies at Eastern Nazarene College. It was then that I was first introduced to the family, when Sandy and I became roommates and began a friendship that has grown stronger with the years. Today he is the superintendent of the Canada West District of the Church of the Nazarene. And through a combination of experiences that were to merge and cement, I found myself becoming a part of a family relationship that have cherished even to this day of earthly separation.

How real in memory is the day she took me into her home during World War II, and nursed me back from near death from pneumonia. I can still hear the gig of roguish glee as she would wake me from my oppo­site sleep at medicine-taking time. There were games of Chinese checkers on the living room floor, listening to “Abie’s Irish Rose” on the radio, daily crossword pu­zles every evening, and many other family good times that never failed to produce fun, laughter, and eag­er anticipation. She was an avid hockey fan and wa
crem with delight when the Maple Leafs were winning, but would shake her fist in defiance and complaint when the opposing team got the goal.

Her age? Did it matter? A group of teenagers from the church, or an elderly Sunday School class, or an evangelist to be entertained, or a visiting missionary—the door was always open, and she became part of every occasion. Even in her last days in the nursing home she rushed aside the walker saying, “These things are for the old folk.”

The home was not without the problems encountered by growing youth of every generation, but she had a sensitivity to these problems that made the relationship unique. No accusation of misbehavior was one-sided—she always left room for a mutual exchange of information, and judgment was never absolute. In the midst of these problems of youth growing up and finding their way, an awful lot of Christian shepherding was applied, even though she never knew there were words to express it. She carried her faith to the daily lives of all those who entered her household. It was a working faith shared with others in a living and relationship.

On Sunday mornings when we tried to sleep in, and panned over the long walk from Belgravia Avenue to Clair, she would pull us out of bed leaving no question as to our activities for the day. Sunday was the Lord’s day for everyone in that home, and no one ever agreed for a compromise. On my many trips to the market, she would ask me where I shall never forget her encouragement, because as far as she was concerned there was no other way than the will of God.

How we loved those shopping trips with her to the market! Money was scarce, and there were many things to feed, and as she picked her way so carefully down the aisles she could always come home with many good things. But at the checkout counter she would find a mousetrap in her basket, or she would take the fish in place of the can of soup, her laugh and wit, in spite of embarrassment and frustration, never ceased to amuse the waiting line of customers or endeared her to the hearts of her helpers.

Her life was not an easy way, and there were often challenges to her faith. I have seen the tears, and I have heard her ask, “Why?” But I never knew her to deny a plea for God in her life, and in the hour of her deepest sorrow she was sustained by an assurance that God was at work and He would overrule. There was always an underlying confidence that God’s love transcends any problem, and I saw crushing blows become avenues for courage leading her to victory. God, church, home, family, and friends were dominant themes in her life, and she strove to orchestrate all the parts into harmony. For her, God and others were bound together in the bundle of life.

When we stood the day before in the funeral home, the many were trying to recount the lives hers had touched, one person said it for all of us, “Her tracks will be seen for many years to come.” Six men in the gospel ministry who claimed relationship to the immediate family stood by the open coffin, while many other sermons of the church testified to the mark she had made on the lives and decisions.

No history of the Church of the Nazarene in Canada can ever be complete without telling about the place of “Old St. Clair.” No story of St. Clair can ever be finished without giving a large place to a dear little Irish lady we all called “Mom Ardrey” (to many others she was Mom Crocker, after her second marriage). The final story will only be complete in eternity when heaven is able to reveal what earth could never record.

But as I looked back that morning, in my mind I saw her standing in a doorway. And I saw her smile. And I thought of that. “Do you mean a person’s financial position will always improve when the Lord saves him?” I asked.

The pastor reflected for a moment. “Well, no, I wouldn’t say that; but almost every family I can think of who turned to God benefitted financially and you can be sure God will always bless spiritually.”

His words brought to my mind a family not rich in earthly goods. The father was a clerk for a large wholesale drug company. There were several children in the family and the mother was not in the best of health. They hadn’t much money. But they were devout and faithful Christians. I have seen very few happier or better adjusted families.

I wrenched my thoughts back to what the pastor was saying. He had called on a lady that day who once was an active member of the church. Because of her need the pastor had gone to the store, bought a chicken, some bread, and vegetables and given them to her.

“She said something that impressed me,” the pastor was saying. “She said if she’d kept coming to church like she used to she probably wouldn’t be in the straits she was in.”

Later I was reading the Bible and came across Deuteronomy 8:7: “For the Lord thy God bringeth thee into a good land.” I thought of what the pastor said about families finding the Lord and I believe this passage goes beyond a promise to the Israelites. It is also a promise for us when we accept Jesus as our Savior. We come into a good land when we accept Christ; not only in this world, but in the world to come.

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THE RODEO had come to Detroit and our family decided it would be a different way to spend a wintry Saturday afternoon. One usually visualizes a rodeo out West somewhere, held at the rodeo grounds, on a hot sunny day. So a northern rodeo, in an indoor arena, in the midst of a bitter winter, definitely qualified as something different!

One of the first events was timed bareback bronc riding. When the chute gate opened, out came a wildly bucking horse. What made it buck? Spurs and a strap. The spurs were attached to the rider’s boots, and he used them to “start” his horse by pressing them against the horse’s shoulders. Then rhythmically, as the horse bucked, the rider spurred it. A thin flank or bucking strap was fastened around the horse’s hindquarters. Just before the gate opened, the strap was pulled tight. The strap annoyed the horse and he protested with more intense bucking.

When the event was finished, the strap was loosened and the disposition of the horse changed immediately. The horse that just seconds before was bucking and kicking, instantly became calm and quiet. As I observed the event I remarked, “Some people buck and kick without being spurred,” acknowledging that my own disposition in recent days had borne resemblance to the rebellious horse. The affirmative response from my husband and daughter indicated they had no difficulty understanding my comment and were in complete agreement!

Sunday morning came, and while I was aware things should be different, I was unchanged. I taught my Sunday School class as usual, then entered the sanctuary for morning worship. The presence of the Holy Spirit seemed especially near. As we sang, “I Am Thine, O Lord,” and came to the chorus—“Draw me nearer, nearer blessed Lord . . .”—my inner being struggled with turmoil. I wanted to draw nearer, but attitudes and situations were preventing the nearness.

The pastor stood to preach his sermon, “Work for Jesus. Somebody needs you. They live next door.” I was unable to think about next door. All I could think of was my own life, my own home. I knew I needed to get things straightened out there before I could possibly be effective next door.

My mind flashed back to the sermon a few Sundays earlier. It was the first Sunday of the new year and the message was, “Don’t begin 1982 with a hangover.” The hangover referred to was not an alcoholic hangover, but one just as destructive and devastating—an attitude hangover. Grudges, an unforgiving spirit, ill will, just to name a few. “Leave them behind, don’t carry them into the new year,” said the pastor. I sat there thinking about my own hurt feelings stemming from earlier in the week. They were festering and I knew I needed to give them to the Lord for healing, yet I took them home with me when I left. Satan celebrated!

The next few days seemed to be governed by “Murphy’s Law”—anything that could go wrong went wrong! A notice arrived from the mortgage company informing us our escrow account was short. (Right after Christmas when funds were low.) The refrigerator broke down. (On the same day we were having company for dinner, of course! More unexpected expense.) The following day the garbage disposal broke. Then there were the seemingly endless days of being cooped up due to the heavy amounts of snowfall, and the day I did get out, the car got stuck in a snowbank and help had to be summoned to remove it! In retrospect, these problems were trivial compared to what others go through, but my spiritual life was in need of rekindling and molehills were becoming mountains.

I wore my smile and temporarily set my problems aside whenever I saw or talked with friends, but at home it was different. There were no holds barred there. I was miserable and the whole family knew it. A phone call to one of my Sunday School absentees one afternoon revealed this. I chatted with the teenager briefly, told her I missed her and then said good-bye. When I hung up the phone, my daughter, who had been paying more attention than I thought, said, “Mother, you sounded like you were in a good mood while you were on the phone.” Translated that meant she was anxious for me to resolve my problem and wear a smile where it really counted—at home!
My attention was drawn back to the service at hand. The pastor had opened the altar for prayer. As I stood there in silence, I realized that spiritually Satan had been spurring me. Unconsciously, I had allowed him to bind me with the everyday problems of life, and he was subtly pulling the strap tighter and tighter. The good news is, God whispered, "I will release it and set you free upon your request." What a feeling of peace and contentment when I finally decided I had struggled long enough and gave it all to Jesus!

God taught me a valuable lesson that day, and He used the rodeo as His teaching aid. Spurs aren't spikes. They're much smaller, and they don't even have to be sharp to upset the disposition of rodeo horses. As a matter of fact, rules prohibit riders from wearing sharp spurs. They must be filed down before an event. So it is in our spiritual life. Satan uses small things much more often than severe or extreme crises to upset our spiritual disposition, to frustrate and weaken our relationship with God.

Worshiping this past Sunday morning was different! I joined the congregation singing, "Oh, How I Love Jesus!" My heart was bubbling over. I was standing on 1 John 4:4, "Greater is he that is in you, than he that is in the world." God had proven it in my life. Thank You, Lord, for being greater than my problems, greater than Satan, greater than anything or anyone I will ever encounter!

JESUS WARNED US that worry is one of life's greatest foes. Fear is the emotional expression of worry. It has been said that fear has no basis in reality. Someone has said that only 1 fear out of 30 ever comes into reality. We worry about 29 things that will never happen. The worrier lives in a world fenced in by "what-ifs." What if this should happen, and what if they do this? The nervous system has a definite limit as to the amount of worry that it can withstand. Fear and worry are like sand in the gears of our mental machinery.

Our Lord advised His followers not to worry about tomorrow but to deal with the problems that arise a day at a time (Matthew 5:26). We are to live each day as it comes and refrain from regrets about yesterday and fears for the future. We fail to accomplish anything at all as we seek to bear worries about our past, present, and future.

All the grieving in the world cannot change the things that are past. All the sighs, moans, tears, and regrets that we can pile up are powerless to change one iota of what has taken place in a past that can never be recalled.

We need, if at all possible, to live in "day-tight" compartments. We can see one step at a time. Thomas Carlyle wrote: "Do the duty that lies nearest to you which you know to be a duty. The second duty will have already become clearer."

We can torment ourselves with imaginary dangers, trials, and reverses. We can borrow trouble and seek to cross bridges before we arrive at them. All this activity can corrode our lives and destroy the brightness of our days. A friend of mine has on his desk a motto that has helped me when I am prone to worry. It says simply, "Why worry when you can pray?"
**CONGRATULATIONS, MRS. BAILEY!**

I staggered out of the doctor’s examining room. “July 15,” I whispered to my spouse. “Wonder how Katie will take it!”

From the moment we discovered our surprise second baby, we wondered about the sibling thing. We’d planned another child when Katie was old enough to understand. But the newcomer couldn’t wait. Katie was barely one when I became pregnant. We’d just weaned her, and she was deeply attached to us both.

We read every available word on jealousy. We debated whether it would be better for her to find Baby and me settled in bed, or whether I should walk in empty-armed, ready to hug her. We hid some special presents for the homecoming. We included Kate in Baby’s care. But one week after the birth, an overtired Kate stood in front of her nursing mommy. “Pick up! Pick up!” she screamed through her tears. What had happened to our plans?

God’s children have sibling rivalry, too. No one escapes, from teen convert to senior saint. Christians with a 50-year experience grieve over it. New converts either battle it or give up. And unbelievers who catch a whiff use it to argue against Christianity.

I’ve found three basic kinds of sibling rivalry. Some would add a fourth, material jealousy. But to me, this seems an impersonal kind of dislike. I envy Sue’s new coat. So what? It doesn’t mean I like Sue any less. If I get my hands on a similar coat, the problem may vanish. Material jealousy presents a problem only when combined with one of the other three. But these are deadly enough by themselves.

First, we tend to resent people different from ourselves. My friend Lydia couldn’t stand Leah. If she saw Leah’s car in the church parking lot, Lydia knew she faced a rough time. But in a small church, they were thrown together often.

It caused Lydia agony. “Imagine not wanting another Christian at church,” she says. She brought the matter to the Lord. He showed her some things about Leah—and herself.

Lydia was a former career woman, married in her late 20s, raising children in her 30s. Independent and experienced, she could stay alone in a hotel as casually as she washed dishes. “But Leah was a child bride,” she recalls. “She never did anything! She was even afraid to go to the Laundromat alone.”

But God helped Lydia to accept the younger woman. She encouraged Leah to develop her talents. Though they were never alike, they became friends.

A second type of resentment: when the offender reminds you of yourself. A teenage boy, who constantly orbited around the adults, irritated me. Steve had little in common with the youth group, but I was sure he belonged there. Anyway, he didn’t belong with us, and his very approach gave me a headache.

I took it to the Lord. He reminded me that at 16, I wasn’t much different from Steve. I recalled reading books I wasn’t ready for, then trying to discuss them with adults who laughed behind my back. I felt guilty over this, and took it out on Steve. When I realized this, I had more patience with him.

These resentments hurt. But I think the most painful sibling problems concern our work for God. Fred gamely took on the music program in a small church, even though he lacked training. He made several blunders. But everyone liked Fred, so they tried to patch things up behind his back. Fred found out, and he was crushed. “All my friends are against me,” he brooded.

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Where Is GOD?

by JOHN A. WRIGHT

TWO LITTLE GIRLS were sitting at the front of the church for the morning service. “Where is God?” I asked them, and they answered as I knew they would, “In heaven.”

Of course the Lord’s Prayer says, “Our Father which art in heaven.” This part of the prayer has become so firmly entrenched in our minds that it is hard for us to see that Jesus did not mean that God was afar off, looking down upon His creatures from some unknown place apart from earth.

Heaven is a place and God is there, but the Psalmist, long before Jesus came, insisted that God was bigger than a place. “Where can I go from your Spirit? Where can I flee from your presence? If I go up to the heavens, you are there; if I make my bed in the depths, you are there. If I rise on the wings of the dawn, if I settle on the far side of the sea, even there your hand will guide me, your right hand will hold me fast” (Psalm 139:7-10, NIV).

Perhaps one of the most vital concepts of the New Testament is expressed by Jesus in these words, “But you know him, for he lives with you and will be in you” (John 14:17, NIV). In verse 20 He makes it clear that God shall come to dwell in human temples: “On that day you will realize that I am in my Father, and you are in me, and I am in you.”

Some time ago I was reminded of this concept by a book I was reading, and I followed the suggestion that in my prayer time I think of God as being inside. I was surprised at the difference it made. I was learning to put into practice what I had known for a long time. This is, no doubt, what Brother Lawrence meant by “practicing the presence of God.”

The complexity of the world makes it very reasonable to me to believe that only God could make and sustain it. It is not hard for me to believe that He is everywhere. What is hard to believe is that with all I know about myself, God still chooses to dwell in the temple of my heart.

The faith that He is there, inside, brings just what you would expect—comfort, healing, strength, peace, and joy. I have welcomed Him into every corner of my heart and mind, and I know that nothing is hid from Him. This is beyond my understanding, but as E. Stanley Jones said, “Christianity explains little and transforms everything.” Paul called it the “glorious riches of this mystery, which is Christ in you, the hope of glory” (Colossians 1:27, NIV).

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The current economic recession, affecting so much of what we do today, may be one of the best things to happen to many Christians for some time. Only the future will determine if this is true. For many people, the loss of work, the reduced purchasing power of their paycheck, and the erosion of the value of their savings, may become a blessing in disguise as they develop a new set of priorities and a simpler lifestyle.

For too long, too many of us have lived as if enough is not enough. No matter the income we receive, we have come to expect more next year. We have believed the advertisers who promote their products by reminding us that we really deserve whatever the product is they're selling. Unlike the apostle Paul, who had learned “the secret of being content in any and every situation” (Philippians 4:12, NIV), we have come to accept as the norm, a continual feeling of discontent, as we demand more and more.

So often, we tell ourselves that if only we could have this or that, then we would be satisfied. But upon acquiring it, we find that it has the effect of whetting our appetite for yet more and more.

We have sometimes assumed that it is natural and acceptable to come to the Father in prayer with a “shopping list” of things we have decided we need. After all, what does the Bible say about the Father giving good gifts to His children?

We must be reminded that sometimes children ask for things parents do not grant, knowing what is best for the child’s safety or protection. And when we come to our Heavenly Father, He too knows what we need most. And what we need most is seldom more “things.”

Luke records the words of Jesus like this, “If you then, though you are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your Father in heaven give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!” (Luke 11:13, NIV).

Could it be, in these days when “things” are not as readily available to us, that we are being reminded that what we really need is not more things but more of God?

I believe God was teaching this same lesson to the children of Israel during their 40-year stopover in the wilderness. Moses, recalling those years in his farewell address to the people, said, “He humbled you, causing you to hunger and then feeding you with manna, neither you nor your fathers had known, to teach you that man does not live on bread alone but on every word that comes from the mouth of the Lord” (Deuteronomy 8:3, NIV). It is true, the Israelites didn’t overweight on their diet of manna, but they did learn that God could be trusted on a daily basis to provide their needs, and that His provision would be enough.

We know that Jesus was tempted on at least one occasion to change stones into bread. Surely the temptation was not simply to satisfy His own hunger, but also to provide a solution to one of the world’s great problems, the problem of hunger. And on that occasion, He recalled these same words of Moses, “Man does not live on bread alone, but on every word that comes from the mouth of God” (Matthew 4:4, NIV). The temptation was to satisfy one need at the expense of a far greater need.

We must not assume that God is uncaring or unconcerned with our physical well-being. But neither do we assume that the responsibility is His apart from our own personal involvement and sharing our surplus with those who lack enough.

Jesus proved His concern for the hungry so beautifully when He fed the 5,000. All day long He had taught them, and fed them spiritually, and then in...
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Mother's Altar of Prayer
by REVA BOGGS

As I LIVED through the grief process after losing my mother, Corrie Ridings Grigg, I realized she left indelible impressions on her family and the world around us. I lived on a farm in North Carolina with six brothers and sisters and a brave mother who gave strong doses of love and Christian values to each of us.

The only support for our family was the farm we worked on together. Each day when the work in the fields was completed, my mother disappeared into the woods while the children began to play. Sometimes she was only gone for a few minutes, while at other times she seemed to be gone for hours.

Often I wondered what my mother did in those woods. I began to notice that she picked up a rock and carried it with her as she crossed the fields. One day I asked Mother why she carried a rock into the woods every day. She tried to explain what each rock meant. I wasn't sure that I understood, so I asked more questions, and she took me into the woods with her. I stopped to pick up a rock and asked if the rock was too big or too small. She explained it was just right, but usually the size of her rock depended on the burden she carried to God in prayer. By this time we had entered the woods and a short distance beyond us I noticed a large pile of rocks. My mother knelt there and laid her rock on the pile, then turned to me and asked me to join her. As I joined her she began to pray aloud. I realized then that she knew Someone I didn't. She had a relationship with Jesus that words can't describe. Every day in those Carolina woods, she met the Lord, bringing all her burdens with her, then leaving them behind. Across the years, she built an altar of prayer, one rock at a time.

After her funeral, when people had gone home, things became quiet and my thoughts turned to memories of Mother and her prayers. There by those rocks I was introduced to Jesus. By her side I learned to pray. Those woods became a special place for me as I grew up. Now they remind me of the Lord's presence and Mother's friendship with Jesus.

Although her voice was soft and gentle, her life spoke loudly to her children. Today her altar of prayer still stands, a monument of her faith.

REVA BOGGS is a minister's wife living in Los Angeles, California, who works as a church administrative secretary.
I used to go to church," the black prostitute said to the white man as they talked on a street corner in downtown Cleveland. She continued, "I'd live 'right' on Sunday and live like the devil the rest of the week. I steal. I cheat. I do things with my body; I do whatever is necessary here to survive.

She paused, then asked, "I don't have to live that way, do I?"

The dialogue that followed was not a bit like the conversation she usually had with men on street corners. That is because the man to whom she was talking was different from most men she met there. It was a difference that was not immediately evident to the casual onlooker. His manner of dress did not automatically reflect his mission. On that Saturday afternoon he wore blue jeans and a plaid sport shirt.

There was no way to tell that he was a preacher—until you heard him talk. Then, very quickly, his mission became clear. It is his goal to win Cleveland for Christ, beginning with the inner city.

His name is Philip Batten, currently pastor of the Willo-Lake Church of the Nazarene—located on the east side, 24 miles from a world that lies hidden from most people, the inner city. He became the pastor at Willo-Lake in 1977, the year he was ordained. He brought with him a burning desire to evangelize Cleveland, and the awareness that it would have to be done inside out—beginning at the heart of the ghetto.

Phil Batten prayed for God to open the door for ministry to the inner city. But, as is not uncommon, he did not recognize the answer when it came. God's answer to his prayer came in the form of a phone call from a local Presbyterian pastor.

"Phil," he asked, "would you be interested in another bus? I know you have several over there at your church. Could you use another one?"

"I suppose so," Pastor Batten replied. "Tell me about it."

"I have a member who is moving to Chicago. He would like to give up this 1967 Gertsenslager Bookmobile. It is 35 ft. long, 11½ ft. high, and 8 ft. wide, with a 35,000 BTU air conditioner. Its capacity is 70 children or 50 adults. The total cost of this district NYI and NW special was $15,000. To date, 7,550 persons have been reached. (Below) Part of the crowd of 1,720 in services held December 18, 1982, in the Cleveland, Ohio, Church on Wheels.
REDEMPTION:
Marvelous Restoration!

by C. NEIL STRAIT

FEW PEOPLE REALIZE that Michelangelo carved his famous statue of David from a discarded piece of marble. Donatello, a famous sculptor in his own right, had already cut into the marble, intending to carve a statue of a famous person. When flaws appeared in the process, Donatello discarded the piece of marble as worthless.

Michelangelo came along, saw the discarded piece of marble and envisioned possibility. He took the throw-away and carved out of it his famous David.

Many people see their lives as broken and beyond repair or hope. They have tried some way to put life together, but it has failed. They have exhausted the human possibilities. They discard their lives on the ash heap of hopelessness.

But the story of Michelangelo is a picture of redemption. God sees in each of us, regardless of our sin, our brokenness, our unlovableness, the person we can become. Then He lifts us by forgiveness and grace. He comes to live in our hearts and work in our lives to make us new.

Every person who has experienced redemption can look back upon the old life of sin and hopelessness, and marvel at the restoration. Every Christian is a trophy of God's grace.

And what God does for the worst of sinners, He waits to do for all sinners.

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The result: a mobile chapel, with carpet, and 100-year-old Methodist pews that will seat 65 people.

King Kennedy, containing 1,183 apartments at East 59th and Woodland, in downtown Cleveland has become the focus of their ministry. During the first year, in the old bus, the attendance was 90 to 95 percent adults. The last five times the CHURCH ON WHEELS has gone to that area, 75 percent of those who attended worship have been adults!

The biggest day, so far, for this unique mobile ministry came on December 18, 1982. On that day, 1,720 people worshiped in five services. Obviously, on that special day, they were forced out of the mobile chapel to prearranged gymnasiums. The success was the result of the hard work of 80 people who came from across the district, including teen choirs from Bucyrus and Wooster. It is Pastor Batten's fervent hope that a church-type mission will soon be organized at King Kennedy. He sees the CHURCH ON WHEELS as a roving church planter.

When asked why he leaves the comfort of the suburbs to minister in the crime-wrecked inner city, Phil Batten replied softly, "One word, 'Called!' I believe that Isaiah 61 was written for me. I have been appointed to preach to the poor."

Then he added, "People tell me not to go, that it is too dangerous. But we must help them. They are just trying to survive. We must help them . . . that is Christ's command."
MISTER, CAN YOU SPARE A BIBLE?

Possibly the world’s oldest Bible translator, 115-year-old Mr. Donald Siwale, center, presents a copy of the first Bible in Chinamwanga to Dr. Kenneth Kaunda, (r.l), president of Zambia. Mr. Siwale was one of those who translated the Bible into Chinamwanga, a language spoken by 150,000 tribal people in the northeastern part of this African nation, for the Bible Societies.

Every morning Joshua takes the eight-mile commuter train ride from his home to Kampala, Uganda, to carry out his God-appointed task of distributing Scriptures provided by the Bible Society in Uganda. After making his selection of various Scriptures, he goes throughout the city spreading the good news of God’s proclamation. Often, he has to return to the Bible Society to replenish his supply.

Church membership there is on a sharp increase, causing a great demand for Bibles. One church has three services every Sunday morning, and in each service the church is so full that many people have to sit outside. Another church that has services every hour from 7 a.m. to 11 a.m. also has people standing outside waiting for seats.

The opportunities to reach the Ugandan people with God’s Word are unlimited. The interest and enthusiasm in reading the Bible is almost overwhelming. Because of a high inflation rate and a low wage scale, most of the people of Uganda must depend upon generosity and compassion of friends outside the country to bring them God’s Word that they so desperately want and need. Uganda is representative of numerous similar world areas. Unless we and other Christians act quickly, Joshua, and many others like him, may be out of a job.

Now, think about your own family. How many Bibles do you own? There is the large family Bible that is proudly displayed on the coffee table, the one beside your favorite chair where you read, and the one in the bookcase you have used until its pages are now loose from the binding. What about your mother’s Bible in that safe, out-of-the-way place, and the pocket New Testament you have in the glove compartment of the car, your lunch box, or purse? Remember to include those different versions that you use for Bible study purposes, and don’t forget the large reference Bible with the concordance in the back.

No doubt you would share one or more of these Bibles if you found someone really hungry for His Word. But our circumstances are different. We may not encounter the poor, seeking people that Joshua does. Most of the people we know have a Bible, or could if they wanted one.

However, you do have an opportunity to support Joshua and the long list of those people who place those Scriptures into his hands, translators, editors, publishers, shipping clerks ... all the people of the American Bible Society.

Each year Nazarene Youth International sponsors

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the American Bible Society offering in your church. District NY1 presidents encourage each local church to receive an offering on the second Sunday in December. Many churches choose to contribute at a more appropriate time for them. The offering opportunity remains open from each December until the convening of your district assembly in the new year.

It is impossible for the Church of the Nazarene to serve as Bible distributors. Our joint cooperation through the American Bible Society with Bible societies around the world produces millions of Bibles. These are distributed to the lost and to our own Nazarenes on our mission fields.

Our denominational contribution to the American Bible Society offering in 1981-82 totalled $58,041.02. If every Church of the Nazarene in the United States had participated, this would represent an average of only $1200 per church. Unfortunately, some churches did not participate because they were unaware of their opportunity to supply this need.

If all of our churches would participate by collecting an offering through the Sunday School classes, passing the plate in the worship service, or even stationing teens at the church doorways at the close of services with an open Bible for one Sunday out of the year, we could receive a tremendous offering. A goal of $100,000 could be reached and far surpassed.

How young were you when you received your first Bible? Many of us were too young to remember. We grew up with God’s Word, having access to the Bible in our own language without considering it as a blessed privilege. The idea of not having access to a Bible seldom crosses our minds. But to many, the inability to read God’s Word in the language they speak is a fact of life.

Donald Siwale was born in what is now Zambia. Not until he was 30 years old did the first book of the Bible, the Gospel of Luke, appear in his language. He was 66 before a complete New Testament became available in his native tongue, Chinamwanga. His love for God’s Word, and his commitment to his people, compelled him to dedicate his time to assisting in the translation of the Old Testament into Chinamwanga.

Mr. Siwale, now 115 years of age, recently experienced one of the greatest moments of his life, when he presented the first copy of the completed New Chinamwanga Bible to the president of Zambia, Dr. Kenneth Kaunda. Imagine—no promises, commands, consolation, direction, or guidance from God’s total Word in his own language for 115 years of his life! A giant Thanksgiving service for the dedication of the Chinamwanga Bible was held at the Mwenzo Mission on July 11, 1982.

How many children have grown into the teen years, on into adulthood, and eventually into eternity, having never read the Holy Scriptures? How many still have no message of God in their own languages because funds have not been available to produce, supply, and distribute it in their countries?

The responsibility that we have as Christians to every land is tremendous. However, we have the resources and agencies to comply with this great commission. If your church has not received an offering for American Bible Society for the 1982-83 year, maybe you could be the one to bring attention and stir interest in this worthy endeavor.

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**Book Brief**

**THE FRUIT OF THE SPIRIT**

H. RAY DUNNING

author

ANY OF THE BOOKS found on bookstore racks “ignore God’s power to deliver us from all sin in this life. Instead, they advise us how to effectively suppress the inward evil that binds all mortals.” Thus the author introduces his study from Galatians 5:22-23, challenging readers to “cultivate our walk with God to ever higher levels of holiness from the inception of our Christian life to its benediction.”

Starting from the premise that “fruit” is the natural outworking of one’s inward character (as opposed to “work” one must do), H. Ray Dunning explains what it means to obtain “love, joy, peace, long-suffering,” and the other fruit, which are shown to be the virtues of Christ.

The book is practical. Each chapter covers one Christian grace, defining the term and showing how it is expressed in the Spirit-filled life. His definitions open the understanding to the true meaning of these well-known verses. At the end of each chapter there are three questions for meditation or discussion.

All of the chapters were good, but I especially liked the one on “Goodness,” with its rundown of various ways we use the word good (not good at all, when compared to the goodness of Jesus and those filled with His Spirit). And “Faithfulness,” which is “not a spectacular virtue ... Quiet consistency tends to be overlooked.”

The book reads smoothly for devotional meditation. It does hold background potential for one sermon or many. And, as a group study, the discussions could become lively as it touches on areas where all of us need more understanding and growth.

—Evelyn Stenbock

Beacon Hill Press of Kansas City

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MY MOM

I didn’t grow up with the silly notion that women were fragile creatures to be constantly shielded and defended. My mother was tender but tough. She loved to hunt and fish and play ball. She was shortstop on a woman’s softball team, and covered most of the ground between second and third bases without moving. When she did move, she was surprisingly swift and agile for her size.

She was as skilled with a needle as with a rifle. A crackerjack cook, she could make taste buds stand at attention with the meals she served. Reupholstering furniture was no great challenge to her, and she could iron a starched cotton dress shirt in five minutes, a demonstration she used to give to astonished groups of women.

She was a compassionate, skillful nurse, frequently rendering her services to ill neighbors, always without charge. Here again, though, she was not soft and handled malingerers with the firmness of Stonewall Jackson. She also doctored us, short of surgery—a self-imposed restriction that rather surprised me. At that time she was a quack. I know, for she gave me two vigorous linament rubdowns for a sprained shoulder (her diagnosis). As it turned out, X ray confirmed, my collarbone was broken!

Cool in crises, she never laid a finger on the pan button. When I was a tad, she accidentally ran a sewing machine needle through her finger. It broke and stuck out of her fingernail. She sent me to fetch a pair of pliers, yanked out the offending steel missile, put another needle in the machine and calmly resumed sewing. While she stitched, I retched.

One dimension was missing in her life—the spiritual. She found Christ, though, in the first revival in which I ever preached, and has served Him through thick and thin ever since.

She is pushing 80 now. Her athletic activities are over, even the hunting and fishing. She still cooks expertly, practices medicine unlicensed, and loves Christ and the church beyond telling. She is a wonderful mom! I’ll never be out of debt to her for all she means to me.

HEAVEN’S CHOICEST BLESSINGS

On the date of this issue of the Herald of Holiness, Doris and I will observe our 41st wedding anniversary. When I was younger we celebrated them, now we observe them.

No man has a better wife. Our five children know that she is a wonderful mother. Whatever my failings have been as a father, she has given them priceless years of deep caring and choice example.

Doris is a PK. Her dad was a Nazarene pastor, and a genuine saint. Her mom, now in a Florida nursing home, has contradicted every mindless cliché and barbed joke about mothers-in-law. She has been wonderful to me, despite her original reluctance to entrust her daughter to my incompetent hands.

Our anniversary and Mother’s Day are close together. That tempts my Scotch heart! I could make one card, one gift, serve two occasions. But Doris has always been the conqueror of my worst impulses and tendencies, so I will joyfully honor her on both days.

All of the above to say this—Men, if you have a good wife, your blessings exceed your merits. You should thank God daily and never stop courting. A good wife deserves all the love, trust, support, encouragement and tenderness of which you are capable by nature and grace.

If she is a good mother to your children, she ought to have your wholehearted cooperation in making your strong, happy home life, as secure as possible against the demonic forces in modern society that threaten to destroy families and thus nations.

How sad when the wife is serving God and the husband scorns religion, when Mother is trying to buttress the children’s lives with moral values but Dad’s example sabotages her efforts. How happy the homes, how fortunate the youngsters, whose parents both serve the Lord and share the spiritual responsibilities.

A Christian mother is the choicest citizen in God’s kingdom, and a Christian father is close behind in value and influence.
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A SPECIAL TRIBUTE

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Johanna had no children of her own, but she mothered stepchildren, nieces, nephews, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren as tenderly and sacrificially as any mother would.

She was born in 1901 in Bone Lake, Wis. Her parents moved to North Dakota when she was 15. There she was converted under the ministry of Charley Prine, a pioneer preacher, and became a charter member of our church in Velma.

In May 1947 she married Jesse W. Good, whose first wife was killed in an auto accident. Jesse’s daughter, Evelyn Faul, writes of her, “Her quiet helpfulness made a difference in our home after the tragic loss of our mom.”

At a memorial service for Johanna, a daughter-in-law, Mrs. Jesse L. Good, presented a tribute in which the whole family concurred. Here are excerpts from that tribute:

“She did not keep company with the wealthy or famous, but lived with the orphaned and the unloved.

“She did not leave us riches or fame, but a great heritage of loving deeds.

“She was unable to bear children of her own, but housed and sheltered many. We were not her children by birth, but she took us into her heart by choice. When she married Dad, she took on two grown sons and one young daughter and loved them and cared for them through the sorrow of the loss of their mother.

“In what she did or said, she taught us that the most important thing in life was to live for God and to love and help someone!”

Yes, it takes a special person to mother another’s children, showering upon them a love that earns their undying love and respect and gratitude. Johanna Good was such a person, and heaven is richer for her presence there. A friend said of her, “She was a good strong Christian, doing what she could for others.” No one could have a finer epitaph.

SOME CONVICTS ARE CON MEN

As a protection to our readers who correspond with prisoners, readers motivated by compassion, it has become necessary to issue a caution. Check the facts before you respond favorably to appeals for money. Unfortunately, some of the inmates are preying upon the unwary, making them the victims of various “scams.”

I have seen two letters from a prisoner, addressed to people in different states, requesting money with which to make restitution for his crime. According to his appeal, this financial restitution will gain him an early release. The amount requested was different in each letter, but amounted to several hundred dollars in both cases. Our pastor in the city where the prison is located checked into the matter. He discovered that the requests were fraudulent. Early release was not available and the money was desired for other purposes.

Another prisoner asked for money to finance a study program, purportedly to aid his rehabilitation and prepare him for a useful job when released. Investigation, again by a concerned pastor, revealed that the study program was available to the prisoner without cost. There are honest, penitent prisoners who need, deserve and appreciate help. These suffer because of the clouds of suspicion generated by the crooked schemers who will sacrifice all principles and any person to their own advantage. While many con men are not behind bars, many are, and prison has not cured their avarice or deviousness.

If one appeals to you for help and is on the level, he will not resent your checking into the situation. A letter or phone call to the pastor in that location, or to the prison chaplain or counselor, is a wise precaution. Of course, a con man will happily furnish references himself, but they will be as phony as his racket.

Gullibility is not a fruit of the Spirit. Investigate appeals carefully. This is wise stewardship. Encourage the honest and deserving, but don’t get fleeced by the corrupt.
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Cinated with the Herald that we started sending it to her. Before she could read she would look at the pictures and make up stories about them. When she was in kindergarten she took it for Show and Tell. She carried them to school, to church, and everywhere she went. Now that she is old enough to read, she reads nearly every page in it. She saves all the issues and she has them all marked by checks to show her favorite stories so she can read them again. Nearly every time she sees me, she comes running with her Herald, and with her eyes big and shining she says, "Oh, Grandma, did you read this story? It was so good!" Once she recited a poem she had read and with pictures she made a flannelgraph story to demonstrate it. She showed this to her Caravan troop and her leader was very impressed.

Thank you for a magazine that even a child can love, and one which even a picky grandmother can approve of. Grandma loves it too, and has for 35 years.

Mrs. Helen Frank
Nevada, Ohio

PLANTED SEEDS GROW

by JAMIE MROPOSKI

THERE IS SOMETHING inside of me that I never knew existed before. Oh, it was there all the time, I just never realized it. In other words, I was a slave for the devil until I learned the Word of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Let me go back in time, say 10 to 15 years ago. I was about 12 years old, being reared in a city that thrived mostly on sin. On a few occasional holidays, I was nudged to go to church. My father was a very patient and understanding man and wanted the best for me. I didn't listen and I swayed toward my peers. I was one of the crowd. Smoking, drinking, and everything a young man was not meant to do was the only life that I knew.

I laughed at Christians, and all symbols of good, not once admitting to myself that they had something more valuable than what I had. Little did I know that it was Jesus. What Christians had I didn't want, or should I say, was afraid to have.

The years rolled on and I matured into a man. I left the street atmosphere behind and moved west with my own little family to a town called Sapulpa in Oklahoma. I didn't know what to expect there. I noticed that there were a lot of Christians there. Was I in for it! Then I looked deeper into the people. They had a peace inside, which I didn't; they were contented, I wasn't.

I went to the local unemployment office and, wouldn't you know it, who else would sit down next to me but a Christian woman! Then she started preaching. I didn't want to hear what she had to say; I had my own problems. But I was courteous and didn't tell her to get lost. On and on she went. I gave her an occasional nod to keep her happy. The only thing I remember her saying was, "The Lord will provide." Then the office worker called my number. Was I relieved—then suddenly troubled. A voice kept reminding me of those words, "The Lord will provide." I couldn't forget them. I didn't know it then, but this Christian woman dropped the first seed on the soil.

I went home still troubled and said to my wife, "Maybe one of these days we'll go to church," and that was that, except for the little voice—"The Lord will provide."

Later that day there was a knock at my door; it was an acquaintance of my wife, by the name of Wanda. She invited us to her church, just like so many others. The only difference was that this time I accepted. She pushed the seed deeper into the soil.

So off we all went to a revival at the Church of the Nazarene. I didn't know what to expect; I didn't even know what a revival was. I walked through the front doors as nervous as a worm on a hook. I walked through the second set of doors and I felt something. I didn't know what, but I knew it was something I had never felt before.

The service started. Rev. Don Pfeifer had the floor. He spoke strong words, such as, "Examine your vessel, is it dark, lonely, empty?" Mine was! Then it happened—the seed had taken root. A stronger, stranger feeling entered into me, an inside glow, the Holy Spirit. Since that day, that very special day, November 4, 1981, my life and my family's life has never been the same.

It all started as a seed was dropped, then pushed deeper into the soil, and then took root through the Lord's power.

Now my family and I are growing, hoping to grow as tall as the tallest oak tree with our faith in Jesus Christ.

I have found what I was searching for across many years. I found Jesus, the true Lord of my life.

Thank You, Lord, for giving me and my family a new and more beautiful life. Thank You, too, for those who planted seeds!
Richard Leslie Parrott, pastor of the Corvallis, Ore., church, received his doctor of philosophy degree in education from Oregon State University in January 1983. His dissertation was titled, “The Effect of Esoterica on Institutional Goals: As Measured by the Use of Cherished Terms in Pulpits of Churches of the Nazarene and Church Growth.” The study included churches with memberships over 200.

Dr. Parrott graduated from Eastern Nazarene College and received a M.A. in psychology from the University of Missouri at Kansas City. He pastored in Iatan, Mo., for three years and received his M.Div. from Nazarene Theological Seminary. In 1977, he was selected for Outstanding Young Men in America.

Dr. Parrott is beginning his sixth year in Corvallis. He and his wife, Carol, have one son, Andrew Leslie, 2.

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Joyce Hardy Watters, Wooster, Ohio, was recently named for inclusion in the 1982 edition of Outstanding Young Women of America. She is the daughter of Rev. and Mrs. Deane Hardy, pastoring at the Waynesburg, Pa., church.

Joyce is a 1976 graduate of Mount Vernon Nazarene College in church music and music education. She and her husband, Jeff, have directed the IMPACT Team for the last six years on the North Central Ohio District. They were also active in the youth and music programs of the Mount Vernon, Ohio, First Church before moving to Wooster last June, where Jeff is associate pastor.

Joyce is involved in the youth and music programs in the Wooster Church as well as serving on the district NYI council. She is teaching music and French at Ashland Academy, the High School Division of Ashland College, Ashland, Ohio.

The WILCON II Steering Committee met in Kansas City on February 23-24, 1983, during the annual Leaders’ Conference. Mrs Eugene Stowe chaired the meeting.

WILCON II is the second event of its kind sponsored by Pastoral Ministries and will take place in the spring and summer of 1984. It is an inspirational, informational series for the wives of pastors, associate ministers, evangelists, college faculty members, ministerial students, and missionaries on furlough. The theme of WILCON II is “Celebrating Christian Wholeness.”

The Steering Committee met with the wives of district superintendents in an afternoon sharing session to encourage 100 percent participation from each district. The response was favorable as plans were implemented among the more than 100 ladies present from the U.S. and Canada.

Highlights of WILCON II will include a number of special guest speakers and seminars, seven counselors available for individual counseling, and the presentation of “The Life of Fanny Crosby,” directed by D. Paul Thomas. This presentation will seek to demonstrate the beautiful qualities of her godly life. Thomas portrayed P. F. Bresee in “The Sun Never Sets in the Morning” as a part of PALCON II activities.

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INTER/SECT GEARS UP FOR HOME MISSIONS EFFORT

Youth Ministries/NYI, in cooperation with Church Extension Ministries, has announced the placement of three teams of college students in home missions and church-planting locations for the summer of 1983, as a part of the INTER/SECT program. Twelve students will be involved in INTER/SECT, serving as “church staff” in specialized ministries for seven weeks, helping the local church in its outreach and discipleship efforts.

INTER/SECT participants are currently involved in campus pre-equipping sessions and fund-raising for the expenses of their summer. After a week of training at the YOUTH IN MISSION training camp in Olathe, Kans., in June, the collegians will arrive at their ministry location on July 6.

The 1983 INTER/SECT locations are: Katy, Tex. (Houston District), Rev. Steve Coleman, pastor; Carpinteria, Calif. (Los Angeles District), Rev. Dana Walling, pastor; and Lakeland, Fla., First (Central Florida District), Rev. Carlton Mills, pastor.

INTER/SECT is a program unit of Youth in Mission, sponsored by Youth Ministries/NYI, and coordinated with Church Extension Ministries, which makes recommendations and assists Youth Ministries in processing requests from local pastors for summer teams. David Best serves as INTER/SECT staff coordinator.

YOUTH IN MISSION participants are chosen from hundreds of applicants from colleges across the United States and Canada, and involved in summer ministries in local churches, inner-city locations, personal discipleship training, children’s ministries, music groups, and world mission evangelism. They give their summer to serve others. Pray for these students and support them in your giving. For more information, contact Dale Fallon, director of YOUTH IN MISSION, 6401 The Paseo, Kansas City, MO 64131.

NAZARENE HEALTH AND HOSPITALIZATION INSURANCE PROGRAM IS ANNOUNCED

The new Nazarene Health and Hospitalization Insurance Program was introduced recently to district superintendents and Nazarene college presidents. The official announcement took place at a special “working luncheon” during Nazarene Leaders’ Conference in Kansas City. Dr. Dean Wessels, administrator of the Board of Pensions, and Rev. Paul D. Fitzgerald, CLU administrative assistant, explained the plan proposal that was distributed to those attending.

The new program is designed around a self-insured concept and is intended to protect pastors, church-employed laymen, and their families on participating United States districts/agents. For a moving minister transferring between participating districts and/or church agencies, the program offers great flexibility and the possibility of “no gap” continuous coverage. Upon retirement, a participant may request to be transferred to “retirement coverage.”

Proposals are now being prepared for those districts and church agencies in the United States who have expressed interest in enrolling in this new benefit program sponsored by the Board of Pensions.

Dr. Dean Wessels, administrator of the Board of Pensions, answers questions about the Nazarene Health and Hospitalization Insurance Program during a “working luncheon” held at Nazarene Leaders’ Conference.
The General NYI Council and the staff of Youth Ministries has announced that an extensive pre-equipping program is planned for teen and adult participants in World Youth Congress 1983. The event is scheduled for June 20-27 in Oaxtepec, Mexico.

According to reports received from the last general youth conference in 1978, a need was expressed for a program to prepare the delegates for the experience ahead of them. Upon the recommendation of the General NYI Council, the Executive Committee of the council and Mike Estep, director of the event, worked together to formulate tools for spiritual, cultural, and emotional preparation. They also gathered facts concerning medical information, provisions, activities needing prior planning, and language helps. Involved in the process were Gary Silver, Wright, and Dave Best, family group facilitators; John Denny, editorial director; and Carol Gritton, WYC executive secretary.

The result of their work is a “Pre- Equipping Notebook,” which will be sent this spring to all district leaders for distribution among the involved delegates. The package includes a 15-day devotional/preparation series, with Bible study, prayer thoughts, and guided discussion on the purpose and goals for this youth holiness event. Also included are: a “Welcome to Mexico” section, a “What to bring list,” information on activity details (choir, T-shirts, excursions, medical arrangements, etc.), and a primer on Latin culture and conversational Spanish for English-speaking participants. Also provided with the materials is a suggested weekend retreat format, involving the whole district group in relationship-building sessions, reviewing details, and making a personal response to the concepts involved in attending WYC.

According to Rev. Larry Leonard, director of Youth Ministries, the pre-equipping “should have a decided effect on the spiritual preparation of those attending, which we hope will generate an even greater spirit of unity and commitment than we have ever had at a youth event such as this.”

Nazarene Youth International is excited about the ministry opportunities that await Nazarene youth at WYC. For more information concerning WYC’83, contact Mike Estep, director of the event, at 6401 The Paseo, Kansas City, MO 64131, or your district NYI president. Watch for further WYC updates in future issues of the Herald of Holiness.

Brenda Adams, Kennewick, Wash.
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Scott Bowman, Colorado Springs, Colo.
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OUR COLLEGES AND SEMINARIES

BARNARD APPOINTED DEAN OF STUDENTS AT ENC

At its March meeting, the Executive Committee of the Board of Trustees gave unanimous approval to the appointment of Dr. Tom Barnard as dean of students.

Dr. Barnard has been serving as acting dean of students since the resignation of Rev. Robert Hellrich in October 1982. Dr. Barnard joined the staff of ENC in the fall of 1982 as executive assistant to the president. He will continue to fulfill some of the responsibilities of that office along with the new assignment.

Dr. Barnard came to ENC from Bethany Nazarene College, where he served as dean of students and professor of Christian education.

TNC TRUSTEES REELECT ADAMS

Dr. Homer J. Adams was unani­mously reelected president of Trenvecca Nazarene College by the Board of College Trustees.

Coming to the college as president in March 1979, Dr. Adams was vice­president of administration at DeKal College in Atlanta. Prior to this, he had served as professor of history and dean at Trevecca. He has also served as vice­president of the General Board of the Church of the Nazarene.

A graduate of TNC, Adams holds a masters and doctorate degrees from Peabody College.

During the Adams administration, Trenvecca has seen significant progress, including stabilization and growth in enrollment, a massive debt liquidation campaign, renovation of campus buildings, and a campus beautification project and launching a $2.2 million fund drive for a Student Life Center. The college has operated within a balanced budget for many years.

SPAUDLING TO HEAD RELIGION DEPARTMENT AT ENC

Dr. Stephen W. Nease, president of Eastern Nazarene College, has announced the appointment of Dr. Henry Spaulding as chairman of the Department of Philosophy and Religion, and as coordinator of the Graduate Program in Religion, and carrying a full teaching load for the past three years. Dr. and Mrs. Blaney will return to their home in Nashville at the end of the current school year.

NBC STUDENTS VISIT KANSAS CITY

Operation: Kansas City No. 10

Beautiful spring weather greeted the Nazarene Bible College graduating seniors as they made their annual orientation visit to the Nazarene Publishing House, International Headquarters, and Nazarene Theological Seminary, March 3-4.

Traveling all night from Colorado Springs by Trailways Bus, the group of seniors took Nazarene Publishing House.

Some of the Bike College students are shown touring Nazarene Publishing House.

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Dan Copp of Media Services with a tour group from the Nazarene Bible College

40 senior students and three faculty members checked into a Kansas City Holiday Inn about noon, Thursday, March 3. The tours began at 3 p.m. with a visit to the Nazarene publishing House. Each NBC student was presented with a specially designed briefcase containing pertinent information, as well as a Worship in Song pocket hymnal, Pastor's Program Planner, and other items.

Thursday evening the NBC seniors, with Dr. L. S. Oliver, president; Chaplain Ross Hayslip; and Dean of Student Life, Dr. Richard Lewis; were guests at a banquet held at Kansas City's Alameda Plaza hotel. Music was provided during the dinner hour by Christy James, pianist, a publishing house employee. During the banquet program, Orlan Smith, a member of Kansas City First Church, played the saxophone, accompanied by Bobbie Neff. Dr. Mark R. Moore, secretary of Education Services, was the special after-dinner speaker.

Friday morning, the Bible college students, along with members of the Internationalization Commission, enjoyed a continental breakfast with the employees of the International Headquarters of the Church of the Nazarene. The breakfast was held in the rotunda of the General Board Building.

Following the breakfast, the NBC students, Headquarters employees, and the Internationalization Commission shared in a chapel service directed by Dr. B. Edgar Johnson, general secretary. Two members of the Internationalization Commission—Mrs. Mary Alvarado from Puerto Rico, and Mannfred Dannewitz from West Germany—shared with the group what the holiness experience had done in their lives.

The group toured the International Headquarters, visited the Nazarene Bookstore, and completed a full and inspiring morning with a tour of Nazarene Theological Seminary, where lunch was served. The meaningful two-day trip was climaxd with a visit to the Mid-America Nazarene College campus at Olathe, Kans.

The purpose of the annual tour of NBC seniors is to acquaint them with leaders of various church divisions, seminary and MANC faculty members, and the total ministry in Kansas City. The Bible college feeds approximately 100 graduates annually into the

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church’s ministerial stream and other areas of Christian service.

Comments from NBC president, L. S. Oliver, and other faculty members, indicate that the Kansas City tour is a highlight in the lives of graduating seniors. They receive a new appreciation for and understanding of their church institutions.

The blessings are mutual. Meeting these future ministers and sharing in their joy is an inspiring experience to those serving in Kansas City, as well. All who participated acclaim Operation: Kansas City No. 10 a success!

MVNC BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETS

The annual spring meeting of Mount Vernon Nazarene College’s Board of Trustees was held the first week of March. During the meeting the board approved several construction projects including a 2,000 sq. ft. addition to the gymnasium to house a dressing room for referees, a weight room and athletic training facilities. A second major construction project will be a new 32 x 64 ft. modular building to house the bookstore. The new facility will feature a 2,000 sq. ft. basement and loading dock.

The trustees also approved the hiring of four new faculty members.

Chapel service with Rev. Gordon Wetmore singing

Speaking in chapel is Mrs. Mary Alvarado of Puerto Rico, with Miss Sylvette Rivera of Publications Services interpreting. Seated in the background (l. to r.) are: Mannfred Dannewitz, West Germany; Rev. Jose M. Carrillo, pastor of Kansas City Spanish Church; Rev. John N. White, superintendent of the Australia Northern Pacific District; Rev. Gordon Wetmore, president of the General Board; Dr. L. S. Oliver, NBC president; Dr. Eugene L. Stowe, general superintendent; and Dr. B. Edgar Johnson, general secretary.
DISTRICT ASSEMBLY INFORMATION


CANADA ATLANTIC—June 14-15. Church of the Nazarene, 156 Fitzroy St., Summerside, P.E.I., Canada C1N 1H3. Host Pastor: Donald Nicholls. General Superintendent: Dr. William M. Greatheuse.


NAZARENE CAMP MEETINGS


DAKOTA—June 20-25. evenings, and Sunday, June 26 (last service 4 p.m.). Trinity Bible Institute, Ellendale, ND 58438. Special workers: Rev. Bob Hoots and Bob and Becky Gray, F. Thomas Bailey, district superintendent.


MOVING MINISTERS

WESLEY BALDASSARE from student, Nazarene Theological Seminary, Kansas City, Mo., to Durango, Colo.

JOHN F. HOPPER to Athens, W.Va.

TIM JOHNSTON from associate, Racine (Wis.) Taylor Community, to Kempton, III.

MARK MATNEY from Amarillo (Tex.) Central to Loveland, Colo.

KENNETH W. ROGERS from Topeka (Kans.) Central to Colorado Springs Central

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Durand, Mich., church will celebrate its 60th anniversary June 3-5. Michigan District Superintendent C. Neil Strat will be the special speaker. All former pastors, members, and friends are invited to join in the celebration. Send greetings and memorabilia to: Dr. Harold Potter, 9745 Monroe Rd., Durand, MI 48429.

Greenville Peniel (Texas) church extends a cordial invitation to all former pastors, members, and friends to its 75th anniversary celebration May 20-22. The principal speaker will be Dr. C. Paul Gray of Bethany, Okla. A banquet is planned for Friday night. Saturday evening, there will be a slide presentation by Dr. Gray, describing the organizational procedures of the denomination for this region and Pen-
or call 214-455-6422. Marvin McDaniel is the pastor of the Nazarene, 1009 Rees St., Greenville, TX 75401. Crusades anywhere. Contact him at 1850 Radnor on most district boards. Since 1971 he has served as a graduate of Canadian Nazarene College and has the field of evangelism June 1. 1983 Rev. Williams is a strong evangelistic preacher, and currently she may be contacted at St. Route 133 S., Box 98, Denair, CA 95316. By Dan Alger, P.O. Box 98, Denair, CA 95316.

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REV. E. VERBAL WILLIAMS is planning to enter the field of evangelism June 1, 1983. Rev. Williams is a graduate of Canadian Nazarene College and has had 52 years of pastoral experience. He has served as pastor of the York, Pa., First Church.

Rev. Williams is a strong evangelistic preacher and I would recommend him for revival and evangelistic crusades anywhere. Contact him at 1850 Radnor Rd., York, PA 17402.—Roy E. Carnahan, Washington district superintendent.

Evangelists may be reached through Evangelism Ministries; toll-free number: 800-821-2154.

VITAL STATISTICS
MRS. A. L. PARROTT DIES
Mrs. Lucile Parrott, widow of the late Dr. A. L. Parrott, died on March 26 at age 91. After living in Kankakee and Bourbonnais since 1940, her last days were spent in the home of her son, Dr. John Parrott, a surgeon in Minneapolis.

Lucille Elliott was born into a farm family near Springfield, Tenn., the daughter of John and Mary Elliott, on July 4, 1891. As a teenage girl she moved with her family to Nashville. Lucille enrolled in Trevecca College where she met A. L. Parrott, Dr. J. O. McClurkan, who was serving as president, became a central person in their spiritual growth and development. After their marriage on December 18, 1913, A. L. and Lucille Parrott moved to Jasper, Ala. to pastor the Church of the Nazarene. Other pastorates included Clarksville, Tenn., Bethany, Okla., and Springfield.

She was important role in those procedures. The celebration will conclude with dinner on the grounds following a Sunday morning rally. Preparations are being made to accommodate all out-of-town-guests. Please direct correspondence to Peniel Church of the Nazarene, 1000 Rees St., Greenville, TX 75401 or call 214-455-6422. Marvin McDaniel is the pastor of the Nazarene, 1009 Rees St., Greenville, TX 75401. Crusades anywhere. Contact him at 1850 Radnor on most district boards. Since 1971 he has served as a graduate of Canadian Nazarene College and has the field of evangelism June 1. 1983 Rev. Williams is a strong evangelistic preacher, and currently she may be contacted at St. Route 133 S., Box 98, Denair, CA 95316. By Dan Alger, P.O. Box 98, Denair, CA 95316.

The Denair-Turlock, Calif., church will observe its 50th anniversary with a day of celebration June 26. Dr. George Coulter, general superintendent emeritus of the Southwestern Ohio district superintendent, will observe its 50th anniversary with a day of celebration June 26. Dr. George Coulter, general superintendent emeritus, became a central person in the broader missionary effort of the church. As president's wife in Olivet at Kankakee, Ill., she served in the support and administration of a missionary project on campus, which included the students.

Mrs. Parrott is survived by a brother, Ira Elliott, of Blanchester, OFI 45107. She has nine grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren.

MRS. NELLIE JANE BARNHART, 92, died Feb. 4 in St. Louis, Mo. Funeral services were conducted by Rev. Arthur Septer and Rev. Shelby Barnhart. Inter-
ment was in Meta, Mo. She is survived by 8 sons, Wilson, Wilburn, Willard, Wilfred, Luther Lewis, Wade, and Roscoe; 1 daughter, Mrs. Cecila Bock; 16 grandchildren; 22 great-grandchildren; and 1 brother, Ralph Buchanan, 89, died March 4 in Somerset, Ky. Funeral services were conducted by Rev. Oscar Lobb and Rev. Muse. Survivors include his wife, Opal, three sons, Nathan, Charles, and James; two daughters, Doris and Earlene; and several grandchildren.

Rev. Frankly Glady's Cholpin, 82, died Feb. 27 in Watonga, Okla. Funeral services were conducted by Rev. Gerald Locke and Rev. Elbert Isley. Internment was in Bethany, Okla. Rev. Cholpin's entire ministry was in Oklahoma. She is survived by 3 daughters, Ruth Sullivan, LaVeta Kindred, and Anna McD. Fla. Survivors include 11 grandchildren; 22 great-grandchildren; 8 great-great-grandchildren; and 1 brother.

Rev. Jimmy McCoy and Rev. Michael Guido. He is survived by his wife, Iva; 2 sons, Maynard and Merlynd; 2 daughters, Ruth Cranmer and June Holly; 10 grandchildren; and 9 great-grandchildren; 1 brother; and 1 sister.

Guy Leroy Cronise, 80, died Dec. 12 in San Diego, Calif. Funeral services were conducted by Rev. L. E. Hurrin in Roanoke, Va. Internment was in Salem, Va. He is survived by two daughters, Joy Aird and Sharon Bowles, and three grandchildren.

Rev. Eugene W. Moore, 81, died Jan. 29 in Bethany, Okla. Funeral services were conducted by Rev. Robert G. Snodgrass, James Forman, and Ray Hange. Internment was in Chickasha, Okla. Rev. Moore pastored churches in Oklahoma, Louisiana, Arizona, and Nevada. Surviving are his wife, Mary Claudyne; three sons, Rev. Donald, Rev. Darrel, and Rev. Maurice; three daughters, Decora Jean Hostetler, Melva Dean Beeman, and Dona Casey.

Annabelle A. Richards died Feb. 19 in Lakeland, Fla. Funeral services were conducted by Rev. Nathan Price and Rev. R. C. Johnson. She is survived by her husband, Alvin; 2 sons, Maynard and Merlynd; 1 daughter, Mrs. John (Malvyn) Lewis; and 12 grandchildren.

Rev. John G. Rupp, 76, died March 7 in Porterville, Calif. Funeral services were conducted by Rev. Hal Stickney, Rev. W. H. Dett, and District Superintendent Wil Spalte. Rev. Rupp pastored churches in California and Nevada. Surviving are his wife, Iva; one son, John E.; one daughter, Therma Noble; one grandson, two brothers, and five sisters.

Rev. Eldred L. Starkey, 75, died Feb. 27 in Belville, Ga. Funeral services were conducted by Rev. Jimmy McCoy and Rev. Michael Guido. He is survived by his wife, Eva A.; two sons, Stephen E. and David L.; one daughter, Lynne Shoemaker; six grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

Manuel Y Berra, 81, died March 9 in Oroville, Calif. Funeral services were conducted by Rev. Sidney Patrick. Surviving are her husband, Leo; one son, Roy; two daughters, Ruth Crammer and June Holly; 10 grandchildren; and 9 great-grandchildren; 1 brother; and 1 sister.

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Rev. Nial Caltrider. Surviving are one daughter, Mrs. John (Marilyn) Lewis; and 12 grandchildren.

AMY L. COLYAR died Feb. 3 in Areola, Ill. Funeral services were conducted by Rev. Darrell, and Rev. Maurice; three daughters, Ruth Sullivan, LaVeta Kindred, and Anna McD. Fla. Survivors include 11 grandchildren; 22 great-grandchildren; 8 great-great-grandchildren; and 1 brother.

HATFIELD BILL WOULD PROTECT STUDENTS' RELIGIOUS SPEECH. Sen. Mark O. Hatfield, R-Ore., has reintroduced legislation to prevent public school districts from discriminating against voluntary, student-initiated religious meetings by high school students. The bill forbids any public secondary school that receives federal financial assistance and allows students to meet during noninstructional periods to discriminate against meetings of students on the basis of the content of the speech at such meetings. It also allows students to take school officials to federal court if such meetings are not permitted.

“We hope to enact this bill to restore the First Amendment right of freedom of religion to students wherever those rights are being denied,” Hatfield said. The bill has the support of Democrats, Republicans, liberals, conservatives, and moderates, he said. Fourteen senators signed on as initial cosponsors. A provision of the bill specifies it is not meant to permit the government to influence the form or content of any prayer or religious activity or require student participation.

Hatfield said he had hoped the Supreme Court would reverse a U.S. Appeals Court decision in Texas that struck down a school policy permitting students to meet voluntarily before or after school “for any educational, moral, religious, or ethical purposes.” Last December, Hatfield and 23 other senators requested a review of the lower court’s decision, but in January the Supreme Court refused to hear the case.

GROWTH REPORTED IN REGISTERED SOVIET CHURCHES. Two hundred and five new registered churches have been opened in the Soviet Union in the last five years, says the general secretary of the All-Union Council of Evangelical Christians-Baptists, Alexei Bychkov. On the other hand, only a few more Russian Orthodox churches have been opened. Bychkov said more people are attracted to his churches because of their simple worship and clear preaching, according to the Missionary News Service. Meanwhile, there are reports of more house searches of members of the unregistered churches. In the Kemerovo region alone, 23 searches were made and one believer was arrested.

Soviet authorities have raised the student quotas at Roman Catholic seminaries in Lithuania and Latvia for the first time since World War II. Fifty-one have been admitted for the winter semester. Enrollment is still at about two-thirds of what it was in 1946.

MARTIN LUTHER STAMP. U.S. Postmaster General William Bolger has approved a commemorative stamp to honor the 500th anniversary of the birth of Martin Luther in 1483.
BIRTHS

to DON AND PAULA (SNELLENBERGER) BARD, Dededo, Guam, a girl, Rebecca Lynn, Mar. 15 to PHIL, AND SHARON (CRONISE) BOWLES, San Diego, Calif., a girl, Emily Corinne, Nov. 15 to BRAD AND MARY ANN (MOON) BROWN, Oklahoma City, Okla., a girl, Heather Diane. Dec. 20 to RANDY AND NANCY (BARNARD) DIVELEY, Independence, Kans., a girl, Laecen D'Jean, Mar. 1 to NELSON AND BEVERLY (WELSCH) EAGLE, Fort Wayne, Ind., a boy, David Wesley, Jan. 4 to SHELBY AND PAMELA (HENDRIX) FAUST, Bethany, Okla., a boy, Dustin Blake, Mar. 14 to ROBERT AND DEBRA (WHALEY) JOHNSON, Mansfield, Ohio, a girl, Carrie Lynn, Jan. 14 to MAURICE AND KAREN (SANFORD) MOON, Oklahoma City, Okla., a girl, Lora Leigh, Feb. 26 to REV. MICHAEL AND MARY (HULL) PALMER, Fenton, Mo., a girl, Mary Amanda “Mandi,” Jan. 12 to BRYCE AND BONNIE (PARKER) PELREN, Colton, Calif., a boy, Tony Bryce, Mar. 5

to ARLAN AND PAM (STORM) REDENBAUGH, Hutchinson, Kans., a boy, Jeffrey Allen, Jan. 2 to REV. DOUGLAS AND ARLENE (MILLER) RE­STRICT, Fairfax, Va., a boy, William Chad, Feb. 25 to MARK AND MARY (SMITH) TWYMAN, Guy­mon, Okla., a boy, Heath Brandon, Mar. 13

ADOPTIONS

by REV. DAVID AND KATHY (MARTIN) MACMILLAN, Koloapore, Ontario, Canada, a boy, Christopher David, Mar. 4 by KENNETH AND SYLVIA (JOHNSON) RONEY, Maitland, Fla., a girl, Lora Elizabath, born Jan. 15, adopted March 10

MARRIAGES

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Please excuse mistakes for I am past 90 years old and partly paralyzed.

Here is my question. Is it a fact that it is only about four miles from Bethlehem to Calvary; and that it took Christ 36 years to walk it? If so, is there not a lesson here for any who feel their lives have been unduly circumscribed? Please comment.

I wish every person over 90 had your love for the Lord and your interest in His Word—and all un­der 90 too!

Bethlehem, where Christ was born, is about six miles southwest of Jerusalem, where Christ died. He was in His early 30s at the time of His crucifixion. Of course, His life and ministry covered many miles of travel, much of it beyond these two places. We know that He ranged as far north as Caesarea-Philippi and as far south as Egypt. However, compared with millions of people, He didn’t live long or travel far. Literally, then, it did not take Him 36 years to walk from Bethlehem to Calvary. But the sentiment you express and the application you make are, I think, quite valid. The quality of life cannot be measured by miles or years, but by fellowship with God and usefulness to His kingdom.

Was Jesus ever permitted, by the Father in heaven, to use His divinity, while on earth, to solve any of His personal problems? As the Word made flesh, the God-man, Jesus, was unique. Our access to His self-consciousness is very limited and makes dogmatism unsafe. However, passages such as John 14:10 and Matthew 12:28 convince me that Jesus lived His life and did His work in the power of the indwelling Father and Spirit. He overcame temptation by the Word of God (Matthew 4:1) and refused to be de­livered from impending death by angels (Matthew 26:53). In other words, He served and triumphed, utilizing resources available also to His followers.

Please explain Isaiah 59:19b. In the King James it reads, “When the enemy shall come in like a flood, the spirit of the Lord shall lift up a standard against him.” The NASB reads, “For he shall come like a rushing stream which the wind of the Lord drives.” Phillips and The Living Bible read similar to the NASB.

The NIV comes close to saying the same as the NASB, Phillips, and The Living Bible, but gives a reference to the King James Version. This has bothered me each time I come to it. I prefer the King James. Which is correct?

In chapter 59, verses 1-8 describe the alienation of Israel from God because of her sins. Verses 9-15a contain a prayer of confession offered by Isaiah on behalf of exiled Israel. Verses 15b-21 proclaim God’s response. Finding no human deliverer available, He comes himself as a conquering warrior to liberate His people. He shall come in the power of the Spirit, or as a wind-driven torrent, to overcome their enemies and rescue His people. To their oppressors He is an enemy, to them He is the Redeemer. According to Adam Clarke “all the rabbins” refer this oracle of salvation to the Messiah. Most modern inter­preters prefer the rendering, “For he shall come,” to “When the enemy shall come.” The Hebrew is difficult to translate. In either case, a precious promise emerges. If the Lord is intended, He rolls over His enemies like a resistless flood and we are delivered from them. If those enemies are intended, the Lord opposes and conquers them, delivering and securing us. I prefer the RV translation, but see no value in being dogmatic about it. The message of the total passage comes out the same.
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On March 13, Jacksonville, Fla., Central Church celebrated its 40th anniversary. Rev. Aubrey Ponce, founding pastor, preached in the morning service. Rev. I. W. Justice, a former pastor, preached in the evening service.

Dinner was shared together at the noon hour in Graham Hall. Special music and a great time of fellowship was enjoyed with the many church friends in attendance. Rev. H. G. Snellgrove is the pastor.

NWMS COUNCIL PLANS CONVENTION

Dr. Louise Chapman, general NWMS president emerita, gave the General NWMS Council a taste of mission enthusiasm that spawned programs such as Alabaster, Prayer and Fasting, Boxwork (now LINKS), and 10 percent giving (churches that give 10 percent of their income toward missions).

Dr. Chapman and Dr. Mary Scott, former NWMS executive secretary,
were invited to the council meeting in recognition of the 75th anniversary of the church.

The council began to look in detail at a possible agenda, methods of streamlining the convention, and names of people who can help make this international event both inspiring and informative.

A highlight of the council meeting was an evening gathering that focused on the new Nazarene seminary in Mexico. The council members brought stones from their world areas as a pledge of prayer support for the seminary. These stones will be used in a “Friendship Path” at the seminary.

During the evening, Dr. H. T. Reza, seminary president, explained that construction is slated to begin this spring, and that he has plans to be in the first building by early 1984. As part of the evening, the General NWMS Council presented Dr. and Mrs. Reza with an award for outstanding service to missions.

In another evening meeting, council members heard reports from the following regional directors who gave an update on what is happening on mission fields around the world: Dr. Richard Zanner, Africa; Dr. James Hudson, Caribbean/Latin America/Mexico; Rev. Darrell Teare, South Pacific; Dr. L. Guy Nees, Europe/Middle East, and reporting on Asia for Dr. Don Owens.

Other council business included the following:

- Council approved supporting “The Year of the Building” by setting a goal to double the Alabaster offering during the 1984-85 assembly season.
- Council reviewed plans to promote the October 1, 1983, Day of Prayer and fasting, in which all Nazarenes will be called on to pray and fast for today’s mission needs around the world. This special emphasis is being directed by NWMS as part of the Diamond Jubilee celebration of 75 years of Nazarene church history.
- Phyllis Brown, general NWMS director, reported that a computer program is being developed to help carry out the increasingly complex LINKS work. LINKS is a mission program that assigns districts and local churches to specific missionaries for two years. During that time, the churches and missionaries keep in touch and support one another.

The next meeting of the council has been set for October 8-10, 1984, possibly at the Anaheim convention site.

NWMS Council members attending the February meeting included: Rev. Ricardo Valenzuela, representing the Asia Region; Mrs. Ruth Hightower, Canada; Mrs. Evelyn Gibson, Central U.S.; Mrs. Barbara Flemming, East Central U.S.; Mrs. Doris Carnahan, Eastern U.S.; Rev. Torsten Jansson.
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esperilla, Mexico/Central America/
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Southwest U.S.; Rev. John Kerr, South
Pacific; Rev. Richard Gammill, Men in
Mission director at large; Mrs. Lela
Jackson, general NWMS president; Dr.
L. Guy Nees, World Mission director;
and Mrs. Phyllis Brown, NWMS direc­
tor.

COPLES ACHIEVE CERTIFIED
LEADER COUPLE STATUS IN
MARRIAGE ENRICHMENT

The Leader Couple Evaluation Com­
mittee has granted certification to the
following couples for Nazarene En­
richment ministries.
The four couples are: Stan and Cé­
cile Bengtson, Sherwood Park, Alberta,
Canada; Richard and Sharon Bushev,
Howell, Mich.; Merwin and Becky
Doud, Medford, Ore.; and Ken and
Margaret Cullen, Flint, Mich.
The Bengtsons, Douds, and Cullens
are active laymen in their respective
churches. The Bushevs are now serving
the pastorate at the Howell church.

These four couples have completed a
minimum of one year as provisional
leader couples. During this time they
have led a prescribed number of re­
treats or growth groups to be evaluated
by the participants. The evaluations
have been outstanding on all four cou­
ples.

We praise the Lord for the redemp­
tive impact that has been evident
through the ministry of these leader
couples. He is faithfully granting re­
newal and revival to Nazarene homes
through the dedication and leadership
of Nazarene leader couples. At this
writing, there are 116 couples either in
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GLEN VAN DYNE JOINS CHURCH GROWTH DIVISION STAFF

The Church Growth Division has appointed Rev. Glen Van Dyne to serve in Church Extension Ministries, as of April 1, 1983.

Rev. Van Dyne is editor of Mission Alert, the bimonthly magazine of Church Extension Ministries, as well as the information person for Church Extension materials to the Herald of Holiness, Preacher’s Magazine, and other church periodicals.

Rev. Van Dyne comes to the Church Growth Division from 25 years of pastoring. Fifteen of those years were spent serving either home mission churches or on home mission districts. He has served in Colorado, Arkansas, Hawaii, California, Alaska, and Oregon. While in Alaska, he helped the church establish a Christian television ministry, called ACTS, which ministered to native American groups, such as the Eskimos.

Rev. Van Dyne is a 1954 graduate of Bethany Nazarene College, and a 1958 graduate of Nazarene Theological Seminary (1979). He has also done graduate work at the University of Hawaii. He is married to the former Mary Jo Scott. They have two children. —NN

FOUNDER’S DAY FESTIVAL ANNOUNCEMENT

As part of the 75th Anniversary activities of the Church of the Nazarene, a special service is being planned at Pilot Point, Tex., Thursday, October 13, 1983 at 10:30 a.m.

The General Secretary’s Office would like to have the names and any information available of persons, still living, who were present at the historic union at Pilot Point on October 13, 1908. Please send the information to the General Secretary’s Office, 6401 The Paseo, Kansas City, MO 64131. —NN

MILLER TO EDITORIAL ASSIGNMENT IN CHRISTIAN LIFE AND SUNDAY SCHOOL

Mr. Stephen Miller, editor in the Nazarene World Mission Society, has accepted an appointment to be editor of Elective Curriculum for Adult Ministries. Mr. Miller is moving into the assignment vacated by Rev. Gene Van Note, who has recently become editorial director for Adult Ministries. In his new position, Mr. Miller will serve as editor of Probe, Emphasis, and the Dialog Series books.

He comes to Adult Ministries from editor of Focus magazine, the new Adult Mission Resource packet, and editor of audiovisual projects that promoted missions. He also edited the 1983-84 missionary book, To Dust a Pearl, a collection of favorite missionary stories from Nazarene missions’ history.

GORDON WETMORE ACCEPTS PRESIDENCY OF NNC

Rev. Gordon Wetmore, pastor of Kansas City First Church, has accepted the election of the Board of Regents of Northwest Nazarene College to be the new president of the college. He will take over the duties of the presidency July 1, 1983. Rev. Wetmore succeeds Dr. Kenneth H. Pearsall, who has resigned to make himself available for foreign service in the Church of the Nazarene. Dr. Pearsall has been president of NNC for the last 10 years.

Rev. Wetmore is a 1955 graduate of Eastern Nazarene College, and a graduate of Nazarene Theological Seminary (1959). He has also done graduate work at Boston University, Harvard Divinity School, the Methodistological School of Ohio, the Lutheran Theological Seminary of Columbus, Ohio, and is presently a candidate for the Doctor of Ministry degree from Fuller Theological Seminary in Pasadena, Calif. He has pastored churches in Wisconsin, Massachusetts, Ohio, and Missouri. He is president of the General Board, Church of the Nazarene, and has served on a number of committees of the General Board and in the general church. While in Massachusetts he also served as chaplain and later dean of students at ENC.

Rev. Wetmore is married to the former Alice Jean Shoff. They have four children, A. Gordon, Jr., Timothy Roy, Paul Frederick, and Judith Alice. —NN

SIMULTANEOUS REVIVALS BRING NEW LIFE TO CHURCHES IN THE SOUTH

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The Largo, Fla., church thoroughly prepared for their revival with Ellis Blythe as evangelist. They advertised through visual arts materials and newspaper articles. They conducted special prayer for their community, as well as for their church. They culminated the preparation with a special all-night prayer vigil.

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In Fitzgerald, Ga., Pastor James Hubbard writes that through the Simultaneous Revivals God has been working in the hearts of individuals, renewing the congregation as well.

One new convert brought five of her friends to the revival services. All five of them accepted Christ and a new Christian’s class has been set up to discipline them.

Another person who had been in jail and on drugs for years accepted Christ. He had attended Sunday School as a child, so the church, over the years, kept in contact with him and prayed for him. The young man now feels called to preach. He has already brought many of his old friends to the services. He has sparked the church to reach out to those with drug and drinking problems.

Pastor James Hubbard comments, “These are exciting days at Fitzgerald.” —NN
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