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On this special Nazarene Publishing House Sunday, please accept our sincere "thank you" for your support, loyalty, and interest in this specialized ministry of our church.

Bud Lunn
M. A. "Bud" Lunn
Manager

AN EDITORIAL

NAZARENE PUBLISHING HOUSE— OUR HERITAGE

“THE GROWTH OF THE NAZARENE PUBLISHING HOUSE HAS BEEN ONE OF THE SUCCESS STORIES OF THE HOLINESS MOVEMENT IN THE TWENTIETH CENTURY.”

WE HAVE BEEN REMINDED often in recent months of our wonderful heritage in the Church of the Nazarene. Standing high on the list is the Nazarene Publishing House. It is an institution that merits our highest praise and without which our church could not function properly. The Publishing House was here when most of our present generation joined the church, and sometimes we tend to take it for granted.

The printed page has served as an important ministry since the beginning of the holiness movement. It has been a backup to the expanding evangelism of the movement as well as a factor in communicating the doctrine of holiness to the people. Through the printed page the mission and cardinal doctrinal emphasis of the church has been kept alive.

The growth of the Nazarene Publishing House has been one of the success stories of the holiness movement in the twentieth century. From humble beginnings it has come to be the largest publisher of Wesleyan holiness literature in the world. Last year the Publishing House printed 82,694,106 books, periodicals, and other literature promoting the church. Its gross income for 1983 will be nearly fourteen million dollars. In cooperation with our sister holiness denominations it also publishes the Aldersgate Sunday School materials.

As with all successful institutions, the Nazarene Publishing House is the story of dedicated and skilled management. From 1922 the name of Lunn has been synonymous with the Nazarene Publishing House. Mr. M. Lunn served from 1922 until his retirement in 1960. His son, Mr. M. A. Lunn, affectionately known as “Bud” throughout the church, has served since 1960, bringing the

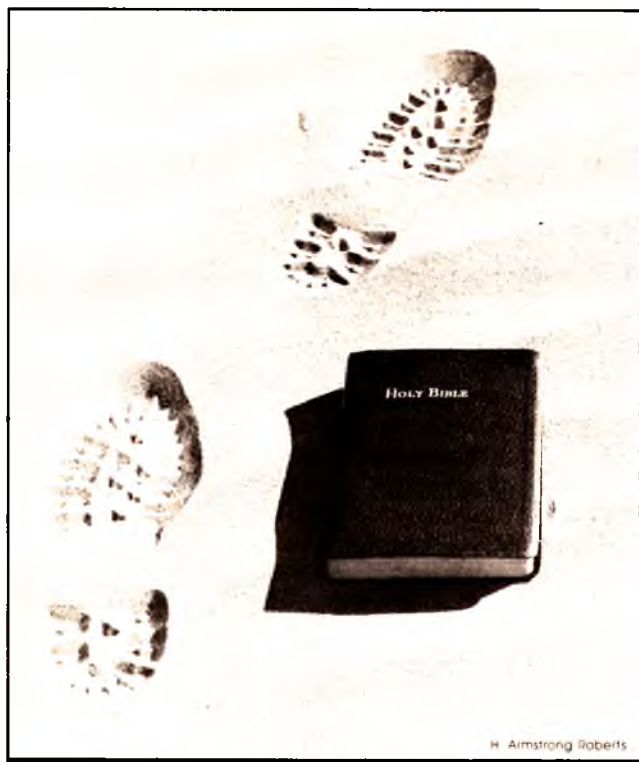
Publishing House to its present worth and status.

It is an exciting experience to walk through the printing area of the Nazarene Publishing House and listen to the throb of the giant presses as they roll out our periodicals, Sunday School materials, books, and music—all containing the joyful news of full salvation. Its ministry through the printed page fulfills the needs for every age both within and without the church. This great institution is entrusted today with the publication and preservation of Wesleyan holiness literature for both present and future generations.

We extend to Mr. M. A. (Bud) Lunn and the 290 employees of the Nazarene Publishing House our sincere congratulations. They deserve our full support and a place on the prayer list for our daily devotions. □



by General Superintendent Charles H. Strickland



IN THE DESERT

by MARY E. LATHAM

NO ONE ever told me a Christian could go through times like this." Almost in tears, she described the spiritual dearth she had recently experienced.

Only days before, we had attended her mother's funeral. It was a beautiful service. One of God's choicest saints had gone home.

As much as this daughter loved her mother, it wasn't giving her up that hurt the most. It was this time of seeming silence from God during the long hours of illness and stress.

"I tried to find help in my Bible," she confided, "but they were just words. And I tried to pray."

This beautiful, talented lady described her distress. She was a devoted Christian, a Sunday School teacher, an ardent worker in the church. She and her dedicated husband had reared an outstanding Christian family.

"Of all the testimonies I have heard in my entire life, no one has ever told about going through a place like this."

I listened and understood what she had been going through.

She went on to tell me how help finally came. Another friend shared with her a similar experience. Dur-

ing a time of extreme pressure this friend had walked the floor. She was in such darkness she was tempted to think God had forsaken her. But light did break through in time. Then she realized she had been going through a desert place.

That was it! They both had gone through a desert experience. Why, even our Lord when He was here on earth went through the desert. It lasted 40 days. That was longer than either of them had been in the desert.

After His time in the desert, angels came and ministered to Jesus. And how powerful was His ministry after that barren wilderness experience!

I confessed to my friend that I had experienced such times.

"Well, have you ever written about that?"

I had to admit I had not.

"For the sake of young Christians please write about the desert. When you go through such a place and have never heard that any one else has been there, you think you are the only Christian ever to experience it. And a new Christian might even just give up."

I shared her concern for young Christians. In fact we both agreed that in the total fellowship of faith we should try to help each other understand that although there can be lean times, God is with us even then.

Our discussion brought us to the need for an enlarged conception of the Divine Nature, and also a clearer understanding of our own human nature. We were reminded that God's Word declares, "we have this treasure in earthen vessels" (2 Corinthians 4:7).

My friend could see how physical and mental weariness contributed to her desert experience. Through her mother's long illness, she had commuted hundreds of miles from her family to her mother's bedside.

There were days and nights in the hospital; there were tremendous pressures from church and community responsibilities. Loving her mother, watching her suffer, many factors converged to simply drain my friend emotionally.

Other Christians have gone through similar times. I am sure God is there. But the receiver of the human personality instrument is too numb to pick up His love messages.

It is somewhat like my little battery-powered radio. When the battery is exhausted, nothing comes through even though the music and messages are all around. We just don't hear them.

Perhaps God understands that we need this fallow time, this dormant period, this stillness. It must have been for times like this that He said, "Be still, and know that I am God" (Psalm 46:10).

I believe He knows, too, how much we can take. Psalm 103:14 says, "For he knoweth our frame; he remembereth that we are dust."

Because He promised His presence, we know He is with us. We can take this as fact. And someone has said, "You don't have to *feel* a fact to make it so."

Yes, the same Shepherd who leads us beside still waters, makes us to lie down in green pastures, and causes our cup to run over will be with us though we walk through the valley of the shadow of death. And His goodness and mercy shall follow us all the days of our lives—even though we might sometimes find ourselves in the desert. □

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PRISONER CONVERTED

I am a 20-year-old inmate of the Indiana State Prison. I have been incarcerated for approximately three years. I have lost all contact with the outside world, but I have found one sincere Friend and that's Jesus Christ. I have accepted Christ as my personal Savior and that is something that I'll never regret.

Alvin McNary
Michigan City, Indiana

SOFTBALL OUTREACH

The Wausau Zone Slowpitch Softball League proved a successful "tool" to "backdoor evangelism" this past summer.

Five Nazarene churches (Antigo, Laona, Mattoon, Marshfield, and

Wausau) competed. Marshfield had the privilege of combining one of its sponsoring church planters—the Wisconsin Rapids Church of the Nazarene—with its team. The promoter, planner, and elected commissioner was Rev. Howard Black from Antigo.

Each team player was assessed a two-dollar fee, which went to purchase softballs and trophies. The Marshfield team received a league trophy for a perfect 8-0 season. Marshfield also received a trophy that went to its Wisconsin Rapids church planter for second place in tournament play.

New faces are being seen in some of these churches. Here is an ideal outreach program for the summer.

One youngster from Marshfield found Jesus Christ as his Savior at a Wednesday night prayer meeting.

Rev. John J. Snyder
Marshfield, Wisconsin

WAR ON SIN

I would like to thank Rev. Stan Meek for his excellent article "Can Christians Be Good for Nothing?" (8-1-83).

My prayer is that people were not only stirred but also moved by his article. We as Christians must wage war against Satan and his vices such as homosexuality, abortion, infanticide, euthanasia, humanism, atheism, pedophilia and on and on. Our freedom in the United States hinges on our work for God. If we

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1983 has been a special year, marking the 75th anniversary of the founding of the Church of the Nazarene.

For many, it has been a time of nostalgia, reviving memories about people and events of bygone days. For others it has been a period of learning about pioneer days of commitment, hardship, and courage; days of faith, with inspired visions of what we are enjoying today. It is good to recall those days of struggle and to tell our contemporaries that our heritage is more than a sentimental exercise of celebration. It is so easy to take everything for granted. It is proper that we should repeat with emotion-choked voice and accelerated pulse, "Hitherto hath the Lord helped us."

For the Publishing House, the past is of real value only if it fuels our faith and leads us to launch out into greater efforts to glorify God and advance His kingdom. My pastor, Keith Wright, recently preached about a crisis Moses faced in his career. It is told in Exodus 33.

Moses had orders to lead the Israelites to the place of crossing into the Promised Land. Surely he was confident of God's power. He had witnessed the first Passover and the Red Sea crossing. He had seen many evidences of God's intervention and provision. You would expect him to outdo present-day overachievers

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in their self-reliance and goal orientation. But Moses, the greatest leader in all history, speaks with humility and utter dependence: "If your Presence does not go with us, do not send us up from here" (Exodus 33:15, NIV).

These words might well be appropriate for us as we go forward, stirred as we have been by our 75th anniversary celebration. There used to be a wall motto hanging in many of our homes: "With God all things are possible." But the converse is also true: Without His presence, we are headed for dismal defeat.

But, by God's grace, defeat is not in our vocabulary. With unity of faith and purpose, with self-discipline and continued commitment, we repeat the words of Joshua: "One of you routs a thousand, because the Lord your God fights for you, just as he promised. So be very careful to love the Lord your God" (23:10-11, NIV).

A plaque is imbedded on the outside wall of the Publishing House in an enclosed patio enjoyed by our employees. It reads:

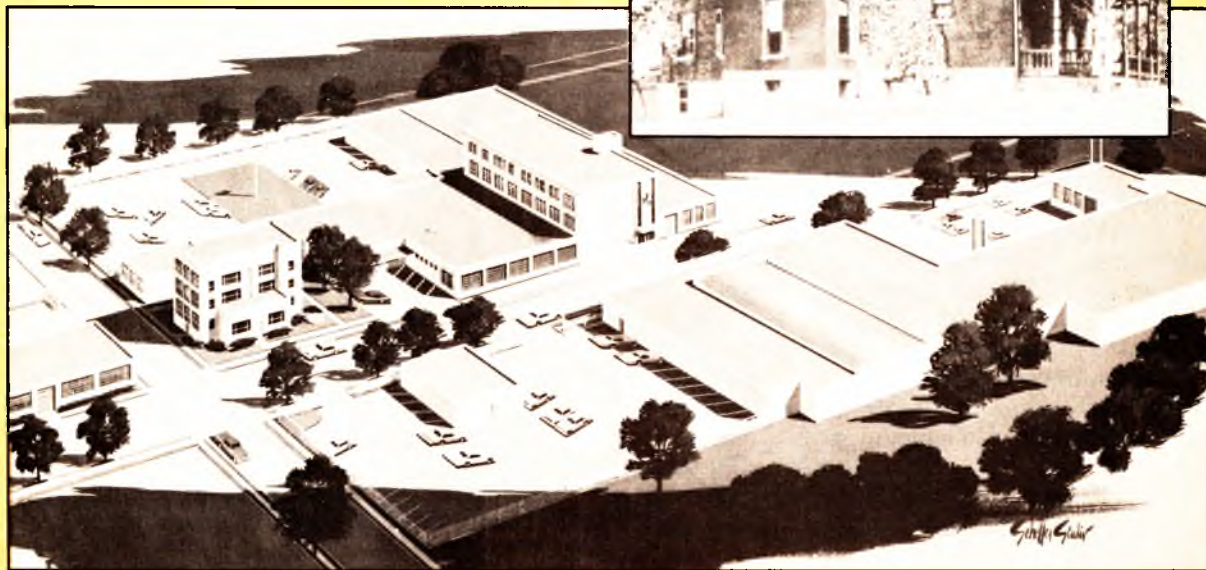
*Lord Jesus, make thyself to be
A living, bright reality
More present to faith's vision keen
Than any outward object seen;
More dear, more intimately nigh
Than e'en the sweetest earthly tie.*

Let us make this the prayer of our hearts, and go forward with confidence! □

75th Anniversary... and on

by M. A. "BUD" LUNN

Shown (x) is the building that originally housed the Nazarene Publishing House and Headquarters. This 14-room mansion was used from 1912-26. Headquarters and seminary are now four miles southeast of the publishing house on a 22-acre site. Below is an aerial view of the present Nazarene Publishing House complex.



CERTAINTIES

◆ FOR THE NEW YEAR ◆

HOW WE ALL long for permanence! Yet when we look back on last year we are reminded of life's instability. Frequent changes come to all of us. This world is a thoroughfare, not a terminus.

Some of life's good things last a long while, but not forever. Social institutions and cultural forms decay; we cannot arrest these processes.

What changes will the New Year bring to us? We do not know. Changes can be disturbing. They can spell insecurity, though national leaders are trying to give us greater security.

Yet we need not be concerned for the future. What is vital is not the changeable, but the changeless.

God our Father will not change. James says He has no "shadow of turning" (1:17), no "variation from a set course, rule or pattern," as J. B. Mayor put it. It is impossible for Him to change. Being perfect He cannot improve. He cannot become worse or He would cease to be perfect.

Look at a cube from any angle and it always appears the same. We may turn it this way or that but the shape does not vary. So it is with God's character: from whatever aspect we examine it, it is always perfect.

Since God is sovereign, no one can force Him to depart from His chosen plans. Our plans are never certain because forces greater than ourselves exist in the world and can prevent our doing what we purposed. God never faces such an issue. He claims for himself: "My counsel shall stand, and I will do all my pleasure . . . I have spoken it, I will also bring it to pass; I have purposed it, I will also do it" (Isaiah 46:10-11).

Since God is unchangeable, He will be as kind in the new year as He has been in past years. His love and mercy do not change (Psalm 103:17). Those who are kind to us today may be unkind tomorrow. Our Father's kindness is unchanging. God says: "I have loved thee with an everlasting love" (Jeremiah 31:3).

A young man, who had a devoted father, stole some money from his employer's till. He was detected and given a prison term. This stained the family's good



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name. Before he began his sentence, his sister visited him in prison.

"What does Mother say?" he asked.

"Mother washes her hands of you," she replied.

"What do the others say?"

"They never mention your name."

Then came the vital question. "What does Father say?"

The answer was, "Father sends his love and a kiss."

While we are unsure that our love for God will be constant, we are certain that His love for us will never diminish at any time in the year.

The unchangeable nature of God is a foundation on which we can rear the whole structure of our lives in this and every future year.

Jesus Christ will not change. Hebrews 13:8 affirms: "Jesus Christ the same yesterday, and today, and for ever." In heaven there is One who is unaffected by earthly changes. Creation changes, but He does not.

He will not change His plans so that He keeps us today and forsakes us tomorrow. His character will not vary so that He brings us good today, but evil tomorrow.

As Jesus is unchangeable, His intercession for us will not slacken. We shall not lose His supply of grace for Christian living. His tenderness of heart and touch of sympathy will not change.

Every day of the year He will be arrested by the cry of the distressed, will value the poor widow's gift, and will put His arms of love around little children. Our joy is that earth's changes can only bring the unchangeable Christ and ourselves closer together.

God's Word will not change. "For ever, O Lord, thy word is settled in heaven" (Psalm 119:89). No part of it will become obsolete nor will any additions be made to it. Its truth is unchangeable. It can never become falsehood; God is its author.

In the new year, the Word of God will give us the same benefits as before. We shall still find the "comfort of the scriptures" (Romans 15:4) when sorrow strikes us. Millions of people like ourselves have had their sorrows. As they turned to its pages and accepted

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its message, the Word of God turned their sorrow to joy. Ours will be, too.

Dr. Edwin Orr tells of an incident at Westover Field in Massachusetts where he was base chaplain. It was his duty to go to a girl to break the news of her husband's death. Her father had died five months before, her mother had died at her birth; her husband had been "all she possessed." She wept. He wanted to comfort her. He read the 23rd psalm till he came to the phrase: "Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for thou art with me." She was comforted. The Holy Spirit used scripture to console her in sorrow.

When we commit our lives to God, He will speak to us daily. We shall enjoy unspeakable integrity of God's promises.

In the coming year our personal conviction will be: "God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble. Therefore will not we fear, though the earth be removed, and though the mountains be carried into the midst of the sea" (Psalm 46:1-2). □

Expectancy

Another year!

*No need to fear
as day by day
He leads the way
for you and me.*

Is this the year . . .

*When we shall hear
the trumpet blast
as Christ our Lord returns at last
for you and me?*

—GERALDINE NICHOLAS
Abbotsford, British Columbia



REJECTED!

by DONNA J. WOODRING

MEE? A PERMANENT REJECT? How utterly deflating!

Along with many others in our county I anticipated making a contribution on Blood Donor Day. Some were turned away because of temporarily impure blood resulting from colds, cuts, wounds not completely healed, or medications. They were advised, "Try again next time." Then there were the few who were told, "We appreciate your willingness, but with your medical history, you are considered a permanent reject." What a disappointment those words were to me.

For many, Blood Donor Day is an exciting time. One restaurant gives a free chicken dinner to each donor; another gives some steak dinners. Everyone who par-

ticipates insures the blood needs of his family for a year. If enough people respond, everyone in the county has coverage. All who give enjoy the privilege of wearing a brag badge that says, "I saved a life today. I donated blood," or "Be nice to me. I gave blood today."

As man gives blood for man to save human life, so Jesus Christ shed His precious blood on Calvary to give man *eternal* life. His is the pure blood of the spotless Lamb of God, forever acceptable to the Father for all sin.

Our Savior never wore a badge to brag about His sacrifice. The ugly nail prints in His hands and feet, the scar in His wounded side, shout to the ends of the earth through all ages, "I loved! I gave!" Though given over 2,000 years ago, His blood has never lost its power.

As a teenager I found new life through this blessed Redeemer. He saved me from all my sins and I knew it. A few days later He sanctified my heart and I've enjoyed life more abundant ever since. If I keep walking in the light as He is in the light, the blood of Jesus will keep me clean. Eternal coverage with all its benefits, too high and holy to comprehend now, will someday enable me to see my Savior face-to-face.

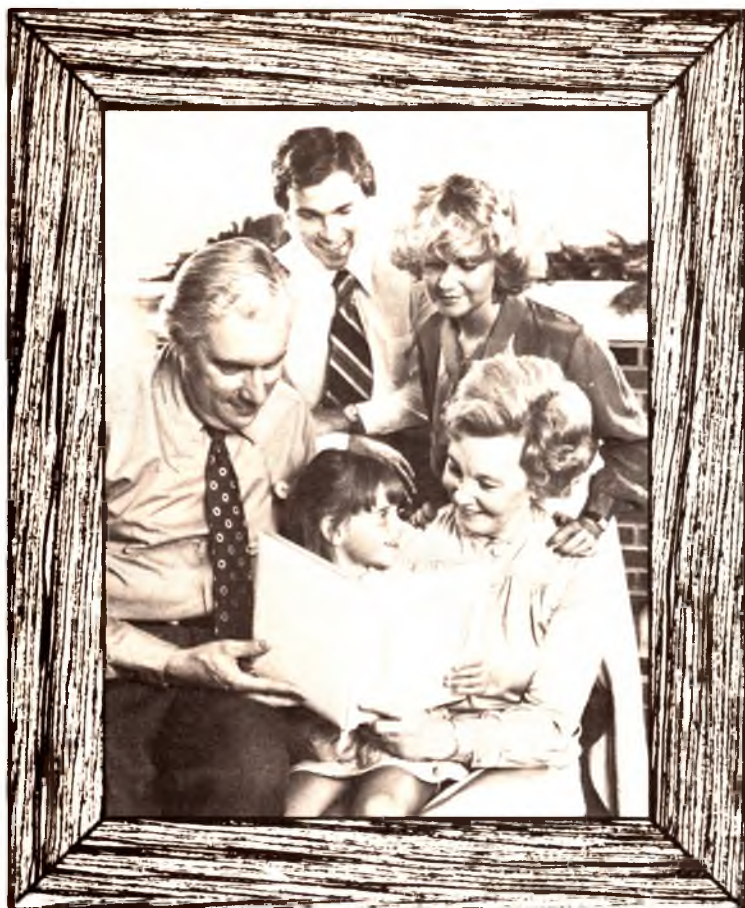
My heart can sing with William Cowper,

*There is a fountain filled with blood
Drawn from Immanuel's veins,
And sinners, plunged beneath that flood
Lose all their guilty stains:*

*E'er since, by faith, I saw the stream
Thy flowing wounds supply,
Redeeming love has been my theme,
And shall be till I die.*

Though never able to get the free dinner, nor wear a blood donor's brag badge, I can wear on my countenance the radiance and restfulness of one who is at peace with God. Though a permanent reject as a donor, I'm the eternal recipient of the blessings of Christ's shed blood. You can be, too. He said, "Him that cometh to me I will in no wise cast out" (John 6:37). □

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OUR HERITAGE IS NOT HEREDITARY

by IVAN A. BEALS

IN THE FIFTH GRADE, I was exposed to a course titled, "The Next Generation." At first I thought I would be confronted with the theory of evolution. But this course traced the hereditary traits animals passed on through their offspring in successive generations.

Besides size, sex, and coloration reproduced by various pairs of animals, we studied hereditary patterns in humans. The dominant character traits were noted in two contrasting families. They not only included physical traits, but also intelligence and how moral tendencies were reproduced. The disreputable lineage of the Jukes family was compared with the notable offspring of the Jonathan Edwards family.

The Jukes family were descendants of the two sons of a backwoodsman named Max. They married two of the Jukes sisters. One is known as "Margaret, the

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Mother of Criminals." Information was gathered about 709 of the 1,200 descendants and blood relations. Of these, 140 had been jailed for crime and 280 were paupers needing public support. The large majority were of low physical and moral standard.

The Edwards family produced several generations of famed preachers, theologians, and educators. Though the study of the Edwards family is not nearly so involved, the contrast in accomplishment is obvious.

Debate occurs every time one evaluates which has the greater bearing on a person's life—heredity or environment. Certain laws of heredity are definite contributing factors to the kind of children parents may have. However, two Christian parents do not automatically produce Christian offspring. I soon understood I was not born a Christian just because my dad and mother were Christians. I must choose Christ's way myself. Christian faith is not passed on by parental genes and chromosomes. Rather, it is transmitted by precept and example.

As a second generation Nazarene, I remember that God and the church were given top priority in our family life. In my young childhood I knew Dad paid tithe on what he made doing odd jobs. Somehow, the double mortgage on the house was also paid. Though the Depression forced the sale of our car, we went to Sunday School and church on the streetcar. During sickness, prayer had a vital role in the exercise of faith for recovery.

There is something gripping about seeing Christian faith in action. It is an enduring privilege. Above all else, my parents lived out their faith in God daily. My heritage of Christian holiness is most graphically shown through their personal trials and victories. Doctrine and experience were forged together in real life—not in mere theory.

On the wall, near the front door inside our house, was a printed motto with the picture of the head of Jesus. It said, "Christ is the Head of this home." Amid the struggles, sometimes only with bare essentials, despite tensions and misunderstandings, I never doubted the motto was true.

I remember the faith employed when my sister was bedfast for months with rheumatic fever. She eventually recovered, stronger than ever, and was able to care for our mother, who was found to have cancer. I recall my heartfelt "amen" as Pastor Ray Phillips read Paul's testimony at Mother's funeral. "I have fought a

good fight, I have finished my course. I have kept the faith" (2 Timothy 4:7).

Almost 21 years later, Pastor Mel Barrows asked me if I would like to give a eulogy at Dad's memorial service. I was immediately impressed with the tremendous heritage of faith my father had passed on to me. I spoke of the impact his example had on my life and ministry. His love for God's Word had whetted my appetite to know the Scripture. His faithfulness to the means of grace cautioned any carelessness on my part. He shared a faith that spanned the full measure of his 87 years.

From my earliest memories, I knew that more than anything else my parents wanted me to be a Christian. In some respects, because of my strong Christian heritage, it was easier for me to become a Christian than to rebel. It eventually became my happy choice to accept Jesus Christ as my personal Savior. Later, I invited His Holy Spirit to be my Sanctifier. But I didn't inherit my parent's salvation like the dimple in my chin. I received God's claim on my life by precept and example.

My two daughters and grandsons have a chin dimple similar to mine. They bear the family resemblance. But as Christian parents we can only be devoted examples and teachers of faith in Jesus Christ. My wife and I have endeavored to pass our light of faith on to them, third and fourth generation Nazarenes.

The choice remains with each successive generation. Our holy faith is not passed on through heredity, like a physical trait. It is handed over like a lighted torch, shining with God's truth which, when applied, saves the lives of every generation.

The "next generation" of Nazarenes will bear the distinguishing marks of their early holiness heritage as received by precept and example. The heritage is not hereditary. The holy character of the ongoing message and faith awaits our acceptance and devotion to that sacred trust. May each of us be faithful! □

SUNSET PRAYER

*My days upon this planet earth
Are numbered, this I know;
But may I win some trophies for
My Lord before I go!*

*May these few days that still remain,
Be filled with loving deeds,
Occupied, not with my own,
But with another's needs.*

*Though strength may fail, may there
still be
Some loving way to share
My precious Lord, and meet some need,
By touch, or smile, or prayer!*

—ALICE HANSCH MORTENSON
Racine, Wisconsin

Opportunity for Prayer

by WILLIAM GOODMAN

VIOLET'S first meeting with Peppy in the "Town House Tower's Home for Senior Citizens" was a challenging encounter. Both women were in the laundry room gathering their laundry together. Violet was watching Peppy, hoping to make eye contact so that she could introduce herself as a new arrival to the senior center. Peppy caught Violet's stare and snapped, "Quit looking at me, mind your own business!" With that response, Violet quickly picked up her belongings and returned to her apartment defeated.

A week later, Violet was on the elevator heading for the lobby to mail a letter. The elevator halted and Peppy entered. Violet nodded a silent greeting. Peppy responded: "Are you so stupid as to go to the lobby to mail a letter?" Violet attempted a reply, but the elevator stopped and Peppy walked out without even a glance back. The strained encounters between Violet and Peppy continued for many weeks.

One day Violet went into the laundry room and Peppy was there crying uncontrollably. Violet asked, "Dear lady, what is the problem?" Peppy stated that her oldest daughter had discovered she had cancer and was to have serious surgery immediately. Violet asked, "Would you mind if I prayed for your daughter's well-being?"

"Oh, would you? It would mean so much to me and my daughter if someone were praying." Violet left to find a quiet place for prayer. She was eager to pray and to see God work on Peppy's behalf.

A few days later Peppy saw Violet in the recreation hall, ran to her, and said, "Violet, Violet, your prayers worked, my daughter had her operation. It was a success and she will be all right. I appreciate and love you for what you did." That was a new day for the daughter, Peppy, and Violet.

During times of misunderstanding, times when people rub us the wrong way, times when we don't understand people's response, we need to pause and be patient like Violet, for surely a day will come when we will have an opportunity to share love, prayers, and the grace of God.

The Lord had Violet, Peppy, and all of us in mind when He directed James to write, "the prayer of faith shall save the sick. . . ." (5:15), and "the effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much" (5:16). There is someone in each of our lives who needs prayer, and there is a prayer that will be answered for each one who is faithful and righteous. □

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THANK GOD FOR EPWORTH!

by HERBERT McGONIGLE



VISITING RECENTLY, with some of our students, the Wesley home in Epworth, Lincolnshire, England, I was reminded again of how much that little place has given to the Church universal. Out from this isolated and otherwise insignificant 18th-century hamlet came brothers John and Charles Wesley to bless the nation with the good news of salvation. The revival fires that were kindled in the hearts of these sons of Epworth burned through the country, blazed across the Atlantic, and eventually reached and profoundly influenced the whole English-speaking world.

Standing in the rebuilt rectory, how easily the imagination recalls the past! The Reverend Samuel Wesley and his gifted and beautiful wife Susanna arrived here in 1696 with 5 children. In this home was born a remarkable family of 14 children, 10 of the total 19 surviving past infancy. All 10 were gifted and talented in their own ways, and John and Charles were to inaugurate England's greatest spiritual revival since the Reformation. Here in this rectory home were instilled those principles of devotion, discipline, hard work, and scholarly endeavor that were to be the hallmarks of later Methodism. In a very real sense, educationally, spiritually, and by the stamp of her strong character upon her sons, Susanna Wesley was "the mother of Methodism." All the children were taught by her and once a week each child was prayed with and instructed privately in spiritual matters. Years later John wrote home from Oxford University, wishing that his mother could again give him her Thursday afternoon counsel as she had done when he was a child. Truly this Epworth home was the cradle of Methodism—and not just biologically!

The present rectory replaced the former, which was burned to the ground on the night of February 9, 1709. The whole family had a fortunate escape and as Samuel and Susanna thanked God for their safe deliverance, suddenly, to their anguish, they saw the frightened face of five-year-old John at the top window of the flame-engulfed house. Almost certainly it was vicious parishioners who started the fire, but now two neighbouring men ran to the building. One climbed on

the shoulders of the other and rescued the child from imminent death. In that moment of dramatic rescue, the front wall of the rectory fell inwards. Had it fallen outwards, John and his rescuers would certainly have been killed and England would have been deprived of her greatest evangelist. In her private diary his mother wrote: "I do intend to be more particularly careful of the soul of this child, that Thou hast so mercifully provided for, than ever I have been, that I may do my endeavour to instil into his mind the principles of Thy true religion and virtue. Lord, give me grace to do it sincerely and prudently and bless my attempts with good success." History bears eloquent testimony to how amply that prayer was answered. Years later John Wesley added to one of his portraits an engraving of a house in flames with the caption: "Is not this a brand plucked from the burning?"

Standing in the rectory kitchen an early influence on John's life, not widely recognised, is recalled. While his father was away on prolonged church business in London, his mother was increasingly concerned about their parishioners' spiritual well-being. She felt the curate's ministry was not meeting the need, so she opened the rectory on Sunday evenings for spiritual instruction. At first just a few people came, then the numbers grew until the kitchen and surrounding areas were full of people. Susanna ministered to them with prayers, hymn singing, and by reading to them either a sermon or passages from spiritual literature. Samuel, hearing of this "irregular practice," wrote to his wife, warning her about the dangers of conducting a "conventicle," a private religious gathering banned by law. Susanna replied in a letter that was a model of logic, perspicacity, and the Wesley determination to do what is right regardless of the consequences. Here is her conclusion: "If you do, after all, think fit to dissolve this assembly, do not tell me that you *desire* me to do it, for that will not satisfy my conscience; but send me your *positive command*, in such full and express terms as may absolve me from guilt and punishment for neglecting this opportunity of doing good, when you and I shall appear before the great and awful tribunal of our Lord Jesus Christ." Young John was among those present on those Sunday evenings, and how like these "irregular" services were those he would promote in the years to come.

In the upper main bedroom there hangs the "Lily"

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portrait of Charles Wesley. In founding the Oxford "Holy Club" and in evangelical experience, Charles was actually the first Methodist. Dear, warmhearted, gifted, impetuous, generous Charles—Oxford don, classical scholar, open-air evangelist, and the Orpheus of the Evangelical Revival! Methodism without Charles Wesley, whose contribution to the whole Church was a legacy of more than 6,000 hymns, is as unthinkable as Methodism without John.

It was in this room that old Samuel Wesley died on April 25, 1735. John and Charles hurried home to Epworth and both give their accounts of their father's last hours.

To John he said, "The inward witness, son, the inward witness, that is the proof, the strongest proof, of Christianity." At the time he did not understand what his father meant. Three years later, however, when his own heart was "strangely warmed," the great evangel he began to proclaim had as a leading doctrine the glorious scripture truth of the witness of the Spirit—the witness his father testified to on his death-bed.

To Charles, the dying Samuel averred, "The Christian religion will surely survive in this kingdom; you shall see it though I shall not." How prophetic these words were! Samuel Wesley had laboured faithfully in Epworth for 39 years and saw little fruit for his efforts but his labours were not in vain. The seeds of authentic apostolic Christianity were sown in the hearts of his sons, John and Charles, and through them they would yet produce an abundant harvest.

No tour of Epworth is complete without a visit to the Parish Church where Samuel Wesley was rector from 1696 until 1735. His name is there among the list of incumbents and his family's names are on the baptismal register. From this pulpit he preached, as John also did during his two-year curacy from 1727 until 1729. Returning home in 1742, John was refused permission to preach in the church, so he announced that on that evening he would preach from his father's grave! The rector could forbid Wesley to preach in the church and anywhere else on the church grounds, but the tomb, outside the east wall of the church, was family property and John made it his pulpit.

It was Sunday evening June 6, 1742. Revival fires from the Wesley's preaching were beginning to burn throughout England and now Epworth's most famous son had come home. The news spread quickly among those country folk: "Old parson Wesley's son is back—and he be preaching in the churchyard!" The whole area was packed with people as the begowned Oxford don and open-air revivalist took his stand on the stone pulpit. What a scene! Merchant and miller, farmer and fisherman, soldier and smithy, weaver and washerwoman—all were there in that large, gaping, wondering crowd. How many among them remembered the preacher as a small pensive child taking his place every Sunday in the family pew? Were there some among them who remembered the night of the rectory fire 33 years before—perhaps even those responsible for setting the fire? And were those two brave but unnamed Epworth men there who, on that fateful night, had rescued the little boy from the flames?

Now John Wesley stands on his father's tomb and as the evening shadows begin to fall across the 13th-

century Norman Church, he proclaims his text: "For the kingdom of God is not meat and drink; but righteousness, and peace, and joy in the Holy Ghost" (Romans 14:17). Wesley remained eight days in and around Epworth on that first visit, preaching two or three times every day. For the rest of his long life, he would return once a year to this, his native place, for he was never ashamed of being a son of Epworth.

Our tour, however, is over and as we turn the cars and head westward over the Pennine Hills to British Isles Nazarene College, Manchester, what memories linger on of this little English village! Can any good thing come out of Epworth? Into the spiritual darkness and moral degeneracy of early 18th-century England, there was a man sent from God whose name was John Wesley, and his brother Charles, from Epworth. From this Lincolnshire hamlet there arose a river of grace that, like Ezekiel's, flowed out to bless and heal the land. Or, to change the metaphor, here in Epworth was the first kindling of that holy conflagration that would soon, in Charles' words, "Set the kingdoms on a blaze." Thank God for Epworth! □



Reviewing the Agenda of the Church

by C. NEIL STRAIT

IRAN ACROSS SOME WORDS from Rabindranath Tagore, the Indian poet, that pierced my mind. He said, "I have spent my life stringing and unstringing my instrument, and the song I came to sing remains unsung."

I believe the story of the church is here. How many years the church has existed, stringing and unstringing its program, its ministries, its purpose. And yet, to some degree, the story it came to share is still unshared.

I hear frequently words like "we're going to . . ." Or, "we're planning to . . ." It is then that I wonder how it is that we're just getting around to doing some of the things we were commissioned to do so long ago.

The church needs to take a look at its agenda. Are the important things getting done? Are they beyond the planning, "going to," stage? Are they happening?

May the message we have been commissioned to share, get shared! □

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A Miracle for Julie

by LOIS BRINKLEY

WE STOOD before the minister, our newborn girl dressed in a lacy christening gown for the ritual of dedication. This was the third time we had stood before the altar with a baby in our arms. Each time we had covenanted with God: "We give this child back to You. We will be the best parents possible, but we desire that she be used according to Your will."

Throughout the following years, we loved and nurtured our daughter to the best of our ability. We spent sleepless nights at her bedside and nursed her through all the childhood diseases. Now she was seven years of age and seemed to be filled with an extra helping of childhood energy.

We had recently moved from city life to a five-acre plot on the outskirts of the city. It was "country living" with all the comforts and luxuries of city shopping nearby. Our life was a bowl of cherries and we felt fortunate as a family. Then it happened!

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We heard three shrill screams, then dead silence! It was a hot and humid Oklahoma day. Sunday dinner was over and I was busy stacking the dishes in the dishwasher. The summer temperature had soared to 102 sweltering degrees.

I raised up from the dishwasher, puzzled about the screams. At first I discarded them from my mind as "fun screams." I remembered that Julie and her two friends had asked to play under the water sprinkler. I had given permission and assumed they were having a marvelous time. Then simultaneously, my pastor-husband and I looked at each other in alarm!

We rushed out the back door. Motherly intuition indicated something very bad was wrong outside. The water hose was connected to an old pumphouse well with an electrically operated pump. Julie had decided to place the sprinkler near the swing set. They could swing and enjoy the cool refreshing water at the same time. As she entered the pump house, her wet feet caused her to slip on the concrete floor, throwing her wet body across the electrical motor.

Our 14-year-old son Mark arrived at the scene first. I could hear him screaming, "Hurry, Daddy, it's Julie!"

The scene was ugly. There on the wet pump house floor lay our seven-year-old daughter, unconscious with 110 volts of electricity rushing through her small body.

Mark grabbed for her but was forced away by the electrical current. My husband reached for her, but her grip was firm on the pump. He finally pushed her loose with his foot. I stood there frozen, my mind rushing back to the moments before when I had given her my permission to play in the water. Feelings of guilt overwhelmed me.

Her face was a very deep blue, her arms were limp, flopping like a rag doll as her daddy picked her up. I began crying for God to touch our only daughter.

Through tear-dimmed eyes I watched Larry run with her toward the house. Larry's brother was visiting us. I yelled for him to get the car keys and followed my husband to the car. Panic stricken, we jumped into the car. Julie's face now was nearly purple. We must do something and do it quick! Jumping from the car, we laid her on the ground. Larry and Mark began mouth to mouth resuscitation. I kept praying and crying! She had swallowed her tongue, her eyes were set, and the look of death was upon her body.

Never before had I felt so helpless. I knew there was nothing I could do. I felt paralyzed. *Dear God*, I kept praying.

Larry managed to pry her mouth open, rescuing her tongue. Mark had completed a lifesaving course just the past winter, so he competently helped his father. Their work seemed to be in vain; there was no response from her. Quickly we got back into the car and rushed to the hospital. I nervously grabbed the CB, turned to the emergency channel, and asked them to alert the hospital that we were on our way.

"Break, break, Channel 9 . . . we have an emergency!" A man's voice came back. Giving his call numbers he said, "This is Emergency Channel 9 . . . identify yourself and please stand by!"

I froze. Seconds seemed like an eternity. Then the

voice boomed out again. "This is Emergency Channel 9 . . . May I help you?"

I tried to talk, but could not! Watching my husband and son working over our lifeless daughter was more than I could take. No words would leave my mouth.

My brother-in-law grabbed the CB microphone and gave the man the needed information. In a few seconds, the emergency channel aide told us the hospital staff was notified and waiting for our arrival.

I began to watch the expressway exit signs. The car sped along with emergency lights flashing and long, constant blasts of the horn as we flew by every car on the highway. I saw the sign—23rd Street and Southwest Boulevard. "Oh, God, will we make it? Please, God, let us make it on time! You have answered so many prayers for me. Please answer this *big* one this time!"

I looked toward the backseat; they were still busy! Larry shouted, "Mark, you breathe into her again. I'll work with her chest at the proper time!" I buried my head in my hands and continued praying. "Lord, You gave Julie to us, we gave her back to You. If you wish to take her, I know You will give us strength to face the days ahead!"

Staring at Julie, I thought I saw a fluttering eyelid. No, it must be just my imagination . . . she was already gone, I just knew it!

Then excitement and hope began to overwhelm me; my faith began to grow! "Oh, honey, keep trying, our prayers are being answered. I just saw an eye barely open!" Then it happened again, and I knew that God was on the scene. Suddenly she began gasping for air. Very spasmodically she was starting to breathe, showing life signs again!

Wiping tears from my eyes, I could see the hospital looming ahead of us. But like a maddening nightmare,

no matter how fast we drove, it seemed we couldn't get there quickly enough.

Twenty-first Street, 15th Street, 7th Street, the signs zipped by. Then I saw the sign for which I had been praying: "Oklahoma Osteopathic Hospital—Exit Right."

We pulled into the hospital emergency area. They had received our message and three nurses and two doctors were waiting. We laid her on the stretcher and they quickly wheeled her away.

With tears streaming down our faces, we gave the emergency room receptionist the information she needed. We knew it was completely out of our hands. They were doing all they could. We waited! Finally the doctor called our name. As we rushed toward him, he advised us they were going to watch her closely for a while. She was breathing on her own now and they were going to do a brain scan, EKG, etc.

In a few minutes, he came out saying we could see Julie. It was almost like seeing her for the first time again. We followed him back. There she lay, very pale and drawn, big tears rolling down her cheeks. She reached for us, as we did her. She sobbed. Larry and I joined her. Her big brown eyes met mine, and she whispered, "Oh, Mommy, I don't ever want it to be that dark again!"

With a prayer of deep gratitude to God for giving Julie back to us, we left the hospital. Julie had been unconscious with a cardiac arrest for five or six minutes; it was a miracle there was no brain damage! Mark should have received the full 110 volts of electricity flowing through his motionless sister when he touched her, as she lay on the pumphouse floor. It was a miracle that he didn't!

I believe that miracles still happen today in our busy, hectic, pressured world because I believe in God. □

The Most Fashionable Woman in Town

Lord,
I'd like to be
the most fashionable woman in town . . .
fashioned in Your image, that is;
dressed in a coat of righteousness
and a gown of obedience and holy living,
adorned with an inward beauty,
modeling the fruit of the spirit—
love, joy, peace, patience,
kindness, goodness, faithfulness,
gentleness, and self-control—
all timeless fashions that don't fade
with new style trends.
In fact,
the longer I wear them,
the better they look.
Now, one can't find these garments
on the half-of-half-price sale rack

of a local department store.
They are top quality—
no flawed material,
no broken zippers,
no missing buttons.
The Master Tailor designs His work well.
Each garment is sized to fit
the particular customer He has in mind.
Some consider the asking price a bit high,
but after all, it's an original!
The price of the entire ensemble
is a lifetime, all-out commitment
to the God who created you
and who sustains you, even now.
That's the bargain
of a lifetime
in my book.

—TRISH JACKSON
Meade, Kansas

MARTHA CHANGED MY LIFE

by RAUS GOODMAN,
as told to his wife, Wilma



PESSIMISM AND NEGATIVISM are family characteristics, and though I saw them clearly in my relatives, I never recognized them in myself. Not until Martha, that is.

I woke that morning with the usual stiffness, a slight headache, and a woozy stomach. I told Wilma, my wife, as I frequently did. She turned away without speaking, but I caught a glimpse of her face and saw something that bordered on disgust.

That angered me. "I hope you never have to go through this!" I thundered at her departing back. She said something softly. It sounded like, "I have."

I glowered my way through the morning, nailing up sheetrock on the 100-year-old farmhouse we were totally refurbishing. I could have remembered, had I wished to, the numerous times I'd missed work over the years, the many doctor's appointments that produced pain killers that didn't help, the hospitalization for "tests" that revealed nothing. I could have remembered the relative who died at 77, but who spent her last 30 or so years going to doctor after doctor, complaining that she didn't feel like doing anything, though she was evidently in good health. Or Uncle L., to whom you never said, "How are you?" for he would spend an hour telling you how bad he felt.

Most significantly, I could have remembered the months, some years ago, when Wilma had suffered a lot of physical ills. She endured constant and severe headaches, was nauseous, exhausted, and her mental outlook was morbid. She cried easily, barely managed to keep her housework done, and then often poorly and belatedly.

She had been certain she had hypoglycemia first, then a brain tumor, and finally cancer. At length, our wearied family doctor had kindly but firmly told her that her symptoms, though real enough, stemmed not from bodily malfunction but from her own attitudes toward situations in her life, situations that involved a cerebral-palsied child, among other things. Seventy-five percent or more of our pain symptoms, he told us, are rooted in the emotions and are actually caused by them.

Though wordlessly angry at the time, Wilma had read book after book, including *None of These Diseases* by McMillen and *Psychocybernetics* by Maltz, and eventually conceded. I knew that for years now she had refused to let herself be obsessed with negative thoughts, and I knew she hadn't seen a doctor for a long, long time, except for a tetanus shot when bitten by an animal.

Those things, however, I never identified with personally. My ills were real. It never occurred to me otherwise. At the prison where I work, morale had been ebbing for years. Men were quitting faster than new ones could be hired, and I was under constant stress. What is more, my efforts to advance most often netted a "qualified but not best qualified" rejection. Though I worked hard to do my best in spite of surly superiors, I hated to turn the corner into that parking lot. Not feeling well only compounded it.

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So this morning I pounded nails a full third harder than was necessary.

When I climbed off my aluminum stepladder at Wilma's cheery lunch call, I was still glowering.

After we'd eaten, she handed me a piece of paper that had been lying beside her plate. She said nothing, but I felt her eyes on me as I read.

SUNSHINE

*Spirits are happier
When the day is started
With a gay mood.
If you determine to be cheerful
"No matter what"
Things will look brighter.
Even if everything seems to go wrong,
It helps to maintain
A cheerful attitude.*

—Martha Shope

"One of the nursing home ladies wrote it," Wilma said as I raised my eyes. I only nodded and scrambled up to get the most out of my day off.

The words followed me, though, and I felt the tension lessen. Wilma and her friend Vivian had been teaching a writing workshop at a nursing center, and the writer of the poem was one of their students.

By the time I'd put away my tools for the night, I was feeling better than I had in months. I didn't have it in me to mention it, though. As it turned out, I didn't need to. Wilma brought it up as we sat on opposite sides of the bed.

"The poem," she said gently, almost reverently, "Martha wrote it. Martha is 53. She was in an auto accident and now she's paralyzed. She gets about in a wheelchair and she speaks only with tremendous effort. She holds her right hand with her left to write." Her voice dropped, and when she spoke again, there was a catch in her voice. "When he learned she'd be like that, her husband left her. So she lost herself, her children, and her husband, all at one time. Yet she writes poems like that. And she smiles."

I gulped, then swung into bed. Vividly I saw what I'd have done in Martha's circumstances—just what most of my relatives would have done—felt extremely sorry for myself and railed out at the injustice of it. I'd have complained incessantly, demanded almost constant attention. I'd have felt it was my due.

An understanding grew inside me. I saw myself for the complainer I was. I recalled hearing some who teach strongly on healing say that Christ bought our salvation and our healing. I'd not really bought that. I had, I realized, wanted to feel put upon, to somehow punish others by my illness, and to evoke sympathy from any willing ear.

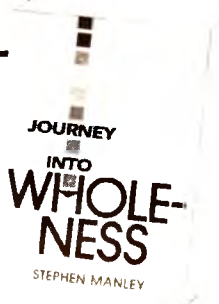
I don't understand why seeing that freed me from my symptoms. I only know that without ever meeting her, Martha changed my life. Everything is brighter now, my health is excellent. Nothing has really changed. Nothing, that is, except me. Well, one more thing. At my last personnel evaluation, I was recommended for immediate promotion. □

Book Brief

JOURNEY INTO WHOLENESS



STEPHEN MANLEY
author



THOSE WHO KNOW and love Evangelist Stephen Lee Manley will recognize immediately that a book he has written will be right down where we live, practically applying scriptural truths to our own day-by-day experiences. In his acknowledgments, Manley thanks "the numerous individuals in congregations across the land who patiently waited for this evangelist to learn more of the truth they needed to hear." The simple recounting of his own search through the maze of doctrinal terms—and the understanding revealed to him as a result—lights the up-

ward climb in "the journey to wholeness" and intrigues his readers to follow.

Many of us can relate to Manley's early-day feelings that "Christianity was departmentalized into sections of experience and doctrine." We also need to see how the parts of the puzzle fit together—to lay aside pet doctrines in favor of "a balanced Christianity that produces a whole, integrated living experience." He concludes that the common element is the power of God creating spiritual growth "which is the delight of the believer"—a movement toward total reconciliation in both mind and body. Prevenient grace, justification, sanctification, and glorification are the high points adequately explained, with the author adding helpful thoughts dealing with various plateaus, perplexities, and problems along the way.

Like any Spirit-directed book, each reader finds a message for his particular set of needs. It isn't hard in this well-outlined volume to spot where you are, where you've come from, and where you would like to be. Manley describes his own journey as "so tremendous I have wanted to stop sometimes and catch my breath."

The testimony and information were both so refreshing. In my opinion the author achieved his goal. □

—Evelyn Stenbock
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the editor's STANDPOINT

NPH, SERVANT OF GOD

Once again, in this issue, we pay tribute to our publisher, Nazarene Publishing House. We do so gladly and proudly, for NPH is doing a great work for the kingdom of God.

Throughout 1983 NPH, under the management of M. A. "Bud" Lunn, poured tons of Christian literature from its presses. Books, magazines, tracts, music, and other printed items have gone from its shipping docks to proclaim the gospel around the world. The employees of NPH who are involved in the production and distribution of this literature perform their tasks as a ministry. Besides earning bread for their families, they are providing spiritual food for thousands of people. We salute them all.

Who can measure the influence of the printed page? Communism, with its false gospel, keeps shoving books and papers into the hands of all who will read its propaganda. The Church, called by our Lord to disciple all nations, must be just as alert to opportunity. Wherever people have learned to read, let them be

supplied with a message that proclaims Christ and promises eternal life. Let a world filled with sin, pain, death, and grief be flooded with the literature of redemption and hope. NPH provides us with material to meet this staggering challenge.

Across the years, NPH has grown in size, in numbers employed, in products manufactured. Through this period of expansion, a sense of mission has persisted. NPH exists for the church, just as the church exists for the world. Its purpose is service, and every segment of our work as a church has benefited immensely from the ministry of NPH.

The printing press was first used to produce a Bible. Christians cannot view that event as accidental. From the initial output of Gutenberg's press until now, God has blessed and used those who publish His message. Conspicuous among His servants in recent years is NPH. To God we give profound thanks for all who are part of it and who share its vital work. □

DON GIBSON, SOUL WINNER

When Don Gibson died, our church lost one of its kindest leaders and one of its choicest soul winners.

While others talked about soul winning and prayed about soul winning, Dr. Gibson busied himself at the task of reaching others for Christ.

Equally important, this quiet, gentle, positive man trained others in personal evangelism. He taught hundreds of Nazarenes to proclaim the gospel in one-to-one conversations. The direct and indirect influence of Don Gibson has resulted in thousands of conversions to Christ.

Among those who were trained for this ministry is Ruth DeLong. In a recent letter she confessed that "for 20 years I knocked on doors weekly and do not recall ever leading one person to Jesus Christ." She was then trained by Gibson, who was her district superintendent. Her letter adds, "Since the fall of 1972 I have made sharing Christ, in the power of the Spirit, a way of life and hundreds of men, women, boys, and girls

have confessed their sins and invited Christ into their lives."

Ruth is now Outreach and Evangelism minister at our Orangewood church in Phoenix. She has served as a trainer and teacher in personal evangelism clinics in the U.S., Canada, and Jamaica. Each time she does this, the circle of Don Gibson's influence widens. She is one of many who cherish his memory and lengthen his shadow.

I've worked with Don Gibson in camp meetings and conventions. For a while, we were colleagues at Headquarters. Whatever his job, and the pressures and problems incidental to it, he demonstrated an un-failing love, courtesy, and optimism. He will be greatly missed from our ranks. Such men are not easily replaced. But as long as those he reached and those he trained continue to win others to Jesus Christ, Don Gibson will be a presence felt and revered in the church. Just thinking about him, and writing about him, makes me want to be a better servant of Christ and better friend to others. □

Wherever people have learned to read, let them be supplied with a message that proclaims Christ and promises eternal life. Let a world filled with sin, pain, death, and grief be flooded with the literature of redemption and hope.

POLLUTION CONTROL

I was dining with friends in San Diego at a Naval Officer's Club that overlooks the harbor. Jim Huffman told me about stringent pollution-control legislation that had been enacted to protect the harbor's water and air. A ship cannot pump out its bilges or blow the soot from its stacks in the harbor.

Wouldn't it help if we could enforce such laws in the church? The gossip could be told, "You cannot dump your bilge in the congregation. You must move beyond earshot before you voice your damaging rumors." Those prone to anger could be told, "Head for open sea before you blow your stack." Without an audience they would damage only themselves, and perhaps they would opt for wiser, safer behavior patterns.

Who can measure the pollution spread by the whispers of talebearers and the explosions of hotheads? Their words have fallen like bilge to poison, like soot to begrime the atmosphere of the church. Their words eat like acid rain, corrosive and destructive to the green life on which they fall. What a relief it would provide if

these sharp tongues and volcanic spirits could be effectively isolated!

Unfortunately, we cannot force them to open sea. The harbor continues to be spoiled with the sludge of hot, hasty, smutty, slashing words.

A better solution than isolation is sanctification. Such hearts can be purified and such tongues controlled by the abiding, cleansing Spirit of God. No man can tame the tongue, but God can. A man can bridle a whirlwind easier than he can rein his tongue. But God can cleanse the heart and the speech will become gracious, for "out of the abundance of the heart the mouth speaks."

Wesley tells of early Methodists rounded up and trundled off to face a magistrate. When the judge asked for the charges, one of the mob said, "They converted my wife." Before she had an awful tongue, now she was meek as a lamb. The judge ordered the prisoners released, saying, "Let them convert every old scold in town."

God can cleanse thought and refine speech. Let Him do it, or head for the open sea! □

DON'T JUDGE BY APPEARANCE

I got a sad letter a while back. An angry woman wrote to cancel her subscription. She was offended by two photos that showed men with beards and with hair that came below their collars. She dubbed them sissies and called me a hypocrite.

The next day, during my devotions, I read the words of our Lord, "Do not judge according to appearance, but judge with righteous judgment."

How prone we are to judge by appearance! This has been a besetting sin of some in the holiness movement. Those who so judged Jesus were Pharisees, confident of their own holiness and suspicious of all who disagreed with their opinions and standards. To them, Jesus didn't look right as Messiah because He healed people on the Sabbath Day.

Some time ago Evangelism Ministries published a pictorial directory of evangelists. Along with photos of current evangelists were pictures of evangelists in the holiness movement who helped to shape our heritage before they went to heaven. Some were bearded, some

not. Among those without beards were John Inskip, B. T. Roberts, J. A. Wood, W. E. Shepherd, and Mary Lee Cagle. Appearing with beards were William McDonald, Charles Finney, Daniel Steele, Joseph H. Smith, Sheridan Baker, Bud Robinson, and P. F. Bresee. Enough said!

Years ago I was preaching in revival services in Tampa, Fla. In the crowd each night was a brother preacher. Although I boasted of the love and power of Christ as Savior, he sat there with a scowl that would curdle cream. Before the meeting was over, I found out what was bugging him. I wore neckties and shaved on Sunday. From this he concluded that I was unholy and my ministry would be unfruitful.

Perhaps a subtle pride lies behind this practice of judging by appearance. The more people we can exclude from the circle, the more elite we seem to be!

I felt sorry for the woman who canceled her subscription. She was not only poisoning her own spirit, but she is missing some good reading! □



Behold, How We Differ

by G. ROGER SCHOENHALS

MY SON, Jonathan, takes care of his room. Usually the bed is made, the closets are neat, the floor is clean, and the dresser top is well-organized.

My daughter, Sara, maintains a disaster area. Though one year younger than her 11-year-old brother, she clearly does not share his flair for tidiness.

On the other hand, Sara's disposition is generally even and pleasant. She is relaxed, easygoing.

Jonathan tends to be uptight, more easily aggravated. His tolerance level is lower than hers.

Sara is self-sufficient. She can play by herself for hours at a time. I walked (climbed) into her room the other day and found her lecturing her dolls on word pronunciation.

Jon goes stir crazy if he's alone for five minutes. He thrives on action.

Sara is an avid reader. She can read circles around her older brother.

But Jonathan knows math. He can multiply and divide nearly as fast as a computer.

Jon saves his allowance. He has a respectable bank account for a fifth-grader.

Sara's the big spender. Money runs through her fingers like water.

Sara sleeps like a log. When the wake-up call comes, she groans and moans and buries her face in the pillow.

Jonathan bounces out of bed at the first whiff of breakfast.

When I ask the children whether they'd like to run an errand with me, Jonathan wants to know what he will get out of it. He weighs the pros and cons.

Sara dashes for her coat. She's ready to go with Daddy any time, anywhere.

Jonathan gulps down his food like a starving dog. And when he leaves the table you can always tell where he sat.

Sara plays with her food. She'd rather talk than eat.

Strange, isn't it—two children in the same family who are so different from each other?

Yet I love them equally. I enjoy their differences. I thank God for the unique blend of their temperaments and talents.

My children help me understand and appreciate the differences among my brothers and sisters within the family of God.

Some people tend to be more emotional than others. They prefer gospel songs with peppy rhythms and strong feelings. They like soul-stirring speakers. Others lean more toward the objective, the rational. They prefer the more stately hymns. They want sermons that stretch the mind.

Some of our brothers and sisters are tuned into the inner city. They have strong convictions about our responsibilities to the poor and downtrodden. Other family members seem equally intense about our responsibilities in suburbia.

Some people like to question everything. Others excel in listening.

There are those who complain, and those who encourage; those who give, and those who withhold.

Some look up and say, "It's partly cloudy." Others see the same sky and say, "It's partly sunny."

And think of the vocational assortment among us. Some have dedicated themselves to education, some to mission work overseas, and others to Christian witness in the secular marketplace. We have farmers, doctors, musicians, homemakers, electricians, postal clerks, athletes, morticians, and lots more.

Personality traits differ widely, too. We have the strong-willed, the sensitive, the humorous, the weak, the careless, the disciplined, and a thousand more.

Putting us all together you find an amazing array of different preferences, different interpretations, different opinions, different temperaments, and different abilities. No two of us are the same.

Yet God our Father loves us equally. He makes no distinction between us. We are one big family to Him.

That says something to me about tolerance and acceptance. About patience and understanding. It makes me put on the brakes when I come upon a brother or sister who differs from me.

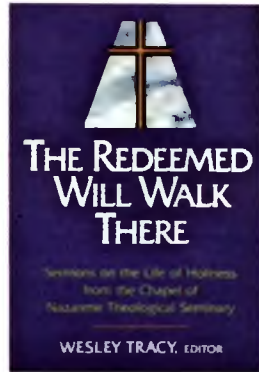
"Beloved, if God so loved us, we ought also to love one another" (1 John 4:11). □

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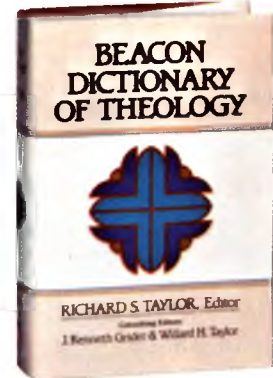
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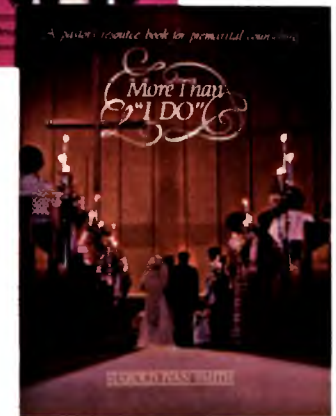
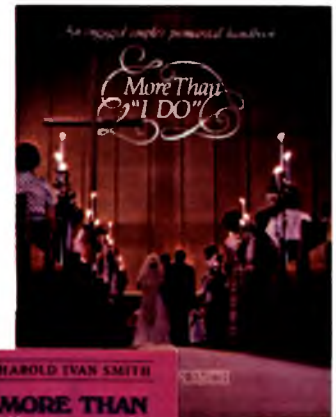
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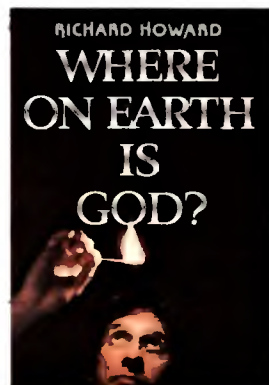
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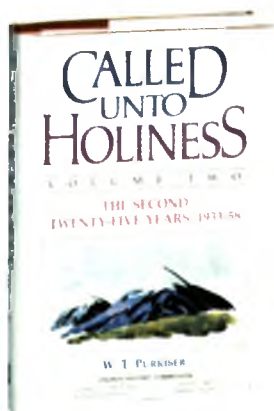
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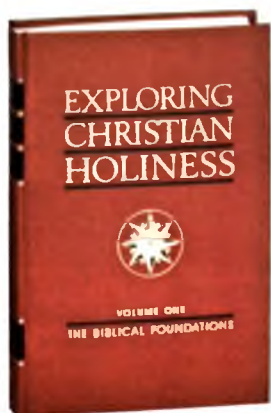
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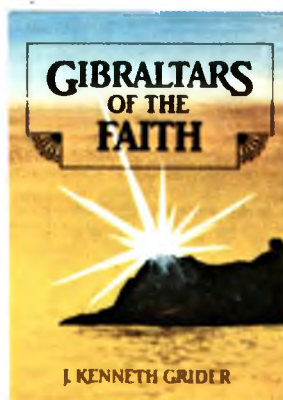


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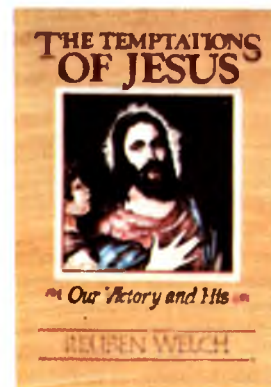
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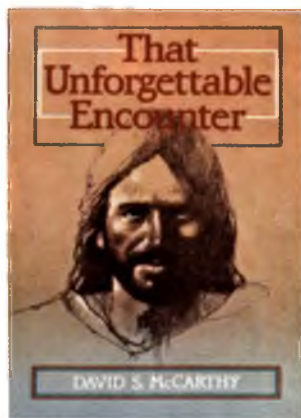
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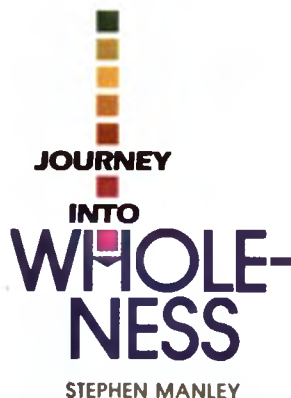
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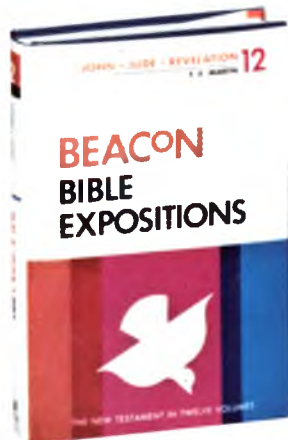


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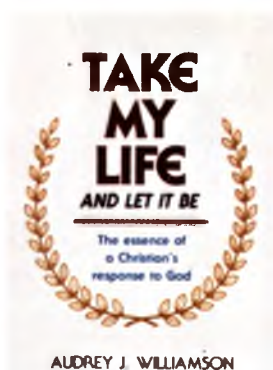
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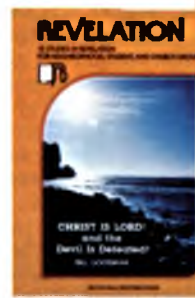
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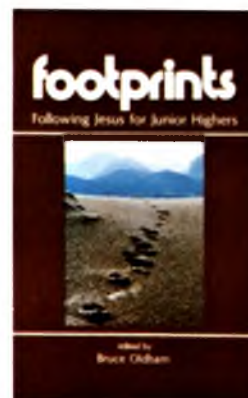
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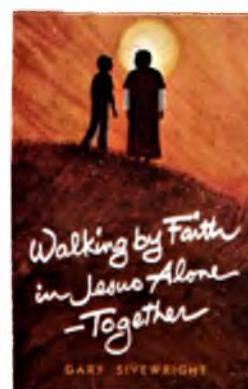
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Gary Sivewright is editor of *Bread* and a member of Youth Ministries staff, Church of the Nazarene.



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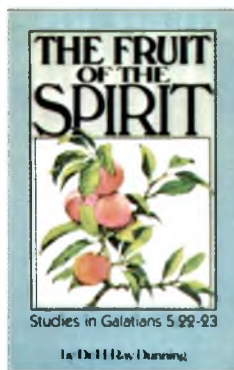
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Margaret Howard has provided four mysteries for children under the BHP imprint. She and her husband live in Lewiston, Ida.



THE FRUIT OF THE SPIRIT

By H. Ray Dunning. A challenging study explaining what the "fruit of the Spirit" is, and how it can be obtained. Starting from the premise that "fruit" is the natural outworking of one's inner character (as opposed to "work" one must do), the author leads to the conclusion that "fruit" is the virtues of Christ. Nine brief chapters each conclude with discussion questions for College/Career youth and others. 38 pages. Paper. **\$1.95**

H. Ray Dunning is chairman of the Department of Religion and Philosophy, Trevecca Nazarene College.

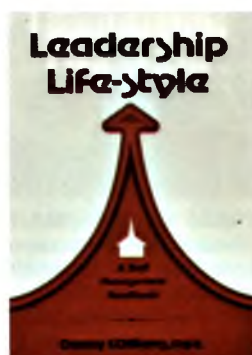


MY FATHER, MY FRIEND

By Alan Scott. What is God like? What does having a relationship with Him involve? How can God be both in control of the universe and a friend of mine?

These are some of the questions Fred wants answered, and his journey into discipleship forms the core of this book for young teens. The book is designed to lead young readers into a friendship-commitment, answering their questions along the way. 48 pages. Paper. 5½ x 8½. **\$1.95**

Alan Scott, a pastor in Nazareth, Pa., writes regularly for youth periodicals



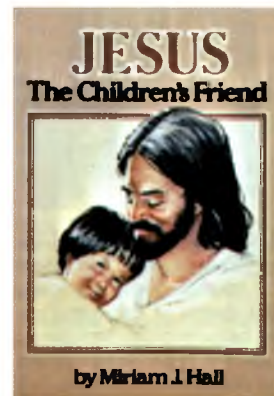
LEADERSHIP LIFE-STYLE

By Denny Williams, D.B.A. Management is

the theme of this practical compact reference, which will be of interest to any enthusiastic Christian in a supervisory position. The purpose of the book is to guide Christian leaders into better organization of people and the work load. It offers insight into facing difficult encounters, tips to selecting workers and interviewing applicants, and establishing solid staff relationships.

The pastor of any growing church will find practical guidance in every area of the work. 120 pages. Paper. 5¼ x 7½. **\$3.95**

Denny Williams, an ordained minister, now works in a motivation ministry to Christian professionals. His home base is Kansas City.



JESUS, THE CHILDREN'S FRIEND

By Miriam J. Hall. "Children are of inestimable value, not only to their parents and families, but to God and the church," says this author. Just how precious they are in God's sight is revealed in this eight-story study of the encounters of Jesus with children in the Gospels.

The book has been written to help parents, pastors, teachers, and others understand the "why" of children's ministries. 64 pages. Paper. 5¼ x 7½. **\$1.95**

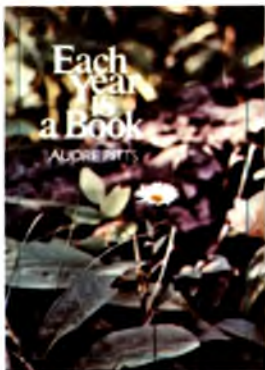
Miriam J. Hall is director of Children's Ministries for the Church of the Nazarene.



RUN AFTER PEACE

By Virginia Volk Thompson. Wife and mother, fourth grade school teacher, active church member, and public speaker in demand, this author bares her heart to show the problems that can arise out of the busy-busy syndrome, and what can be done to avoid them. Her advice is to slow down, allow time to relax, and time to commune with God. She offers viable tips on how to do it. 48 pages. Paper. 5¼ x 7½. **\$1.50**

Virginia V. Thompson is a public school teacher with three children of her own. Other books are *Help Me, Lord* and *Speak to Me, Lord*.



EACH YEAR IS A BOOK

By Audre Pitts. A warm anthology of original poetry, free verse, and hilarious experiences from the author's growing-up years.

Many people come to mind for whom this would make "the perfect gift." Speakers and program planners should not overlook the book, since the material is arranged monthly, with a seasonal emphasis. 104 pages. Paper. 5¼ x 7½. **\$2.95**

Audre Pitts, a retiree from Oregon, is author of *Let My Life Sing* and *I Talk to Myself a Lot*.

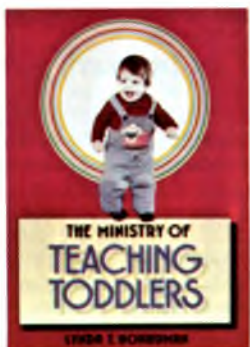


HOW TO GROW AN ADULT CLASS

By Tom Barnard. The author, a Christian educator and curriculum authority, shows that the adult Sunday School class is a place for discipleship and outreach, as well as a place to learn and grow. The book's seven chapters cover facets of the adult class where there can be either numerical growth, or loss.

The book is designed to get members of the average adult class involved in leadership and active in caring about others. 88 pages. Paper. 5¼ x 7½. **\$2.95**

Tom Barnard is executive assistant to the president of Eastern Nazarene College, and professor of religion.



THE MINISTRY OF TEACHING TODDLERS

By Lynda T. Boardman. Here's help for

teachers of the "Me-do-it!" crowd. Lynda Boardman believes that toddlers can be taught, and her suggestions as to how this can be done are practical and numerous.

The book covers all aspects of toddler ministry: choosing location, arrangement of room space, picking out toys, and choosing teachers. She examines the toddler psychologically in order to better teach and understand him. 72 pages. Paper. 5¼ x 7½. **\$3.95**

Lynda T. Boardman is director of preschool ministries for the Church of the Nazarene. She resides in Bourbonnais, Ill.



THE THINGS THAT COUNT

By Edward S. Mann. Baccalaureate addresses delivered by the president of Eastern Nazarene College over the years are as fresh and inspiring to the adult heart today as they must have been to the original collegiate audiences. Dr. Mann's background in literature enriches the addresses, providing touches of color that lift them far above the mundane. This is solid reading for the literate!

Commitment to Christ and the church is still the clarion call we need. Changing times haven't altered that. And the challenge to grow and succeed is appropriate to off-campus readers, even in the 80s! 160 pages. Limp kivar. 5¼ x 7½. **\$4.95**

Edward S. Mann served 22 years as president of ENC, oldest liberal arts college of the Church of the Nazarene.



THE WRAP-UP YEARS

By Clara Verner. If you, or someone you love, is concerned over the prospects of entering a nursing home, this book will be helpful. Clara Verner and her husband scoffed at the idea until illness struck. Then getting their name on the waiting list

seemed like a good idea. They never regretted the decision, and from her writing nook at the home, this veteran author tells the story.

The message of the book is uplifting, definitely optimistic. Testimonies of others are included. 47 pages. Paper. **\$1.50**

Clara Verner has written for BHP for many years. *Orphan by Choice*, *Velma*, and *Somewhere in the Shadows* are some of her books.



AFTER THE LAUNCH

(For New Christians Only)

By Earl C. Wolf. Simplicity plus! That best describes this follow-up booklet aimed at getting the new believer started off on the right foot with regular Bible reading.

A dozen short chapters guide the reader into a love-affair with his Bible that will last a lifetime. Wolf explains *why* Bible reading is so important, *how* to get started, and perhaps most importantly, *where* to go from *there*, to keep reading consistently. 3¼ x 5¼. 24 pages. Pkg. of 5, **\$2.50**

Earl Wolf is past editor of Adult Curriculum in the Church of the Nazarene, and retired director of Continuing Life Training.

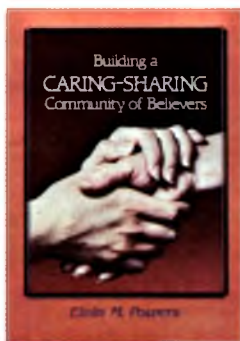


THEY SANG WITH THE SPIRIT

By Frank Eifert. Devotionals by Evelyn Stenbock. A collection of 16 touching stories has been drawn from the concert tours of this song evangelist/author. The stories, told in Eifert's inimitable style, focus on how God has made use of gospel songs and hymns in people's lives.

Beacon Hill Press of Kansas City staff writer Evelyn Stenbock has added appropriate scripture readings and devotional thoughts. Music and words from the hymnal are included. 104 pages. Paper. 5¼ x 7½. **\$3.95**

Frank Eifert is a Nazarene song evangelist residing in Tampa, Fla.



BUILDING A CARING-SHARING COMMUNITY OF BELIEVERS

By Elvin M. Powers. Whether your congregation numbers 50 or 5,000, this author insists that every individual is important and it's the caring that counts.

Well documented, flexible in its approach, and biblical in content, this book is filled with piercing questions and offers some stimulating thoughts on keeping the flock intact. 128 pages. Paper. 5¼ x 7½.

\$3.95

Elvin M. Powers is senior pastor at Dundee Hills Church of the Nazarene, Kansas City.



CHURCH COMMUNICATIONS SOURCEBOOK

Prepared by Media Services. With the help of media professionals, almost any church

can keep from being the best-kept secret in town.

This handbook of media and audiovisual resource material is an ideal tool for pastors and local lay leadership. The material is easy to use and thoroughly understandable. It is a professionally produced source for such topics as:

- Public relations and your community.
- Trends in religious communications.
- Advertising that pays.
- Opportunities with local television, radio, newspaper, and so on.
- Using audiovisuals effectively.

With a little know-how and a lot of want-to, this resource can provide help in starting a communications revolution in the local church. Format: 3-ring notebook and 416 loose-leaf pages with sectional dividers.

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IT'S REVIVAL WE NEED

By C. William Fisher. With his ever-candid, hard-hitting approach, this veteran preacher exposes our lack of concern for revival and our sorry unwillingness to pay the price it takes to get it. "We'd rather strut than sob," he writes, and the message of the book brings us to our knees in agreement.

In the 80s, perhaps as never before, we need to hear this message. With that in

mind, the book has been completely revised and updated. 72 pages. Paper. 5¼ x 7½.

\$1.95

C. William Fisher, author of 11 books, has been an evangelist in the Church of the Nazarene close to 40 years.



REVIVAL PREPARATION GUIDEBOOKS

(U-595). Based on a five-month countdown, this set of revival preparation guidebooks presents a job description and guidelines for each of the following: Pastor and General Chairperson, Prayer Committee, Attendance and Enlistment Committee, Program and Altar Workers Committee, and Follow-through and Bible Study Committee.

A unique reporting system is incorporated in the booklets, allowing the monitoring of progress. A new packet of guidebooks is needed for each revival. A Simultaneous Revival Instruction Manual is free upon request from Evangelism Ministries, Church of the Nazarene. Paper.

Set of five (U-595) **\$4.50**

Stephen Manley and Michael Ross (evangelists) and Neil Wiseman (pastor) have teamed up to provide valuable helps for revival preparation committees.

In Observance of the Church of the Nazarene 75th Anniversary



THE QUOTABLE BRESEE

Compiled by Harold Ivan Smith. Welcome to an immense treasure! *The Quotable Bresee*, drawn from the Nazarene archives, places at your fingertips a priceless collection of quotations from one of the founders of the church. The scope of the material, catalogued in the Contents for quick, easy reference, covers all aspects of holiness life. Humor and philosophy are included. 280 pages. Kivar. 6 x 9.

\$5.95

Harold Ivan Smith, popular Nazarene author and speaker, resides in Kansas City.

TWO MEN OF DESTINY

Edited by Neil Wiseman. As young evangelists, Roy T. Williams and James B. Chapman paved the way to bringing scattered holiness groups together at Pilot Point, Tex. In 1908 they were only 24 and 25 years of age, but their influence was strong and widespread. For 40 years, each in his own sphere but often crossing paths, they guided the Church of the Nazarene with divine wisdom and expertise, finally serving

together as general superintendents of the church.

Their biographies, now classics, were written by men who knew them personally: G. B. Williamson authored Roy T. Williams' story, and D. Shelby Corlett, the story of James B. Chapman. Now, for the 75th anniversary of the church, they are presented in one volume. 232 pages. Kivar. 6 x 9.

\$4.95

Neil B. Wiseman is pastor of the Pompano Beach, Fla., Church of the Nazarene.

GIDEON: AN INTIMATE PORTRAIT

By Audrey J. Williamson. History will record the official accomplishments of General Superintendent G. B. Williamson, and they will be significant in terms of what this great man did for God and his church. This book, however, shows the homey, human side of a family man with vulnerability, especially where his children were concerned. This intimate look at the Williamson family is a combination of his own writing and the reflections of his devoted wife. 128 pages. Paper. 5¼ x 7½.

\$3.95

Audrey J. Williamson, author and speaker, also wrote *Take My Life*, released this year by Beacon Hill Press of Kansas City. She resides in Mesa, Ariz.



Bob Combs

"HANDS OFF!"

by JULIE SMALL

AT FIRST, we were in church every time the doors were open. As time passed, Kevin, my husband, would have an excuse for not going on Sunday and Wednesday evenings. Most of the time, I would reluctantly go alone, although sometimes, filled with discouragement, I would stay home also. We paid our tithes. However, when there was a need for a love offering, there just wasn't any extra money that we could give. Coming home from church our conversation often centered around a point in the sermon Kevin didn't agree with, or how the singer was off tune or the choir special had flaws in it. At home he seldom read the Bible. Except at meals, we never prayed together or shared our feelings concerning our relationship to God.

I realized my husband's life did not demonstrate the peace and contentment that Jesus Christ gives the person who follows Him. I earnestly prayed for this man I love. My desire for him to know the Lord in a personal way became a burden I could not bear alone.

1 Peter 5:7 says: "Cast all your anxiety on him because he cares for you" (NIV). What a relief to know I didn't have to handle this by myself! I turned to 1 Peter 3:1-4, my promise and instruction for the coming year: "Wives, in the same way be submissive to your husbands so that, if any of them do not believe the word, they may be won over without talk by the behavior of their wives, when they see the purity and reverence of your lives. Your beauty should not come from outward adornment, such as braided hair and the wearing of gold jewelry and fine clothes. Instead, it should be that of your inner self,

the unfading beauty of a gentle and quiet spirit, which is of great worth in God's sight" (NIV).

"Julie, hands off," I felt the Lord telling me. "I will deal with Kevin. You cannot save him. Only I can call him to Me. I have called you to be the best Christian that you can be through the power of the Holy Spirit."

I prayed, "Lord, whatever it takes for Kevin to know You intimately I will do. If it's Your will to reach him through someone else, then do so. He's in Your hands. I will serve You no matter what."

Life at the Small house still had its difficulties. However, I had a peace which came from no longer feeling responsible for Kevin's spiritual condition. I quit preaching to him and arguing when he didn't want to go to church or some other Christian function. The Holy Spirit continually reminded me of 1 Peter 3:2:1-4. I prayed for my husband and committed him to the Lord daily.

About a year later, Kevin picked up a book in our home concerning

the end times. Previously, I couldn't persuade him to read any books or articles on spiritual matters. He read the entire book in two days. I noticed him reading the Bible every day. His attitude towards life changed from pessimistic to optimistic. He talked to me about a God who was a part of his everyday life. He attended church without prodding from me. Later I discovered he had a lengthy conversation concerning his relationship to Christ with his brother, a dedicated Christian.

Finally I cornered him. "Kevin, you have really changed," I said. "It's great. What's going on?"

His face broke into a sly grin. "Julie, you know I've grown up in the church and have had head knowledge of the Bible and Jesus Christ. I kept thinking that someday I would give Him a try. While reading the book *Countdown to Armageddon* and the Bible, I continually heard the question: 'When will you start to serve Me?' It was as if the Holy Spirit said, 'The time is now, Kevin!' I prayed, 'Lord, if You're real, change me. One way I'll know You're real is for people to notice there's been a change in my life without me standing up and shouting that I'm a Christian now.'"

I replied, "I am thrilled." Tears of joy flowed.

Kevin is staying in God's Word, and through the Holy Spirit he is growing. He is so excited about the message in the Bible that he's sharing it with others. His eyes are open. Instead of misunderstanding and confusion, there is now Spirit-led understanding and obedience. We now have a singleness of purpose in our marriage. I am delighted that I serve a God that cares and works in my life when I allow Him! □

JULIE SMALL is a registered nurse residing in Springfield, Massachusetts.

Christians do not stand for God and fight sin, then Satan will be successful in taking control of our country.

I believe in miracles. I believe God can turn our country around just as He did England in Wesley's day, but it is going to take Christians willing to stand against the devil; and only through the power of God will it happen.

Donna G. Hale
Columbia, Missouri

ANTIADMISSION CHARGE

I have not been a Nazarene too many years, but I am greatly disturbed when I hear of some Nazarene churches scheduling concerts with prominent singers and musicians and charging admission for

the same. I assumed the Bible method of tithes and offerings was the Nazarene way of raising money. Have we gone into the entertainment business in place of preaching the gospel to the rich and poor alike? Jesus drove the money changers out of the Temple declaring His house to be a place of prayer and worship.

Mary E. King
Tioga Center, New York

WANTS AMENS, NOT APPLAUSE

I am writing concerning the trend I have noticed in the various church service of expressing our approval by clapping hands. I believe that certain accomplishments warrant applause. But when worshipping the

Lord in song, preaching, and other public activity, let's not replace the amens, and other demonstrations of the Holy Spirit, by applause. I really don't believe Dr. Phineas Bresee had this in mind when he said, "Keep the glory down."

Paul E. Drake
Owensville, Indiana

HERALDS FOR PRISONERS

I write to prisoners and I would like to send out a plea to our churches to subscribe to the *Herald of Holiness* for at least one prisoner. Would it not be worth at least \$5.00 to know one soul was saved?

I have over 100 names and more coming in each month.

Mrs. John R. Crauswell
Slidell, Louisiana

AFTER 43 YEARS

by NORMA HARRINGTON

AS A CHILD my husband never attended Sunday School. At age 15 a high school friend invited him to a Mother's Day program at his church, a holiness denomination. He went that one time only. Then, on the following January 1, his mother made a New Year's resolution that they would start attending church, and she left the choice of churches to him since he was the only one who had attended any.

Soon he was saved, sanctified, and called to preach. His pastor was a strikingly handsome man whose dark curly hair would bounce on his forehead as he preached with all his might. But that pastor only stayed a year in this tiny Colorado town. He went to Denver and then to California, where somehow he allowed Satan to overwhelm him. He left the ministry and his wife, married again, and ran from God for many years.

Our parsonage telephone rang one evening. It was a Mrs. Davis asking my husband to call on her brother. He was in the hospital in our town, alone, wife-forsaken, and dying of cancer. Just as my husband was about to replace the telephone, Mrs. Davis said, "Oh, and by the way, his name is _____."

My husband slowly put down the phone and, with a dazed expression, turned to me and said, "Does the name _____ mean anything to you?" The image of a handsome young preacher I had seen when I

was a teenager flashed into my mind. I said, "Yes, he was a young preacher I remember seeing at the Colorado Springs camp. His wife's name was Mary."

Then, slowly, my husband said, "He was my pastor . . ."

Sister Davis had requested prayer many times for her 69-year-old backslidden brother, a former preacher who lived in another city. We had faithfully prayed.

Forty-three years had passed since the man had been my husband's pastor. We were in a different state, a different church. Now backslidden, he was in our small town. It was almost too much to believe!

My husband could hardly wait to call on him. After a few opening words, he asked, "Did you ever live in Bellvue, Colorado?" But under heavy sedation the ex-minister couldn't remember that one year of his life. He had spent the intervening years in a way that was worlds apart from his days as a Christian.

My husband pursued it. "Didn't you once buy a brand-new 1940 Ford Coupe?" No man or boy forgets a new car! Yes, he did remember!

In succeeding days, lying there on his bed, his memory has been returning to that little white church, his wife and family, and a teenage boy who rode his bike 10 miles down the mountain road to attend services.

On subsequent calls he has been responsive to the gospel he once preached. It was almost as if, like the prodigal son, "he came to himself." "If God would only give me 10 more years! I wish I could make up for the years I have lost."

God may not grant that request. But how wonderful of God to forgive those years of sin and restore to favor one who had wandered away. Sister Davis is rejoicing, angels are rejoicing, and God is rejoicing! □

**"By ALL MEANS...
Save Some"**

NORMA HARRINGTON resides in Walla Walla, Washington, where her husband pastors the First Church of the Nazarene.

IN THE NEWS

PEOPLE AND PLACES



Charlotte Pickenpaugh, of Pensacola, Fla., was named for the 1982 edition of *Outstanding Young Women of America*.

Charlotte received her B.A. degree in elementary education

from Mid-America Nazarene College in 1979. She has taught elementary education in public schools for the past four years—two years in the Gifted Program.

In addition to teaching school, she serves as director of Children's Ministries and is a member of the North Florida District Children's Council. In recent years, she has served as a delegate to the General Christian Life Convention in Kansas City, a delegate to the National Gifted Convention in

Kansas City, and spent a month observing children in Botswana, Swaziland, and Republic of South Africa.

She is the daughter of Rev. and Mrs. Samuel Pickenpaugh, pastor of Pensacola, Fla., First Church. □



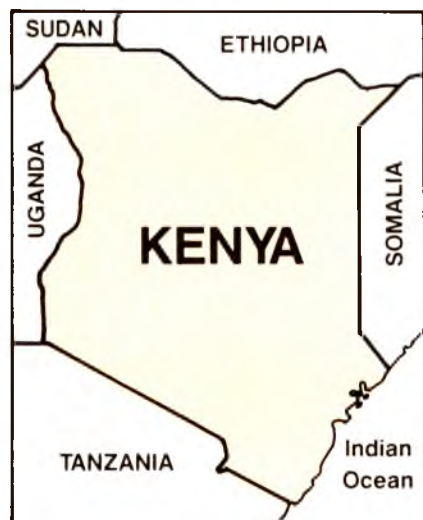
Rev. James Kesler, pastor of State Line, Ind., church, has been named Outstanding Attendance Worker in Indiana for 1983.

The award was recently presented by the Indiana Department of Instruction at a seminar of the Executive Council of Pupil Personnel.

Kesler is state president of the Social Workers and Attendance Officers in Public Education. He has been attendance officer in Attica since 1975, and he also substitute teaches in the Attica school system. □

"Harambee" for Kenya

Researched and written
by Jo McWilliams



The national motto of Kenya, "harambee" (pulling together) might also be the motto of Nazarenes as they work toward entering Kenya in the church's 75th Anniversary Year.

Kenya, home to nearly 17.5 million people, is a country only slightly smaller than the state of Texas. Located on the east coast of Africa, Kenya has the Indian Ocean as its southeastern coastline. Neighboring countries are Somalia, Ethiopia, Sudan, Uganda, and Tanzania.

Since the northern three-fifths of Kenya is arid (and much of that semi-desert) 85 percent of the nation's people reside in the southern two-fifths of

the nation. Kenya's economic activities are virtually all carried on in the southern section of the country. Beaches and the tropical climate along the coast of the Indian Ocean have resulted in the development of resort areas. Scrublands lie just 175 miles inland.

Kenya's diverse people contribute a rich blend of heritages, forming a cultural potpourri that includes the traditional herder, Arab Muslims, and the residents of the modern capital of Nairobi, a city of almost 1 million people.

Although nearly 90 percent of Kenya's residents work and live in rural areas, relatives who live and work in metropolitan areas keep in close contact with their families. Many city dwellers periodically return to rural locations to help on the family farms.

The true spirit of "harambee" is displayed each year as hundreds of Kenyan communities unite voluntarily to construct schools, clinics, and other needed facilities. They even collect funds to help send students abroad to study. (The University of Nairobi is only able to accept 60 percent of the Kenyan students who qualify for admission.)

Although education is not compulsory in the Republic of Kenya, attendance for primary grades is 83 percent. The Kenyan government provides the first seven years of primary school free to those who wish to attend.

One of the most immediate and pressing difficulties to be dealt with in Kenya is the population growth rate. At 4 percent, it is the highest in the world. The fact that only 20 percent of

the land is potentially cultivable makes the problem even more acute. Dense population in the arable areas curtails the amount of agrarian activity that might otherwise be possible. Because of the shortage of usable land, some Kenyans move to arid areas not conducive to farming.

The population growth rate has also been a contributing factor to the unemployment situation. Unofficial figures place the unemployment rate at about 30 percent.

A different, though vital, task that the government of Kenya has undertaken involves the preservation of Kenya's wildlife, a valuable natural resource. Six million acres of land have been reserved for national parks and game reserves. Despite laws prohibiting game hunting, the population of cheetahs, leopards, lions, and other animals has been threatened. Elephants, often killed for their ivory, are also protected by Kenyan law.

There are more than 6,000 U.S. citizens currently residing in Kenya. Thousands of Americans visit there each year. There are 1,400 missionaries and their families who make their homes in Kenya.

Thirty-eight percent of the nation's people are Protestant. Other religions include Roman Catholics, indigenous beliefs, and Muslims.

English, Swahili, and many tribal languages are spoken in Kenya.

The Church of the Nazarene looks forward with anticipation to beginning new work in this beautifully varied country. □



THE CHURCH AT WORK

1983 GENERAL STATISTICS

CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE

NOTE:

World Mission data base changed: \$S Enrollment and attendance reported TOTALS ONLY. Finances reported CERTAIN TOTALS ONLY.

*Total includes 20 regional directors and staffs and 12 R.S.A. Communication and Media.

	<i>Africa</i>	<i>Asian</i>	<i>Canadian</i>
DISTRICTS	33	20	5
CHURCHES	696	404	149
MEMBERSHIP			
Full Members	23,442	24,520	9,736
Probationary Members	10,991	22,914	25
Total	34,433	47,434	9,761
MINISTERS			
Ordained	224	270	213
Licensed	307	196	59
Missionaries	191	81	
SUNDAY SCHOOLS	434	382	144
Children—Enrollment			6,921
Aver. Wkly. Attn.			4,132
Cradle Roll			300
Youth—Enrollment			2,798
Aver. Wkly. Attn.			1,544
Adult—Enrollment			4,884
Aver. Wkly. Attn.			3,047
Summary—Officers & Teachers			1,496
Home Department			175
Outreach			514
Totals—Enrollment	70,115	48,467	16,574
Aver. SS Attn.	36,857	34,584	8,723
Aver. Outreach Attn.			399
Aver. Total Attn.	36,857	34,584	9,122
NYI SOCIETIES	331	266	124
Membership	10,726	9,181	3,656
NWM SOCIETIES	369	303	135
Membership	17,719	11,565	7,363
VACATION BIBLE SCHOOLS	113	153	64
Membership	32,694	14,023	4,411
CLT CHURCHES	65	1	15
Credits	3,449	19	161
PROPERTY VALUES			
Local Churches			\$40,189,688
Local Parsonages			5,949,381
District Centers & Other			1,475,000
District Parsonages			255,000
Educational Institutions			
Nazarene Publishing House			
International Center			
Total			\$47,869,069
PROPERTY INDEBTEDNESS			
Church & Parsonage—Local			\$ 8,468,528
All District Property			274,034
Educational Institutions			
Total			\$ 8,742,562
CHURCH FINANCES (Paid)			
Local	\$ 956,710	\$3,059,553	\$ 6,257,414
District	153,676	247,352	515,659
Educational	11,863	8,116	237,139
General	104,538	22,701	779,875
Total	\$1,226,787	\$3,337,722	\$ 7,790,087
ANALYSIS OF TOTAL			
Paid by Church	\$1,226,787	\$3,337,722	\$ 7,152,482
Paid by Sunday School			233,156
Paid by NYI			62,028
Paid by NWMS			291,703
Supplemental Giving			50,718
PER CAPITA			
Local	\$ 27.78	\$ 64.50	\$ 641.06
District	4.46	5.21	52.83
Educational	.34	.17	24.29
General	3.04	.48	79.90
Total	\$ 35.62	\$ 70.36	\$ 798.08

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487			66	12,455		13,308	
908			234	146,562		150,502	
778			162	72,413		74,897	
343			181	336,378		341,786	
306			130	196,430		199,913	
685			166	62,681		65,028	
273			125	11,079		11,652	
394			76	34,066		35,050	
9,279	115,501	39,209	7,137	822,174		1,128,456	44,198
5,484	72,188	26,271	4,639	416,358		605,104	(4.08%)
273			49	26,248		26,969	
5,757	72,188	26,271	4,688	422,606		632,073	
102	756	256	43	4,096		5,974	
2,080	23,795	8,035	919	166,892		225,284	11,882
133	767	271	41	4,594		6,613	
4,351	30,376	12,321	1,266	382,549		467,510	16,131
40	386	119	12	2,963		3,850	
2,571	41,285	8,261	675	259,267		363,187	36,469
7	19	7	7	1,280		1,401	
979	273	63	148	32,239		37,331	-4,669
\$11,124,673			\$2,334,581	\$1,357,665,759		\$1,411,314,701	
2,275,055			754,187	211,865,152		220,843,775	
				49,939,794		51,414,794	
				4,651,175		4,906,175	
					\$151,381,899	151,381,899	
					3,291,936	3,291,936	
					4,258,909	4,258,909	
\$13,399,728			\$3,088,768	\$1,624,121,880	\$158,932,744	\$1,847,412,189	
\$ 382,323			\$ 307,180	\$ 245,213,797		\$ 254,371,828	
				8,239,080		8,513,114	
					58,700,105	58,700,105	
\$ 382,323			\$ 307,180	\$ 253,452,877	\$58,700,105	\$ 321,585,047	
\$ 1,682,513	\$2,434,675	\$401,608	\$ 530,226	\$ 237,220,642		\$ 252,543,341	
86,089	231,650	38,451	74,134	15,903,304		17,250,315	
30,862	46,765	3,860	12,117	8,916,784		9,267,506	
134,111	216,439	27,899	67,937	32,446,985	965,505	34,765,990	
\$ 1,933,575	\$2,929,529	\$471,818	\$ 684,414	\$ 294,487,715	\$ 965,505	\$ 313,827,152	18,285,249
\$ 1,933,575	\$2,929,529	\$471,818	\$ 684,414	\$ 259,411,392		\$ 277,147,719	
				8,355,758		8,598,914	
				1,475,159		1,537,187	
				24,203,714		24,495,417	
				1,031,692	\$ 965,505	\$ 2,047,915	
\$ 260.65	\$ 25.28	\$ 16.79	\$ 128.51	\$ 467.36		\$ 345.95	
13.34	2.41	1.61	17.97	31.33		23.63	
4.78	.49	.16	2.94	17.57		12.70	
20.78	2.25	1.17	16.47	63.93		47.63	
\$ 299.55	\$ 30.43	\$ 19.73	\$ 165.89	\$ 580.19		\$ 429.91	



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ADAMS, MICHAEL: Zephyrhills, FL (Indoor Camp Meeting), Jan. 8-15; Tampa, FL (Evangelism Conference), Jan. 24-26; Clermont, FL, Jan. 31—Feb. 5

ARMSTRONGS, LEON, LINDA & FAMILY: Columbus, OH (Wilson Ave.), Jan. 1; Dalton, IL, Jan. 4; Macomb, IL, Jan. 8; Northwest Zone Rally, Jan. 10-15; Broadhead, WI, Jan. 17-22

BAKER, JOHN D.: Indianapolis, IN (Meridian St.), Dec. 31—Jan. 1; Boonville, IN, Jan. 3-8; Odin, IN, Jan. 13-15; Zanesville, OH (1st), Jan. 18-22; Monticello, IL, Jan. 27-29

•**BALLARD, DON:** Wrightsville, GA (Mt. Olive), Jan. 10-15

BEARDEN, LES: Southeast Missouri Holiness Crusade, Jan. 16-22; Tampa, FL (Evangelism Conference), Jan. 24-27

BLUE, DAVE & DANA: Princeton, FL, Jan. 10-15; Tampa, FL (Evangelism Conference), Jan. 24-29

BLYTHER, ELLIS: Macon, GA (Trinity), Jan. 10-15; Tampa, FL (Evangelism Conference), Jan. 24-26; De Land, FL, Jan. 29—Feb. 5

BOCK, DON: Gallipolis, OH (CCCU), Dec. 31—Jan. 1; Lockborne, OH (CCCU), Jan. 29

BOWERS, E. J. & LUCILLE: Fort Worth, TX (Evangelism Conference), Jan. 17-19

BRAUN, GENE: St. Petersburg, FL (N.S. Baptist), Jan. 1; Clearwater, FL (1st), Jan. 18-22

BROWN, FRED: Eastern Michigan District Zone Revivals, Jan. 24-28

BUCKLES-BURKE EVANGELISTIC TEAM: Fort Worth, TX (Evangelism Conference), Jan. 17-19

BURKHALTER, PAT: Red Rock, TX (1st), Jan. 4-8; Fort Worth, TX (Evangelism Conference), Jan. 17-19; Bristow, OK (1st), Jan. 29—Feb. 5

CARROLL, LARRY & ROBERTA: Sturgis, MI (Missionary), Jan. 8

CAYTON, JOHN: Reserved, Jan. 3-8; Louisville, OH, Jan. 10-15; Titusville, PA (Independent Holiness), Jan. 17-22; Harrisonville, PA (Mt. Tabor), Jan. 24-29

CHASE, FRANK: Pryor, OK, Jan. 27-29

CLAY, M. E.: South Daytona, FL, Jan. 17-22; Tampa, FL (Evangelism Conference), Jan. 24-26; New Port Richey, FL, Jan. 31—Feb. 5

CRANDALL, VERNON & BARBARA: Dalton, GA (Grace), Jan. 3-8; High Springs, FL (Sante Fe Blvd.), Jan. 20-29; Vero Beach, FL (1st), Jan. 31—Feb. 5

•**CREWS, H. F.:** Mission, TX, Jan. 24-29

CULBERTSON, BERNARD: Phoenix, AZ (Evangelism Conference), Jan. 3-5; Troy, ID (1st), Jan. 17-22

DARNELL, H. E.: Fort Smith, AR, Jan. 5-15; Phoenix, AZ, Jan. 20-29

DAWS, LEONARD: Reserved, Jan. 24-29

DELL, JIMMY: Reserved, Jan. 1-5; Coolidge, AZ, Jan. 13-15; Mesa, AZ (1st), Jan. 22-25; Ridgecrest, CA, Jan. 28—Feb. 1

DENNIS, DARRELL, BETTY, BETH & DWIGHT: Jackson, GA (1st), Dec. 31—Jan. 8; Tice, FL (1st), Jan. 17-22

DIXON, GEORGE & CHARLOTTE: Gospel Concerts on the North American Indian District, Jan. 10-29

DOROUGH, JIM & CAROL: Fort Worth, TX (Evangelism Conference), Jan. 17-19; Abilene, TX (1st), Jan. 31—Feb. 5

FILES, GLORIA & DOROTHY ADAMS: Reserved, Jan. 1-23; Tampa, FL (Evangelism Conference), Jan. 24-26; Reserved, Jan. 27—Feb. 6

FISHER, C. WILLIAM: Rialto, CA, Jan. 10-15; Dinuba, CA, Jan. 17-22; Denair, CA, Jan. 24-29; Auburn, CA (1st), Jan. 31—Feb. 5

GARDNER, JOHN M.: New Port Richey, FL (Plaza Dr.), Jan. 24-29; Brooksville, FL, Jan. 31—Feb. 5

GORMAN, HUGH: Port Alberni, British Columbia, Jan. 31—Feb. 5

GRAY, BOB & BECKY: Clearwater, FL (Central), Jan. 3-8; Tampa, FL (Evangelism Conference), Jan. 24-26; Tampa, FL (1st), Jan. 31—Feb. 5

GRAY, DAVE & BECKY: Concerts in Virginia, North Carolina, and Florida, Jan. 4-15; Reserved, Jan. 16-22; Tampa, FL (Evangelism Conference), Jan. 24-26

GREEN, JAMES & ROSEMARY: Orange Park, FL, Jan. 3-8; Anchorage, AK (Jewell Lake), Jan. 10-15; Anchorage, AK (Hillcrest), Jan. 17-22; Kankakee, IL (East Ridge), Jan. 24-29

GROVES, C. WILLIAM: Reserved, Jan. 24-29

•**HANCE, RAY:** Noble, OK, Jan. 10-15

HANCOCK, BOYD: Bentonville, AR, Jan. 20-22

HANSON, BRIAN & CHERYL: Barborton, OH (1st), Jan. 1; Lyndon KS (Mt. Pleasant Comm.), Jan. 8; Drumright, OK, Jan. 10; Bethany, OK (Williams Memorial), Jan. 11; Plano, TX (1st), Jan. 15 a.m.;

Dallas, TX (Bruton Terrace), Jan. 15 p.m.; Fort Worth, TX (Evangelism Conference), Jan. 17-19; Alvin, TX, Jan. 20-22; Beaumont, TX (1st), Jan. 24; Lufkin, TX (1st), Jan. 25; Phoenix, AZ (Biltmore), Jan. 29

HICKE, S. F.: Fort Worth, TX (Evangelism Conference), Jan. 17-19

HIGGINS, CHARLES: Temple City, CA (1st), Jan. 8-12; Whittier, CA (College Ave.), Jan. 15-22; Livermore, CA (1st), Jan. 29—Feb. 2

HOWARD, DICK: Reserved, Jan. 17-22; Fullerton, CA (1st), Jan. 31—Feb. 5

JACKSON, CHUCK & MARY: Concert Tour, Jan. 1-8; Pensacola, FL (1st), Jan. 11-15; Concert Tour, Jan. 22-29

JACKSON, PAUL & TRISH: Phoenix, AZ (Evangelism Conference), Jan. 3-5; Scottsdale, AZ, Jan. 8-12; Gallup, NM, Jan. 17-22; Concert Tour, Jan. 24-30; Redmond, OR, Jan. 31—Feb. 5

JANTZ, CALVIN & MARJORIE: Reserved, Month of January

JEFFRIES, JEFF & JAN: Canoga Park, CA (West Valley), Jan. 1 a.m.; Yucca Valley, CA, Jan. 8; Azusa, CA, Jan. 22 a.m.; Hermosa Beach, CA, Jan. 24-29

JOHNSON, RON: Concerts in British Columbia & Alberta, Jan. 4-8; Concerts in Wyoming, Colorado, and Oklahoma, Jan. 13-16; Fort Worth, TX (Evangelism Conference), Jan. 17-19; Concerts in Texas, Kansas, Oklahoma, and Missouri, Jan. 20-29; St. Louis, MO (Webster Groves), Jan. 30—Feb. 3

JONES, TERRY: Reserved, Jan. 1-9; Fort Worth, TX (Evangelism Conference), Jan. 17-19; Little Rock, AR (Friendly Chapel), Jan. 20-22; Waldron, AR (1st), Jan. 25-29

JUSTICE, MEL & DONNA: Tampa, FL (Evangelism Conference), Jan. 24-26

KEENA, EARL: Phoenix, AZ (Evangelism Conference), Jan. 3-5; Manila, Philippines (District Revivals), Jan. 9—Feb. 13

•**KNIGHT, JOHN L.:** Dumas, TX, Jan. 3-8; Denton, TX (1st), Jan. 10-15; Central Florida District, Jan. 16-22; Geneva, FL (1st), Jan. 25-29; Gainesville, TX (Eastside), Jan. 31—Feb. 5

•**KRATZER, RAYMOND:** Kelso, WA (1st), Jan. 10-15; Vale, OR (1st), Jan. 31—Feb. 5

•**LAKE, GEORGE:** Reserved, Month of January

LASSELL, RAY & JAN: New Castle, IN (Word of Life), Jan. 3-8; Moberly, MO (Church of God Holiness), Jan. 10-15; Hallsville, MO, Jan. 20-29; Boonville, IN (Wes.), Jan. 31—Feb. 5

LAWSON, WAYNE: Ketchikan, AK, Jan. 29—Feb. 5

LAXSON, WALLY & GINGER: Rossville, GA (Indoor Camp), Dec. 28—Jan. 1; Reserved, Jan. 4-8; Boca Raton, FL, Jan. 10-15; Bernie, MO, Jan. 16-20; Jacksonville, FL, Jan. 27-29

LAYCOCK, ERIC: Peterborough, Ontario, Jan. 22

LECRONE, JON & BETH: Phoenix, AZ (Evangelism Conference), Jan. 3-5; Las Cruces, NM, Jan. 6-8; Truth or Consequences, NM, Jan. 15-19; Blythe, CA, Jan. 22-26; Woodburn, OR, Jan. 29—Feb. 5

LEIDY, ARNOLD: Reserved, Jan. 3-5

LIDDELL, P. L.: Anchorage, AK (Jewell Lake), Jan. 10-15; Anchorage, AK (Hillcrest), Jan. 17-22; Bourbonnais, IL (Eastridge), Jan. 24-29; Lowell, MI, Jan. 31—Feb. 5

MANLEY, STEPHEN: Clearwater, FL (Central), Jan. 3-8; Princeton, FL, Jan. 10-15; Grand Junction, CO (1st), Jan. 17-22; Melbourne, FL (Eau Gallie), Jan. 27-29; Tampa, FL (1st), Jan. 31—Feb. 5

MANN, L. THURL & MARY KAY: Casolla, MS (Rosebloom), Jan. 4-8; Largo, FL (Seminole 1st), Jan. 18-22; Tampa, FL (Evangelism Conference), Jan. 24-26

MARTIN, W. DALE: Houston, TX, Jan. 11-15; Fort Worth, TX (Evangelism Conference), Jan. 17-19; Reserved, Jan. 30—Feb. 5

MATTER, DAN & ANN: Tampa, FL (Evangelism Conference), Jan. 24-26

McFERRIN, RICHARD A.: Reserved, Jan. 2-15; Muncie, IN (Southside), Jan. 22

MEREDITH, DWIGHT & NORMA JEAN: Sublette, KS, Jan. 22-25

MEYER, BOB & BARBARA, DYNAMICS OF SPIRITUAL GROWTH: Reserved, Month of January

MOORE, NORMAN: Victorville, CA, Jan. 1; Phoenix, AZ (Evangelism Conference), Jan. 3-5; San Diego, CA (Linda Vista), Jan. 11-15; Lake Havasu City, AZ (Wesley Chapel), Jan. 18-22; LaHabra, CA, Jan. 25-29

MOSS, UDELL: Bethany, OK (Calary), Jan. 11-15; Temple, TX (Grace), Jan. 17-22; Devine, TX (Medina Valley), Jan. 24-29; Corpus Christi, TX (Flour Bluff), Jan. 31—Feb. 5

•**NASH, FORREST:** Sublette, KS, Jan. 22-25

NEFF, LARRY & PAT: Valdosta, GA, Jan. 8 a.m.; Wrightsville, GA (Mt. Olive), Jan. 10-15; Tampa, FL (Evangelism Conference), Jan. 24-26; Melbourne, FL (Eau Gallie), Jan. 27-29

PALMER, JAMES: Gainesville, FL (Trinity), Jan. 17-22; Tampa, FL (Evangelism Conference), Jan. 24-26

PASSMORE EVANGELISTIC PARTY: Milford, DE, Jan. 31—Feb. 5

PERDUE, NELSON: Phoenix, AZ (Evangelism Conference), Jan. 3-8; Logan, WV, Jan. 10-15; Wadsworth, OH, Jan. 17-22; New Castle, IN (Indoor Camp), Jan. 25-29; DeGraff, OH, Jan. 31—Feb. 5

PFEIFER EVANGELISTIC TEAM: Chillicothe, OH (Wes.), Jan. 3-8; McLouth, KS, Jan. 10-15; Harrah, OK, Jan. 17-22; Wagoner, OK, Jan. 24-29; Nacogdoches, TX, Jan. 31—Feb. 5

PUGH, CHARLES: North Manchester, IN, Jan. 14

QUALLS, PAUL: Mobile, AL (1st), Jan. 9-15; Monroeville, OH (1st), Jan. 17-22

RICHARDS, LARRY & PHYLLIS: Shirley, IN (Mt. Zion Wes.), Jan. 9-15; New Castle, IN (Indoor Camp), Jan. 24-29

ROTH, RON: Waynesville, MO, Jan. 17-22; Washington Court House, OH (1st), Jan. 24-29; Arensville, IL (Bethel), Jan. 31—Feb. 5

RUNYAN, DAVID: Cassville, MO, Jan. 3-8; Anna, IL, Jan. 13-15; Paris, IL, Jan. 20-22; Pekin, IL (NW Illinois District Snow Retreat), Jan. 28-30

SMITH, DUANE: Union City, IN, Jan. 6-8; Crothersville, IN, Jan. 11; Huntsville, AL, Jan. 12; Barnesville, GA, Jan. 15 p.m.; Reserved, Jan. 17-22; Tampa, FL (Evangelism Conference), Jan. 24-26; Bellevue, FL, Jan. 29 p.m.; Berne, IN, Jan. 31—Feb. 5

SMITH, LARRY, SHARON & FAMILY: Reserved, Jan. 1-5; Fort Worth, TX, Jan. 17-19; Marsing, ID, Jan. 20-29

SMITH, OTTIS & MARGUERITE: Daytona Beach, FL (1st), Jan. 17-22; Tampa, FL (Evangelism Conference), Jan. 24-26

•**SPARKS, ASA:** Tampa, FL (Evangelism Conference), Jan. 24-26

STEVENSON, GEORGE: Olton, TX, Jan. 3-8; Holly Hill, FL (Free Methodist), Jan. 17-22; Tampa, FL (Evangelism Conference), Jan. 24-26; Orlando, FL (Union Park), Jan. 29—Feb. 5

STREET, DAVID: New Albany, IN (Eastside), Jan. 25-29

SUTHERLAND, GREG: Spokane, WA (1st), Jan. 1

SUTTON, VEL & ARLENE & FAMILY: Jacksonville, FL (Grace), Jan. 1; Monticello, FL, Jan. 31—Feb. 5

TAYLOR, CLIFF: Omak, WA (Okanogan Valley), Jan. 11-15

TAYLOR, ROBERT: Barbados Evangelist Conference, Jan. 4-15; Revivals in Florida, Jan. 16-31

TRIPP, HOWARD: Miami, FL (Coral Village), Jan. 5-8; St. Croix, Virgin Island (Central), Jan. 9-16; Puerto Rico, Jan. 17-22; Tampa, FL (Evangelism Conference), Jan. 24-26

VARIAN, WILLIAM: Pinellas Park, FL, Jan. 17-22; Many, LA, Jan. 31—Feb. 5

WATKINS, FRANK: Highland, CA, Jan. 8-15

WELLS, LINARD: Fort Worth, TX (Evangelism Conference), Jan. 17-19; Coalgate, OK, Jan. 24-29; Benton, AR (Valley View), Jan. 31—Feb. 5

WISEHART, LENNY & JOY: Phoenix, AZ (Evangelism Conference), Jan. 3-5; Kailua, HI, Jan. 8-15; Honolulu, HI (1st), Jan. 17-22; Hilo, HI, Jan. 24-29

WOODWARD, S. OREN & FAYE: Central Florida District, Jan. 3-15; Orlando, FL (Christian Life World Crusade), Jan. 16-22; Tampa, FL (Evangelism Conference), Jan. 24-26; Central Florida District, Jan. 29—Feb. 5

WYRICK, DENNIS: Tampa, FL (Evangelism Conference), Jan. 24-26

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CORRECTION

In a news item on page 27 of the November 15, 1983, issue, the name Mrs. Russ Bredholt should have read Mr. Russ Bredholt. We apologize to the Bredholts for this mistake.

CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES ANNOUNCES NEW EDITOR



Miriam Hall, director of Children's Ministries, announces the appointment of Mrs. Gail Ragle as editor of Kindergarten Curriculum. Gail replaces Yvonne Smitley Hatfield

who recently accepted a position as kindergarten teacher in the Kansas City School District.

Mrs. Ragle attended Pasadena/Point Loma College from 1972-77. After moving to Kansas City in 1979 she completed her B.A. in early childhood education at the University of Kansas in 1983. Gail joined the staff of Children's Ministries in August 1983, serving as assistant in Primary Curriculum, Caravan, and Children's Quizzing.

During the time she was completing her education, Mrs. Ragle served as preschool teacher both in her local church and in day-care centers in California and Kansas City. She is presently teaching in the Kindergarten Department of Kansas City First Church.

In her new assignment, Gail will be responsible for editing *Kindergarten*

Teacher, Kindergarten Activities, Kindergarten Teaching Resources, and the weekly take-home paper *Listen*.

Gail is the wife of Rick Ragle, a graduate of Point Loma College and student at the Nazarene Theological Seminary. Gail and Rick reside in Olathe, Kans. □

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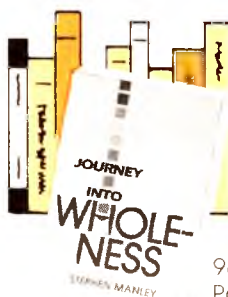
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Miss Veigl directs the Work and Witness program, the scheduling of furloughed missionaries' deputation services, and is secretary to the Africa regional director, Dr. Richard Zanner.

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CORRECTION

Dr. and Mrs. Randall Wolcott will not be leaving for New Guinea until sometime after August 1, 1984. Their names should not have been listed in the December 1 issue.

RECOMMENDATIONS

REV. CHRIS CHRISTOPHER is entering the evangelistic field, effective immediately. He is a man of deep concern for the salvation of souls. I highly recommend Brother Christopher for revivals, holiness conventions, deeper life crusades, and for seminars on church finances. Contact him at Rte. 9, Box 311, Norwood Dr., Lenoir City, TN 37771; phone (615) 986-4777 — Doyle C. Smith, East Tennessee district superintendent.

I am happy to recommend a new young face and voice to the field of evangelism. GREGORY SUTHERLAND is entering the field as a registered song evangelist. The spirit and quality of his ministry will be a benefit to any church. Contact him c/o Monterey Peninsular Church of the Nazarene, 1375 Josselyn Canyon Rd., Monterey, CA 93940. — Walter E. Laman, Northwest district superintendent.

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VITAL STATISTICS

All items for Vital Statistics must reach us within 90 days of the event. Address: VITAL STATISTICS, Herald of Holiness, 6401 The Paseo, Kansas City, MO 64131.

EARLY CANADIAN NAZARENE DIES

Mrs. Ida Moffat, 107 years of age, one of the longest living citizens of Canada, died in October in Red Deer, Alberta. She was born just nine years after Confederation in Corwhim, Ontario; married in 1899; and moved to Innisfail, Northwest Territories, in 1900 (before Alberta became a province). Mr. and Mrs. Moffat homesteaded in the Kneehill Valley District. She was known throughout the community and church for her Sunday School work and musical talent.

Mrs. Moffat was a charter member of the Aberdeen church (merged with Innisfail in 1969) and was first president of the NWMS, which was formed in the early '30s.

VETERAN MISSIONARY DIES



Mrs. John (Mary) McKay, retired missionary to India, died of a heart attack Nov. 13 in Chattanooga, Tenn. Mary Hunter went to India in 1937 where she married John McKay. She served in India for 21 years.

Born in Charlotte, Tenn., on Sept. 10, 1901, Mrs. McKay attended Edmonson's School of Business and worked as a bookkeeper for 15 years before going to India. While on the mission field, she served as a teacher in the Nazarene Bible School, followed by a term as principal of the boys' and girls' coeducational boarding school. Mrs. McKay also was very active in evangelistic work among the Indian women.

The McKays returned to the United States for

retirement in 1964. Mrs. McKay was preceded in death by her husband, and is survived by a daughter, Mrs. Myron (Betty) Wise, wife of the pastor in Dublin, Ga.; and a sister, Mrs. Robert Varner of Tennessee. Funeral services were held Nov. 15 in Chattanooga, Tenn.

NAZARENE EDUCATOR DIES

Dr. Anna C. Greve, 82, died Sept. 15 in Longmont, Colo. She was born July 11, 1901, in Irwin, Ia., to Dora Wiese and John Greve. She grew up in Pequot, Minn.

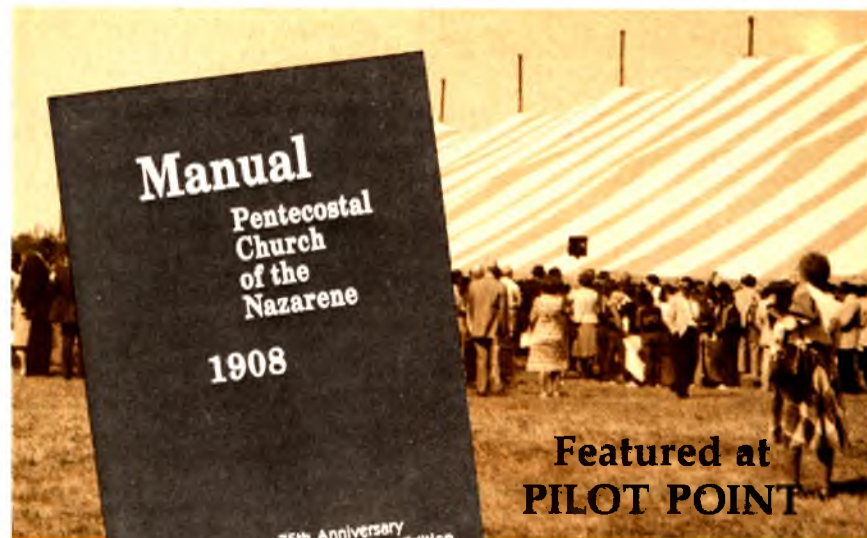
Her elementary teaching certificate was earned at the University of Minnesota. She received a bachelor of arts degree from John Fletcher College, University Park, Ia., in 1929. She taught there and worked on the M.A. degree, which she received from Iowa State University in 1937. She became dean of John Fletcher College in 1938 and held that post for eight years.

In 1946 Anna Greve moved to Bethany Nazarene College to become head of the Home Economics Department. She received her doctorate from the University of Minnesota in 1951. Since her doctoral thesis focused on the accreditation of schools, she was placed on the Accreditation Committee at BNC. Dr. Greve served at BNC for 24 years. Upon her retirement in 1970, the school awarded her the Citation for Meritorious Service.

Dr. Greve moved to Bailey, Colo., in 1970, where she lived for 10 years before moving to Longmont, Colo., in 1980. She was a member of the Longmont Mountain View Church.

She was preceded in death by her parents, two brothers, and two sisters. Survivors include two brothers, Herbert Greve of Newton, Ia., and Harold Greve of Bailey, Colo.; and four sisters, Emma Mandrey of McCall, Ida; Ella M. Greve of Longmont, Colo.; Edna Dewey of Bailey, and Irene Carlson of Anchorage, Alaska.

Funeral services were held at the Longmont Mountain View Church, with Rev. Larry W. Rapp officiating. Interment was in Mountain View Cemetery, Longmont, Colo.



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EUNICE E. (VAWTER) BLACK, 86, died Aug. 28 in Bethany, Okla. Funeral services were conducted by Rev. Sam Stearman. She is survived by 2 sons, Gerald W. and Delbert E.; 2 daughters, Edna Maude Watson and Lula Mae Holmes; 11 grandchildren; 19 great-grandchildren; 3 brothers; and 5 sisters.

KYLE MYERS CRIST, 70, died Aug. 20 in Pasadena, Calif. Funeral services were conducted by Rev. Earl Lee. She is survived by her husband, Wes; one son, Patrick Kenneth; her father; two brothers; and one sister.

REV. GEORGE H. KEELER, 87, died Nov. 18 in Dade City, Fla. Funeral services were conducted in Zephyrhills, Fla., by his pastor, Rev. Mel Barrows, and Revs. D. Ward Albright and James Erickson. Interment was in Perkasee, Pa. Rev. Keeler pastored on the Kansas City, Minnesota, and New England districts. He is survived by his wife, Rev. Miriam (Hunsberger); one son, Herbert; and one sister.

REV. DICK MOORE, 81, died Oct. 22 in Pass Christian, Miss. Funeral services were conducted in Gulfport, Miss., by Rev. Rex Cosby. Rev. Moore pastored churches in Texas, Louisiana, Oklahoma, Mississippi, Arizona, and Florida. Survivors include his wife, Sara; 3 sons, Glenn, Gene, and Robert; 1 daughter, Monola Wheeler; 9 grandchildren; 14 great-grandchildren; 2 brothers; and 2 sisters.

MRS. NETTIE RICEY, 89, of Emporia, Kans., died Nov. 12 in Odessa, Tex. Funeral services were conducted in Wellsburg, W.Va., by two sons, Rev. Norman V. Rickey and Rev. Howard Rickey, and Rev. Terry Solina. Surviving are 4 daughters, Treasel Gotham, Marjorie Denius, Wanda Tracey, and Mildred Flower; a third son, John, Jr.; 35 grandchildren; 19 great-grandchildren; 1 great-great-grandchild; and 1 sister.

REV. DARRELL ST. GEMME, 63, died Nov. 24 in Mattoon, Ill. Funeral services were conducted by District Superintendent John J. Hancock, and Revs. Larry Weihe, John Ruzich, and John Houser. Rev. St. Gemme had pastored in Iowa, Missouri, and on the Illinois District at Nebo, Mahomet, Virden, Olivet, and Mattoon. Surviving are his wife, Jessie Mae; three sons, Edward, Gary, and Robert; and seven grandchildren.

KENNETH MICHAEL SATURDAY, 32, of Valdosta, Ga., went fishing on July 28 and failed to return. His body was not recovered. A memorial service, conducted by Rev. Robert Maner and Rev. Harold Mills, was held on Sept. 11. Survivors include his wife, Vickie (Wimberly); two sons, Christopher Kent and Benjamin Mark; his parents; two brothers; his maternal grandfather; and his maternal grandmother.

EULIE OTIS SMITH, 78, died Nov. 11 in Savannah, Ga. Funeral services were conducted by Rev. Doyle Smith and Rev. Oscar Hand. Survivors include three daughters, Betty S. Rahn, Polly S. Herbst, and Dell S. Smith; six grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; four sisters; and four brothers.

BIRTHS

to MARK AND DANETTE (BALL) ADAMS, Great Falls, Mont., a boy, Jesse David, Sept. 27

to BRIAN AND DEBBIE (ANTEL) ANDREWS, Great Falls, Mont., a boy, Nathaniel John, Nov. 2

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NEWS OF RELIGION

TUITION TAX CREDITS GO DOWN TO LOPSIDED SENATE DEFEAT.

President Reagan's tuition tax credit proposal was defeated in the U.S. Senate November 15 and the issue is dead for this Congress. After Senate opponents of the measure put on a show of strength in a two-day filibuster, they agreed to allow the tuition tax credit bill to come to a vote. They won, 59-38.

The proposal, pushed by Reagan since the 1980 presidential election campaign, would have made partial reimbursement for tuition expenses to parents who send their children to private and parochial schools. Of these, approximately 85 percent are church-related. The benefit would have amounted to a \$100 credit for tax year 1983, \$200 for 1984, and \$300 when fully implemented in 1985.

The tax credit would have gone only to families with taxable income under \$50,000 and would have been denied to parents whose children attend racially discriminatory schools. But estimates of its potential three-year cost to the federal treasury ran as high as \$3 billion. Debate on the politically volatile proposal focused on public policy questions as well as on church-state implications. □

NONPROFIT POSTAL RATES TO STAY AT CURRENT LEVELS. Congress has agreed to funding that will preserve current nonprofit postal rates through September 30, 1984.

In the continuing resolution passed November 12 to keep most government agencies running at the start of fiscal 1984, both the House and Senate approved a conference report that maintains funding at \$879 million. That is the amount the Postal Service estimates necessary to preserve the subsidy to nonprofit mailers through the next fiscal year. President Reagan signed the bill November 14.

The continuing resolution, a stopgap measure that Congress has repeatedly used in recent years, keeps government programs operating when regular funding bills are not passed in time. □

SATURDAY EVENING POST SAYS NO TO TOBACCO ADVERTISING.

The *Saturday Evening Post* has announced that effective with its March 1984 issue, it will no longer accept tobacco advertising. The question of whether to continue accepting tobacco ads had been in the forefront since January 1982, when the *Post* was purchased by The Benjamin Franklin Society, a nonprofit corporation whose purposes are to disseminate medical and nutritional knowledge and to support research on cancer and other diseases. The *Post* will honor all previously committed tobacco schedules, which are to be completed with the January/February 1984 issue.

"The *Post* is really foremost in our family of publications devoted to helping readers live a healthier life-style," declared Robert Silvers, spokesman for the Indianapolis-based publication. As part of its positive, wholesome editorial format, the magazine includes a large number of Christian-oriented articles.

"We believe in placing Christianity in a positive and favorable light," says Silvers, who is also religion editor of the magazine. □

CHRISTIAN HOLINESS ASSOCIATION 116th ANNUAL CONVENTION.

The Christian Holiness Association will host its 116th annual convention April 24-26, 1984, at the Hyatt-Regency Hotel, Indianapolis. The association consists of 17 denominations within the U.S., several overseas affiliates, and 50 educational institutions representing approximately 2 million people.

The theme for the convention is: "Holiness and the Harvest." Speaking on various facets of the theme will be: Dr. Reuben Welch, professor of religion at Point Loma Nazarene College; Dr. Dennis Kinlaw, former president of Asbury College; Dr. Robert Coleman, chairman of the Department of Evangelism and Missions, Trinity Evangelical Seminary; Dr. Thomas H. Hermiz, president of World Gospel Mission; Dr. Tom Nees, pastor of the Community of Hope Church, Washington, D.C.; and Dr. Clyde Dupin, evangelist of The Wesleyan Church. □

to MARTIN AND BETH (BIRKOSKI) BAUER, Great Falls, Mont., a boy, Nathan Andrew, June 19
 to JEFF AND SHARI (BLACK) BRIGGS, Carthage, Miss., a girl, Lauren Renee, Sept. 3
 to BOB AND ANN (FETZER) BORBE, Napa, Calif., a boy, Scott Andrew, Nov. 7
 to MICHAEL AND DENISE CORK, Wichita, Kans., a girl, Monica Rae, Oct. 24
 to DON AND DONNA (SCHULTZ) CREASMAN, Great Falls, Mont., a girl, Mary Esther, Oct. 3
 to WALDEN AND MONICA (HOYLE) HUGHES, Nampa, Ida., a boy, Camden David, Aug. 10
 to JUDSON D. AND KAREN (EICHORN) JAKO-BITZ, Buffalo Lake, Minn., a boy, Joshua Aaron, Sept. 13
 to STEPHEN AND MICHELLE (BARR) KUY-KENDALL, Lansing, Mich., a girl, Bethany Nicole, Aug. 24
 to LARRY AND GAY (LYNCH) LEONARD, Kansas City, Mo., a boy, Jonathan David, Nov. 24
 to SWEDE AND JEANNE LUNDBERG, Bottineau, N.D., a girl, Rachel Amanda, Sept. 28
 to DAVE AND CHRIS (WHETSTONE) LYCAN, Great Falls, Mont., a boy, David Allen, Oct. 23

to JERRY AND DENISE (BARNETT) RISNER, St. Louis, Mo., a girl, Kara Elizabeth, Nov. 7
 to REV. TERRY C. AND JUDY (NICHOLS) ROWLAND, Mustang, Okla., a girl, Penny Joy, Sept. 26
 to DARRELL W. AND TAVIA (DAVIDSON) SWANK, Grand Forks, N.D., a girl, Jamie Lynn, Nov. 21
 to KEN AND PAT (PERCY) WACASTER, Sebring, Fla., a boy, Kenneth Robert, Jr., Oct. 18
 to JOHN AND CONNIE (DARDEN) WILLISON, Denver, Colo., a girl, Jill Ann, Nov. 18

MARRIAGES

BEVERLY KAY DENNIS and MICHAEL W. WOOLUM at Mount Juliet, Tenn., June 25
 DELIA T. ZAPATA and REGINALD G. ADAMS at McAllen, Tex., July 8
 TAUNIA JENNINGS and TIMOTHY BARR at Eugene, Ore., Aug. 5
 DEVON HENDRIX and GROVER PRICE at Huntsville, Ala., Aug. 26

ANNIVERSARIES

MR. AND MRS. CLARENCE STILES celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on Oct. 29. The renewal of their marriage vows was led by Rev. Frank

B. Seghers, Jr. and Rev. Charles Acheson, pastor of Orlando, Fla., First Church. The Stileses have been members of Orlando First for 51 years.

A reception was given by their family in the church fellowship hall. They have two daughters, five grandchildren, and three great-grandchildren. Their daughters are Mrs. Wallace (Mary Louise) Henry of Snellville, Ga., and Mrs. Frank B. (Barbara) Seghers, Jr., of Tampa, Fla.

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We welcome questions on biblical and doctrinal matters. The editor is not able to send replies to questions not selected for publication. Address: ANSWER CORNER, *Herald of Holiness*, 6401 The Paseo, Kansas City, MO 64131.

Should churches take Sunday afternoon for board meetings?

In my opinion, only when some emergency dictates an immediate special meeting. Regular board meetings should be held on other days. A preacher cannot give his best efforts to a Sunday night service if he has gone through the physical and emotional and neural stress of a board meeting just prior to that service. For that matter, neither can the other board members. □

Will you please explain the first chapter of Ezekiel?

A detailed explanation of this chapter would go beyond the limits of this column—and of my ability.

The chapter describes a vision that came to Ezekiel when he was called to the prophetic ministry. In the context of a storm, Ezekiel saw four “living creatures” with the forms of men, yet each of them had four wings and four faces. The faces combined human and animal features. Their appearance and movement was brilliant and flame-like.

Then the prophet saw “a wheel in the middle of a wheel,” which could move in any direction without turning. Creatures and wheels were closely associated.

Above them was the “likeness of a firmament” and “the likeness of a throne,” and on the throne the “likeness of a man.” From above the firmament came the voice of God, calling Ezekiel to prophesy.

The closest Ezekiel himself comes to explaining his vision are these carefully qualified words: “Such was the appearance of the likeness of the

glory of the Lord.” He also said, “I saw visions of God.”

This was the living God, all-powerful, all-wise, all-loving, who was about to bring Nebuchadnezzar from the north (i.e., Babylon) like a storm upon His rebellious people. Ezekiel is called to be the spokesman of this God whose glorious power cannot be successfully resisted, and whose glorious love provides a rainbow of hope in the midst of the storm of judgment.

Ezekiel’s repeated use of “likeness” is significant. God was manifesting himself to Ezekiel. The reality of the experience defied accurate description. It could only be “like” things more commonly seen.

To give more precise meanings to the creatures and the wheels is beyond me. Reading several commentaries hasn’t removed the difficulty.

I am sympathetic with Adam Clarke’s remark: “We have conjectures in abundance; and can it be of any use to mankind to increase the number of those conjectures? I think not.”

In our own chaotic times, however, Ezekiel’s vision of God’s glory helps me to remember that the Creator, Judge, and Savior of mankind has not relinquished His control of earth and history. □

I am concerned that social activities are crowding out the spiritual atmosphere of our church services and church activities.

Our church and another scheduled and announced a baseball game for Sunday afternoon. Should our Sundays not be for physical rest and worship services?

All who unite with our churches are required to “evidence their commitment to God” by “avoiding evil of every kind, including . . . Profaning the Lord’s day by participation in unnecessary secular activities, thereby indulging in practices which deny its sanctity.” That’s from the *Manual* and in keeping with Scripture. My answer to your question is “yes.” □

SPECIAL PERSONAL EVANGELISM CLINIC HELD

Ruth V. DeLong, outreach and evangelism minister of the **Phoenix Orange Church**, decided to conduct a scheduled personal evangelism clinic instead of attending the memorial service for Dr. Don Gibson in Flint, Mich. Dr. Gibson was former executive director of the Department of Evangelism at Nazarene Headquarters. His training had taught Ruth to share Christ with others, resulting in a full-time ministry for her.

Remaining in Phoenix to teach the classes, Ruth dedicated the clinic to Dr. Don Gibson. She says it was "the best personal evangelism clinic I have ever conducted. As people committed their lives to Christ, in their homes, the trainees were excited and would exclaim, 'That one is for Dr. Gibson'—'another one for Dr. Gibson'—and on and on." □

THE CHURCH SCENE

Winter Haven, Fla., First Church has been in a continuous revival for three years. During this period, attendance in the Sunday morning worship service has increased from an average of 116 to over 500 in attendance. Sunday night attendance has gone from an average of 62 to almost 400. Wednesday night attendance averages almost 250.



Rev. Marion O. Guy was honored by the Claremore, Okla., church with a special "This Is Your Life" program on Aug. 28. Brother and Sister Guy's son and daughter and their families were in attendance along with several other family members and friends. His son, Claude, preached the morning message. The Guys were presented a plaque by the pastor, Rev. Gary White (r.). A reception was held in their honor at the close of the evening service. Brother Guy started his ministry in the Church of the Nazarene in 1949.



The Macungie, Pa., church recently had a 200,000 lb. house moved to its new site on their church property. The move was approximately a half mile. Pastor Noah Tharp said, "People from all over the county came to see this event." The house was given to the church by the Buckeye Pipeline Co. of Macungie, Pa.



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Financial giving for all purposes has grown from \$64,500 to well over \$300,000. The church bought more land and built a new sanctuary that will seat 1,000 people.

Some 250 new members have joined the church during this period. Most of these have come by profession of faith in Christ. Senior Pastor Charles Kirby has on the church staff, associates Jody Postin and Paul Tyler; music men Gene Braun and Wally Varner; counseling directors, Rev. and Mrs. Ed Kircher; and super sixties director, Gene Miley. ☐



The new church at Chichahib, Guatemala, was dedicated Sunday, July 17. It will seat 800. All of the cost of construction was paid by the local church except for \$1,000 to help with the cost of the roof. There were over 1,000 in attendance. Seven adults accepted Christ and 15 new Christians were baptized.



On August 14, 1983, the people of Atlanta, Ga., First Church presented a new 1983 Ford Escort station wagon to Ray and Donna Couey, missionaries to Indonesia. The Coueys are starting a year of furlough activities and will use the car for travel around the U.S. The gift was planned by the Missionary Council, under the leadership of Missionary President Lois Canen. Jo Wolfe, new missionary president, made the arrangements for the car, through the efforts of Ray's father, Ken Couey, a retired Ford employee. A cash offering of over \$7,500 was received on August 7, 1983, to pay the entire cost of the car. Shown with the "new red wagon" (l to r.) are: Jo Wolfe; Donna and Ray Couey, and son Patrick; and Ivan Rexroth, associate pastor. Pastor Pal Wright began his new ministry at the church on August 28.

DEADLINE FOR ISSUING W-2s TO CHURCH EMPLOYEES

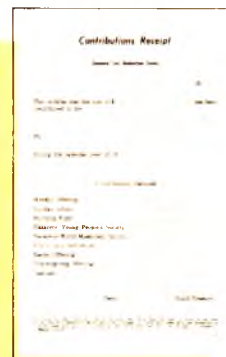
According to current tax procedures, every local church should issue a Form W-2 to each of its employees no later than January 31, 1984. This W-2 should report wages earned by the employee during 1983.

Although ministerial employees and lay employees of the local church are treated differently for income tax and Social Security purposes, the IRS has clearly indicated that both types of employees are to receive a W-2 by the deadline. IRS Publication 15 "Circular E—Employer's Tax Guide" (available from the IRS) states that there are criminal and civil penalties for willful failure to give a statement of required information. Other sources indicate that the penalty for failure to comply is \$10.00 for each failure, up to a maximum of \$25,000 in one calendar year.

Each local church treasurer will want to carefully follow the IRS guidelines. Additional information on how this applies to Nazarene churches is available upon request from Pensions and Benefits Services, 6401 The Paseo, Kansas City, MO 64131. When requesting information, please ask for Memos on Church Management Nos. 3, 6, and 7. ☐

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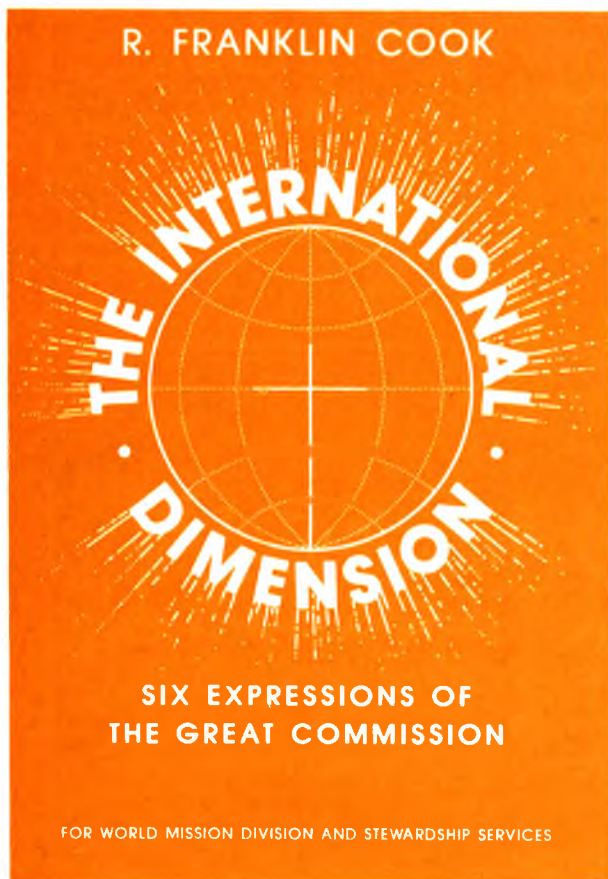
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NAZARENES REPRESENTED AT CHURCH PENSIONS CONFERENCE

Dr. Dean Wessels, administrator of the Board of Pensions, and Rev. Paul D. Fitzgerald, administrative assistant, recently attended the Church Pensions Conference held in New York City. The annual conference brings together pension boards from 35 denominations as well as other groups who specialize in pensions and denominational health insurance plans. Currently, the group serves over 260,000 ministers and lay church employees.

The impact of recent tax legislation affecting pension plans and the increasing cost of health coverage were two topics discussed in depth at this year's conference.



Paul Fitzgerald served as leader of one of four discussion groups entitled "Communication to Members." In this group, conference members were able to discuss and share specific problems and ideas.



Dr. Wessels has served as administrator of Nazarene pensions since 1956 and has participated in the Church Pensions Conference for each of those 27 years. He served as president of the conference during 1979. ☐

\$100,000 FOR NEW WORK IN KENYA

Senior pastor, Dr. Ponder Gilliland, has announced that Bethany, Okla., First Church pledged \$251,000 in a faith promise service in December.

Dr. Gilliland has informed General Superintendent William M. Great-house that \$100,000 of this amount will be used for the opening of the new mission field in Kenya. ☐

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SOUTH AFRICA SHOWS MEMBERSHIP AND FINANCIAL GAINS

Dr. Richard Zanner, Africa Region director, recently chaired the RSA European, Malawi South, Malawi Central, and Zambia North district assemblies. He reports excellent gains in

membership and finances in all four districts.

Rev. Jerry Jennings and Rev. R. B. Kalitera were reelected as superintendents of the RSA European and Malawi districts, respectively, while Rev. Steve Doerr was reappointed as superintendent of the Zambia North District.

Rev. Albert Mphamba was honored with a farewell upon his resignation after seven years of faithful service as superintendent of the Malawi South District. Rev. L. Domoya was elected to fill the vacancy. ☐

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CHURCHES DAMAGED IN AFRICA

Six churches sustained roof damage in recent storms in the Malawi South area, according to David Moyer, office manager.

The World Mission Office Finance Committee has approved a request of \$5,000 from the Hunger and Disaster Fund to finance the roof repairs. ☐

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NEW GENERAL BOARD MEMBER



Rev. Colin Wood has been elected to the General Board of the Church of the Nazarene. He replaces Dr. T. W. Schofield, who resigned the post after being appointed regional director for Europe and the Middle East.

Rev. Wood will serve as representative of the Europe and Middle East Region.

Pastor at Sharpe Memorial Church in Glasgow, Scotland, Rev. Wood has also served congregations in Manchester and Thetford.

A member of Phi Delta Lambda, he is married to the former Mary Eunice

Garner. They have three children, Rhonda, Carolyn, and Richard. ☐

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NEW NAZARENE NEWS EDITOR



Mark Graham has joined the staff of General Secretary B. Edgar Johnson as Nazarene News editor.

Graham most recently served as Information Officer for Broadcast for Tennessee Governor Lamar Alexander and has worked as a reporter of government since 1977.

He will also be a student at Nazarene Theological Seminary, where he will be pursuing the master of divinity degree.

Graham is married to the former Catherine (Cathy) Marie Hess and is the father of one son, Joseph Leon. ☐

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EVANGELISM CONFERENCES COMING

"That Your Joy May Be Full" is the theme for the three Conferences on Evangelism that will be held in January.

Keynote speaker will be Dr. Robert Coleman, director of the School of Mission and Evangelism at Trinity Evangelical Seminary. A general superintendent will speak on Wednesday and Thursday evening at each conference, and many other outstanding preachers will be speaking in the day sessions.

A special feature of the conferences will be a concert by the Speer Family on each Wednesday evening.

Conferences will be held January 3-5 in Phoenix, January 17-19 in Fort Worth, and January 24-26 in Tampa, Fla.

For more information, contact Evangelism Ministries at Headquarters. ☐

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