The manager of an automobile agency said, “The only hope for our company in the future is more sales and better service.” An adaptation of this statement could well be the slogan for the Church of the Nazarene—namely, “More Converts and Better Follow-up.”

The contacts which the church makes are many. Multiplied thousands come who have a hunger for a closer walk and a deeper experience with Christ. The percentage of these people who find peace and glorious victory in Christ is too low. The church has in abundance what they need so badly, yet they pass on into the shadows unsaved and unsanctified.

The Church is the custodian of the only balm that can heal the world’s hurts.

We must be better salesmen of the gospel. The Christian life must be made attractive by the exhibition of the joy, security, and zeal that it brings to a life. People read us and look at us more than they do the Bible. If they see that we have found something that satisfies, their interest will be increased and our sales record will rise. To contact is not enough; our goal must be lives surrendered to Christ. We must get their deliberate signatures on the dotted line as a declaration of their forsaking sin and their acceptance of Christ as Saviour and Lord.

An atmosphere conducive to spiritual commitments must be created in our churches. This is the task of every member. The work of the church is not finished when the person is converted or sanctified, but a follow-up is imperative. The individual is leaving the old crowd and the old life which have long impressed and deeply grooved his whole outlook on life. He needs guidance, encouragement, and companionship. The first few months of his Christian life may be the hardest—hence the need for a close follow-up.

Satisfactory progress of the church depends upon “more converts and better follow-up.” Let us have “more sales and better service.” (Acts 6:10.)
Telegrams . . .

Word has been received that Rev. and Mrs. Charles Alstott, missionaries on furlough from Haiti, were in an automobile accident over the Memorial Day week end. Mrs. Alstott has a broken neck, which necessitates serious surgery, and prayer is requested for her. She is in the Methodist hospital, Indianapolis, Indiana.

Birmingham, Alabama—Alabama District Assembly in session at Birmingham (May 28), Dr. G. B. Williams presiding. Assembly hilariously re-elects Rev. L. S. Oliver as district superintendent with only one dissenting vote out of 243 ballots cast; this was the only district united with all but three votes. District united in our fiftieth year. Alabama Nazarenes are on the march!—Reeford Chaney, Reporter.

Pasadena, California—Splendid Commencement at Pasadena College. One of the largest alumni banquets in history, led by J. Wesley Miers, 2,500 to 3,000 at both Baccalaureate service and Graduation. Wonderful sermon by Dr. Hardy C. Powers, and impromptu address by Dr. Paul Smith, superintendent with only one dissenting vote out of 243 ballots cast; this was the only district united with all but three votes. District united in our fiftieth year. Alabama Nazarenes are on the march!—Reeford Chaney, Reporter.

Santa Ana, California—Report of Superintendent Nicholas A. Hull of Southern California District received with a standing ovation at the fifty-second annual assembly. Four new churches organized this year and four more in the process of organization; $1,398,105 raised for General Interests; 766 received by profession of faith, making the total membership 8,819, a gain of 628; Sunday school average attendance, 12,014; N.Y.P.S. membership 2,340, and 4,005 N.F.M.S. members. There were gains in every department in the district. We are united for Christ and the church is behind our district superintendent. Greater days are ahead. Dr. Hardy C. Powers presiding with dispatch and his messages are challenging and thrilling the hearts of the delegates. Over four thousand dollars was raised by Mrs. J. B. Chapman for the Whitcomb Memorial Church in Africa in memory of Rev. and Mrs. Lawrence Whitcomb.—Harold Buckner, Reporter.

Rev. R. T. Williams, after serving thirteen years as pastor of First Church in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, has accepted the invitation to be assistant to the president, Dr. Russell V. DeLong, of Pasadena College, Pasadena, California. He will complete the assembly year, beginning his duties at the college in September.

Rev. Robert Breedlove, graduate of Nazarene Theological Seminary with the class of '58, has accepted the pastorate of the church in Rocky Ford, Colorado.

Rev. Bernard W. Culbertson has accepted the pastorate of the Valley Church of the Nazarene in El Paso, Texas, effective June 12.

After serving three years as pastor of First Church in Greeley, Rev. Walter Vastbinder has resigned to accept the call to pastor First Church in Boulder, Colorado; assuming his duties there in late August.

After two years as music director of St. Paul's Church of the Nazarene in Kansas City, Missouri, Rev. Boyd Kifer resigned as of June 1 to accept the call to pastor the church in Woodland, California.

Rev. Jim Bentley, graduating from Nazarene Theological Seminary with the class of '58, has accepted a call to pastor the church in Olive Hill, Kentucky.

Rev. Adam E. Hoffpauir has resigned as pastor at Iola, Kansas, to accept a call to the Argentine Church of the Nazarene, Kansas City, Kansas.

Word has been received from Pastor M. G. Martini of Lima, Ohio, that the Grand Avenue Church of the Nazarene has been one of five hundred churches in Ohio to be given a Thomas Electronic organ by a Cleveland industrialist, Mr. Cluad Foster.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Roberts, members of the Church of the Nazarene in Reading, Massachusetts, were in an accident in late May; she was instantly killed and he lived only a few hours. They are survived by a son, age twenty. It is a great loss to the Reading church.

New Churches:
Hilliards, Central Ohio; Williams Lake, Eastern Michigan; Mountain Home, Idaho, Idaho-Oregon District; Fairfield, Indiana, Indianapolis District; Cedar Rapids Second Church and Maloy, Iowa; Kamiah, Idaho, Northwest District; Mekeesport While Oak, Pennsylvania, Pittsburgh District; Aberdeen, South Dakota; Bloomington Fourth Church, South-west Indiana; Creve and Hopewell, Virginia.
Rev. Lee L. Hamric

Has
Double Birthday Event
on October 13

Hardly anyone can be anticipating more eagerly the great anniversary event for the Church of the Nazarene at Pilot Point, Texas, on October 13, than the Rev. Lee L. Hamric of Dallas, Texas. The Lord willing, on that day and at that place Brother Hamric will celebrate a double birthday—that of the denomination in which he has served as an evangelist for fifty years and his own eighty-first birthday anniversary.

The Pilot Point anniversary gathering will hold even more special interest for Mr. Hamric because he was among those present at the historic union meeting in "the little brown tent" that brought the Church of the Nazarene into existence as a national denomination.

Brother Hamric was thirty-one that day, October 13, 1908. Looking back over half a century, he recalled that the service was unusual for "the great unity in the Spirit and for the close fellowship."

"Dear Dr. Bresee was especially anointed by the Holy Spirit for this occasion. The glory of the Lord was on the gathering. Such preaching! This great convention was beyond the expectation of all of us. But the Lord knew the future. I am sure that those present at the 1908 services can never forget them."

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"They Just Don't Give Us Anything"

Rev. and Mrs. Jerald Johnson, our newly commissioned pastors to West Germany, have already begun work in this needy country. They are laying the groundwork for the first German Nazarene work in Frankfurt, just twenty miles from the chapel where we are serving. Aside from attacking courageously the monstrous language barrier, they have been making strides in developing friendships among the German people. Their warm personalities are magnetically attracting many of these German nationals.

Among the numbers with whom they have already established friendship is one very brilliant young man. Johnny has been to their home on several occasions and has shown real interest in their work. He has been so curious as to what kind of new religion the minister is bringing the German people.

Mr. and Mrs. Johnson have on numerous occasions brought Germans with them to our chapel services. This has offered them some sort of orientation as to the Nazarene way of worshiping God. On one Sunday morning in April, Mr. Johnson preached for us in chapel. God anointed him mightily, and his message rang a bell with this military community of worshipers. This was one of the Sundays in which Johnny visited with them. After the service Johnny commented to me personally, "This is what our churches need. We don't feel like we have worshiped when we attend our services. There is no warmth to their messages. They just don't give us anything."

What a thrilling prediction this is to the future success of our Nazarene work in Germany! On the whole, the German state churches have reduced their ministry to something less than a vital, ongoing Christian herald. The heart of true worship is missing, and the people recognize it. Attendance figures are pitifully poor, and no one seems to be upset about it. We Nazarenes here in West Germany are further convinced that the message of the church is the message for these people. Perhaps we can bring the Reformation back to the continent. Perhaps the journeys of Rev. and Mrs. Jerry Johnson in spreading scriptural regeneration and holiness among these people will demand an appendage to the "Acts of the Holy Spirit." Let's rally in prayer to the aid of the church's beginning here in West Germany.

—Chaplain (1/Lt) Kenneth B. Matheny
GREAT CHURCHES are usually built by long pastorates of well-loved ministers. Frequent changes in leaders and leadership policies do not make for strong organizations. Great companies, outstanding enterprises, and dynamic movements usually are characterized by confidence and stability in their leadership.

The Nazarene Radio Commission chose well when they asked Dr. T. W. Willingham to assume the executive directorship of the Nazarene Radio League. He was a man of proven leadership ability, keen business judgment, and a well-loved and greatly respected man of God. He then selected S. N. Whitcanack of St. Louis, who had served as an assistant to him in the business office at Olivet College, to manage the radio office. On to Detroit First Church he went to lay his hand on their minister of music, Ray H. Moore, to direct the music of the new “Showers of Blessing” broadcast. The program had been on the air but a few weeks

when Dr. Russell V. DeLong was invited as a guest speaker, and although thirty-one men have been presented, Dr. DeLong soon emerged and has remained through the years the principal speaker.

From a humble beginning thirteen years ago on thirty-seven stations, the leadership of Dr. Willingham, the dynamic ministry of Dr. DeLong, the music of Ray Moore and his choir, and the loyal support and prayers of Nazarenes everywhere have combined in a constant steady voice to bring “Showers of Blessing” and the Church of the Nazarene to international prominence, ministering to millions each week from nearly four hundred radio stations around the world. Hundreds have been brought into the Kingdom and thousands more guided into the way of righteous living.
Each year just preceding the Easter season every radio station in the United States and Canada not regularly scheduling the program, receives our letter, offering them the Palm Sunday and Easter tapes of "Showers of Blessing" for use as public service features. This year the glorious Easter message was heard on 325 extra stations—an all-time high. To date, ninety-nine of these stations have agreed to continue "Showers of Blessing" each week, many of them on a sustaining basis.

Six Special Golden Anniversary Radio Programs

To acquaint others with the Church of the Nazarene in this our Golden Anniversary year, the Nazarene Radio League is preparing six fifteen-minute radio programs. These will include appropriate messages by our general superintendents and inspirational music by various groups including our college choirs. Due notice of the dates of the broadcasts will be given soon, and the plan is for each pastor to contact his local radio station, seeking either to secure sustaining time for those six specials or to arrange a sponsorship for them.

Since these programs will be beamed especially to those outside our church, EVERY Nazarene should feel a deep responsibility to participate in both financing and publicizing these Anniversary features.

By RAY H. MOORE

Where were you on Monday and Tuesday evenings—just any Monday and Tuesday? Well, if you were a member of the "Showers of Blessing" choir, it would be easy to remember. You would have been in Studio A on the third floor of Headquarters Building in Kansas City. At the beginning of each week, almost every week now for thirteen years, those who make up the choir have been getting together for rehearsal and recording sessions.

You might be asking how many singers make up this group and what have they been doing during the day. Let's look in on the group singing this week. From the beginning there have been fourteen singers at any one time. Six of the men are students at Nazarene Theological Seminary. In addition to this, they may pastor a church or drive a school bus, or perhaps both. One is a skilled automobile mechanic, and the other is the only man who has been with the group since the first program went out from Kansas City thirteen years ago. He is Milton Hammerstrom, linotype operator at the Nazarene Publishing House. Milton hasn't missed more than two recording sessions in the thirteen years.

The ladies haven't been idle during the day either. Doris Lunn is the only one of the ladies who was in the original group. She is the wife of a Sunday school superintendent and very active in every phase of her local church. Two of the ladies are wives of seminary students, one working as a nurse and the other as a secretary. The seminary library and the Board of Pensions keeps two busy during the day, and the other graduated a
Special "Church of the Air" Broadcast

As an additional feature in our Golden Anniversary broadcasting, we will have the thirty-minute "Church of the Air" program on our Anniversary Sunday, October 12.

The Columbia Broadcasting System offers this official "Church of the Air" program to all of its affiliated stations. However, some stations prefer to substitute some other program. It would help us greatly if, well in advance, our Nazarene pastors and people would contact their local CBS outlet and ask whether it is planning to schedule the main "Church of the Air" special feature on October 12, and if not, request them to do so. This would help to enlarge the coverage.

Dr. G. B. Williamson, general superintendent, will be the guest speaker and music will be provided by our "Showers of Blessing" choir. You will want to secure the time of broadcast from your local station and invite your friends to listen.

dozen, looking back on their days in Kansas City, can recall nights when, with tired bodies and aching feet, they stayed on the job until "Showers of Blessing" had been sung for the last time.

It has been my blessed privilege to work with this consecrated group since the beginning. Nothing would be more thrilling to me than to have a grand reunion, with these hundreds of voices lifted in praise. Impossible? Oh, no! For when the great trumpet sounds we can join with the millions in singing:

"All hail the pow'r of Jesus' name!
Let angels prostrate fall.
Bring forth the royal diadem,
And crown Him Lord of all."

An Earnest Appeal but Not for Money

For ten years, radio time for "Showers of Blessing" has been purchased by local churches or donated by radio stations. At the present time more than two hundred stations air our program free, and many local churches are sponsoring it.

Our coverage could be greatly expanded if other stations could be contacted by our pastors or church members for free time or if other churches would sponsor the air time.

We must rely on our pastors and friends for this help. Won't you make an effort to secure free time in your community or arrange for a sponsorship through your congregation?

There is no charge made by our office for transcriptions.

"La Hora Nazarena"

in Latin America

By DR. HONORATO REZA

A missionary wrote recently about visiting a certain family in Guatemala. Good gospel songs were being played on what she thought to be the home radio. However, upon inquiry, she learned that the family was listening to "The Nazarene Hour" ("La Hora Nazarena") in Spanish. She knew that this program came regularly at a different time and asked concerning the station which was broadcasting. Then she learned that "La Hora Nazarena" was so well liked that the family had decided to record it on their own tape recorder, so they could replay it again and again at their leisure. This was not a Christian family. We hope that someday they will become Christians. The Word of God shall not return void.

While in La Paz, Bolivia, the missionary took
his own tape recorder on Sunday morning to one of the main radio stations, so the program could be broadcast. The young man in charge that morning said that he personally enjoyed the fifteen-minute broadcast, for as he put it, “You really get something worthwhile.” He did not attend a Protestant church, but here again we trust that in due time conviction will move into his heart and that he will find Christ as his own personal Saviour.

The purpose of our radio program is to sow the seed of the gospel. And the results are encouraging. No wonder our Nazarenes in Argentina are making plans toward putting the program on at least four different stations at strategic places in the country.

Recently one of our pastors in Arizona decided that he could use the program to publicize his own church. He found friends who could help him and a few weeks ago signed a contract with the radio station. He will use “La Hora Nazarena” for at least one year. In a section of the United States where the Spanish-speaking population is numerous, it is logical to assume that many will hear the gospel, hearts will become receptive, and some will find the joy of salvation.

Our program began in 1953. At that time we did not know how we would solve some of the many problems inherent to this type of work. In countries like Mexico, no religious programs could be had through radio stations. Nevertheless, efforts have been made here to solve the situation. Many Mexican families listen to the stations in Guatemala and Haiti, as well as to those stations along the U.S. border beaming their programs southward.

Last December the writer enjoyed the courtesies of HOXO, the Protestant radio station in Panama. In fact he taped five different messages on Christmas to be broadcast later. He was asked to present Christ to the people and was glad to do it. The personnel at the station mentioned, time and again, the blessings derived from our program. Many people there are friendly to our message because of “La Hora Nazarena.” Others have come to our services in the Canal Zone.

Latin America needs the gospel of Jesus Christ. The people are trying by every means available to find spiritual uplift and hope. Missionaries can go with the message. National workers are essential in spreading the gospel. Chapels, parsonages, day schools, and Bible institutes are vital. However, it is often impossible to reach many of the regions where people live. They also need the message. What other modern invention could be used more adequately to carry on the ministry of salvation to these lands than radio? Money given to the Spanish radio program is a wise and rewarding investment.

We are not talking now about physical or material needs. We are dealing with spiritual situations. Certainly no one could deny the privileges of salvation to those whom He loved so much and who have so little in the way of spiritual enlightenment.

“We then, as workers together with him, beseech you also that ye receive not the grace of God in vain” (II Corinthians 6:1).

What a wonderful work! How high a calling! And Paul was writing, not just to fellow ministers, but to “all the saints.” How often have we heard the phrase—but so seldom have we put it into practice—“We are all saved to serve!”

Trusted with the most precious commodity ever known—eternal life through Jesus Christ—we have all too often received the grace of God in vain. But not all. There are those, even today, who are redeeming the time.

The story is told of a retired building contractor who went to China to help his daughter and her husband erect a much-needed building on their compound. Through the week he worked at putting up the new building and on Sundays, taking a boy with him who could speak “a bit of English,” he would go out with scripture portions and tracts to take the good news of the Saviour to those who as yet had not heard. His daughter feared that he was overdoing and protested, but he continued until one day, on returning from one of his trips, the old gentleman fainted. When he had revived, his daughter, much disturbed, insisted that he should stop. But with tears in his eyes and a glow on his face he answered, “I wouldn't do it for anybody else but Jesus. He went all the way to Calvary for me, you know.”

Oh, that we might have more people who would be willing to go “all the way” for Him, that they might enjoy that blessed assurance that they too are working “together with him”!

By ROBERT E. HARDING
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Holiness... What It Will Do for the Church

By LEROY D. PEAVEY

This is a tremendous subject. It is not too much to say that holiness will make the church in all respects what it ought to be. The Holy Spirit has been given as the crowning and completing gift of the Godhead in its beneficent plan of salvation for the human race. God has spoken. After this glorious work He can do no more for us. This proves absolutely that holiness is all the church needs.

Notice, however, a number of facts: (1) Holiness will make a clean church. The world looks with longing, earnest gaze as it searches for a church as "fair as the moon, clear as the sun." It has a right to look for these manifestations, but it will never find them until holiness has come. Oh, how unutterably, inexpressibly sad is an unclean church! Envy is so contrary to the spirit of the Master. Pride is so disgusting. Anger is so terrible, so fearful. Filthiness and looseness of mind and conduct are so prevalent among the great mass of professed followers where holiness has never come.

Oh, transparent, pure, and altogether lovely people who have received thy Pentecost! There is absolutely no stain on thy garments! Salvation is not a failure, and the world at last can find no flaw, but continually rests its tired, weary gaze on thee. Thou art an oasis and a refuge in the desert of life to those who seek for deliverance! "The blood . . . cleanseth from all sin."

(2) Holiness brings unity. Dr. C. J. Fowler well says that in every church division, somewhere, somehow, on one side or the other, or on both, carnality is responsible. Of the truth of this there is no question. For centuries—ever since its origin—the body of Christ has been rent and disrupted by carnal influences, thus displaying a most horrid and gruesome spectacle to the world. When holiness enters, division and discord flee. This must be evident to all.

The great popular movements among ecclesiastical circles are now toward one church. Union is the cry of the hour, but if holiness had always prevailed, there never would have been more than one church and this unity would be built on a true foundation. Nonessentials take their correct position in a wholly sanctified church. The great high priestly prayer of Jesus in John 17 establishes this unquestionable fact, "That they all may be one!" What sweetness and godly simplicity will mark the unified and united Church and what an amazing spectacle they will present to the unsaved when holiness has come! Perfect love to God and to man will subordinate every personal interest to the good of all and to the progress of Christ's kingdom. Oh, blessed unity!

(3) Holiness will insure an aggressive church. "My strength is as the strength of ten because my heart is pure," sang Tennyson, but a greater than Tennyson has said, "Ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you: and ye shall be witnesses unto me, both in Jerusalem, and in all Judaea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth." Holiness makes a love slave of its happy recipient and at whatever cost and in the face of all obstacles insures from him undying and unswerving fidelity to the Lord Jesus Christ and His cause. One look at Calvary, under the Pentecostal baptism, makes him a soldier of the cross, while life shall last. The dying passion of the thorn-crowned Man is to the wholly sanctified soul an ever present reminder that he must press the battle to the very gates of the enemy till he lays his crown at Jesus' feet.

His one business is to rescue the perishing of

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Brother Hamric has preached holiness for the Nazarenes in forty-eight of the forty-nine states. Scores of churches have been organized as the result of his work and thousands have come to know Christ through his presentation of the gospel.

He attended old Peniel College and was a pastor for one year before going into full-time evangelism. Two of his booklets are entitled The All-sufficient Life in Christ and Heartbeats of Sympathy. For many years he made his home in Abilene.

Plans are being completed for the Pilot Point program on Monday, October 13. To a large extent the original conference setting will be duplicated as far as possible. A tent will be erected on the original site and a representative will speak for each of the three chief sections of the nation that came into church union that day.

A granite marker will be unveiled at the climax of the program.—Nazarene Information Service.
every nation and to be the embodiment of missionary zeal “till every foe is vanquished and Christ is Lord indeed.”

Yes, holiness means victory for Christ’s kingdom. Holiness is the hope of the Church. The dispensation of the Holy Spirit is the last and crowning dispensation vouchsafed to mankind. The baptism of the Holy Spirit, the crowning work of salvation upon the human soul. “Holiness becometh thine house, O Lord, for ever.”

The Lord’s Continued Guidance

By FRED E. AGEE, Pastor, Erin, Tennessee

This world is a wilderness, dark, dreary, and dangerous, and through which all Zion’s travelers have to pass before they can arrive at heaven, their home. Were we to be left to ourselves for only a moment, we would certainly miss our way. The thought of this may be a source of grief to the believer, when he looks too much to himself and too little to the promises of God. Let it ever be remembered by you that He who marked out the way has engaged himself to guide you in the way.

“The Lord strong and mighty, the Lord mighty in battle,” whose wisdom knows no bounds and whose goodness equals His power and knowledge, has engaged to be our Guide even unto death. Lest you should consider it too great a concession for the Lord, who is so high, to stoop so low as to notice a creature so ungrateful and vile, and to remove all your scruples, it is said, “The Lord shall guide thee.” With such a Guide what have you to fear? He who has promised is well able to perform His promise, and of His willingness there can be no doubt.

Your way may be dark, but your Guide is Light. Your path may be rugged all the way through and tribulation may surround you, but your Guide will furnish you with strength in proportion to your day. You may have fightings without, but you can have the peace of Jesus within; and through Him you will have a supply of all things needful for your journey. You may depend upon being brought in safety to your journey’s end.

Isaiah says, “The Lord shall guide thee continually.” He will not guide you in fair weather and leave you in the storm; no, but in all straits, trials, dangers, troubles, afflictions, and difficulties, He will still be thy Guide. Through fire and water, through life and death, through every difficulty of life and under all circumstances, through the gloom of dejection and mists of corruption, through every condition in life and in death, “the Lord shall guide thee continually.”
Fast-driving Christians

By RICHARD S. TAYLOR
Principal, Nazarene Bible College, New South Wales, Australia

It can seriously be doubted if the widespread carelessness among Christians respecting traffic ordinances on our highways is consistent with their obligation to set an example of good citizenship.

In every state capable men, with the welfare of the public in mind, have carefully devised what they believe to be that system of regulations and speed limitations which will best meet the needs of that area. Having set up such a system, at great expense to the state, they are, in addition, constantly waging campaigns by billboard, radio, and press to educate people to the importance of reasonable speeds and conscientious conformity to law. Their object is to save lives. It would seem that the first group to rally in wholehearted co-operation should be Christian people. Surely practical holiness would demand this much. Our Christian liberty ought not to be perverted to mean civil license.

There are many alibis for excessively fast driving, but not one of them “holds water.” Some assume that state authorities do not intend that posted speed limits are to be observed literally. There is, it is true, some variation in enforcement attitudes in different states; but this possible leeway does not cover the wide discrepancy between posted limits and common practice. It would evidence better faith if the driver inquired of a local officer to ascertain the expectations in that locality.

Others have the very strange notion that just because they may think certain laws are silly and impractical they are therefore justified in ignoring them. Laws which are still on the statute books but obsolete and forgotten may at times thus be ignored; but current laws which states are paying huge sums to enforce should be respected, not despised.

Possibly the thinnest excuse of all is that we as Christians are about the King’s business and “the king’s business requireth haste.” And so we rush to the Lord’s work here and there, violating the law and endangering human lives in the process. Shall we “do evil, that good may come?” It does not require too much reflection to show us the incongruity of disregarding the law of the land while seeking to persuade men to obey the law of God.

Moreover, considerations of personal conven-
ience, to say nothing of pleasure, should scarcely be the deciding factors in this matter. Our first consideration should be our obligation to society as Christians.

While the alibis are weak, the arguments in favor of a sharpened conscience while driving are strong. Callous disregard of traffic rules is unscriptural, for it violates the admonition to obey the ordinances of men for conscience's sake. It is unpatriotic, for it joins hands with all other groups of law violators in making our police bill heavy and law enforcement difficult, thus weakening the moral fiber of our nation. It is unethical, because it endangers the lives of others and sets a poor example before those whom we are seeking to influence. How far, for instance, would we get in talking to an officer about his soul who has stopped us for speeding?

This last consideration—that of influence—should especially give pause to sincere Christian workers. In a certain Christian school a coed came to the college matron seriously troubled. She had been disciplined for a minor infraction of a school rule, then afterward had ridden with a member of the school's staff when he drove at a reckless speed in a restricted zone. "Why," she questioned earnestly, "is it any worse for me to break the rules of the school than for him to break the laws of the land?" It was a hard question for the matron to answer.

Just as hard to answer was the logic of the man who during prohibition days brought to the job a bottle of bootleg liquor. When a Christian remonstrated with him on the ground of poor citizenship he pointedly asked: "Do you always keep the speed laws? No? Then you break the laws you want to and I'll break the ones I want to." The Christian had no more to say. Would we?

I Had to Say

"I Don't Know Him!"

By ROBERT D. HEMPEL, Pastor, First Church, Roseburg, Oregon

He had been the driver of a speeding car that collided with an equally determined, onrushing product of man's creative genius. The wail of screaming sirens told many of the resulting mangled heap of steel mixed with human flesh.

He was taken to the hospital. When lacerations had been mended, bones set, and bandages wrapped until he looked like an Egyptian mummy—when all had been cleared away from the scene of disaster save the skid marks on the pavement—then, several days following, he was served with the charge of manslaughter!

Weeks and months of anxious waiting followed as lawyers worked and reworked their case. His sister had visited the Sunday school once—perhaps the attorney could call the minister for a character reference that would help to tip the scales in his favor.

At the top of a long flight of stairs I found a sign pointing to the office of Attorney X. The door said, "Walk In"—I did.

I was greeted most solicitously. I listened attentively—yes, sympathetically—to the appeal based on the boy's youthfulness, the family's inability to fight the case, and in the event of conviction, the failure of our corrective institutions to correct.

The case was due to go to the court in just a day or so. Did I agree with the foregoing call for leniency? As a minister, would I care to speak a word in defense of the boy?

My heart had been stirred in sympathy. I wanted to say, "Yes, gladly!" But my conscience told me it was his sister who attended Sunday school once. He nor his parents had had time for the church in their busy lives.

Admitting my sympathy and heart desire to help, I determined to maintain my integrity. I had to say, "I don't know him!" I couldn't come to his defense without jeopardizing my word and involving my conscience.

As I walked down the long flight of stairs my mind turned to another approaching court scene that will involve us all. I thought of those who had been too busy to get acquainted with the one Advocate who could help, but who would cry loudly for His attention then. I thought of His words: "I know you not . . . depart from me, all ye workers of iniquity."
The Best Requires the Best!

In the history of the Christian Church there have been those who have held that the end justifies the means. By this they meant that, if our objective is good, then we are permitted to use even bad means in order to forward that goal. In such cases it would be proper to lie in order to get someone to come to church or to Sunday school. But we cannot subscribe to this view. The end does not justify the means. You can't propagate the good by using instrumentalities which are bad. On the other hand, we must not forget that “the best requires the best.”

The higher the value of that we hope to realize, the more anxious we should be to find the most effective methods for getting it to the people. God's cause is a worthy one. There is no higher purpose for Christian people to aim at than the spreading of scriptural holiness. The best of all goals requires the best means for its propagation; therefore we should not use fourth- third- or even second-rate methods. We must use the best, for “the best requires the best.” This indicates that we must avail ourselves of the most up-to-date instrumentalities for spreading the gospel of full salvation.

This is one reason why the writer has rejoiced ever since we started our radio ministry. Why shouldn't we use the best mechanical means that are afforded for forwarding the kingdom of God? Why should we permit the devil to take over the best channels in order to propagate that which is worst? Why shouldn't we seize on the very best of instrumentalities in order to bring men that which will most enhance their lives here and hereafter?

Church of the Nazarene, you are to be congratulated on your world-wide program of evangelism. Keep it up, keep the vision before you. And, especially at this time, we salute the “Showers of Blessing” radio program! It is one of the most up-to-date methods whereby we may promulgate our world-wide program of evangelism. We must be on the job all the time and seek out those instrumentalities which in themselves are neither good nor bad, but encompass almost infinite possibilities for forwarding that which is good or bad.

The best for the best applies not only to the “Showers of Blessing” program, which we are emphasizing in this issue of the Herald of Holiness, but also to every means which any department of our church may use to speed up our efficiency for God. Let's not lag behind; let's keep on the job. We believe in the old-time religion; we want to stand by the old-time fundamentals. But the same reason that makes us want the old-time religion and makes us want to stand by the old-time gospel will make us want to find the best legitimate
methods possible for spreading this gospel to men everywhere. If something new is developed, let's not let the devil take it over; let's use it for God and His kingdom. The best requires the best!

"Think in Terms of the Future"

"Think in terms of the future." These words give us the emphasis of a statement made by Dr. Harry Denman, general secretary of the Methodist General Board of Evangelism, at its annual meeting, April 22 to 24, in Nashville, Tennessee. Among other things Dr. Denman said, "The Methodist church must think in terms of the next forty years, instead of four years."

Dr. Denman is a great spiritual leader with foresight and vision. He was right in giving this advice to his church. Likewise, let me say that the Church of the Nazarene should think in terms of the next fifty years, at least, instead of four years, or twelve or sixteen years. As we celebrate our fiftieth anniversary, we should begin to plan and build for the next fifty years.

By Stephen S. White

Breaking the Sound Barrier!

This is something new! We've been hearing about it only a few years. My Webster's Unabridged Dictionary is fairly recent, and yet it has nothing to say about "breaking the sound barrier." The world is moving fast, things are happening in a hurry. Something that we know little or nothing about today may become common talk tomorrow. Certainly this is true of "breaking the sound barrier."

The exact meaning of this statement is explained in this way: When a plane flies faster than the speed of sound (reckoned at 1,088 feet per second, at sea level, and at 32 degrees Fahrenheit), listeners inside of the sound area hear a rather unusual noise. Of course it's been only a few years that airplanes have been traveling fast enough to do this. Certainly we live now in a world of continual miracle; the unheard-of is coming to pass almost every day. We are not through marveling over the fact that airplanes can travel faster than the speed of sound.

Still, there is a sense in which we have been "breaking the sound barrier" for many years. The telegraph, telephone, radio, television—all break the sound barrier, from another viewpoint. By means of these inventions we are able to circle the globe with the human voice. The limitations to the outreach of the spoken voice have been broken down. The radio, for instance, is defined as the transmission and reception of signals by means of electric waves without a connecting wire. This is one more marvelous step in man's ability to overcome the forces of nature which circumscribe his activities.

From this standpoint, every week the Church of the Nazarene breaks through the sound barrier. The "Showers of Blessing" program makes it possible for the message that we love to contact people in many nations. Literally, by this means, we can "circle the globe with salvation" as we were never able to do it before. We rejoice in man's inventions, and we are also delighted that the Church of the Nazarene is using some of them to forward the kingdom of God.

Further, we have had this instrumentality for the spreading of the gospel of holiness so long now
that we count it as a regular part of our world program of evangelism. And truly it is a worthy part of that global undertaking. Only God knows the extent of this work—those who have been saved, sanctified, or strengthened for life’s battles by the songs, prayers, and sermons which have gone out over the “Showers of Blessing” programs. Our people are “sold” on this work and have been for years; they believe in it and want to extend its ministry in every way possible.

For this day, when there is a cry for spiritual awakening in our churches, let us pray God will find His spokesmen for His message!

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A Spokesman for God

**Scripture**—I Samuel 2:12–3:21 (Printed: I Samuel 3:10–20)

**Golden Text**—“Behold now, there is in this city a man of God, and he is an honourable man; . . . peradventure he can show us our way that we should go” (I Samuel 9:6).

Alone, Hannah poured out her soul before the Lord. For many years she was childless; but this day she prayed for a son and promised, “I will give him unto the Lord all the days of his life.” Her prayer answered, she joyfully gave her son, Samuel, to serve in the house of the Lord.

During this time, however, Israel was without a clear sense of God’s voice. Avarice and immorality marked the lives of Eli’s sons. Vital religion was at an extremely low ebb. Indifference, rebellion, and idolatry left in its wake a degenerate condition among God’s chosen ones. But God had a plan! “Just a boy,” you say. Yes, but remember, Samuel listened and obeyed. This made the difference. Thus to all Israel he became recognized as a prophet of the Lord.

Think about this statement, “A Spokesman for God,” and what does it mean to you? We often think that the clergy are God’s only spokesmen; but our Protestant heritage assures us that the Lord “hath made us kings and priests unto God” (Revelation 1:6). In a larger sense, as a child of God, you too can be His spokesman for righteousness. Today, as always, God must have a voice. Can He have yours as His?

Why was Samuel used of the Lord? What factors marked his life as we study this scripture lesson? And what principles shall we accept from these observations?

1. I must **listen** for the voice of God. In the secret place I must train my ear to listen, accepting His Word as authority.

2. I must **obey** the voice of God. Without hesitation I choose to respond to God’s revelation and merit His continued blessing.

3. I must **declare** fearlessly the whole counsel of God. No longer will I seek to give my ideas, but it shall be His message.

4. I must **maintain** the continual presence of the Lord. This shall be my strength.

God Is Answering in Peru

A short time ago we requested prayer for a serious situation in Peru. One of our Christian girls was drowned while in vacation Bible school work and relatives were threatening to sue the mission. God has intervened and one group has accepted the accident for what it was, and are willing to leave the matter in God’s hands. Please keep praying, however, for there is still another group who are continuing to threaten to cause the mission trouble.—CLYDE GOLIHNER, Peru.

Thank You

Please tell our friends who sent such wonderful boxes of used clothing that we did appreciate them greatly. We have written those we could, but some of the parcels arrived broken into pieces and some had no labels, so we were not able to tell from whom they came.

What a pity that they do not all sew these packages in old cloth! I know it would involve more work, but it is a far safer way, and is almost a guarantee that we would receive the packages in good condition. The packages came just at the right time—most of them on Christmas Eve. Indeed the postal authorities had to charter a special lorry to bring the parcels over the Drakensburg Mountains from Barberton, as the mailbags far exceeded their normal delivery of mail. The mission van had to make many trips over the rough, mountainous, slippery road to the Pigg’s Peak post office, twelve miles away, to bring the parcels to the mission station. Then many happy hours were spent in opening and unpacking the boxes, sorting and arranging for distribution among the many churches, so that all could share in the good things.

Not only have we been able to help our workers on the station but many of our church members all around were in dire need of clothing. Young Africans can no longer come to school clad in loincloths and animal skins, as is their native dress. They are required by law to be properly clothed in the “white man’s” clothing. Many times their mothers and fathers are hard pressed to find clothing for them all. The people are glad and happy indeed, and ask us to send you all sincere gratitude for the kindness and for the splendid garments you sent this Christmas.

Some parcels are still trickling through, but there are still some sheep and lambs who are in need of overcoats for their backs. This is a year of famine because of crop failure last season, so these clothes are indeed a heaven-sent Christmas present in their time of need.

Unknown to us, one preacher had been praying for a pair of shoes. When we included a pair in his Christmas parcel, his face lit up with joy and he praised the Lord as he tried them on and found that they fit exactly. It was also a thrill to be able to help young lads going to teachers’ training and others preparing for Bible school. A special word of thanks, too, for the many little “extras” which brought added joy and made a brighter Christmas for the African boys and girls.—REGINALD AND LILIAN JONES, Swaziland, Africa.

**Haiti**

Bible school has been going along very satisfactorily. It has been hard to find time for everything, but the Lord has been helping and things have gone smoothly. The Riches have been a big help to us. When I began Bible school classes, Brother Rich took over the finishing of the dining hall and gave a splendid example for the Bob's to teaching two of the advanced English students. They are making rapid prog-
Chaplain's Report:

“This year of service has been spent on the staff of Commander Destroyer Squadron 23, home ported in Long Beach, California. I have served the 8 ships and 2,500 men and their dependents of the squadron as the chaplain, carrying the full responsibility of all spiritual training, moral and character education, conducting of divine services, and giving of counsel to the men and their dependents.

“This report covers the assembly year from May, 1957, to April, 1958, for the Los Angeles District.

“The summer of 1957 was spent in operations at sea out of the Long Beach area and the squadron deployed to the western Pacific the first of August, 1957, and returned the first of February, 1958. We visited Hawaii, American Samoa, New Zealand, Australia, New Guinea, Guam, Okinawa, Japan, Formosa, Hong Kong, Philippine Islands, Indonesia, Singapore, Bangkok, back to the Philippines, on to Guam once more, then to Midway Island, with a final stop at Pearl Harbor, Hawaii, and then returned to Long Beach, California. We engaged in numerous fleet exercises, the Formosan Patrol, and participated in the commitments of Seventh Fleet Pacific Area.

“It was our privilege to visit many of our missionaries at these stops as well as those of other churches. Our heart has been stirred with the vision of need that exists throughout this part of the world. My conviction is stronger than ever before that the only hope of any kind of peace is that which comes from the ‘Prince of Peace.’ His gospel is still able to save from the uttermost to the uttermost and meet the strongest hunger of the human heart. I praise God for the privilege of serving Jesus Christ and proclaiming His gospel to our men in uniform.”—Chaplain Leonard W. Dodson, Jr., Lt. jg., USN.

Chaplain Leonard Dodson transferring at sea from one ship to another. He has made 161 such transfers this past year to conduct service on ship.

NURSE in language study.—Paul Orjala, Haiti.

Japan Assembly

We had a blessed district assembly this spring. Brother Shubert, veteran missionary from China, brought heart-searching messages on intercession. A number sought the blessing of sanctification at the altar, and a few prayed for salvation, as he ministered to us. Adachi, a farmer from the north of Tokyo, came to see me at the assembly. He had been contacted through a tract. Knowing nothing except that his heart was hungry, he unburdened his load and claimed Christ as his personal Saviour. During the assembly the official Fiftieth Anniversary song was introduced, and people sang “The Sun Never Sets in the Morning” enthusiastically. The song was translated by Professor Ugo Nakada.—Merril Bennett, Japan.

Revival

We have just closed our April quarterly meetings and we rejoice in the spirit of our national workers as they earnestly seek a revival in Portuguese East Africa. Already this year on one of our districts there have been 273 heathen that have repented and been placed in the probationers’ class. Many others have been to the altar but have not progressed sufficiently to be placed in the class. We are expecting a great year! God is near and we are looking for many souls.—Bessie Gross, Portuguese East Africa.

Summer Youth Camp Programs Get Under Way

With the closing of high schools across the country thousands of church-sponsored youth camps will be held throughout the summer months. Perhaps the largest summer camp will be at Winona Lake, Indiana, where the International Convention of Youth for Christ will meet June 29 to July 13. An attendance of more than five thousand is anticipated at the July 4 rally when Dr. Jack Schuler of Arcadia, California, will be the speaker.

Church-related Colleges to Study Programs

The increased attention given to scientific and technical training is challenging the program of liberal arts colleges, especially those with a strong Christian message. This will be one of the principal topics of discussion at the Quadrennial Convention of Christian Colleges at Drake University, Des Moines, Iowa.
Alcoholics Anonymous
Acquire World-wide Scope

Alcoholics Anonymous, founded in 1935, now has 7,000 chapters in 70 nations according to Alcoholics Anonymous Comes of Age, a new book recently published by Harper's. More than 200,000 people are currently receiving help from the nonsectarian organization, which emphasizes that God alone is able to help the alcoholic conquer drinking.

Bible Societies' Services Broadened

Among new methods of sharing the message of the Bible with peoples throughout the world the American Bible Society has developed the Finger-Phono, a small hand-operated phonograph with scripture recordings in the native tongue of peoples whose literacy is low. More than one thousand of the machines are being used among the Navaho Indians in America. Phonographs are also being sent to a number of overseas fields. The American Bible Society has also announced that nearly fifty-one thousand Braille Scriptures and talking Bible records were issued to the blind in the U.S. last year. A unique addition to the Bible Society library in New York City was two well-worn English Bibles that had seen service at the South Pole during the recent U.S. Antarctic operation.

New Gospel Station in Nicaragua

Radio station YNOL will soon be opened in Managua, Nicaragua. Devoted exclusively to gospel broadcasts, YNOL is the eighth evangelical radio station established in Latin America.

The most recent Gallup poll on America's drinking habits revealed a marked decline in the percentage of drinkers. In 1957, 58 per cent of those over twenty-one said they drank on occasion. This year the percentage had dropped to 55. Gallup has been asking the same question annually since 1945. In the thirteen years the percentage of drinkers has dropped 12 per cent with a corresponding rise in abstainers, according to Gallup's "Public Opinion News Service," published March 5, 1958.

The alcohol and beer industries are desperate and their advertising efforts will become more and more frantic in the months ahead. It is important that Nazarenes write their congressmen repeatedly, urging them to sponsor and support legislation that will control interstate advertising of alcoholic beverages. The major bill currently before the Senate is S-582, the Langer Bill. Write your senators and representatives today.

KENNETH S. RICE
Secretary to the Committee on Public Morals
Thought for the Day

by BERTHA MUNRO

Do Business with the Promises

Monday:
They are God’s checks to be cashed on demand. Big business has been transacted on that security. And the bank is still open for business, the promises negotiable; but don’t forget, each check must be countersigned with faith and obedience. (Hebrews 6:12.)

Tuesday:
Strange, we do not casually select the one of those more than three thousand promises we wish for working capital and go off with it. The Holy Spirit illuminates the word we need for the particular situation and endorses it, legally ours, a personal gift, direct, immediate.

You remember how it has been with you. Go back and gather them up, those good words; they still are yours. “The gifts . . . of God are without repentance.” (John 14:26; 16:13-14; Romans 8:28; 11:29.)

Wednesday:
That first great “whosoever”—some specific promise made the truth personal for you alone. “The promise of the Father”—again a special word, and you saw the gift of the Spirit yours for your peculiar property. Was it “Ye have not chosen me, but I have chosen you,” or some other equally direct?—God’s way of calling your attention to the worth of your life to Him. These still are yours, to do business with. (John 3:16; Luke 24:49; John 15:16; Matthew 24:35.)

Thursday:
These long-time promises have a way of involving an “if.” Abraham’s “I will bless thee. . . . in thee shall all the earth be blessed” followed the “Get thee out” from the comfortable, do-nothing home, and found a nation for God; Moses’ “Certainly I will be with thee” was linked with “Come now . . . I will send thee unto Pharaoh.” Joshua’s “Thy way prosperous, . . . good success”—“As . . . with Moses, so I will be with thee” was conditioned by “Be strong” to lead this people over Jordan; Jeremiah’s “I have made thee . . . a defenced city,” by “Say not, I am a child: . . . thou shalt speak.” (Genesis 12:1-3; Exodus 3:12, 10; Joshua 1:5, 8-9; Jeremiah 1:7, 18-19.)

What does the Church of the Nazarene believe as to Jesus Christ?
Here is the statement on Jesus Christ in our “Articles of Faith”:
“We believe in Jesus Christ, the Second Person of the Triune Godhead; that He was eternally one with the Father; that He became incarnate by the Holy Spirit and was born of the Virgin Mary, so that two whole and perfect natures, that is to say the Godhead and manhood, are thus united in one person very God and very man, the God-man.

“We believe that Jesus Christ died for our sins, and that He truly arose from the dead and took again His body, together with all things appertaining to the perfection of man’s nature, wherever He ascended into heaven and is there engaged in intercession for us.” (Manual, page 28.)

In this statement as to our belief about Jesus Christ we follow the great historic creeds of the Christian Church. From the standpoint of these creeds, Jesus Christ walked on this earth as the eternal Son of God incarnate in a perfect humanity. He was God and man united in one Person, and through His death on the Cross, He made salvation possible for all men.

What is your system of church government?
It combines elements in both the episcopal and congregational forms of church government. It follows the former in that it has a very active superintendency, but the latter sets the pattern when it comes to the choosing of a pastor. He is called by a two-thirds majority vote of the church members present and voting who are twelve years of age or over. This vote is taken at a duly called annual or special meeting of the local church, and the elder voted on must have been nominated by a majority vote of the church board after advising with the superintendent of the district in which the church is located. The final election must also be approved by the district superintendent.

This election is only for one year, but the call of the pastor may be renewed by the church for another year in the same way, except that he does not have to be reominated by the church board. Then our Manual adds: “provided such renewal call shall be approved by the District Superintendent within thirty days after such call. His failure to disapprove shall be considered and treated as approval” (page 66).

Thus I have presented enough information about the type of church government which the Church of the Nazarene has to prove that it has in it both episcopal and congregational elements.

Paul wrote in Romans 15:3, “The reproaches of them that reproached thee fell on me.” This evidently refers to Psalms 69:9. Does this mean that Psalms 69 as a whole is a cry from Jesus? If so, how could He say the fifth verse or even the eighteenth verse?

According to one authority, this psalm is referred to seven times in the New Testament as prophetic of Christ and the gospel times. But this does not mean that everything in it has to do with Christ. Further, I see no impossible problem with reference to the eighteenth verse. I can conceive of Christ uttering such a cry in His struggle with His enemies as He went to the Cross. He could have cried out to the Father thus in order that He might not fail in His mission. In addition, the authority referred to above says of verse 5: “Although the character in which the Psalmist appears to some in v. 5 is that of a sinner; yet his condition as a sufferer innocent of alleged crimes sustains the typical character of the composition, and it may be regarded throughout, as the 22d, as typically expressive of the feelings of our Savior in the flesh.” I am not at all sure that I go along with him on this explanation, but I can see some ground for it.

What does the Church of the Nazarene believe as to entire sanctification?
Here are the first two paragraphs of Article X in the Manual, which deal with entire sanctification: “We believe that entire sanctification is that act of God, subsequent to regeneration, by which believers are made free from original sin, or depravity, and brought into a state of entire devotion to God, and the holy obedience of love made perfect.

“It is wrought by the baptism with the Holy Spirit, and comprehends in one experience the cleansing of the heart from sin and the abiding indwelling presence of the Holy Spirit, empowering the believer for life and service” (pages 31-32).
Friday:
The new promise that arrests your attention—it is the Spirit suggesting fresh territory to be taken. Look for the condition, accept it, and realize on the claim. That intense hunger for closer fellowship with Christ—you find the promise linked with the price: “Lo, I am with you always” tied to “Go ye therefore, and teach all nations” (Matthew 28:19-20; l'hilip-per). You can look back to moment upon moment that would have been catastrophes but that an unexpected promise flashed into your mind and faith gripped. Remember the past and let no scarecrow of Satan panic you. Look for the promise; the Spirit will give it. “No temptation without its ‘way of escape’ to victory.” (Isaiah 59:19; James 1:6; Deuteronomy 33:27; I Corinthians 10:13.)

Saturday:
Then the incidental, short-time checks: “When the enemy shall come in like a flood, the Lord shall lift up a standard.” “Draw nigh to God, and he will draw nigh to you.” “As thy day so shall thy strength be.” You are the hero of your own story. You can claim promises selfishly. He who could have called legions of angels prayed, “Not as I will, but as thou wilt.” Do business with the promises—God’s business. (Hebrews 11:13, 33-38; Matthew 26:39.)

Sunday:
Gather up the promises given you, claim the new ones. Live by them, let them become a part of you, and you of them. But never think you can use them for self; rather let them use you for God. They are the way to miracle, not to magic power (Rev. Ted Martin). Some of those heroes of faith embraced the promises, only to be “swan asunder.” They saved others; themselves they could not save. But then they all bowed their heads to claim promises selfishly. He who could have called legions of angels prayed, “Not as I will, but as thou wilt.” Do business with the promises—God’s business. (Hebrews 11:13, 33-38; Matthew 26:39.)

Tucson, Arizona—Rev. and Mrs. Elwood Munger came to Northside Church for four days prior to Easter. They trained pastor and people to follow Jesus’ plan for building the Kingdom. Our Sunday school attendance increased from 130 to 304 in one year. “A portion of this great increase is ‘solid gain.’” We surely thank God for the wonderful ministry of the Müngers with us.—James F. Cullumber, Pastor.

Res. Edward K. Donoho writes: “In 1941, I began my ministry in Concordia, Kansas, after graduating from Bethany Nazarene College. After two and a half years, building the church and Sunday school, I went to Chase for another two and a half years, building an educational unit, remodeling the parsonage, and breaking Sunday school, membership, and financial records. We pastored one year at Perry, Oklahoma, with good success, and then worked in the evangelistic field for a period of time, conducting good meetings in Weatherford, Harrah, and Braman, Oklahoma; Pleasant Hill Church, Sylvia, and Lyons, Kansas; at Ogden, Illinois; Stafford, Meade, and Garden City, Kansas. I am now closing my second year with our church in Texhoma, Oklahoma, where God has blessed and we have had a good increase in Sunday school attendance. Feeling sure of God’s leading, I must do the work of an evangelist, so am moving to Bethany, and will enter the field of full-time evangelism immediately. Write me, 605 S. Willow, Bethany, Oklahoma, and I shall be glad to go as the Lord opens doors of service.”

Beatrice, Nebraska—Recently we had a ten day meeting with Evangelist D. C. Van Slyke. The forces of evil seemed real and strong, but God gave victory to our good evangelist. On the last Sunday morning there were three seekers at the altar, and on Sunday night the altar was lined with seeking souls; victories continued on to the close of the services Wednesday night. Brother Van Slyke is truly a man of God and we greatly appreciated his timely messages. —LeRoy Morrow, Pastor.
Oregon, Illinois—Recently this church experienced the most outstanding revival in many years. The straight preaching of Evangelist Thomas Hayes, seasoned with kindness and patience, endeared him to the hearts of the people, and a number of times in the twelve-day meeting the altar was lined with seekers. The Lord blessed the good preachers and gave 25 seekers at the altar; 7 of these were adults who had not been to our altar before. On the last Sunday our school record with 292 present, and the next Sunday we received 11 new members into the church. On Saturday, April 12, the church celebrated the fiftieth anniversary in the Church of the Nazarene, and also the fiftieth birthday of their pastor, with a dinner in the Plainfield Library building. The church presented the pastor with a complete new outfit of clothes, and after the dinner District Superintendent Cantwell spoke to us on the “Fifty Golden Years of the Church of the Nazarene.” Also Mrs. Cantwell, district N.F.M.S. president, spoke on the Nazarene missionary work. We appreciate our fine people.—JAMES FORB, Pastor.

Bridgeport, Indiana—Our church enjoyed a wonderful revival with Evangelist Frank Moore and Jim and Janet Crider. The presence of the Lord was so full that we had to hold an additional meeting. The Lord blessed the good preaching and singing of these workers and gave 25 seekers at the altar; 7 of these were adults who had not been to our altar before. On the last Sunday our school record with 292 present, and the next Sunday we received 11 new members into the church. On Saturday, April 12, the church celebrated the fiftieth anniversary of the Church of the Nazarene, and also the fiftieth birthday of their pastor, with a dinner in the Plainfield Library building. The church presented the pastor with a complete new outfit of clothes, and after the dinner District Superintendent Cantwell spoke to us on the “Fifty Golden Years of the Church of the Nazarene.” Also Mrs. Cantwell, district N.F.M.S. president, spoke on the Nazarene missionary work. We appreciate our fine people.—JAMES FORB, Pastor.

Fulton, Ohio—In April our church had its best revival—best attended and most fruitful—with Evangelists Roy and Lilly Anne Norris as the special workers. Rev. Lilly Anne stirred hearts with her song and message, and Brother Norris presented the pastor with a complete new outfit of clothes, and after the dinner District Superintendent Cantwell spoke to us on the “Fifty Golden Years of the Church of the Nazarene.” Also Mrs. Cantwell, district N.F.M.S. president, spoke on the Nazarene missionary work. We appreciate our fine people.—JAMES FORB, Pastor.

Evangelist W. E. Boggs writes: “Due to an oversight in making my slate, I have an open date, September 24 to October 5. I’ll be glad to slate this time from western New York to the Northwest, California, or Southwest. Write me c/o Nazarene Publishing House, P.O. Box 527, Kansas City 41, Missouri.”

Springfield, Missouri—Since January, God has manifested himself in a wonderful way at Scenic Drive Church, and we have enjoyed many new members and services. During these few months we have seen definite and consistent gains along all lines. We have received 22 new members since last assembly—more than a 5% per cent gain. Our Sunday school is averaging more than 50 per cent above last year’s average, since January; April’s average was 123—the best in more than three years. Finances are above all previous records. Best of all, is the spirit of revival in our services, and during the past few months there have been more than 50 seekers with many glorious victories. We give God all praise for answers to ‘seemingly impossible’ prayers.—WILSON D. BAKER, Pastor.

Canada Pacific District Assembly

The third annual assembly of the Canada Pacific District was held April 10 and 11, at First Church in Vancouver, British Columbia. Dr. D. I. Vanderpool was the presiding officer. Hearts were inspired, challenged, and encouraged by the messages to the assembly and in the evening services.

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Four churches received certificates as “10 per cent” churches for the 1956-57 year: Abbotsford, Chilliwack, Tupper, and Vancouver First, received Evangelistic Honor Roll certificates.

The conventions preceded the assembly. The N.Y.P.S. met on Monday, with Rev. Hubert Hellinger, missionary from Japan, as the special speaker. Rev. Wayne Munro was re-elected as the district president with a very good vote.

The church schools convention, under the lead of Chairman A. F. Grobe, was a real help and blessing to the Sunday school workers.

In the N.F.M.S. convention on Wednesday, Mrs. Louise R. Chapman, general president, and Miss Nancy B. Henning both presented heart-moving challenges for missions. Mrs. W. R. Robinson, district president, was unable to be present because of her health. Mrs. W. R. Robinson, district president, was unable to be present because of her health.

The Canada Pacific District is united for God and souls, with a wonderful spirit prevailing among the pastors and laymen.—LAWRENCE A. OXDEN, Reporter.

Mercer, Wisconsin—In May our church had a good revival with Evangelist and Mrs. Haven Goodall as the special workers. God graciously used the Bible messages of Brother Goodall, combined with the Scene-o-felt pictures by Mrs. Goodall, to bring thirty-two seekers to God. We give Him praise for these blessed souls.—RICHARD A. MOORE, Pastor.
Columbus, Ohio—We have been enjoying a wonderful spirit of revival at Bellows Avenue Church. In January, in a five-day revival with Evangelist James Crabtree, more than eighty souls sought God. "The spirit of revival has continued and to date there have been more than two hundred seeking God at the altar for pardon and heart purity. Also, forty-one members have been added to the church—sixteen by profession, giving us well over a ten percent increase in membership. Every department of the church has felt the impact of this spiritual tide; the Sunday school is showing the best increase in several years; the pastor's offering was the large it has ever given; and there is a noticeable increase in attendance in all services. A spirit of unity and blessing prevails.

The church recently gave the pastor a three-year call—J. E. Everett, Pastor.

Announcements

WEDDING BELLS—Elda Darlene Brown and Charles Curtis Schall, both of Ebensburg, Pennsylvania, were united in marriage in the Ebensburg Temple S t., Owego, New York.

BORN—To Mr. and Mrs. Miles A. Simmons, Jr., of Kankakee, Illinois, a son, Miles A. (the fifth) on May 22.

BORN—To Mr. and Mrs. (Shirlee) S. Fred Rapp of Seattle, Washington, a son, John Frederick, on May 7.

BORN—To Mr. and Mrs. Clarence (Blackie) Armog of Montgomery, Georgia, a daughter, Renee Faye, on May 14.

SPECIAL PRAYER IS REQUESTED by a mother in Mississippi that God will undertake in a special way because of serious sickness in the family, and many doctors' bills—give strength and grace—she truly loves the Lord and wants to be forgiven for Him.

SPECIAL PRAYER IS REQUESTED by a Christian lady in Indiana for a man who is facing blindness from cataracts, and needs work—a young man who needs deliverance from an evil habit—a family in need of a home—work—and healing for her own body and a deeper Christian experience.

SPECIAL PRAYER IS REQUESTED by a woman in Washington "for an unspoken request:"

SPECIAL PRAYER IS REQUESTED by a woman in Michigan "that God will touch my body and make me well that I might be a soul winner—I feel there is much to be done in the world, and when requests believe in God's will;"

SPECIAL PRAYER IS REQUESTED by a Christian for a revival in a church there, for healing of a bad infection for himself, a deeper experience with God, and a special unsung request:

SPECIAL PRAYER IS REQUESTED by a Christian in Colorado that God would open up a way for her and her husband (he is employed), as they are "in desperate circumstances financially."

SPECIAL PRAYER IS REQUESTED by a Christian lady in Florida for healing of her body—has been sick a long time and now facing an operation—she doubts the items sent through the Lord, and believes God is able to heal without it.

SPECIAL PRAYER IS REQUESTED by a Christian brother in Washington state in regard to a "legal trap" into which he stepped unknowingly—that God may deliver.

Nazeure Camp Meetings

Louisiana District Camp, June 27 to July 6; to the people near of Alexandria on Hi-way 71, Workers: Dr. Gene Phillips, Rev. C. W. Davis, preachers; Mr. Walter Gatlin, singer. For information write the district superintendent, 2408 Douglas Dr., Bossier City, Louisiana.

West Virginia District Camp, July 3 to 13, on Route 41, three miles east of Summersville, West Virginia. Workers: Rev. Fred Thomas, Rev. D. K. Blaney, and Pastor Paul Qualls. For information write Rev. H. H. Henderston, 7620 New York Ave., Columbus, Ohio.

Pleasant Ridge Nazeure Camp, July 11 through 20, on Route 76, between Routes 40 and 30. Three services daily. Workers: Rev. L. J. Brant, Rev. and Mrs. Ted Detolli, and Mr. Douglas Slack.

A-Bang District Camp, beginning July 4 (Assembly Days 2 and 3) with a great missionary rally with Mrs. Louise Chapman as speaker; at night, Dr. L. B. Hicks, speaking on the Sunday school. Special workers: Dr. G. B. Williamson (over the first Sunday); Dr. L. B. Hicks, evangelist; Dr. H. J. Blaney, Bible teacher; Mrs. Glenn Tyner and Mrs. Verlie Jenkins, children's workers. Rev. Renard D. Smith, district superintendent, the platform manager. For information write Rev. John L. Moran, camp manager, 115 Temple St., Owego, New York.

Southwest Oklahoma District Camp, August 1 to 10, at the District Campground, 3½ miles west of Anadarko, Oklahoma, on Hi-way 9. Workers: Rev. Roy Betchner, Rev. D. J. Drye, preachers; Leon and Marie Cook, singers. Meals served at the dining hall, also dormitory accommodations at reasonable rates. For information write the district superintendent, Rev. W. T. Johnson, Box 249, Duncan, Oklahoma.

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NORTHWEST OKLAHOMA—Assembly, June 25 and 26, at First Church, Tenth Street and Jennings, Bartlesville, Oklahoma, General Superintendent Bellows presiding.

ALABAMA—Assembly, July 2 and 3, at the Albany District Campgrounds, Brooktondale, New York, Pastor's Name: Rev. J. O. Clark, Route 1, Temple St., Owego, N.Y. Send mail and other items relating to the assembly c/o the entertaining pastor, Rev. Albert Neuschwanger, 1515 North Bailey, Bartlesville, Oklahoma. General Superintendent Vanderpool presiding.

WEST VIRGINIA—Assembly, July 3 to 5, at the District Center, Summersville, West Virginia. Send mail and other items relating to the assembly c/o the entertaining pastor, Rev. E. Drell Alien, Canadian Superintendent, Sawyer, North Dakota. General Superintendent Bellows presiding.

NEW YORK—Assembly, July 4 and 5, at the New York District Campgrounds, Sawyer, North Dakota. Send mail and other items relating to the assembly c/o the entertaining pastor, Rev. Albert Neuschwanger, 1515 North Bailey, Bartlesville, Oklahoma. Send mail and other items relating to the assembly c/o the entertaining pastor, Rev. Theo. Rosenau, Sawyer, North Dakota. General Superintendent Vanderpool presiding.

CANADA WEST—Assembly, July 9 to 11, at College Church of the Nazarene, Canadian Nazarene College, Red Deer, Alberta, Canada. Send mail and other items relating to the assembly c/o the entertaining pastor, Rev. E. Drell Alien, Canadian Superintendent, Sawyer, North Dakota. General Superintendent Bellows presiding.

NORTHEASTERN INDIANA—Assembly, July 9 to 11, at the Nazarene Campgrounds, Route 5, Box 62, Marion, Indiana (to reach campgrounds, Lake Erie Central to Muncie or Anderson). Send mail and other items relating to the assembly c/o the entertaining pastor, Rev. H. B. Hughes, 1215 Quarry Road, Marion, Indiana. General Superintendent Bellows presiding.

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COLORADO—Assembly, July 11 and 12, at the District Campground, 1755 Dover Street, Lakewood, Colorado. Send mail and other items relating to the assembly c/o the entertaining pastor, Rev. H. B. Hughes, 1215 Quarry Road, Marion, Indiana. General Superintendent Bellows presiding.

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CENTRAL OHIO—Assembly, July 16 to 18, at the Nazarene Campgrounds, Morse Road near Cleveland Avenue, Columbus, Ohio. Send mail and other items relating to the assembly c/o the entertaining pastor, Dr. Cecil Ewell, 8300 Morse Road, Columbus, Ohio. General Superintendent Williamson presiding.

MINNESOTA—Assembly, July 17 and 18, at the Mission Farms Camp, 3401 Medicine Lake Road North, Minneapolis, Minnesota. Send mail and other items relating to the assembly c/o Rev. Roy F. Stevens, district superintendent, 6224 Concord Avenue North, Minneapolis 24, Minnesota. General Superintendent Benjamin presiding.

CHICAGO CENTRAL—Assembly, July 23 and 24, at First Church, 8300 S. Damen, Chicago, Illinois. Send mail and other items relating to the assembly c/o the entertaining pastor, Dr. Cecil Ewell, 8300 S. Damen, Chicago, Illinois. General Superintendent Young presiding.

WESTERN OHIO—Assembly, July 23 to 25, at the District Center, Route 2, St. Marys, Ohio. Entertaining pastor, Rev. Robert L. Ellis, 1001 Edward St., St. Marys, Ohio. Send mail and other items relating to the assembly c/o the district superintendent, Dr. W. E. Albea, Route 2, St. Marys, Ohio. General Superintendent Vanderpool presiding.

EASTERN KENTUCKY—Assembly, July 24 and 25, at Church of the Nazarene, 830 Yank Street, Newport, Kentucky. Entertaining pastor, Rev. A. Sparks, 38 S. Grand Ave., Frankfort, Kentucky. Send mail and other items relating to the assembly c/o Rev. Asa Sparks, 830 Yank St., Newport, Kentucky. General Superintendent Williamson presiding.

PITTSBURGH—Assembly, July 24 and 25, at Alameda Park Camp, Butler, Pennsylvania. Entertaining pastor, Rev. Ben Blaby, 2014 Fifth Ave., Butler, Pennsylvania. Send mail and other items relating to the assembly c/o the district superintendent, Rev. R. B. Acheson, Box 367, Butler, Pennsylvania. General Superintendent Vanderpool presiding. (To reach the camp—one mile west of Butler, off Route 422.)

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