Our Nation's First Thanksgiving

—November 26, 1789—

(Proclaimed by President George Washington on October 3, 1789)

Whereas it is the duty of all Nations to acknowledge the providence of Almighty God, to obey his will, to be grateful for his benefits, and humbly to implore his protection and favor, and Whereas both houses of Congress have by their joint committees requested me to recommend to the People “of the United States a day of public thanksgiving and prayer to be observed by acknowledging with grateful hearts the many signal favors of Almighty God, especially by affording them an opportunity to establish a form of government for their safety and happiness.”

Now therefore do I recommend and assign Thursday the 26th day of November next to be devoted by the People of these States to the service of that great glorious Being, who is the beneficent Author of all the good that was, that is, or that will be. That we may then unite in rendering unto him our sincere and humble thanks for his kind care and protection of the People of this country previous to their becoming a Nation, for the signal and manifold mercies, and the favorable interpositions of his Providence, which we experienced in the course and conclusion of the late war, for the great degree of tranquility, union and plenty, which we have enjoyed, for the peaceable and rational manner in which we have been enabled to establish a constitution of Government for our safety and happiness, and particularly for the national one now lately instituted for civil and religious liberty with which we are blessed, and the means we have of acquiring and diffusing useful knowledge and in general for all the great and various favors which he hath been pleased to confer upon us.

And also that we may then unite in most humbly offering our prayers and supplications to the great Lord and Ruler of Nations and beseech Him to pardon our national and other transgressions, to enable us all, whether in public or private stations, to perform our several and relative duties properly and punctually, to render our national government a blessing to all the People, by being a government of wise, just and constitutional laws, discreetly and faithfully executed and obeyed, to protect all Sovereigns and Nations (especially such as have shown kindness unto us) and to bless them with good government, peace and concord. To promote the knowledge and practice of true religion and virtue, and the increase of science among them and us, and generally to grant such a degree of temporal prosperity as he alone knows best.

Given under my hand at the City of New York the third day of October in the year of our Lord 1789.

CHRISTMAS GIFT EDITION
Late News

Mrs. Allshouse died early Monday morning, November 2, in a hospital in West Chester, Pennsylvania. She was the wife of Rev. W. C. Allshouse, superintendent of the Philadelphia District. The home address is 26 Ridge Road, West Chester, Pennsylvania.

Rev. and Mrs. Haven Goodall, evangelists, suffered a car accident in Arizona. Mrs. Goodall was in the hospital with a broken back; she is now out of the hospital and improving very well. Brother Goodall was not hurt. They are now residing at 20011 Archwood Street, Canoga Park, California, and would appreciate the prayers of Nazarenes everywhere.

Mrs. H. T. Lummus, pastor of the church in Albion, Nebraska, writes, "Rev. H. T. Lummus, evangelist, is suffering with a severe infection in a saliva duct in his right cheek. Please pray for his healing."

Rev. Donald E. Bland, Nazarene pastor at Loveland, Colorado, has been elected president of the Loveland Ministerial Association.

Evangelist Ralph Mickel writes: "Because Mrs. Mickel's health, as advised by our doctor, necessitates our leaving the evangelistic field, we have accepted a call to pastor our church in Frostburg, Maryland. After twelve consecutive years in revivals, traveling all over the United States and the provinces of Canada, we feel the Lord wants us to return to the pastorate."

The Light of "The City"

By F. W. DAVIS

When we see the light of that city,
That Jesus has gone to prepare
And the gates open to us over there,
What a glorious sight for God's people,
What a glorious day that will be!
Eternally saved up in heaven,
Each soul will be happy and free.

Oh, the brightness and beauty of heaven,
That wonderful, love-centered place,
Where all is so blessed and peaceful
In the light of the dear Saviour's face!
Our dwelling a cottage or mansion
That God has designed in the sky—
Whatever our lot, we'll be happy,
In that city where none ever die!

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Thanksgiving to Christmas—1959

THE EVERLASTING LIGHT

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26 Thanksgiving Psalms ....103:1-22
27 Psalms ...........23:1-6
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15 Isaiah ....11:1-9
16 Isaiah ....35:1-10
17 Isaiah ....40:1-11
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19 Acts ....11:19-30
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22 Isaiah ....58:13-15
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25 Christmas Matthew ....2:1-12

For the last six days of the year, these passages are recommended:
26 I Corinthians ....15:15-38
27 Sunday Acts ....12:1-17
28 Galatians ....6:1-10
29 Ephesians ....4:1-16
30 Philippians ....2:1-18
31 Hebrews ....11:1-16

Will you make Bible reading a daily practice? Ask your minister for lists, write your church headquarters, or request our Daily Bible Readings 1960 (U-139) from the American Bible Society.
In 1620, the year the Pilgrims landed at Plymouth, George wrote—

Thou that hast given so much to us,
Give one thing more—a grateful heart.

The Bible says, “In every thing give thanks” (I Thessalonians 5:18). Do I do that? Do you? Thanksgiving all the time, not only in the home, but in the heart.

Thankful for what? First, for our country.

Have you ever stopped to think what it means to live in the most prosperous country in the world? Have you ever paused to thank God for this wonderful privilege?

In front of our hotel in Athens a woman all dressed in black patted Mrs. Earle’s cheeks with both her rough hands, looked intensely into her face, and almost reverently repeated, “America! America!” Our bus stopped in the crowded bazaar at Cairo. Scores of eager Egyptians gathered quickly and gazed at us with awe and envy. Then again it came, “America, America!” Yes, America—the word that spells paradise in the Middle East.

Just outside the walls of Old Jerusalem we walked from the Virgin’s Fountain to the Pool of Siloam. A teen-age boy followed us, eager for conversation. “Please, could you give me a book?” It was a startling change from the constant cry for “baksheesh.” Mrs. Earle stopped to question him. Yes, he knew how to read English. He had learned at the Friends School, in nearby Ramallah. But he had no books, no magazines—nothing to read. Mrs. Earle gladly wrote down his address and, on our return, sent him books about Christ. He promised to read to all who would listen.

God, give us grateful hearts for the thousands of good books available to us free of charge in our public libraries. In America it seems we have everything. But are we thankful? O God, forgive us for our besetting sin of ingratitude.

Near Bethlehem, where Christ was born, we visited an Arab refugee camp. Six thousand people were there, crowded into cramped quarters that were utterly inadequate for the cold winter weather in the hills. Pneumonia and tuberculosis were taking their toll, in spite of Dr. Lambie’s mercy hospital nearby. We saw an old United States Army pup tent, made for two soldiers, with a family of eight living in it. Was there room for all of them to lie down on the cold ground at the same time? It didn’t look so. We thought of our own comfortable, spacious home and our hearts ached.

Are we thankful for our country? We should be! Second, we should be thankful for our church, with its wide-open doors and its warm welcome awaiting us each week.

It was Christmas, 1950. A group of Nazarenes gathered in a Salvation Army hall outside the old, imperial walls of Rome. How they sang—as only Italians can sing! Then they testified. Dear Brother Del Rosso sat beside me and interpreted. One woman rose to her feet and told how God had answered their prayers. Her wayward daughter, who had gone into deep sin, had just returned home. We joined in the rejoicing. Then we gave a simple message. A few young people nodded and smiled as we spoke each sentence in English. The majority watched and waited. Then their faces lighted, too, as the sentence was translated into Italian. “Amen” (pronounced Ah-main) and “Alleluia” burst from their lips. Some Russian refugees, who had fled from atheistic communism, rejoiced as the message was interpreted for them. I left the service with a heart overflowing with gratitude. Thank God for the Church of the Nazarene!

But most of all we should be thankful for our Christ. If Christ had not come, we would not have our wonderful country in which to live and our more wonderful church in which to worship. It is He who has made it all possible.

The Apostle Paul wrote, “Thanks be unto God for his unspeakable gift” (II Corinthians 9:15). That sentiment ought to find an echo in our grateful hearts every day we live. No matter how severe the test, no matter how dark the night, no matter how utterly alone we may feel, this is our never-ceasing ground for thanksgiving.

Can we fail to be thankful at this Thanksgiving season? While the world about us majors on the material aspects of the season, let us take time to tell God how thankful we are—for our country, for our church, for our Christ.

Thou that hast given so much to us,
Give one thing more—a grateful heart.
Thanks be unto God for his unspeakable gift (II Corinthians 9:15).

Paul’s writings personify gratefulness. Thirty-four times he gives thanks or encourages others to be grateful. I learn from Paul some of the things for which I should be thankful.

Paul was ever grateful for the reality of personal salvation. It was difficult for him to understand how God could “enable,” that is, trust him with the glorious gospel. He marveled that he had “obtained mercy”; that God had saved him, the “chief” of sinners (I Timothy 1:11-17). He realized that in his case grace had been “exceeding abundant.”

This gratefulness for salvation led to appreciation that others were included in God’s plan. He thanked God for the “faith” of the believers at Rome. When he saw some of them, he thanked God and took courage (Acts 28:15). He thanked God for the “grace” that was given the Corinthians. He never ceased to give thanks for the “faith and love” of the Ephesians. The Colossians had “faith” and “love” and “hope”; they “knew the grace of God in truth”; had with him been made “partakers of the inheritance of the saints in light.” Hence, he gave “thanks unto the Father” for them. He urged all to whom he wrote to follow his practice, “Be thankful.”

Divine providence was among the things for which Paul thanked God. In the midst of a shipwreck, Paul and his companions in voyage gathered to eat bread and meat. God had appeared to him and said, “Be of good cheer: for there shall be no loss of any man’s life among you, . . .” (Acts 27:21-36). Paul was grateful for this and many other divine providences in his life.

Paul was grateful for the assurance of victory in his conflicts with Satan. “Now thanks be unto God,” he declared, “which always causeth us to triumph in Christ, and maketh manifest the savour of his knowledge by us in every place” (II Corinthians 2:14). Satan had tried to “get an advantage” of Paul, but he says, “A door was opened unto me of the Lord.” It looked like Satan would defeat him, but God always caused him to gain the upper hand.

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Underneath these areas of gratefulness was appreciation for the One who made gratitude possible. Second Corinthians 9:15 tells us the source, “Thanks be unto God for his unspeakable gift”—an obvious reference to Christ. Because of this supreme Gift, Paul found release from his sin—salvation became a reality in his life. Likewise he saw its reality in the lives of others. It was “the Lord” who stood by him in his providences. It was “through Christ” he lost the fear of death. Paul had met and received God’s greatest Gift. That relationship resulted in a life of thanksgiving.

I want to join Paul this Thanksgiving season. I too am grateful for the fact of salvation from sin and the privilege of being His minister to others. I am grateful to God that He has saved others; now I have fellowship in the gospel. I thank God that to this day He has caused me to triumph over Satan. I thank God for His daily providences. He has surely watched over me in my journeys oft. I thank God that the “sting of death” has been cleansed. There is no fear of entering His presence.

“Thanks be unto God for his unspeakable gift.” Christ is the Source of all my thanksgiving.
Though long overdue—

**Lord, Accept My Belated Thanks**

**By RUTH VAUGHN**

I thank You, Lord, that You have not diminished the beauty of the rainbow, the grace of a cottontail, or the luminous loveliness of summer for lack of praise from me. I am grateful, Lord, that You have not withdrawn a note from the haunting music of the wind, the excitement of the cold, wild spray of blowing rain, the enchantment of the breeze and oaks exchanging secrets, because of my negligent gratitude. I thank You, Lord, for not leaving unfinished one golden leaf, one tickling raindrop, one mischievous, slender moonbeam because of my sleeping thankfulness.

I am grateful, Lord, for grumbling thunder which rattles winter stars together, for the lazy coils of morning that unwind slowly into a lovely day, for protesting jays and sequestered thickets, for sprinkles of stars scatter-pinned on the velvet folds of the heavens, for giddy, gay robins to announce the arrival of spring, for the glory of a young pear tree in bridal veil.

I thank You for the diverse radiances of dawn, the crystal-ringed fishpond, the laughter of little children, the bedstead initialed by small convalescents, the quicksilver moments of love and happiness.

Lord, now I pause in a moment of thanksgiving. I know that it is long overdue. For the beauty with which You have filled my world has been taken for granted by me far too long. Accept my gratitude for Thy salvation, a place to serve, friends who love and care, a challenge for which to work, a hope to hold to my heart, a dream to hang onto the very loveliness of spring.

And most of all, Lord, thank You for taking time from engineering Your planets, Your moons, Your suns, Your stars to bend above me, listening to my cry for help; and even though I am often ungrateful and always unworthy, You care for me, You love me, You answer my prayers!

Though belated and long overdue, Lord, accept my thanks!

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**I Thank God for His Promises**

This Thanksgiving season I want to thank God for His promises. For a number of years I traveled as an evangelist—not as my choice, but as God’s choice. During that time my wife acted as both mother and father to our family, but no parent can be both mother and father. As a result one of my boys drifted away from me and out into sin.

Many a night the devil stood by me and said, “If you were not away trying to get other people’s children to God, and were home looking after your own, your boy would still be in the church.” His reasoning was logical, but I stood on God’s promise and was faithful in prayer.

One night I was holding a meeting down in one of our southern states, when a small, dark, curly-haired boy stepped out and knelt at the altar. I knelt down beside him because he was the same age as my boy. I laid my hand on his head and prayed, “Dear God, save this little boy and use him.” The Lord saved him that night.

Nine years later two boys entered one of our colleges. One was a tall boy with dark, curly hair; he maintained a fine Christian experience. The other was a tall, talented, well-built boy who had lost his faith in God: he was my boy. Late one night, during the college revival, this tall, dark, curly-headed boy went up to my son’s room and talked to him about Christ and led him to the Saviour. He was the same boy I had laid my hands on and prayed with nine years before. God is true to His promise.

—BY A FATHER
Thinking! and Thanking!

By KATHERINE BEVIS

Thinking and thanking! The words come from the same root. Only the thoughtful are thankful.

The late Charles E. Jefferson once said: “Gratitude is one of the celestial plants which grow only in the soil of meditation. It is only when we lay our mind upon a mercy and allow it to lie there for a while that the mind passes into a grateful mood. It is when we run over the list of loving-kindnesses which have been showered upon us that we become able to say, ‘Bless Jehovah, O my soul!’”

A young girl, a deaf-mute, was asked one day by her teacher to define gratitude. Many of us, if handicapped as she was, would have found it difficult to give any definition. This was her answer: “Gratitude is the memory of the heart.”

If we are to celebrate Thanksgiving Day truly, we must begin to think now. Thinking will issue in thanking! For thinking will cause memory to do its perfect work.

It was several years back that a prominent minister, Dr. Roy L. Smith, escaped from an automobile wreck, but suffered a broken neck and broken shoulder. Many long weeks of confinement in a hospital followed.

Later Dr. Smith related that one of the first things he learned, during that long period in which he had time to think, was the fact that all his life he had enjoyed a luxury of which he had been unaware. For during those weeks of lying there he had been unable to turn the slightest bit. “There were days,” he said, “when I would have been willing to give half my birthright, to be able to turn on my side and rest.” Then he added, “I decided right then, that the next time I was able to turn over in bed without assistance, I would really thank God for such a luxury.”

He told of how he was thrilled the first time he could feed himself, a blessing so common that many of us never think about it. Our daily bread is made of flour; the flour is made of grain; the grain is raised in the fields of the farmers, where God gives the sunlight and the rain and the increase.

It is not enough that we give thanks on Thanksgiving Day, but we ought to thank God every day. We ought to have a thankful spirit at all times, and give thanks to Him always. God has made us able to thank Him, and He expects us to do so.

Our Saviour teaches us to thank God. He gave us the example. There are nine or ten places where Jesus thanked the Father. And He wants us to have this same spirit.

Thinking will make us thankful!

Dorothy Thompson, columnist, lecturer, and writer of many articles, is wealthy today. But she recalls, in an article in the Rotarian several years ago, some things about her childhood. The family lived in a parsonage where there was no radio, and not always a bathroom. She had only two dresses, one for Sunday and one for every day. But in this article she paid tribute to her father, who “never got over the wonder of this new world, and brought up his children to be grateful, first, to be alive, life itself being a wonderful gift; and secondly to be happy to have been born in the widest, freest, most hopeful country on earth, and to believe in that country and to believe in work.” It seemed to him, she said, a cause for gratitude “that we had a roof over our heads, three meals a day, sufficient clothes to be decent, and that none of us were born crippled or congenital idiots.”

She went on to say in this article that whether the years were good or bad he always gave God a tenth of his one thousand or twelve hundred dollars a year salary. “It was the constant expression of his gratitude for freedom, for work, for health, . . . ,” she said.

Paul tells us, “In every thing give thanks: for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus concerning you” (I Thessalonians 5:18).

“In every thing and always” give thanks to God. From God comes every good and perfect gift. No one but God can make a grain of wheat, a lock of wool, or a ball of cotton. Our daily bread is made of flour; the flour is made of grain; the grain is raised in the fields of the farmers, where God gives the sunlight and the rain and the increase.

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A “Be still, and know . . .” (Psalms 46:10) spirit will help us to be thankful, and as we are thankful we shall find that there is a “fulness of God” in our hearts and lives, for the Christian who is thankful will also be filled with goodness.
There is a vital connection between “gratitude and goodness,” and only meditation on the mercies of God, even to the smallest mercy, will make secure this connection.

How about this Thanksgiving season? Are you ready for it? Ready in your hearts as well as in your “bins”? in your banks? and your storehouses?

To think on the numberless blessings of life will make this day the day it should be—Thanksgiving Day.

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THANKFUL

T—Thankful? Yes, we bow before Thee.
   God the Father, God the Son,
   God the Holy Ghost, we praise Thee.
   Thanks be to the Three in One!

H—Hopeful? Yes, our hope is lifted;
   Signs around in earth and sky
   Indicate the “midnight crisis”—
   That Christ’s coming must be nigh!

A—Ardent? Yes, our thanks are fervent;
   We would ever grateful be—
   Sending cheer, dispersing sunshine
   To those less fortunate than we.

N—Numberless? Yes, God’s good blessings
   Showered on us this past year
   Are tokens of His grace and goodness,
   Bestowing life and comforts dear.

K—Keen? Yes, we are conscious and aware
   Of gathered fruits from glen and field,
   Bespeaking of God’s loving-kindness
   For such a harvest—such a yield.

F—Fluent? Yes, our praise is flowing
   From hearts that want to share these gifts—
   To red, white, yellow, black, and brown
   The gospel story saves and lifts!

U—Understanding? Yes, Lord, help us
   To publish portions here and there—
   To scatter holiness and gladness;
   To root out sin, remove, despair.

L—Loyal? Yes, this special season
   We thank Christ that His blood makes whole;
   For thankfulness will rout the devil
   And fit new fibers in the soul!

—OVELLA SATRE SHAFER

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Thanksgiving in a Minor Key

By DONALD S. METZ*

In our materialistic and secularistic culture it is extremely easy to become utilitarian in our religion and thus regard God as primarily a Dispenser of things, objects, and comfortable stations in life. So we complacently thank God for fat turkeys, late model automobiles, and sleek-appearing furniture.

To be sure, one should be thankful for such material blessings. But if we thank God only for personal benefits derived from our religion or our nation, it is a far cry from the spirit of the Pilgrim fathers, who celebrated the first Thanksgiving in a minor key. For it was against a background of stark tragedy that the intrepid Pilgrims observed their day of Thanksgiving.

The bountiful harvest, as essential as it was to their continued existence, could not erase the memory of fifty new graves on the hillsides of Cape Cod. The rough new homes, as warm and snug as they were, could not shut out the haunting loneliness of the new land, so far from home. The friendship of the Indians, as welcome as it was, served as a poor substitute for the familiar faces three thousand miles away. Yet the Pilgrims celebrated the first Thanksgiving—even though in a minor key.

Only the courageous person can be truly thankful. The whimpering coward can know only a sense of relief or a sense of escape. The scheming opportunist can experience only a sense of selfish triumph. But the man of courage, who dares to risk his security, his ease, or his life, can express eloquently and devoutly his sense of thanksgiving.

In the middle years of the twentieth century there is a need for those with the dauntless courage to be thankful for struggles, for insecurity, for overpowering ideals, for tensions, for unpopularity, and for a cause worth one’s life. For it is out of the lives of such sacrificial men and women that new kingdoms are hewn. And such stalwarts will eventually change their thanksgiving from the minor key to the major chord of endless thanksgiving before God.

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It came to pass upon a day that as I perused the Sacred Scrolls, mine eye lighted upon this pungent passage, from the chronicles concerning Job, the patient patriarch of blessed memory: "The oxen were plowing, and the asses feeding beside them" (Job 1:14). Upon this profound paragraph I cogitated and ruminated deeply.

And as I pondered the matter, behold, upon my threshold there fell the shadow of Saltus the Sage, he of the benign countenance, and of great wisdom. To him I communicated my perplexity, upon which he delivered himself thusly:

"This passage is verily historic, as declareth the Sacred Scriptures. But it is also a parable of life, and applieth even to our day. For, saith Solomon the wise, 'The thing that hath been, it is that which shall be; and that which is done is that which shall be done: and there is no new thing under the sun.' For behold," saith Saltus, "I have a neighbor, and he hath two willing horses. One is willing to do all the work, and verily the other is willing to let him do it.

"Moreover," saith the sage, "it came to pass upon a time, that I hied me to the sports arena, where valiant young men adventured life and limb in mortal combat, upon the high places of the football field. But it was so, that few indeed were the number of those who so adventured themselves. Whereas, verily legion was the number of those who leisurely draped themselves upon the comfortable benches along the side lines. And it was so, that the heroism of the onlookers completely exhausted itself, in sundry vociferous admonitions, and criticisms of those who were endangering themselves for the honor of the game, and of their native places.

"Furthermore," quoth my friend of the much wisdom, "certain matters of serious import have been revealed to me of late, by way of the denominational grapevine, li hath been so that the administrative elders of the people called Nazarenes met in recent solemn conclave. Very grave were their countenances, for behold the secretarial parchments disclosed a grievous discrepancy betwixt the beseeching budgets of the foreign missionary council and the number of shekels available to meet those urgently needed expenditures.

"Could it be that history had repeated itself, and that some of God's people were diligently plowing, while others were merely 'feeding' at the Nazarene table?"

"Perish the thought! 'Tell it not in Gath, publish it not in the streets of Askelon; lest the daughters of the Philistines rejoice, ...'

And with the fervent expression of this pious wish, my neighbor of the benign countenance departed to his dwelling.

And I awoke, and behold it was a dream!
THE CORNERSTONE CEREMONY climaxed the dedication day services of Central Church of the Nazarene, Kansas City, Kansas. Newsmen featured the completion of the act of cornerstone laying for the $200,000 sanctuary. Participants were the Honorable Mayor Paul F. Mitchell (to the left of Dr. Powers); General Superintendent Hardy C. Powers; District Superintendent Jarrette E. Aycock; Pastor Allen B. Miller; also Mr. Arthur Croy, chairman of trustees; and Mr. Robert Stringfield, chairman of stewards.

5,110 Young People Attend Nazarene Colleges!

A banner enrollment this school year of 5,110 young people is reported for the eight Nazarene colleges and the Nazarene Theological Seminary.

Registrars' reports, compiled at the seventh educational conference of the denomination held recently at Trevecca Nazarene College, Nashville, Tennessee, showed that three colleges had more than 900 students each, representing 10 per cent increases. Trevecca, with 458 college students, marked up a 22 per cent increase.

Colleges with the largest enrollments were:
- Pasadena, 960;
- Olivet, 951;
- and Bethany, 919.

Other enrollments on the college level were:
- Northwest Nazarene College, 599;
- Eastern Nazarene College, 566;
- Trevecca, 458;
- Canadian, 60;
- and British Isles, 20.

The Seminary enrollment was 168, an increase of 1 student. However, it had 53 new students, an increase of 22 per cent over last year.

The total enrollment of 5,110 included a few hundred students on the high school level.

Altogether, the total represented an increase of 571 students, or 7.2 per cent, over the 1958-59 school year.

Bethany listed students from 38 states, although 41 per cent were from Oklahoma. E.N.C. had 43 foreign students, N.N.C. had 12, and Olivet had 8.

E.N.C. officials told about the official opening on September 29 of their new $526,000 Shrader science building.

Pasadena, on October 9, dedicated a new student commons building, additions to Klassen and Goodwin dormitories, and a president's home.

At Northwest Nazarene College construction has started on a brick dormitory for 120 women. N.N.C.'s peak total enrollment includes its largest freshman class of 226 and a senior class totaling 119, also the largest in history.

C.N.C. has sold its eleven-acre site at Red Deer, Alberta, and the administration is considering relocation of the institution in a city nearer the geographical center of Canada.

At Trevecca, a second building for commercial use is near completion. Site for the new library has been surveyed and some steel delivered. The president's home is completed and the former home is serving as a dormitory annex.—NAZARENE INFORMATION SERVICE.
The Ever-present PROBLEM

By C. WARREN JONES
Retired Nazarene Elder, Bethany, Oklahoma

We have been, we are now, and we ever shall be, confronted with problems that challenge us to find a solution. This may not be very encouraging, but we had just as well face the facts. The problems necessitate our being here. If there were no problems, there would be no need of our existence. If there were nothing to take our time and attention, life would be a drab affair. Our problems become a challenge to us and have a tendency to bring out the best that is in us.

The work of the church presents many problems. It has always been so. It was true with the Early Church. The path of those ministers and laymen was literally strewn with problems. The centuries have rolled by, but time has not eliminated the problems; there is seemingly no end to the chain. Some problems are easily solved, but now and then we are confronted with a real problem, one that gives us real concern and one that pulls on our mental and spiritual make-up.

In the church, many people look on the finances as the outstanding problem; others major on the attendance problem. Quite often a new building is needed and that becomes a problem. Now and then the spiritual element in the church is sure that the spiritual problem is the one all-important. We are ready to agree that these and many others are problems in the church. As to which is the most important, there is naturally a difference of opinion.

Looking back over the years, and after thoughtful consideration, the writer is convinced that none of the problems mentioned above constitutes the major or the outstanding problem with which our people are confronted.

Our number one problem always has been, is now, and ever shall be the MAN problem! With all due reverence, this has been the problem that has confronted God from the beginning. In those antediluvian days, when God decided to bring a flood upon the earth, there was the problem of saving seed in order to start a new era, and He chose Noah. When God wanted a chosen people, He went to Ur of the Chaldees and found Abram. When the time came to keep His promise that He had made to Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, to deliver the children of Israel from Egyptian bondage, God went out to the desert and called Moses. God is dependent on human leadership to carry out His plans in the earth. Immediately following Pentecost, God had to depend upon the disciples, Stephen, Barnabas, the Apostle Paul, and scores of other men who proved to be leaders. In the more modern times God looked to Luther, Knox, Huss, Wesley, Bresee, and thousands of others who have blazed trails, started revival fires, and built the kingdom of God in the earth.

The problem in most of the churches is to find a pastor, the man who can succeed. When the man is found, the other problems are soon solved. The finances may give the church much concern, but find the right man for leader and the problem disappears. Time and again we have seen a church struggle to meet its financial obligations. Then a new man takes over and, with the same people and under the same circumstances, he is able to inspire faith, get the confidence of the people, and solve the financial problem.

The right man as pastor will solve the attendance problem. One man may preach to a few members and an occasional visitor. Then a new pastor comes—makes friends, blesses the people with his preaching, and “rings the bell!” The empty pews begin to fill. One man has made the difference.

Yes, you say, but our problem is a lack of spirituality. We are in a rut; we have the people, the money, and a good building, but we are dead, dry, and lifeless. The services are cold and formal. Here the fault is not with the people, but rather with the leader. A nonspiritual pastor will not have a spiritual people. Show me a spiritual pastor and, in time, he will have a spiritual people. It may take him longer to solve this problem than some others, but with a fire in the pulpit there soon will be fire in the pews.

Dear Lord, give us men! Give us men with wisdom, faith, and a compassion for souls. Give us men with a do-or-die determination to win men to Christ and build our beloved Zion, men who will do their level best and trust God to perform miracles in this twentieth century.

THANKSGIVING

The blessings that God
Has so richly bestowed
Must be shared with the needy
As we travel life’s road.

Bread for the hungry,
God’s Word for the lost—
His followers give freely,
Not counting the cost.
—Helen Temple
Make Each Day Thanksgiving Day

By MRS. W. M. FRANKLIN

American people all over the world
Remember Thanksgiving Day.
They feast on turkey, and dressing, and pie—
But seldom stop to pray.

The President proclaims and the mayor decrees—
The governor and congressmen, too.
Agree—that the nation should take time to pray.
Does it matter at all to you?

Are you thankful on all of the days of the year
Or only on Thanksgiving Day?
Will tomorrow be just the same as before
Because you forgot to pray?

Thank God each morning, and thank Him each night,
For the blessings He sends on your way.
From now until next year and all thro' each year—
Make each day a Thanksgiving Day!

Having given in the past to foreign missions
at Thanksgiving time has kindled an increasing desire to give again this year. I have received such a personal blessing from giving. Also knowing how much the Thanksgiving Offering must mean to our missionaries and the work of God around the world, I give wholeheartedly to this cause.

MRS. JOHN WHIPPLE
Chicago First Church
Harvey, Illinois

Send Them IN or Send Them OUT

By ROBERT O. JACKSON
Pastor, Nyssa, Oregon

Recently I heard a dear saint of God pray, “Lord, send new people in to our little church.” She was in earnest as she pleaded with God to “send in” recruits to build up the church which was so near to her heart.

However, the Lord did not say to pray the Father to “send in” people, but rather to pray the Father to “send out” workers. The fields are ripe for the harvest. Workers are needed now. This is the time to pray God to burden the hearts of Christians to go out into the harvest fields.

When we pray, “Send them in,” we put the responsibility to reach new people on God. Jesus put it on us. He said, “Pray ye therefore the Lord . . . that he will send forth labourers” (Matthew 9:38); “Go . . . and compel them to come in” (Luke 14:23); “I sent you” (John 4:38); “As ye go, preach” (Matthew 10:7).

Clearly the responsibility is ours; we cannot put it on God. If new people are to be found, we must find them. If new recruits are to come in, we must bring them. If new converts are to be made, we must lead them to the Lord.

God says to us as He did to Isaiah, “Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?” The earnest Christian with a burdened heart will answer as did Isaiah, “Here am I; send me.” He will mean it too, and will go out to find someone to bring to Christ.

Jesus said, “Ye shall be witnesses unto me” in your home town, in needy areas nearby, to the foreigners in your midst, and to the ends of the earth. We are not to pick and choose our fields of interest and labor; we are responsible to give the gospel to everyone.

We must do our best for God now. We must reach new people in our own communities; we must push the home mission program on our individual districts. We must send out new workers to the foreign mission fields.

Let us pray for the Lord to “send out” workers, and then pray for Him to go with us. Let us pray for God to make the people’s hearts receptive to the gospel message. Let us pray for Him to open doors for us to walk through. We will pray, and when the Lord says, “Go ye,” we will answer, “Lord, I will go, knowing You will go with me.”

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Thanksgiving Mathematics

"Count Your Blessings" is an excellent Thanksgiving song. Its chorus gives us some striking thanksgiving mathematics. It begins with these words, "Count your blessings." Before the chorus is finished, the writer adds the words, "Count your many blessings." He couldn't get very far counting his blessings without realizing that they were "many."

When one begins to name the numerous ways in which God has blessed him, especially a Christian, he can't help but say, "Count your many blessings." How good God has been to all of us, especially those who are of the household of faith! And all who read these words must remember that any person who wants to be a member of the household of faith can be.

But this isn't enough; the writer says, "Name them one by one." Become fully conscious of them; think of them, meditate on them, consider them. Thanksgiving is always a retail affair. A person doesn't get very far cultivating the spirit of thanksgiving until he names his blessings "one by one."

Here are some that I am naming: I thank God for work, work that is enjoyable. I know of no more interesting task than the editorship of the Herald of Holiness. It makes me a part of a great family of thousands of people—those with whom I work at the Nazarene Publishing House and the readers of the Herald of Holiness. Many of them are praying for me. I hear from quite a few of them from time to time. I enjoy thinking about the members of this great family and praying for them. This is not the only family of which I am a part; I belong to the Nazarene Theological Seminary family. I teach one course there, and like to work with its staff and students. Again, I belong to another family—oh, several other families. I belong to a local church family, and I think it could hardly be surpassed, from the standpoint of its members, leadership, buildings, grounds, and location. I am a part of another family, larger than any of these yet mentioned, and that's the whole Church of the Nazarene. It girdles the globe and is, to me, the best church family in the world.

And the end is not yet! There is the family of the Church of Jesus Christ, the invisible Church; the Christians of all Christian denominations make up this family. I have a little share in it. There are outstanding Christians in every church—they are my brothers and sisters; they are a part of the same great spiritual family whose church roll is kept in heaven. Christ is the Head of this Church!

Someone may say, "What are you doing, Mr. Editor?" I'm naming my blessings "one by one." Do you object? The trouble is I have just begun, and I'm about to run out of space for this article. I have spoken about my work and a few of the groups to which I belong. Added to these blessings which I have named are health, plenty of food, good shelter, clothes, loved ones, friends, a progressive and attractive city in which to live, and the beauties of nature which surround me at this autumn time. Many of the trees are dressed in gala attire now. There are the tall, graceful elms, with foliage of green or yellow or a mixture of both. Then there are the maples with their mixture of green, yellow, orange, and flaming red; sometimes a whole tree in one type of dress, and then a whole tree with all of these colors included. Also, our city is blessed with a considerable number of pin oaks. They are sturdy, slow-growing, and yet very colorful, especially at this time of the year—green and red and maroon, with all the tints which go between. What a beautiful world I live in! I can enjoy it to the full, for which I render thanks to God.

I am in order then when I count my blessings and "name them one by one"; my heart is filled with the thought of "what God hath done." Why? Because this is Thanksgiving time. It is especially that season in the year when we should stop and "see what God hath done" for us, give ourselves to the study of "Thanksgiving Mathematics."

It Was a Pleasure to Watch Him!

The other day I went for my car at my favorite parking lot in the downtown section of Kansas City. The owner is always pleasant and I like to talk with him. At this particular time his car lot was crowded. Before he could get my car out, he had
to move some other cars. I watched him carefully as he moved the last car. It was in close quarters; he had only one space left on one side into which he could place it. No doubt he had done such as this many times; he didn't seem the least bit nervous or disturbed. He got into the car, started it, put his hand on the wheel, looked back, and quickly placed the car where he wanted it. He did it without touching two or three other cars which he might very easily have run into. He did it with ease, skill, and dispatch. It was a pleasure to watch him. It's always a pleasure to watch a person do anything well, whether it's a small or a large task.

There are several things which must have entered into this accomplishment. The man must have liked what he was doing. He didn't think the task was trivial or worthless. It wasn't a bore to him. Further, he was interested, of course, in making a living, in getting his pay, but he was also anxious to do well what he did. Again, there was no doubt but that he had some natural ability for handling cars—more, at least, than some people have. There are those who are careless, awkward, whose muscular activity is not unusual, who would have taken much longer to do what he did, and perhaps would have hit a car or two in doing the job. This might have happened in spite of the fact that they had had quite a bit of practice, because they just didn't have natural ability for this type of work. There are people who can learn to drive a car better than others. This is one reason why we have so many dangerous people on the highways—some people are not really built to live in this automobile age—it's too fast and demands too much dexterity.

But this man, as I have already indicated, had natural ability, and he had had practice in parking cars. No man, however much he might have been naturally endowed for this kind of employment, could have done it as well as he did if he had not had considerable experience in driving a car before.

It is a pleasure to watch anybody do anything with distinction. What a delight it is to hear someone preach who can preach well! He indicates by his preaching that he has prepared for what he is doing, through much effort and long service. He stands before the congregation with the blessing of God upon him and speaks as a prophet, with a prophet's burden and a prophet's vision, with inspiration. The people hear and are moved. He is "a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth" (II Timothy 2:15). It is stimulating and inspiring to watch a Sunday school superintendent, a layman, efficiently lead a Sunday school forward, whether small or large.

There are those who are masters at the business of teaching, or as physicians, or as attorneys, mechanics—God bless every one of them. May all of us strive to do well that which we do, whether it is to pray in private or in public, to sing in the congregation or "specials," to teach a Sunday school class, to write an article, to do this, or that, or the other. Whatever it may be, may there be with us and in us an ambition to do well that which we undertake, and then it will be a pleasure for those who are present to watch one who is gifted in his field as he does the work he has chosen, or for which God has chosen him.

**Which Way Are YOU Going?**

We have two little shoes on a table in our bedroom. It's something new for us to have baby shoes around. They were left with us last week. They are not worn out; our grandson had just outgrown them. We have them on exhibition now: we like to look at them. However, they are not where they were when I discovered them the morning after my son and his wife and their four children had left. I found them on the floor in the kitchen up against the front of the gas range. They were together, but one was facing one way and the other in the opposite direction. I thought as I looked at them, That's a pretty good representation of what some people are trying to do, morally and religiously. They are attempting to go in opposite directions at the same time. One of those shoes was pointed north, the other south. It would have been impossible for my grandson to walk away in both directions; he would have had to go in one direction or the other.

How very true this is as to one's moral and religious life! He can't go both ways at the same time. He can't go north and south with the same movement. He must make a choice and go one way or the other. Our feet have to move along together in the same direction, and so must you move either toward sin or toward righteousness, from the moral and spiritual standpoint. However much you may try to do otherwise, there lies the only possibility. You can't hold on to the world with one hand and on to God with the other. We can't have salvation and sin at the same time.

Jesus himself said, "Ye cannot serve God and mammon" (Matthew 6:24). You may serve God or you may serve mammon, but you can't serve God and mammon: the emphasis is on the "and." When it comes to the matter of religion, we all stand at the forks of the road: we must take one way or the other way. There is no escape from this procedure. Every human being needs to realize this. Joshua
had this in mind when he said, "Now therefore fear the Lord, and serve him in sincerity and in truth: and put away the gods which your fathers served on the other side of the flood, and in Egypt: and serve ye the Lord. And if it seem evil unto you to serve the Lord, choose you this day whom ye will serve; whether the gods which your fathers served that were on the other side of the flood, or the gods of the Amorites, in whose land ye dwell: but as for me and my house, we will serve the Lord. And the people answered and said, God forbid that we should forsake the Lord, to serve other gods; ..." (Joshua 24:14-16). Joshua and the people to whom he was speaking knew that if they served the other gods, they had to forsake the Lord, and vice versa—if they served the Lord, they had to forsake the other gods.

Which way are YOU going? You must finally go one way or the other. You can't go both ways at the same time. Remember, when you make your decision, that it is a very important one. Upon it hinges not only the welfare of your life here but also your destiny in the world which is to come. "Choose you this day whom ye will serve."

Ohio: "They have all attended Sunday school and a.m. worship. Seemed to be interested and promised to return. Will continue to call and pray."

West Virginia: "They promised to attend our church."

Tennessee: "They promised to attend our services. I feel that this is certainly meeting a need in our church."

New Mexico: "She says she will attend."

Alabama: "Results of the call were very good. He came to church last Sunday evening."

Georgia: "They were very receptive. They plan to attend our church."

California: "Family had contemplated going to another church, but said they would come to ours. We were just in time."

Minnesota: "I called and they were glad. I invited them to Sunday school and church. Will follow it up tomorrow with a couple from our church."

Alberta: "They expressed appreciation and when settled may attend."

Wisconsin: "Received promise to attend. We feel they can be won."

Washington: "Found them to be a very fine couple. They plan to attend our services and I am sure they will find salvation."

Virginia: "Results of the call were good. We called on the family and the entire family of five were in Sunday school and church today."

Indiana: "I think our hope is through the children. Am having a teacher call. No way to have known about them but for your card. Thanks."

Ohio: "The two boys came to Sunday school—parents were happy to see Nazarene pastor. Good prospects."

Please forward the names and addresses of members and friends who move to another community to the Department of Evangelism, 6401 The Paseo, Kansas City 10, Missouri. Every soul is important. Let us help each one into the fold of the church, help him to know our Nazarenes and to serve God in his new home.

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**Department of Evangelism**

V. H. Lewis, Secretary

Moving Nazarenes

The "Moving Nazarenes" becomes an ever-increasing service of the department. It is also a very important work, as can be seen from the following reports.

Texas: "They were interested, appreciated the visit, and promised to come. Thanks for sending the name to us."

Pennsylvania: "They have attended church two Sundays and promised to be to prayer meeting this week."

California: "She is in need of spiritual help but was grateful for our call. I believe she will come out to church."

Maryland: "She was very glad to meet us and has been attending Sunday school with her children and occasionally stays for morning worship. Thanks for helping us make the contact."

Indiana: "They were quite responsive and expressed their intentions of attending Sunday school next Sunday."

Oklahoma: "They have promised to come to services and we will continue to call and work on them."

Arkansas: "They promised to attend our services. Will keep in contact with them."

British Columbia: "Their membership transferred. Mr. ----- is vice-president-elect for new assembly year."

Illinois: "They were very happy for my call."

Iowa: "They will try to come soon. It is evident they are not saved but will try to get them in and saved."

CIRCULATION DEPARTMENT

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CIRCULATION DEPARTMENT
Footsteps of Livingstone

Dramatic New Film on Africa

The sharp contrast between the stirring, restless, and awakening Congo of today and the dark regions of Africa only a century ago is vividly portrayed in the American Bible Society's newest motion picture, "Footsteps of Livingstone."

This new, 28-minute film in Technicolor, planned to coincide with the 1959-60 study theme on Africa, is now available to churches.

The diaries of the famed London missionary, David Livingstone, are used as the thread to tie the habits of the two centuries together.

Alongside the growing demand for the better living standards of Europe and America are shown the efforts to bring the gospel to the many peoples of the Congo basin. The slow and demanding work of translation, publication, and distribution of the Scriptures is carefully traced.

Livingstone was the famed Scottish missionary-doctor who conducted remarkable explorations in Africa and studied the people there in the nineteenth century. He was lost and near death deep in the Congo jungle when, at the climax of a widely publicized search, he was rescued by a journalist named Henry M. Stanley, who greeted him with perhaps the most widely quoted innocuous phrase of modern times: "Dr. Livingstone, I presume."

The motion picture is resplendent with the colors and sounds, the variety and textures of Africa. It shows how the American Bible Society, in cooperation with related organizations and missionary efforts, has become an extension of the bold explorations of the nineteenth century. Following the aspirations of earlier educators and missionaries, the Society seeks to bring literacy to the African people and encourages the exercise of that literacy by reading the Bible.

With narration in a low key, the film examines the complexities and vast distances involved in transmitting the Scriptures to native villages, to wandering tribes and the ancient communities of river people.

While enormous areas of the Congo basin remain blanketed with jungles and forests, the film discloses evidence of modernization as it develops in this most unrevealed of all the continents.

To these people hovering on the perimeter of the modern world and caught up in the surge toward nationalism, the need for literacy and the value...
of association with the Christian culture are strikingly apparent in the documentary picture. The American Bible Society seeks to make the Bible the key to this culture, as well as the instrument of faith and knowledge.

The film, "Footsteps of Livingstone" is now available for church bookings, for a service fee of $4.00, from the Audio-visual Department of the American Bible Society, 440 Park Avenue South, New York 16, New York.

Foreign Missions

Nicaragua Mission Council Meets

Our mission council met in September at the Bible Training School in San Jorge. Each day the devotional period brought rich blessings from God's Word. On the last morning, after a time of prayer and fasting, all the missionaries shared Communion in a service that brought heaven and earth together as hearts were melted in Christian love.

This council meeting welcomed the C. G. Rudeen family back to the field after a long absence. It was a blessed time of greeting.

From the council chairman's report we learned of some opposition to the clinic work in San Isidro, but also how the Lord went before, and now the work is definitely established in this little town. Complaints were being registered with the Department of Health that the clinic was doing work it should not do. When Miss Heflin talked with the minister of health, he gave her permission to continue operation of the clinic without further interruption.

Other opposition has been felt to our Central Day School in Rivas, sponsored by the hostile element in that community, but even there the Lord has provided a blessing through this time of trial and the school is standing on firmer ground than ever before.

From the north of Nicaragua come reports of souls being saved and of new places opening to the gospel. San Isidro reports an increase in attendance at the services at the church and an ever-growing number of persons receiving attention at the newly opened clinic.

Many plans were made for the hoped-for future expansion of our work in Nicaragua, including another move north and possibly a move southward into Costa Rica. The council chairman's report impressed on the missionaries the need of moving out and expanding into all phases of the work, in all areas of the country. His feelings carried over into the messages of those who had our devotional services. The cry of the missionaries here is, "Lord, let me win more souls to Thee, in the place I have of service, no matter what it may be."

REMISS REIFELDT, Secretary

In all planning there was a wonderful spirit of co-operation. The council noted that there are many places here in Nicaragua that have yet to hear the story of salvation through Christ; not only in the north, but in the south and west. We realize that "there are souls to be won, there is work to be done, for the sun NEVER sets in the morning."

Please pray for the future of the work in Nicaragua.—Dale Shevers, Reporter.

Missionaries on the Move

Miss Ruth Matchett is on furlough from Africa. Her home address is Box 911, Fort Recovery, Ohio.

Rev. and Mrs. Paul Beals have gone to Barbados for their first term of service. Their address is: P.O. Box 253, Bridgetown, Barbados, W.I.

Rev. and Mrs. Wendell Woods are now in Japan for their first term. Their address is: 18-2 Chome, Itabashi Cho, Naka-Ku, Nagoya, Japan.

In Brazil

By CHARLES GATES

Roma and I graduated from the language school just one year to the day from when our ship sailed from New York for Brazil. Perhaps instead of saying we "graduated" we should say we finished our school studies and will continue now on our own as we are able to enter more fully into the work. The seventeen couples of our class from various denominations are going out now to join in the mission work of Christ in their particular fields of labor. Some are going far north to the equatorial region of Brazil; others are going to the Atlantic side; and still others to the opening regions of the west. We thank God, too, that our own field of labor has opened here in this center of Brazilian progress.

Just fifteen days before our scheduled special services, God opened up a place for rent in the very center of Campinas. We feel it is a definite answer to the prayers of our people. We appreciate the privilege of working with our Nazarene missionaries and ask your prayers that our church may become established in this needy city, and in Belo Horizonte, where the Dentons are laboring.

Enough Books Now

Thank you very, very much for sending us the 1958-59 study books for our churches. We now have all that we need, so please don't send us any more. We do appreciate your generosity in sharing these study materials with us. Our churches are well supplied and can carry on their study effectively.—Mrs. Katherine Wiese, Philippine Islands.

Urgent Need

Our work among the Australian aborigines is urgently in need of funds with which to carry on their churches. This is a small mission effort among the primitive aboriginal people on the continent of Australia. It has been carried on for several years now, and we have several encouraging preaching points where these people are hearing the gospel of Jesus Christ, many of them for the first time. Any amount the Lord might lead you to send for this special need would be gratefully received. This particular need is an Approved Foreign Missions Special and will count on the 10 per cent giving of your local church.

Thought for the Day

by BERTHA MUNRO

I Cannot Take It In!

Monday:

The clarity of Christian experience—we say; "I know." But it is clarity ringed round with mystery; we cannot ever say, "I understand." Or if we should, in the very saying we betray our superficial un-understanding. God is to be experienced, not logically accounted for. Give thanks for the glimpses we may gain; thanks also that He is greater than our utmost comprehension. "Such knowledge is . . . high, I cannot attain unto it." But, "How precious also are thy thoughts unto me, . . . more in number than the sand" (Psalms 139:6, 17-18).

Tuesday:

Many theories attempt to explain in exact terms the mystery of the atonement. The fact is bigger, vaster than any words. But its vastness must not deter us from gazing and pondering. Every new angle of vision will reveal a fresh facet of wonder. (John 3:16.)
Wednesday:
The person of Christ eludes our probing logic, yet forever draws us on. He is Alpha, the Beginning. Beginning in my own soul, of wonder as well as assurance. He will also be the Omega. I have held of the little end only; I follow after, that I may know always more. When I lose the amazement from my spirit, I shall have ceased to follow. (Revelation 22:13; Philippians 3:10-12.)

Thursday:
There is a ‘mystery which hath been hid from ages, . . . which is Christ in you, the hope of glory.’ Yet ‘now made manifest.’ The reality of His indwelling we know, and the knowledge is confident expectation of glory to come. (Yet ‘glory’ is a mystery!) But Christ in us—how make clear in specific words the close relationship? To explore with breath-taking reverence, but not explain. (Colossians 1:26-27.)

Friday:
0 boundless love divine! How shall this tongue of mine To wandering mortals tell the matchless grace divine— That I, a child of hell, should in His image shine! The Comforter has come! With all our joy in the knowledge of a cleansed, Spirit-filled heart, with the clearest possible theological explanation of the reality of the eternal Son, without this we could hardly enter into second century Pessimics. (1 John 3:2.)

Saturday:
The resurrection from the dead? We believe it. We know He lives: “He lives forevermore.” Yet here it is: “Behold, I shew you a mystery; . . . we shall all be changed, in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye; you can illustrate by the sprouting of seeds in the spring, but understand it: The secret is God’s. (1 Corinthians 15:51-54.)

Sunday:
Eve hath not seen, nor ear heard . . . the things which God hath prepared for them that love him.” He hath revealed them unto us by his Spirit.” Gleams and flashes of them. Still, “now we see through a glass, darkly; but then face to face.” The face of Jesus—we know and love it—oh, not Sallman’s face of Him, or Hofmann’s: no human features, but the love, the approval, or perhaps the reproach, that one spirit expresses to another. But, If fellowship here with my Lord can be So inexpressibly sweet.
Oh, what will it be when His face we see? . . . Earth’s mystery become heaven’s clarity. (1 Corinthians 2:9; 13:12; Revelation 22:4.)
handled these explosives with but little thought as to the danger involved because they held to the theory that nothing would happen to them until their "number came up." The result was that there were unnecessary explosions and unnecessary destruction and casualties.

The Sunday School Lesson

MENDELL TAYLOR

Topic for November 29:

Saul Confronted by Christ

SCRIPTURE: Acts 9:1-9 (Printed: the same)

GOLDEN TEXT: Neither is there salvation in any other: for there is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved (Acts 4:12).

One of the most far-reaching events in early Christian history was the conversion of Saul. The main experiences related to his conversion were as follows:

He was a seething man: The turmoil of his soul was summarized in these words: He was "breathing out threatening and slaughter against the disciples of the Lord" (v. 1). He wanted to do everything in his power to destroy the Christians. He hated their Christ, their beliefs, and their way of life. The thing that agitated him so much was the fact that the Christians dared to be different. They did not conform to the accepted standards of conduct; they did not honor the religious observances of their contemporaries. They demonstrated an independence of judgment which set them apart from other religious groups.

This line of separation was offensive to many who came into contact with the Christians. This was particularly true of Saul of Tarsus. He could not stand for anyone to cross him. If you did not see eye to eye with him, he was ready to mop up the earth with you. He had a trigger temper that was touched off when somebody did not agree with him in religious matters. He prided himself in having enough power to put an end to those who did not side in with him. When anyone mentioned the phrase "followers of Christ," his breath was flaring with wrath.

He was a shaken man: As Paul traveled to Damascus, he encountered a dazzling light. The radiance of this scintillating splendor caused him to lose his sense of balance. He was so shaken by this event that he fell to the ground. (The phrase that would apply to this situation today is, "He was all shook up.")

He was a submissive man: "The bigger they are, the harder they fall." Paul occupied a pedestal of pride, vain-glory, and haughtiness. The moment he was knocked from that lofty position, he asked the following question, "Lord, what wilt thou have me to do?" (v. 6) Saul had been accustomed to having his own way, promoting his own interests, making everybody else bend to his will. At this strategic moment he was ready to submit his will to the will of the Lord. He acknowledged that he wanted to "open his life under new management."

A new day had dawned. He was willing to follow the Lord's instructions. He manifested a desire to seek and fulfill the Lord's plan for his life. He was now humble instead of haughty, submissive instead of subversive, peaceful instead of pugnacious, helpful instead of hurtful, and blessing instead of "blistering."

He was a sightless man: The Lord gave Saul specific instructions regarding procedure from this point. He was to arise and go into the city of Damascus. There he would meet the divinely appointed person to take over his case. As Saul stood to carry out these directions, he discovered that he was sightless. He who had made other people beg for their lives now became a beggar. He had to ask someone to take him by the hand and lead him into Damascus. This whole matter became so serious with Saul that he did not eat or drink for three days.

His heart of stone was taken from him and he was given a heart of flesh. He was no longer unyielding; instead he was pliable. The "touch of the Master's hand" would mold him into a vessel of honor.

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Evangelist Boyce D. Pierce writes: "Wife and I are now prepared to assume the full responsibility for the meeting, both preaching and singing. We are in our twenty-fourth year of evangelism in the church and thank God for His blessings. We shall be glad to come as preachers and/or singers and musicians. Write us, 505 Columbia Avenue, Danville, Illinois."

Spring Valley, California—Last year our Sunday school averaged 80, and recently we closed a three-week drive with Chet and Cora Griffith in which the attendance jumped to 194. The high lights have been the creation of enthusiasm in the workers, the attractiveness of the program presented, and the organization of a follow-up program. Members of the Sunday school pledged to make fifteen calls a week for four weeks after the close of this special effort, and to pray daily for the Sunday school. As a result of this effort we were able to complete the payment on a recently purchased Sunday school bus, and in the Friday night evangelistic service a number of persons found Christ as their Saviour. In addition to regular church funds, a total of $750 was pledged toward the purchase of an organ. We are having better attendance at our evening services, with a number of servicemen in the meetings.—DEAN SHAW, Pastor.

Timberville, Virginia—We came to the Virginia conference in June but June we felt led of the Lord to accept the appointment of Dr. V. W. Littrell, our wonderful district leader, to pastor this home mission work. The people accepted us in a wonderful way, and much has been accomplished. Our Sunday school enrollment has increased 100 per cent, and attendance records have been broken for four consecutive Sundays. God has been meeting with us in the morning worship services, with some seekers at the altar. Over 80 per cent of our Sunday school has been staying for the morning worship service. One new member has been added to the church, and we give God praise for answering prayer.—JOHN W. HERALD, Jr., Pastor.

Merritt, Michigan—Recently our church had a revival with Evangelist Marvin S. Cooper; his messages were inspired and blessed of God. Brother Cooper was greatly used of the Lord to bring messages to meet our needs; they were outstanding, scriptural, holiness messages. Our people were blessed and encouraged, and the church was wonderfully strengthened. We thank God for His blessings.—GAVLORD RICH, Pastor.
Evangelists A. E. and Pauline Miller write: "We have an open date, February 24 to March 6 (1960), which we'd like to date somewhere between Illinois and California. We close a meeting in southern Indiana on February 21, and begin a meeting in eastern California on March 9. We shall be happy to date with any church. We are now in our sixteenth year of evangelism, and care for the entire program—preaching, singing, special music, chalk artistry, and children's work. Write us at our home address, 507 S. Delaware Street, Mt. Gilead, Ohio."

Evangelist Thomas Hayes reports: "In October we had a wonderful tent revival campaign with our two churches in Pomona, California: First and Towne Avenue. On the first night we had at least 450 people present. The song leader was Professor Wayne Randle, with Jim Lee at the piano, and the organist, Miss Haynes. All did fine work, with a wonderful choir, and a good group of young men from Pasadena Nazarene College helping. A good number of souls prayed through to victory. On the closing day we had four great services, with forty-two people praying through to God. We thank God for President Clyde Randle and their fine people, who stood by so faithfully. I am now closing a good meeting in Los Angeles, and go from here to Kansas, and then to Illinois."

Golden, Colorado—On Sunday, September 27, we had ground-breaking ceremonies for our new church building. Dr. O. J. Finch, district superintendent, brought the special message, with Brother Dayhoff, missionary from Africa, offering prayer. Fifty people were present, with a number participating in the service. Construction of the new church is under way on a 2 1/2-acre tract of land, with a chapel and educational building totaling 5,510 square feet presently planned. The present property was sold, with both church and parsonage to be removed by next March 1. We recently closed a revival with Evangelist Robert Emsh will, and praise God for His many blessings to us.—EARL B. WHITNER, Pastor.

Atwood, Oklahoma—Recently our church witnessed a wonderful revival under the Spirit-anointed ministry of Evangelist and Mrs. Orville Firestone. Our people gladly received and responded to Firestones' message of second-blessing holiness, and we feel that lasting good was accomplished.—PAULINE MCNUTT, Pastor.

Monaca, Pennsylvania—Colona Heights Church closed a wonderful ten-day revival on October 4. Rev. and Mrs. Earl Williamson were the special preachers and singers; their messages were stirring and soul-searching. Our church was greatly blessed and helped, and many from other churches attended and received help also. There is a fine spirit of co-operation among our people, and we are pressing forward for God.—DALE R. BISELL, Pastor.

Sunday, August 30, was a wonderful day for First Church, for on that afternoon our lovely new church building was dedicated by Dr. G. B. Williamson. The building is located on a four-acre lot on Dixie Highway. It is constructed of red brick, with cut-stone trim, and the seating capacity is 559, with Sunday school facilities for 450. The Sunday school unit is described by many as being one of the most ideal, practical, and beautiful they have seen. One of the attractive features of the church is a lovely, six-foot, white neon cross on top of the singing tower; just underneath the cross in white, twelve-inch neon letters is a sign, "Jesus Saves!" Chimes from the singing tower are set to play before and after all our services, helping to create an atmosphere of worship. The completed building, with furnishings and lot value, has been appraised for $200,000; our total indebtedness is $60,000 on the building and $5,000 on the furnishings. The architect says we have the "best and most building" for our investment of any building erected in our city recently. This is due to careful planning, our own people doing about $15,000 worth of labor, and our building contractor, Rev. George Lilly, a Nazarene elder who devotes much of his time to church building. The low cost of our building is also due to the careful planning and hard work of our pastor. Rev. Hadley Hall—he conducted the financial campaign, sold the old property, served in the capacity of architect during construction, and saved us many thousands of dollars overall. We cannot say too much in behalf of our fine leader—we feel God sent him to us. As a token of our appreciation for Brother and Sister Hall, the church presented them with a new, four-door Ford car.—Dennie Lamerton, Chairman of Building Committee.

Evangelist C. A. Amos reports: "I am now in my third year in the field of evangelism; these have been busy, happy, and victorious years. I have conducted revivals and camps in Indiana, Illinois, Ohio, and Michigan, and appreciate our fine pastors and people. We have seen waves of glory come upon God's people, and many times the altar has been lined with precious souls praying through for pardon and heart purity. I have two open dates, which I shall be glad to date as the Lord may lead—February 24 to March 6, and April 20 to May 1. Write me, R.F.D. 4, Boonville, Indiana."

Waynesburg, Pennsylvania—In October we had an outstanding revival campaign with James and Rosemary Green as song evangelists, and Rev. L. S. Oliver, superintendent of the Alabama District, as evangelist. The congregation reached its goal of giving '10 per cent' for missions, and during the fifteenth anniversary celebration, because of the efforts of the people in visitation, an all-time Sunday school attendance record of 132 was established. We closed our work with a good ten-day revival under the ministry of Evangelist A. Alan Gilmour. We plan to continue our work in reporting district activities to one hundred daily and weekly newspapers in western Pennsylvania."
Evangelist Bob Palmer writes: "I will be closing a meeting at McConnellstown (near Huntingdon), Pennsylvania, on November 22, and would like to slate the last week of November and the first week of December in that area. In October we had a good meeting with First Church and Pastor Bernard Knox in Portsmouth, Ohio. The folks prayed much, a wonderful spirit prevailed, and God gave seekers down through the meeting. Write me, 59 Broad Street, Jackson, Ohio."

Evangelist R. L. Ihrig writes: "I have some time open before Christmas, also have some choice dates open for the first half of 1960. Write me, 2819 St. Edwards Drive, Nashville 11, Tennessee."

Dr. and Mrs. A. S. London write: "Pastor J. V. Morsch of our First Church in Pekin, Illinois, saw as high as 150 people present in a night session for the study of personal evangelism, using the text by Dr. D. Shelby Corlett. About 950 people received credit in the course. On Sunday morning there were 253 present, with a wonderful altar service. This pastor visits, and I went into many homes with him. He is loved by his people and his influence is being felt in the city. Pastors and laymen from several nearby churches attended some of the sessions."

Evangelist Hubert W. Slayton writes: "I am now in the field of full-time evangelism and will be glad to accept calls anywhere. God has blessed and we have seen hundreds of people pray through to victory. I shall be glad to go anywhere, as the Lord may lead, and preach the old-time gospel of full salvation. Write me, 237 North Fifth Street, Elwood, Indiana."

Spartanburg, South Carolina—Recently First Church had a wonderful sixteen-day revival with Evangelist Harry L. Welch. He is a rugged gospel preacher, and we appreciated his ministry. A goodly number of souls were saved and sanctified, with several good prospects for church membership.—JOHN Y. TONG, REPORTER.

Evangelist H. A. Casey writes: "My wife, Jewel, went home to be with Jesus on October 5. During the last assembly year she was able to be with me for 7revivals. We held 24 revival meetings in 11 different districts, saw 1,563 seekers, with 184 new members added to the church, and 241 new tithers. At this writing I am in a meeting with Pastor Bedinger in Murphysboro, Illinois; God has blessed and given 66 seekers to date. I have a few open dates: December 30 to January 10, January 13 to 24, January 27 to February 7, and also March 9 to 20, with some choice dates open in the fall of '60. I carry the whole program—preach, sing, and play a number of musical instruments. Write me, c/o our publishing house, P.O. Box 527, Kansas City 41, Missouri."

Alexandria, Louisiana—Coming here two years ago we found a wonderful group of faithful Nazarenes worshiping at the district campground. This center is about three miles out of town, and in spite of bad weather, we averaged 90 in Sunday school the first year. We were able to be in our new building on Easter Sunday in 1958. On December 6, 1958, we completed our three-bedroom parsonage, made of the same buff brick as the church. God has been gracious to us and we give Him praise. This year we averaged 130 in Sunday school. We have six classrooms, all departments are moving ahead—local, district, and general levels. New and improved classroom equipment is our latest goal. We have an active visitation work with all the teachers and officers cooperating. We received a unanimous three-year call from the church, and are united and going forward. We have had two revivals this year, with District Superintendent V. Dan Perryman and with Rev. Jack McClung of West Monroe. Our Sunday school has increased so that we plan to build more Sunday school rooms soon. If you have friends stationed at England Air Force Base, write us and we'll be glad to contact them.—CARL BUNCH, Pastor.

Pastor M. D. Cline writes from West Columbia, South Carolina: "After serving our Newport church in East Tennessee for sixteen months, we felt it in the will of the Lord to resign and accept a unanimous call to our Cayce Church here. We have a wonderful group of Nazarenes and a beautiful brick church in a good section. Already we have reached 148 in Sunday school, and almost every service has been a time of victory with souls praying through around the altar. We are a '10 per cent' church, and love and appreciate our good district superintendent, Rev. Ben Marlin."

Evangelists Bob and Ida Mae Mickey write: "We are now traveling in the field with a mobile home. We feel this will make it much easier for the churches to entertain us. We carry the full program for revival: preaching, singing, chalk artist, and children's work. We have some open time in 1960, and also some good dates open for '61. Write us, 309 Cimarron Avenue, La Junta, Colorado."

Highland, Indiana—We are deeply grateful to the Lord for the wonderful fall revival with Evangelist Fred D. Wright, and his good wife as personal worker. A goodly number of souls were saved, reclaimed, and sanctified, and the church was edified and encouraged in the Lord. Brother Wright preaches the truth in love, but firmly, and God uses it to stir sinners and encourage believers. We give God praise for His presence and blessings during our three years here. Our people desire to move ahead on every line of the church work—local, district, and general levels. New and improved classroom equipment are being considered by all departments and we are moving ahead.—L. D. LOCKWOOD, Pastor.
McKinney, Texas—On October 18 our church had a great home-coming day, with Rev. L. W. Gholson, pastor at Denison, as the special speaker, and the Collegiate Quartet from Bethany Nazarene College as the singers. We felt it was a privilege to have Brother Gholson with us, as it was under his leadership as pastor that the present church and parsonage buildings were erected. A new all-time high attendance of 226 was reached. The presence of the Lord was felt in a wonderful way. Rev. Marshall Pryor of Bethany Nazarene College was the Wake for the evening service, in which a number of souls prayed through to definite victory. God is blessing our people here in McKinney.—Richard H. Thompson, Pastor.

Coshocton, Ohio—The Pleasant Valley Church has been organized fourteen months. We organized with ten, received four members the first year, and now have a new all-time high attendance of 226, with sixty members added to the church. Brother Hoffman was a great preacher and we thank God for his ministry with us.—L. M. Tucker, Pastor.

Evangelist Orville Firestone writes that, due to a change of pastors, he has an open date, November 27 to December 6. Write him, 316 Edwards, Bossier City, Louisiana.

Evangelist Walter W. Tink writes that he is available for meetings, and would be especially glad to help with meetings in the Illinois, Missouri, and Nebraska areas. Write him, Box 126, University Park, Iowa.

Ocala, Florida—Our church has been singularly blessed of God with a gracious outpouring of the Holy Spirit in a revival led by our fine young pastor, Rev. Paul Bickes. He was assisted by the beautiful singing of Ralph and Joann Durham. Souls were saved and sanctified, and genuine victories for the kingdom of God marked this time of blessing. A fresh impetus was given to house-to-house visitation, and a new emphasis put upon believing prayer for the unsaved.—Reporter.

Evangelist Charles A. Higgins reports: "I have been busy during the summer and fall working in the harvest field for the Lord. I am writing to you in a meeting with Pastor James Stark and people of Yukon, Oklahoma. Already God has given some wonderful victories. We will complete our fall schedule in El Paso, Texas. I have some open time in 1960 and will be glad to go anywhere the Lord may lead. Write me, 1402 Bontz Road, Las Cruces, New Mexico."

Red Oak, Iowa—During the fall God blessed this church with the best revival in its eight-year history. Our hearts were thrilled under the ministry of Evangelist Oliver Morgan, and with the readings presented by his wife and daughter, Mandell, and the music of the whole family. Their ministry was blessed of God, conviction came upon hearts, and God blessed with more than thirty seekers. Eleven were placed on probationary membership. Scheduled for only one week, the meeting continued for three additional days, and the church board gave a unanimous call to Brother Morgan to return in 1961. The Morgans' ministry was also of much blessing to the youth of our church. Through the prayers and sacrifices of our members and friends, God gave a revival and souls prayed through to victory.—V. E. Crandall, Pastor.

Evangelists Jack and Ruby Carter report: "We opened the fall revival season in St. Marys, West Virginia; then to Lexington, and Portsmouth, Ohio; at this writing we are in a meeting in Trenton, Missouri. God has given some of the best revivals of our ministry, with many souls praying through to victory for the church and the souls helped. Pastors and people have been good to us. We have some open time which we'd be glad to slate as the Lord may lead—January 20 to 31, February 3 to 14, and March 3 to 14. Write us, 609 N. Mueller Street, Bethany, Oklahoma."

Annual Meeting of Eastern Nazarene College Board of Trustees

Dr. Edward S. Mann was re-elected president of Eastern Nazarene College (Wollaston, Massachusetts) for a three-year term, beginning August 1, 1960, at the annual meeting of the board of trustees, held September 30. President Mann recently completed his twentieth year as an educator at E.N.C., having served as instructor in mathematics, assistant to the president, vice-president, and since 1948, president of the college. God is truly blessing his life and labors at E.N.C.

On the eve of the trustees' meeting, Shadrer Hall, $526,000 Science Building, was officially opened. Named for Dr. James Houston Shadrer, professor of chemistry and chairman of the Division of Arts and Sciences, the new building houses classrooms, laboratories, faculty offices, and research facilities for the departments of biology, chemistry, and physics.

The board of trustees also voted to apply for a long-term government loan of $500,000, for a much-needed new women's dormitory. The building being planned is expected to house 120 girls. Increased enrollment in recent years has crowded dormitory facilities to capacity, making added housing necessary next year. To date there are 618 students registered at E.N.C., compared with 609 last year and 561 the previous year. Further growth is expected in the next several years.

We urge Nazarenes everywhere to keep E.N.C. on their prayer lists.—E.N.C. News Bureau.

Yakima Valley Christian Service Training School

The Yakima Valley Nazarene churches sponsored a Christian Service Training school, held in First Church, Yakima, Washington, September 14 to 18. Fourteen Nazarene churches in the valley co-operated, which was held from seven to nine each evening. Eleven courses, taught by pastors in the area, were offered during the seven-to-eight o'clock hour. These courses ranged from the practical, such as "Church Ushering," to the doctrinal, such as "Psalms."  

Rev. Roscoe Pershall of Portland, Oregon, taught a course in "Visitation
Evangelism" each evening, from eight to nine o'clock. He shared some of his experiences in soul winning and explained that evangelism should be approached if it is to be effective.

There were 136 registered in the school, of which 109 received class credit. Another school is planned for next year, for we have learned that where there is a need we 'twill—"JACK HANSEN, Registrar."

Deaths

REV. GEORGE H. HARMON

Rev. George H. Harmon, retired Nazarene minister, died at his home in Decatur, Illinois, on October 13 at the age of 80. He was born in 1881 in Kendal, Arkansas, and united in marriage with Mayme Smith in 1902. He gave to God and the church of Christ—five-twentysixth of his life in pastoring churches in Henryetta, Oklahoma; in Arkansas, of which 109 received class credit.

In 1904 he married Ruth Clemonds; she died in May of 1945. In 1947 Rev. Frank M. St. John pastored the following Nazarene churches—Electra, Burbank, Vernon, and Tyler, Texas; Comanche, Texas; Hopkirk and Curtis, Nebraska; he was survived by his wife, Ina; four daughters, Mrs. Bertha Hobbs, Mrs. Earl Barton, Mrs. Vickie Durham, and Mrs. Grace Przyst; three sons, Bill, Paul, and Rev. Arthur Morgan, of Lubbock, Texas; also two brothers, C. C. and Sam; and two sisters, Mrs. Minnie Dove and Mrs. Mary Holms. Funeral service was held at the Church of the Nazarene at Sidney, Nebraska, with Rev. C. B. Johnson and Rev. William W. Hendrick officiating.

ADAM NATHAN JOHNSON

Dr. Adam Nathan Johnson was born in 1876 in Jackson County, Kentucky. With his parents he moved to Nebraska in 1884, and was educated in Abilene College. He was licensed to preach over sixty years ago, and his entire ministry was spent in the evangelistic field—he preached in brush arbor, schoolhouses, small churches, camp meetings, and in great city churches. He was a great defender of the faith, believed in and preached entire sanctification, and held on to one thousand revelations during his ministry. He was united in marriage to Miss Augusta Balch; to this union two children were born, ten years ago, in the same manner, of sickness, Dr. Johnson died on August 22 in a hospital in Lexington, Kentucky. Funeral service was conducted by Rev. W. L. Clark, assisted by Dr. T. M. Anderson and Dr. Z. T. Johnson. His wife, the two children, and thousands of friends mourn their loss.

Announcements

WEDDING BELLS—Miss Lois Stucki of Jackson, Missouri; Miss Audrey Lillian Morgan of Akron, Ohio; and Miss Rose Neubert of Ridge Farm, Illinois, were united in marriage on August 29 in First Church of the Nazarene, Nashville, Tennessee, with the bride's father, Dr. Otto Stucki, officiating, assisted by Dr. Wm. Greathouse, pastor.

—BORN—to Rev. and Mrs. Maurice Moore of Dodson, Texas, a son, Peter Nathanial, on October 21.

—to Rev. and Mrs. J. Loy Terry of Klamath Falls, Oregon, a daughter, Demetra Goyon, on October 20.

—to Rev. and Mrs. Jack Sanders of Belfast, Maine, a daughter, Nalda Sheorene, on October 16.

—to Rev. and Mrs. Richard Nelderher of East Gey, Indiana, a son, James Randall, on October 2.

—to Rev. and Mrs. Robert Sporlede of Watcoop, Washington, a son, John Wesley, on September 18.

—to Cecil and Nora Rae (Perryman) Bohanan, of Bowie, Texas, a son, Dale Wace, on September 23.

—to Rev. and Mrs. Robert Williams of Bridgeport, New Jersey, a son, Russell Lee, on September 23.

—to Mr. and Mrs. Loy Hamer Alvin Andrew Neubert of Ridge Farm, Illinois, a son, Ben Eugene, on September 16.

—to Billy and June (Snodgrass) Porter of Jonckersville, Florida, a son, Lawrence Williams, on September 11.

—to Melvin and Betty (Stotler) Coughenour of Quincy, Massachusetts, a son, Robert William, on August 7.

SPECIAL PRAYER IS REQUESTED by a Christian lady in California for a brother who has backlessness and is now drinking and smoking, but wants to be delivered—he is heart broken and knows that only God can break the chains of sin that have bound him; by a reader in a state school in Texas that he may be a blessing to many there who need special help from God; by a Christian brother in Ohio that their church may be guided by God in a difficulty which has arisen between some brethren, and that he may be in the center of God's will and have victory; by a Christion mother in Louisiana for her son, who is unhappily married and is heavily in debt—he is much discouraged and now staying away from home—she wants to see him saved. "At any cost," he says. "I will undertake in a special way for their church, as they are undergoing crucial times.

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