

WILL SPEND WINTER IN TORONTO

Rev. S. A. and Mrs. Baker Given Purse and Address

An address and a well-filled purse were given to Rev. S. A. Baker and wife last night by about forty of their church and congregation. On account of the recent sickness of Mr. and Mrs. Baker they have decided to accept an urgent invitation of their son, Mr. T. S. Baker and family, of Toronto, to spend the fall and winter in a much needed rest after eight years of their pastorate at Moncton.

Mr. and Mrs. Baker hope to be able to return in the spring and to spend the summer at their cottage at Beulah Camp Ground. Mr. and Mrs. Baker have spent forty-one years in active Christian work. They expect to leave Moncton about the 15th of October.

We sincerely appreciate the following resolution by the Quarterly Meeting of the First District very highly. We have served many of these dear people as pastor in the past, and they still linger in our hearts. We also highly appreciate the address which follows, as a kindly expression of those who visited our home before we broke up to take our departure for the beautiful Queen City of Canada, where we trust, through the blessing of God, to find rest and recuperation. While we have passed the allotted age, we hope for at least a time for rest and enjoyment of the love of Christ on earth with his people. We also wish to thank the many friends whose letters of kindly expression are reaching us daily. We pray that the blessing of God will keep our lights brightly burning and our love abounding. Our address will be 887 Broadview Ave., Toronto, Ont.

S. A. AND MRS. BAKER.

A kindly word from the First District Quarterly Meeting:

Woodstock, N. B., Sept. 14, 1924.

To Rev. and Mrs. S. A. Baker:

Dear Brother and Sister: The Quarterly Meeting of District No. 1 convening at Victoria Corner wish to convey to you a message of gratitude for your faithful labors and godly example among us as a denomination. We sympathize with you in your affliction, and sincerely regret that you are forced to retire from active service. Our prayer is that God will yet spare you to carry on the work that lies so near to your heart. You have done nobly in the past; we thank God for you.

Yours in behalf of the Quarterly Meeting,
REV. L. J. ALLEY, Sec.

Address to Rev. S. A. and Mrs. Baker by members of the Church and Congregation:

Dear Brother Baker: God who hath called you to be His servant and minister of Jesus Christ according to the faith of God's elect, and the acknowledging of the truth which is after Godliness; in hope of eternal life, which God that cannot lie, promised before the world began.

But hath in due times manifested His word through preaching which is committed unto you.

Hath been with you from the first and hath blessed the labor of your hands, different fields still have monuments of success and bringing forth those that will raise up and call you blessed.

No doubt you have had sorrow and conflicts with sin. As we have heard of your loved ones departing till your heart has been torn asunder,

besides the duties that befall a husband, father and pastor, we know your life has been a busy one, filled with grief, yet always rejoicing that this is God's will concerning you.

Bearing responsibility for our denomination and watching against false teaching and rebuking sin in whatever form it appeared.

We believe you have been faithful to our Lord, who has called you, and coming to us eight years ago, you have not spared yourself, but kept at your accustomed place with lamp uplifted high and trumpet sounding out God's word with its rich blessings and its cursings, rejoicing with those that got blessed and weeping over those that would not take heed, burying the dead, marrying loved ones and blessing the new born. Holding still to lamp and trumpet, you have been taken from active services exhausted.

Having endeared yourself and Mrs. Baker to us; and as an eagle stirreth up her nest, fluttereth over her young, spreadeth abroad her wings, taketh them, beareth them on her wings, so the Lord did lead him, we can only say the will of the Lord be done. Yet we notice that in all your going into the enemy's camp, you have never left duty to go after the spoil, and it has grieved you to see any that leave His Holy Name to partake of any of the enemy's goods.

So as we look about tonight, we only notice front line equipment, just a tent and the weapons of war are your possessions.

While you have had opportunity to collect spoil and settle yourself in luxury, you have kept the goal in view, to extend God's kingdom, and have not become entangled with the love of money or position. Willing to stand before Him and wait till He shall decide. Where many that are first shall be last and the last first.

We shall ask you to accept this purse, though small, is full of love and good wishes. We regret your departure from among us and trust you will be spared to return again in health and strength renewed after having a well deserved rest.

Mrs. Baker's words of kindness and interest in us all have been a great blessing and will be greatly missed. No child escaped her attention, and to her labor is due the attendance at Sunday school and mission meetings. While sharing with your labors in the duties of pastor, she has borne her part faithfully, and we pray God's blessing upon you both.

(Signed) WESLEY WEIR,
ARCHIE K. McCALLUM.

QUARTERLY MEETING REPORT

One of the best Quarterly Meetings ever held in District No. 1 convened with the church at Victoria Corner, Sept. 4-7. The presence of the Spirit was evident throughout, and much spiritual strength was acquired by the saints. The roll call found the following ministers and delegates present. Revs. P. W. Briggs, I. F. Keirstead, E. W. Lester, H. S. Dow, F. T. Wright and L. J. Alley, Sister Keirstead arriving later in the meeting. Delegates from different churches:

Fort Fairfield—Mrs. L. S. Kinney and Sister Wright.

Royalton—Mr. and Mrs. Silas Burt.

Victoria—Thomas Tilley, Bro. Somers.

Lower Brighton—Mrs. Edgar Bryant.

Woodstock—Mrs. L. J. Alley.

Waterville—Sisters Kearney and Hillman.

Meductic—Mrs. Tart Dickinson.

Lr. Haynesville—Sisters Foreman and White.

Marysville—Thomas Mitchell.

OFFICERS FOR ENSUING QUARTER

President—E. W. Lester.

Secretary—L. J. Alley.

Highway Agent—F. T. Wright.

Devotional Committee—Thos. Mitchell, Mrs. Kearney, Wm. Rideout.

RESOLUTIONS DURING SESSION

(1) A vote of thanks to the church at Victoria for entertainment.

(2) That the secretary be instructed to write a message of sympathy and love to Rev. and Mrs. S. A. Baker, and Rev. and Mrs. T. W. Moses expressing our appreciation for their labors of love with us as a denomination, regretting that they were unable to continue in active service.

(3) That the next Quarterly Meeting be held with the church at Woodstock, Dec 4th-7th.

The spiritual food, as well as the temporal, was excellent indeed. The brethren and Sister Keirstead preached well. We were glad that God had permitted our sister to be with us again.

Thursday evening Brother Briggs brought the message from Heb. 12:1, showing the necessity of laying aside hindrances in the Christian race. We are being watched by those who have fought the fight. It was a grand sermon, full of rich things.

Friday morning a prayer service was held which proved a rich blessing to those attending. Brother Bullock from St. John had charge of the afternoon service, giving a Bible reading on Matt. 5. Many helpful thoughts were exchanged. In the evening Brother Keirstead preached from Eph. 2:12. We were encouraged in the contrast of a soul without God, and blessings coming from a personal knowledge of the Saviour.

Saturday morning Brother Wright brought a message from Luke 8:22—"Experience on the other side of the Lake." We were not aware of the problems ahead; we must be ready for any emergency. This was a blessed message.

At 2.30 the business session, not dry business but full of encouraging reports intermingled with praises. Brother Wright again brought a grand sermon from the "Wise and Foolish Virgins" in the evening.

Sunday morning Sister Keirstead lead the love feast, reading from the 40th of Isaiah. This goes without saying was a feast.

At 2.30 Brother Dow preached to a crowded house on the houses built on the sand and the rock. Entirely new, but grand thoughts were brought out in the contrast of the two houses and foundations. When we fall we are not only a disappointment to ourselves, but to others depending on us. Brother Dow had good liberty and unction in his delivery.

The closing message was brought by the writer at 7 p. m., who used as a theme "The Saints of God," the salutation frequently used by Paul to the churches. We tried to shew what it meant to be a saint and what God expected of us. Testimonies followed until a late hour brought to a close a grand meeting.

L. J. ALLEY,
Secretary.

One of the greatest needs of the times and of the individual Christian is vital godliness. There must not only be belief of the Holy Scriptures and belief in the Lord Jesus as the Son of God, but there must be a vital, living faith in him for personal salvation.