

YOUNG PEOPLE'S PAGE

"Let no man despise thy youth"—Titus 2-15

PLANS FOR OUR PAGE

I once read where Benjamin Franklin said that he never sought a position, but never refused one when offered to him, and always put the best he had into it until it was taken away from him again. That expresses quite well my feelings in regard to being editor of the Young People's Page. The job was allotted to me when I was absent, without an opportunity to say anything about it, but since it has been entrusted to me, I shall put my best efforts into it.

I am pleased with the Associate Editors who were elected to assist me, and with their help and the co-operation of others, the Young People's Page will be made as interesting and as helpful as possible. There will be one main article in each issue, solicited mostly from our own ministers. Then there will be brief letters of report from the different members and activities on special occasions. Also if at any time there arises in a society meeting a question or problem of real concern, if that question is sent to me, I shall do my best to find a proper solution for it—this also with the aid of our pastors.

The quarterly district convention notices and reports will be printed at the proper time; and I will try to have a brief editorial each issue.

You can see that besides telling you what to expect in the Y. P. Page from now on, I am also asking the help of many of our readers. If I may expect good co-operation from all those who will be asked to assist us, I believe we can make our page a real blessing to all who read it. Pray for this part of our work. I believe that if we can have God's blessing upon our work, time will produce more than I am able to promise you now.

HARVEY J. S. BLANEY

THE GENERAL FUND

I have been requested by our President to write a few lines regarding the General Fund plan outlined at Beulah this year, and to bring it before the societies again.

The plan stated that each society should set aside twenty cents (20 cts) each week from their regular offerings in Young People's Meetings. If any society feels that this amount is too large, they may decide upon a smaller amount. We want to urge that every society take this matter up and do the very best possible. My own heart has been made to rejoice as I have heard from some places where the attendance is quite small, whose society is laying aside the full amount. I say, "Praise the Lord!"

This money is to be used to meet our general expenses, chiefly the editing of this page in the Highway. It may mean a little sacrifice, but I am finding more and more, dear ones, that God is just waiting for us to prove Him, in order to flood our souls with blessing.

BLANCHE YOUNG, R. N.,

THE PRAYER LEAGUE

"Lord, teach us to pray"

Our Prayer League was organized through the Highway in the issue of March 15th, 1933. The membership has grown to approximate-

ly eighty members and we feel sure that the prayers of our young people have been one of the great factors in the progress of our organization.

Doubtless there are yet some who do not understand the League and the object of its organization. It was born out of a realization of the value and importance of intercession before the Throne, and of the conviction of its absolute necessity to assure the success of our Young People's Association. The object of the League is to encourage our young people to pray consistently, and by so doing build themselves up in the most holy faith according to Jude 20. There is no one who will deny that prayer is the most important factor in the Christian's life. Prayer is the citadel and strength of the soul. It is our great defence in the time of battle and temptation and from this holy communion we receive strength to take new territory in Canaan Land. One has well said:

Prayer is the Christian's vital breath;

It is his native air;

It is the gateway unto death;

We enter heaven by prayer.

Prayer is the great safeguard against temptation. Matt. 26:41.

Prayer renews our strength. Isaiah 40:31; Psalm 27:14.

Prayer is a means of progress. Jude 20.

Prayer is a means of deliverance in times of trouble. Psalm 34:17.

And then let us note according to the Word

THE NECESSITY OF PRAYER

For ourselves. Luke 18:1.

For one another. James 5:16. Acts 12:5.

For the ministry. Rom. 15:30-32.

For the Church. Eph. 6:18.

For labourers in God's vineyard. Luke 10:2.

For the unsaved. Matt. 17:21.

THE POSSIBILITIES OF PRAYER

Matt. 21:22; John 14:14; John 15:7.

THE PROMISES OF PRAYER

Isaiah 65:24: God's promptness in answering our prayers.

Matt. 7:7-8: "His impartiality."

Matt. 18:19: His unlimited resources.

James 4:2: His willingness to give.

These are only a few of the passages in God's Word that should encourage and inspire us to pray. If one or two can claim and appropriate the exceeding great and precious promises what can we do as a body of young people if we will take God at His word and prove Him? This question can only be answered as we accept the challenges that faith extends to us and as a body, consecrated to the service of Christ, join hands around the throne in the work of intercession.

Young people, let us pray; earnestly, sincerely, consistently, importunately, and unitedly pray that the year before us may be one of great victory for the army of the living God.

Yours for holiness and the salvation of souls.

BENNETT C. COCHRANE

THE SELF DENIAL FUND

No doubt most of you are familiar with the Self-Denial Plan which our association

adopted at our convention this year, but lest you forget I shall try to "stir up your pure minds by way of remembrance," and to any who do not know or understand, I will explain our project and motive.

Our aim is to get as many as we can to deny themselves the amount of ten cents a week for the entire year—from July 1 to July 1—and pay this sum into the Self-Denial Fund to be used for missions. We hope to support one or more native workers in Africa next year.

To date I have enrolled the names of sixty-three young people who have pledged to deny themselves in order to give this amount. We hope at least one hundred shall catch the vision of the opportunity, privilege and honor of thus carrying the gospel to those now in heathen darkness, who would enjoy salvation as much as we, if they only knew the way. For some it may mean real sacrifice, but He who denied Himself and gave His life a sacrifice for us, will richly repay with both spiritual and temporal blessings for any obligation we make for Him. If any feel you cannot give ten cents a week, I urge you to give what you can, however small the amount, though it be but a few cents for the whole year, and God will bless you for it.

This is one of the most important projects of our Young People's Association. Every member should take a keen interest in it. There is no greater work than that of spreading the news of full salvation in foreign lands, and I count it a real privilege for us to have a little part in it in this way. I believe God will bless this effort we are making in His name far beyond what we think or expect, and eternity alone will tell the results, not only in dark Africa, but in the deeping of our own experiences.

Do you not think those native evangelists who are laboring to win their race to Christ will take fresh courage and put forth a greater effort when they know that we, a band of young people, care enough to deny ourselves, possibly of some of the things we call necessities of life, to tell the news of salvation to our black brothers and sisters? Perhaps some of you would like to go yourselves if the way would open, but until it does, here is your opportunity to help hasten the good news to them by the service of some of their own race, who can run with it faster than we could.

I trust this plan has been brought before every society, May God bless you each one and stir your hearts to do more than ever before for Him.

ALICE E. TEDLIE,

If we put off repentance another day, we have a day more to repent of and a day less to repent in.—Mason.

If you are tempted to lose patience with your fellowmen, stop and think how patient God has been with you.

The fact is, God can use any sort of man and every peculiarity of man—only let the man give himself as he is to God. This is what Elijah did—utterly surrendered his nature to God.—Pulsiford.