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EDITORIAL

BEULAH CAMP-MEETING A TIME OF REFRESHING

When the times of refreshing shall come from the presence of the Lord. Acts 3-19.

It was very soon after the day of Pentecost when the Holy Spirit had been poured out on the disciples, and when Peter, who with many others had been filled with the Holy Spirit: He with John went up to the temple at the hour of prayer, and met the lame man who was miraculously healed; that Peter spoke the foregoing words to the multitude who were attracted by the healing of the lame man; and came together, and gave Peter a chance to preach to them.

During his discourse as he preached Christ unto them, he admonished them to repent, and be converted that their sins might be blotted out, and promised them that times of refreshing would come from the presence of the Lord.

You will note also that Peter used almost the same words in his preaching to the people on the day of Pentecost, when they were pricked in their hearts, or convicted of their sins, and cried out, men and brethren, "what shall we do?"

Peter said unto them, repent and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins, and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost. For the promise is unto you and to your children, and to all that are afar off, even as many as the Lord our God shall call. We learn from these words of Peter that the promise of the gift of the Holy Ghost as he was poured out at Pentecost in his purifying and empowering effect, was not confined to the Jews alone or to the apostles of Christ, for Peter says, "the promise is to all that are afar off even to as many as the Lord our God shall call."

Thank the Lord, all truly converted people are included in the promise, and are eligible for the baptism with the Holy Ghost. The inspired apostle spoke of the outpouring of the Holy Ghost as "Times of Refreshing." What a good heavy rain of several days duration is to vegetation and crops in general after a time of drought, a visitation of the Holy Spirit in revival power is to the church or Christian people. It is a time of refreshing. As truly as the growing crops or plant life need rain to insure a good harvest, so all churches need spiritual revivals to keep them alive, and strong, and successful in the Lord's work.

But the question arises: How can we have

these reviving times or times of refreshing? It is true, we do put forth considerable effort these days in having evangelistic services, but we seldom see the results that we looked and hoped for.

Let us note that Peter said that they would come from "the presence of the Lord." We infer from this that the most important, and potent factor in promoting revivals and seeing seasons of refreshing in our midst is the presence of the Lord which is the Holy Spirit.

We often appoint times for special meetings and send away and get evangelists and singers, and call for a little extra praying, etc., and so hold our meetings; but too many times, with all our special effort and extra expence, no rain falls, no seasons of refreshing come. Is it not true, brethren, that we have stressed special evangelistic meetings, with outside helpers so much, that our people have come to think that we cannot have seasons of refreshing without them. Hence, whereas we don't look for, or expect or exercise faith for revivals we don't have them, even when we do make special effort with special workers because the people's faith is in the workers instead of in God.

Please do not misunderstand me. I know that evangelists have their place in the work of God, and a very important place it is, and furthermore when God sends them, or calls them to a place they will be successful. Well, you ask, how then can we have or bring about the promised seasons of refreshing? In reply to this I would say, that if some of our members, who are lukewarm or cold, some of which perhaps hold offices in our churches as S. S. superintendents or deacons, would humble themselves, confess their need and pray through to the blessing of God, the showers would begin to fall. If they do not do so and get some blessing down on their souls, then for the benefit of the work of God, and souls in general, they should resign their office, for they are not keeping their church covenant, and are a hindrance to others. Likewise let all our people in humble confession of their need weep and pray before God until there is a mighty melting down time, and our cold dry spirits are broken and our wills are fully yielded to God's will. "And Heaven comes down our souls to greet, while glory crowns the mercy seat."

Let us all do our best to meet conditions, and expect and have such a time of refreshing from the presence of the Lord at Beulah Camp-meeting this year. Let all the people say, Amen!

QUARTERLY REPORT DISTRICT No. 3

The Quarterly meeting of District No. 3 convened with the church at Seal Cove, N. B., May 23-26 inclusive. Rev. B. C. Cochrane had charge of the opening service in the absence of the president. Prayer was offered by Rev. H. S. Wilson. Rev. H. L. Robertson brought the opening message from Ephesians 5:25-27. The great need of, and provision for the Church of Jesus Christ, was described. The blessing of the Lord was upon the service.

Rev. E. R. Bradley brought a fine message on Friday evening from scripture in Hebrews 7.25. Christ's ability to save to the uttermost was clearly set before the people.

The regular business session was held on Saturday at 3 p.m. The president was in the chair. The minutes of the last Quarterly were read and approved. Roll call found the following minis-

ters present: Revs. B. C. Cochrane, G. A. De-Long, E. R. Bradley, H. S. Wilson, H. L. Robertson. Delegates present from: Seal Cove, North Head, Calais, Crawford, Jonesport and Wood Island.

A vote of welcome to, and a voice in the deliberations of the Quarterly, was extended to the visitors. Election of officers was as follows: President, Rev. B. C. Cochrane; Vice-President, Rev. E. R. Bradley; Secretary, Rev. H. L. Robertson; Treasurer, Bro Albert Cook; Highway Agent, Rev. H. S. Wilson. The church reports were read. The reports were encouraging as a goodly number had been saved or sanctified. Verbal reports of the Crawford and Wesley churches were given. Upon completion of business the meeting was adjourned.

On Saturday evening Rev. H. S. Wilson brought a stirring message from Jeremiah 32:19. Theme, "The Counsel of God."

The closing day was a full day. An early service was held in response to a call to prayer by His Majesty King George VI for peace and righteousness. Rev. E. R. Bradley was in charge of the service. Scripture was read from James 5:16-20. This was a time of prayer and humility. The Love Feast was led by Brother Henry Eenson who made suitable comments from Acts 16:16-34. A great praise and testimony meeting followed. This was a time of rejoicing. At eleven o'clock Rev. G. A. DeLong brought a good message from Hebrews 6:1-2. The message was sealed with one soul at the altar for heart holiness. At 3.00 p.m., H. L. Robertson preached from text found in Joshua 22:20. There was a large attendance and a fine spirit rested on the service. The closing message was brought by Rev. F. A. Watson. Colossians 3:6 was chosen as the text. The Lord blessed this message and messenger. One soul sought and found the Lord. A good testimony meeting followed. Thus ended another blessed Quarterly.

H. L. ROBERTSON, Sec.

QUARTERLY MEETING

The Quarterly Meeting of District No. 4 convened with the church at Havelock, N. S., May 30th to June 2nd, inclusive.

The opening service was in charge of Rev. G. A. Rogers whose text was taken from Exodus 13:14. His subject was "The Presence of God."

On Friday evening, Rev. H. S. Dow preached on "The Way of Holiness" from Isaiah 35:8. Two hands were raised for prayer.

Before the business meeting on Saturday p.m., Rev. G. R. Symonds led in a season of prayer. Rev. G. A. Rogers opened the business session with scripture reading from Isaiah 12.

The roll was called and ministers present were Rev. G. A. Rogers, Rev. H. S. Dow and Rev. G. R. Symonds. Delegates were present from Sandford, Port Maitland and Woods Harbour.

The officers were elected as follows: President, Rev. G. A. Rogers; Vice-President, Rev. G. R. Symonds; Secretary, Bessie Sabine; Treasurer, Charles Greene; Highway Agent, Rev. H. S. Dow.

Reports were received from the churches of Woods Harbour, Sandford, Port Maitland, Shag Harbour, Havelock, and Brazil Lake.

Rev. H. S. Dow briefly reported on his evangelistic services with the churches at Calais, St. John, Head of Millstream and Westchester since visiting this district in September.

Rev. G. A. Rogers reported that he received an answer from their request to the Premier that the Government stores be closed during war time; also that their letter was published in several newspapers.

Saturday evening, Rev. G. R. Symonds preach-