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## EDITORIAL

### YES, IT WAS A GREAT CAMPMEETING

Beulah Camp of 1946 has come and gone. It can be entered in the records as a great camp-meeting. Much blessing was upon the services, and many prayed through to definite victory.

From different sections of Eastern Canada and United States, a great company of people gathered to pray, praise and receive the ministry of the Gospel. The largest crowd in the history of our meeting at Beulah attended the ten day camp. The hotel, dormitories and cottages were filled to capacity, while a few sojourned in tents and trailers. The commodious Tabernacle was well filled every evening and in the Sunday service scores were unable to find a seat.

A beautiful spirit pervaded the meeting. The business sessions of the Alliance were held in an atmosphere of harmony and unity. Rev. P. J. Trafton, dean of our ministry, was elected president of the Alliance, serving as a wise and capable chairman in all meetings.

The evangelist, Rev. W. H. Whitmore, preached the Word with great earnestness and fervor, and the people enjoyed his ministry. We shall remember him as a man who gave whole-hearted attention to his task.

Special singing of a high order was rendered by capable talent. Solos, duets, trios and quartettes were brought under the blessing of the Spirit. A choir of fifty voices gave good leadership to the singing in the week-end services. Paul Mullen and Mrs. J. A. Owens were our efficient pianist and organist.

There were many fine altar scenes when hungry seekers found help in the Lord. On more than one occasion the long altar was filled with penitents, and many testimonies of definite victory were given. At times the blessing of the Lord was especially manifest and there were spontaneous outbursts of praise and demonstration in the Spirit. On the last Friday evening of the Camp, while a young man who had been of the Roman Catholic faith, gave testimony, the Spirit of God fell upon the people in a remarkable manner, and there was one of the most memorable and blessed scenes that the writer has ever seen at Beulah. It was truly a time of refreshing.

During the past fifteen years we have witnessed a constant increase in the attendance of young people at Beulah. A careful check-

up would doubtless reveal 1946 a record year in this respect. It is a cause for great rejoicing that in this age of worldliness and superficiality, we have at our camp meetings an ever-enlarging group of young people. And they are spiritual young people. Their behaviour indicates that they have come to give spiritual help and if possible, contribute to the spiritual success of the meetings. Many of them were regular attendants at the 6.00 o'clock sunrise prayer-meeting (the young men had a special prayer service at 8.00 a. m.); the great majority of them were present at every service; and they gave splendid assistance in the musical phase of the meeting. We have every reason to "thank God and take courage" as we see the great group of young people at our campmeetings.

From beginning to end the meetings at Beulah this year were blessed of the Lord. Pastor and people turned homeward with renewed strength and courage, facing the labours of a new church year with a holy purpose to be true to God and faithful in the work to which He has called us. The Lord be praised for another great campmeeting.

### FOR THE CHRISTIAN WORKER

#### Don'ts for Pastors

Don't be beguiled by the former success of the matriculates of "Brush College." Times have changed. The pews have been lifted nearer to the level of the pulpit. Popular education has put in its work since "the fathers fell asleep." Science and philosophy are challenging Divine Revelation today.

Don't despise the day of small things. When ready, begin. Take what you can get. Preachers are long-lived. The big ones do not often resign. If you want a large church make a little one bigger. The best way to get out of a small place is to work out.

Don't winnow chaff in the prayer meeting. Grind grain. Give bread. Butter it if you can. Occasionally sandwich it with jelly.

Don't always talk yourself. Dr. Holmes says, "A dull preacher, hearing no one but himself preach for thirty years, will finally die a heathen for the want of the Gospel."

Don't read anonymous letters. Burn them unread. By so doing you will "fire out" their cowardly writers. "Ashes to ashes" is the cremation liturgy.

Don't neglect the lambs of your flock. Know them by nature as well as by name. Attach yourself to your young people. Attend their meetings. Interest yourself in their affairs and they will become interested in you and your messages.

Don't speak ill of your predecessor. Those who treated him well are apt to be your best friends.

Don't speak disrespectfully of the community. See its excellencies, and be silent as to its defects. The love of locality is one of the strongest instincts of human nature.

Don't exalt any part of your work thinking it will cover the neglect of other duties.

Don't neglect the poor. Prove to your people that you seek them and not what they have. Love them for what they are and not for what they own. Do what you can for the church without regard for what it does for you. Earn your salary and you will get it. Work wins and wears.

Don't show your wounds. Hide them. Be deaf as possible to censure.

Don't fear your people. Fear God only. Let nobody own you.

Don't ever be less than your best. A poor ser-

mon added to a rainy Sunday will not improve your wet-weather congregations. A little congregation and a big sermon will help to even things up. Jesus preached one of His greatest sermons to a lone woman at the well. God's work can never be too small for your greatest powers.

Don't apologize. If you are unprepared it will not help your case by confessing it.

Don't confound violence with energy, nor perspiration with inspiration. Be in earnest, but affect no unwonted zeal. It is the steam in the cylinder, not in the whistle, that enables the locomotive to walk away with the train.

Don't try to make a poor sermon good by continuing to talk when you have finished preaching. Quit. The congregation will appreciate it and you will save yourself much embarrassment.

Don't brood over an innocent mistake. Add that to your stock of knowledge and go forward. A man who never makes a mistake never makes anything.

Don't preach to the people while on your knees supposedly offering public prayer.

Don't scold people in your prayers. That is cowardly.

Don't apologize for the truth; preach it.

Don't try to defend the truth; the truth is its own defense.

Don't beg, indirectly, by telling "hard luck" stories about yourself in your sermons. If you are a child of the King, act like it.

Don't take advantage of your position as a worker in a camp meeting to take an offering for some special interest without permission from the proper authority. When invited by the one in authority, do what you are requested to do and then stop.

Don't take advantage of your position in the pulpit to say things to, or about, those in your audience that you should say to them personally.

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