

MINISTERS AND CHURCHES

Rev. H. S. Mullen is open for a call to pastoral work for the ensuing church year. Brother Mullen's home address is Havelock, N. S.

Lic. Sterling Hicks, who has been attending Lorne Park College preparing for the ministry, graduates this year and will be open for a call to service for the next church year. Lorne Park College is at Port Credit, Ontario.

Rev. B. C. Cochrane and Deverne Mullen are at Westchester, N. S., in special service, which will continue over Feb. 5th. This will be followed by a campaign at Marysville, N. B.

Rev. Oscar Finch, Superintendent of the New York District of the Nazarene Church, will be at Sanford, N. S., Feb. 1st-12th, with Rev. H. S. Wilson and our Sanford Church for a revival campaign.

The Mullen Trio will be at North Head, N. B., Feb. 5th-26th for revival services with Rev. R. L. Sabine and our North Head Church.

It is time for our churches to remember Section 19 of our Church Policy: **"The Church should hold the meeting at which they call their pastor, not later than March 1st, and the pastor should give his answer not later than April 1st."** Promptness in this important matter, after prayerful preparation, will help toward plans for the new church year in good time. Will those open for call notify The Highway Editor so that churches may know who is available. And will ministers called please make their decisions known when plans are settled. The co-operation of both pastor and churches will be of advantage to all concerned.

ATTENTION, DISTRICT NO. 1

At our last Quarterly Meeting a committee was appointed to draw up a schedule for the district meetings of another year, and to ask the churches named to kindly co-operate, if possible. The schedule is as follows:

Woodstock—March 2-6, 1950.

Doaktown—June 1-4, 1950.

Meductic—Aug. 31-Sept. 3, 1950.

Marysville—Nov. 30-Dec. 3, 1950.

Fredericton—March, 1951.

MRS. J. A. OWENS,

Millville, N. B.,

District Secretary

QUARTERLY MEETING REPORT

The Quarterly Meeting of District No. 3 convened with the church at Jonesport, Me., Dec. 1-4. Delegates were present from several of the churches and all the pastors of the district excepting two. There was a good spirit throughout the Quarterly and we all went back to our churches feeling we had been greatly helped and blessed in our souls.

The March Quarterly will be held at the Beals Church. We trust the churches will be well represented with delegates and pastors.

F. A. ANDERSON,

Secretary

HOLINESS AND EVANGELISM!

By Russell V. DeLong

Someone recently asked me an interesting question, "How often do you preach on holiness?" My answer was, "Every time I preach, I preach on holiness." One might as well have asked, "How often do you preach the gospel?" Holiness and the gospel are one. Evangelistic preaching and holiness preaching are one. An

"evangelist" is one who brings "good tidings." Good tidings of what? That a person can be freed from sin—that is the gospel. Any type of evangelistic preaching that stops short of full and complete salvation from all sin is only a partial and feeble type of ministry.

One might ask, "How often do you preach a sermon on entire sanctification as a second, definite work of divine grace subsequent to regeneration?" Such a question is dealing with only one phase of holiness. It beams its inquiry to the act by which one is made holy and how. My answer to this specific question would be, "Not as often as I should." Today we assume too much. We take for granted that everyone knows the necessary steps that must be taken to be sanctified wholly. But the fact is that holiness illiteracy is alarming. Our young people are ignorant of our cardinal church doctrine. We need to review the ABC's for both old and young.

Dr. C. J. Fowler, Rev. C. W. Ruth, Brother Joseph H. Smith and other old-timers preached on some specific phase of holiness, and brought people face to face with the issue of a second work of grace every time they preached. By so doing they claimed to touch all kinds of people. The converted but unsanctified saw the truth and sought the blessing. The backslider was made uncomfortable in his unholy state. The sinner was made hungry for righteousness and heart holiness. In preaching on the need of a second work they had all classes at their altars—if they had limited their message they would have lessened the response.

Holiness preaching makes all types of people hungry. It reveals sin, carnality, and heart need. God honors such a ministry and blesses such a minister. When the Holy Spirit comes on a service, He reproves of sin, of righteousness, and of a judgment to come.

The caption of this article is "Holiness and Evangelism." Any evangelism which is not holiness is false. And—any holiness preaching which is not evangelistic is spurious.

Every sermon should be preached to lead the hearers to holy living. If one preaches on "Justification," it is for the purpose of having sins forgiven, that we may stand before a holy God blameless. One must first be justified before he can qualify to receive any gift from God such as the gift of the Holy Spirit, who sanctifies.

If one preaches on "Regeneration," he is showing that sanctification begins in this first work and must be completed by the second. If one preaches on "Adoption," he must preach on holiness. If one preaches on "The Inspiration of the Bible," he is preaching about a holy Bible revealed by a holy God and written by holy men. If one preaches on "Heaven," he must emphasize the fact that it is a holy place free from sin. If one preaches on "Hell," he must point out that those in hell are there because they are unholy and therefore unfit for a holy heaven. If one preaches on the "Second Coming of Christ," he cannot omit the fact that "every man that has this hope in him purifieth himself." The fact is that every theme one may use, "Prayer," "Faith," "Love," "Duty"—all point to a holy heart as the end and the qualifier for spiritual blessings here and heaven hereafter.

The word holy is the antithesis of the word sin. "Holy living" is the opposite of "sinful living." The whole gospel is one that provides a remedy for sinful acts caused by a sinful nature. Every doctrine of the Bible points to

ultimate and complete deliverance from the effects and cause of sin.

Every sermon should be a holiness sermon. The end should be kept in view even when dealing with the beginnings and the means.

More sermons should deal specifically, elementally, Biblically, and logically with entire sanctification as a second, definite, instantaneous work of divine grace, subsequent to regeneration. We should consummate the end of our preaching by leading people into this glorious experience. Such is holiness evangelism—Herald of Holiness.

"THOU REMAINEST"

Disappointments lie ahead if our hearts are filled with the love of persons and things. Old family places have to be sold, and new owners alter the old homes and cut down trees until the whole lovely scene is changed. Friends become separated by distance and can no longer have the free and happy interchange of thought which used to bring renewed strength and courage. Landscapes that we loved are cut to pieces by new roads, their beauty is commercialized, and the once restful silence is broken by the stream of tourists' cars. An organization which we have loved and to which we have given some of the best years of our life may be dissolved, or, harder still, our own relationship with it may be broken under trying circumstances. Or the very foundations of life may be shaken as that last enemy, death, forces his way into a happy home.

But are we not to enjoy the lovely things of life and allow our love for one another to increase with the years? Certainly we are to receive with thankful hearts the countless joys of a Christian home, the wholesome pleasures of music and literature written under God's good hand, the songs and colors of birds, the scents and hues of flowers, the varieties of food made to suit our varied tastes, and many other blessings. But when these things are taken from us, one by one, we shall be overwhelmed and give way to disillusionment and discouragement unless the source of our peace is in God Himself. "They shall perish; but thou remainest" (Heb. 1:11).

There is room in any heart for a tender love for wife and children and friends, for a thankful appreciation of the beautiful, if the love of God is given first place. His love, shed abroad in our hearts, will not exclude legitimate love, but will only sanctify that which is right. Our peace and joy will be sure and lasting if we can sincerely say, "All my springs are in thee" (Psa. 87:7).—Sunday School Times.

OVERCOMING DAILY

Resist sloth, laxiness, sleeping too long, indulging the flesh. Throw off indifference, coldness, formality, praying just enough to ease the conscience, but not long enough to win any decided victory.

Confess your faults—any unkindness, harshness, critical remarks, lax conversation, giddiness, extravagance, gluttony, shades of untruth, worldliness, carnal pride, vain ambition, unholy thoughts, slackness.

Overcome all tendency of doubt, fear; all infection of the unbelief and defiance of God all around us. Keep faith fresh, love ardent.—Selected.

"God's priceless Gift, the Son of Man, was given not only on that first Christmas Day, but on every day, at any time!"