

We have a great reason to praise the Lord in this church, for blessings God bestows upon our prayer meetings. They are well attended and we praise the Lord for the liberty upon God's people.

Since last reporting through The Highway we have finished extra Sunday School rooms, which were needed. We have also put up a new ceiling in the church and painted the walls.

Our people have taken good care of us as their pastor. We received a generous gift of money at Christmas time from them.

We feel encouraged to press the battle.

Yours in Him,

HARTLEY E. MULLEN

Port Maitland, N. S.

Dear Highway Friends:

In Jesus' name I wish to greet you all, and regret it has been so long since I last wrote. I may be late in wishing God's blessing upon your efforts, in serving Him, throughout 1951, but rather late than never.

On February 2nd the church people from Port Maitland gave us a kitchen shower, and many useful things were received. We feel we have a lot to be thankful for and thank all those who have helped to make my stay here a pleasant one.

On Monday, February 5th, I was to the farewell service at St. John for our outgoing missionaries, Misses Uta Chase and Nina Smith. Our hearts were moved greatly as the reality went home of the parting from all Canadian friends, alone, but not alone, on the nineteen or twenty day voyage to Cape Town; a prospective 40-45 hours train journey to Vryheid, Natal, and from there on, I could picture them going by car in the three-quarter ton mission truck to Altont. A "welcome" service would be on the program and a lot of handshaking and remarks. "Sa ku bona"—"We see you;" "U sapila na?"—"Are you well?" will be repeated again and again. Two Zulu expressions never to be forgotten.

All who read Brother Charles' letter will have a fair idea of the duties and responsibilities he has calling upon him. His report is very encouraging and I do hope he will be able to keep up, till the much needed "car-fund" has brought him what he needs. The distance from Calvary Church to Hartland Mission Station is about 31 miles. Then having to travel in the rain and mud for eight miles, with some provisions on his bicycle, etc. No wonder he was "a little tired."

Brother P. J. Trafton, who meant so much to us all, has answered his last call. His encouraging letters to me were of importance on the Mission field, he so longed to visit himself. We expect he heard that "Well done" and has joined that great cloud of witnesses.

Up to now I have visited fourteen of our churches, showing slides of our South African work and workers. I expect to continue touring the churches as instructed, beginning early in March with Truro, Londonderry, Westchester, Amherst and Moncton, D. V. Just as far as the Lord may lead, completing the field by Beulah.

I have enjoyed working for the Lord and feel the call to continue in His service. We have been praying about this and I feel led to offer myself ready to accept a call to pastoral work during the next church year.

Yours for further service,

EV. G. W. L. and MRS. SANDERS.

Winter Harbor, Maine

Dear Highway Friends:

Greetings in Jesus' name. We pause to write to those of like precious faith, to let you know what we have been doing since graduation from B. B. C. in June, 1949. During that summer we travelled in D. V. B. S. work and did visitation work. On December 11th, I preached my first sermon at Winter Harbor, Maine, in the United Baptist Church, and have been supplying their pulpit since that time. The Lord has blessed our labors, souls have found God, backsliders reclaimed, and the attendance at Sunday School and church has grown steadily.

Our newly organized church at Prospect Harbor has found it impossible to locate a lot or a building in which to worship. Do remember this work in your prayers that the Lord may open a door for them.

The folks of Winter Harbor and nearby communities have been good to us and as we leave we pray God's blessing upon them.

Yours for souls,

REV. J. A. & MRS. MOSES

Fort Fairfield, Me.

Dear Brother Dow:

I am sending \$2.00 for my Highway. We always enjoy getting it. It is always a help and inspiration. The Lord bless you in your good work.

We are all well. It is quite cold up this way. The temperature has been below zero most of the time.

We are having revival services. We have a wonderful speaker, a Mr. Yeatts from Indiana. Not much results but a good spirit in the meetings.

In His service,

MRS. ROB RUSSELL

Saugus, Mass.

Dear Brother Dow:

I am now in my 87th year, and The Highway has been my friend since the early days of my marriage.

Last week I received a long letter from Mrs. H. C. Sanders, who stayed in my home (in N. S.) during a special session of meetings in the Sandford Church. At that time she and Mary Everett were then together. That was about the time of my first joining the Ref. Baptist denomination—but all these are precious memories, and I cherish them.

Your work in all its branches is very close to my heart, and that is why we prize The Highway.

So many of the dear old saints are leaving these shores of time (Revs. Trafton and W. E. Smith, who recently went) and are now enjoying immortality. I soon shall join them over there. Let us "labor for that meat which endureth" and be faithful unto death.

In Christian fellowship,

MRS. OSCAR F. CROSBY

(per the daughter)

Kokad-Jo, Me.

Dear Brother Dow:

Received my Highway—Thanks. I enjoyed the letters very much. Also was very surprised to see my own name in the first Highway I received. It gave me a very friendly feeling of being in the family.

We miss our own church back in Crawford. We are 35 miles from town, in the woods. But God is here—I find him very real to my soul. We can never say how much we miss our dear brothers and sisters back in Crawford. They

are such a faithful group. I believe God is able to do wonders back in that little town even now. How I long to be back there to help the faithful few carry the load. But I must be content for God has said "All things work together for good to them that love God." I want to give my testimony, which I haven't had the privilege of doing for a long time. God is wonderful. He is all the world to me. He gives me peace and joy. Praise His Name for Ever.

Pray for us that God will keep us true in the hour of testing and that we may lead others to know Him—Who died for us.

God bless you,

HERMAN & FLORENCE LABELLE.

Dear Editor:—

Find enclosed \$2.00 for the Highway. We do enjoy the paper so much and want to always have it in our home.

Yours truly,

HAROLD STEPHENSON.

Nineteen hundred years ago one hundred and twenty obscure men and women of an obscure nation met together in an Upper Room at Jerusalem, waiting for the endowment with power from on High. And in the might of that endowment they went forth and lifted the world off its hinges and brought in the new world with all its glories.

Temperance Column

OF THE 200 PENITENTIARY INMATES INTERVIEWED

- 94.5 per cent were drinkers.
- 64 per cent of the drinkers started to drink in their teen ages or earlier.
- In 60 per cent of the total crimes alcohol was a definite factor.
- 58 per cent had previous commitment records.
- 47.5 per cent were "under the influence" in varied degrees at time of offense. An additional 12.5 per cent had been drinking.
- 20.5 per cent blamed liquor for all their major troubles.
- Circumstances under which subject started to drink:
 - 44.4 per cent for social reasons, including parties, dances, etc.
 - 20.6 per cent at home, or parents responsible.
 - 11.1 per cent in the armed services.
 - 8.2 per cent exact circumstances unknown.
 - 4.2 per cent by self alone.
 - 3.2 per cent bootleg whisky.
 - 2.6 per cent at high school and college.
 - 2.6 per cent in merchant marine.
 - 1.5 per cent relatives other than immediate home.
 - 1.1 per cent to escape realities.
 - 0.5 per cent by doctor's recommendation.
- If we add the number who started in the merchant marine and in the armed services and at high school and college and when with relatives other than their immediate families, to the other social reasons listed, such as parties, dancing, with a gang of boys, etc., we have a total of 62.2 per cent charging some form of social pressure with the responsibility of introducing them to the drinking habit. One cannot but be impressed at the striking contrast between the large number citing social reasons for starting to drink compared with the few who sought alcohol as an escape measure.—Listen.