CHURCH NEWS

FROM THE PASTOR AT AMHERST

We feel that a brief report from this part of the vineyard would be in order at this time as we have been making changes and are planning further changes, if our Lord tarries, and is willing.

We have enlarged our church building one third larger than it was, and have redecorated the interior, installed new lights, and changed the entrance to the auditorium. Work has also been done in the basement, and a furnace installed. Then, some repair has been done on the exterior, improving the outward appearance of the building.

We appreciate all that has been donated to the building fund to date, helping to make possible these changes and improvements. We have tried to use the money to the best advantage. When sufficient funds come in we plan to change the roof, to make the building look like a church.

We are rejoicing together for the recent spiritual uplift we had in our Revival Meeting. We did not see as many come in as we had hoped, but the preaching was good and freighted with the Holy Spirit. Many responded to the Spirit's call, and victory was demonstrated and witnessed in the camp. Souls were saved and sanctified, and the saints were uplifted. In fact, we had nearly a clean sweep of all that attended. Some Catholic people raised their hands for prayer. They seemed hungry for the gospel. We are trying for them.

We feel that we had a great meeting. People came from the churches at Truro and Moncton, and we appreciated their help. Brother Paul Mullen was a great help with his singing and personal work. He is a great co-worker with both evangelist and pastor, and God is blessing him. Our evangelist, Brother Yeatts showed himself to be a man called of God, filled with the Holy Ghost, preaching the Word without fear or favour. God honoured him by crowning his labours with victory. We recommend him to any church looking for help in revival meetings, and pray that he may see many precious souls finding God through his preaching.

THE PRAYER PASSION

"When I was a boy, said an old man, "I as often values Chadwick during

If only the Church of Christ could be impelled to prayer, today's crisis would be met. If only the people of God could be baptized into a passion of prayer, spiritual life and power would quicken, miracles would return, and multitudes would be added unto the Lord. Why do we not set ourselves to prayer? The remedy is sure and simple, the need is urgent and acknowledged. Why is it so slow in getting to work?

The remedy is not so simple as it seems. The command to ask seems simple enough and the promise is to them that ask. "If ye have not, it is because ye ask not." "Ask and receive." What could be simpler than that? And yet the Scriptures speak of it as toil and labor.

Prayer taxes all the resources of mind and heart. Jesus Christ wrought many mighty works without any sign of effort. There was in His marvelous works the ease of omnipotence, but of His prayers it is said, "He offered up prayers and supplications with strong crying and tears." There was no strain in healing diseases, raising the dead, and stilling the tempest; but in prayer there was agony and the sweat of blood.

All who have shared His intercession have found it a travail of anguish. Great saints have always been mighty in prayer and their triumphs have always been the outcome of pain. They wrestled in agony with breaking hearts and weeping eyes, until they were assured they had prevailed.

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Their experiences read like the records of spiritual hysteria. Their words are to us an unknown tongue. It is uesless to quote them, for we have lost the key to the mystery. They have spent cold winter nights in prayer, they lay on the ground weeping, and pleading, and come out of the conflict physically spent, but spiritually victorious. They wrestled with principalities and powers, contended with the world rulers of Satan's kingdom, and grappled with spiritual foes in the heavenly sphere. A Ask yourself, "How does this affect ! tra tool No man can speak of the inner shrine of private devotion, but the secret life of the individual is revealed in the open life of the Church, and in the fellowship of believers there is little power in prayer. There is a marked absence of travail. There is much phrasing, but little pleading. Prayer has become a soliloquy instead of a passion. The powerlessness of the Church has no other explanation. The counsellors of the Church need seek no other cause. To be prayerless is to be both passionless and powerless.

The Campus Corner

PRESIDENTIAL IMPRESSIONS

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Since making the decision to come to Bethany Bible College, I have looked forward to the day when my responsibility would begin. During the summer months, the Lord gave the assurance of a good year, and already that promise has been fulfilled.

As we drove through the hedge-bordered driveway, I was favorably impressed with the neatness of the buildings, and the natural beauty of the campus. God has given us a wonderful property. Already many improvements have been made in past years, and much more is contemplated.

On registration day I was impressed with the quality of our student body. Immediately we were forced to provide equipment for the largest enrollment thus far, an expenditure unexpected but nevertheless essential.

As time goes on, I am more grateful for our consecrated faculty members, who constantly place the welfare of the students above their own interests, and whose remuneration is far below the level of their worth. Bethany Bible College will try the metal of any teacher or administrator. Some feel that a position at Bethany is a "snap". Don't believe it. Living close to over forty students, and having the daily responsibility of their educational, moral and spiriutal welfare is no small task.

The aim of our institution reaches beyond the intellect, and seeks the spiritual preparation of the heart. Already several students have found victory at our altars, and the spiritual atmosphere continues to deepen.

Then again, I have been unfavorably impressed with the indifference of some of our pastors and churches toward our college. The school belongs to us. This fact is revealed in the lack of support given to the school budget. It amounts to an indifference regarding the future of our young people, a disregard for what the school seeks to offer, and an attitude that expects a few churches to carry the whole burden of operation. We face the necessity of expansion eventually. Plans are being made to install a heating plant, to eliminate the use of so many individual stoves, a fire hazard and a source of much inconvenience. We must erect another dormitory to house our increasing enrollment in the near future. With our budget paid, we could approach these problems with confidence. Pastor and church member, "Be a Bethany Booster". The time to prepare God's workers is now. These should be our best years. Some one has truly said, "Bethany is the biggest thing we have." Rally to the support of your college. Our progress depends upon our united effort. We echo the prayer of Psalm 90:17. "And let the beauty of the Lord our God be upon us: and establish thou the work of our hands upon us; yea, the work of our hands, establish thou And fold the hands and acquiesce-oh, sham'e, ti a bod ni view NORMAN E. TRAFTON.

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(For acknowledgment of donations to the Amherst Church see page eight.—Editor).

Rev. H. S. Dow writes: "We are having good meetings here (at Kingston, Ont.) The Lord is blessing and souls are praying through to victory."

COMING CAMPAIGNS

Rev. Lowell L. Yeatts will be the evangelist at Meductic in a campaign from November 20th to December 9th.

A short intensive Revival effort is being held at the Calais Reformed Baptist Church, with Rev. Donald R. Keith as evangelist, from Nov. 21-25. Pray for souls here also.

A program without passion is machinery without the power to run it. It is an engine without steam—helpless and powerless.—F. Lincicome.

GIFTS TO THE AMHERST CHURC

At the end of life we shall not be asked how much pleasure we had in it, but how much service we gave in it; not how full it was of success, but how full it was of sacrifice; not how happy we were, but how helpful we were; not how ambition was gratified but how love served.—Hugh Black.

If you're too big for a little place then you're too little for a big place !---Pilgrim Holiness Advocate.

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