

"Remember now thy Creator  
in the days of thy youth."

—ECCLES. 12:1

## YOUNG PEOPLE'S PAGE

Voice of the Reformed Baptist Y. P. A.

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### EDITORIAL

#### THE OLD MAN

The above heading is hardly suitable for a young people's editorial, but we feel it in keeping with our Christian experience to mention some things about the Old Man that might prove helpful and instructing to our young people.

First, what is the Old Man? It is the corrupt human nature, the inborn tendency to evil in ALL men. It is good to have the correct definition of our subject so that we might base our reasoning on a correct premise. All men have a tendency to evil. Every child that knows the difference between right and wrong has done wrong. They were never taught to do wrong—they simply follow the leadings of their corrupt human nature. Why isn't there a child in the world that has never known evil or done evil? Why is the bent toward evil stronger than the motive to do right, It is deeply entrenched and grained into the very fibre of our human nature to do that which is wrong.

In Romans 6:6, we read: "Our Old Man is crucified with Him" (Jesus), which means something that we have, viz., "the Old Man," was put to death when Jesus was crucified. Therefore what we have in our human nature (the tendency to evil), has been provisionally put to death when Jesus died. Hence Paul goes on to say, "Henceforth we should not serve sin." All this goes to prove that in Jesus Christ we have a perfect provision made for our tendency to evil. As we by faith look to the crucified Lord for saving grace, so we must also look to Him as the One who has put to death "Our Old Man," when we grasp this fact we can by faith claim to be indeed dead unto sin but alive unto righteousness. Call the experience what we will, our tendency to evil will go when we claim the full provisions of Calvary.

Secondly, if we claim that we have faith for the destruction of the Old Man through the merits of Jesus Christ, is it possible that he (the Old Man), or (the tendency to evil) can return?

Here I think we need to state very definitely that we cannot liken the Old Man to a living person, and say once that person is dead they cannot come to life again, therefore once the spiritual Old Man is dead he cannot return! The human analogy does not correspond with the spiritual reality. Our bent to sinning can be taken away but we still possess our human nature. We still possess a mind. We still possess a heart. Our nature is not taken away from us by the crucifixion of Christ but the inborn tendency to evil is. Praise God! If we continue to look to Christ and plead His merit and sacrifice for this sin principle to be destroyed we need not sin in thought, word or deed. But let us be careful to realize that only as we keep our minds and hearts in conformity with the Will of God will we keep free from sin. The same human nature can turn our spiritual nature into the way of sin again. People can sin again, and fall from Grace even though Christ has by the offering of Himself crucified their "Bent to sin," because it is all a provisional, and a

conditional work. I need not meet the conditions or provisions of Christ's sacrifice for my sins and sin, thereby I make the death of Christ of none affect. I refuse His merit and I am a sinner. Only those who look to the Cross of Christ and have faith for salvation from sin and faith for cleansing the heart from inbred sin, will know the joys of Full-Salvation. Thank God for an experience that makes us like our Master in word, thought and deed. I am happy, since the Old Man Died.

### YOUTH AND TOMORROW

Business of today is run by men who have long years of experience and hard work back of them, giving them the necessary "know-how" to operate their business efficiently and at a profit. Man is by no means dispensable, thus the business heads of today must eventually be replaced. Young men and women who are at present going through a period of learning and training must fill in the gap. How well they have learned their job will be known when they are called upon to fill that all-important position of a leader and attain the responsibilities that go with it.

Our church is like a business in this respect, and someday we the Young People must be prepared to take our place as leaders in the Church. Only if we are faithful followers can we ever hope to become successful leaders. Your Young People's Society is your training ground, your church a school of learning, and by taking an active part in these organizations you can prepare for bigger things you will be called to do in the days that lie ahead. Remember, if the young people of today are to be the church of tomorrow then we must do our job well for the future of our Church depends on it.

So let us strive to make the Y. P. Meetings the best ever for the spiritual good of all. If everyone will do their part willingly and faithfully then our progress can't help but be forward.

From the Y. P. S. President

BOB MacCALLUM

### THE TORCH

Once again we are glad to hear that Bethany Bible College is printing a Year Book. If you are interested in learning some things about our college why not order a copy of the year book. Write to:

Mr. Karle Gorman,  
Box 354, Yarmouth, N. S.

Many surprises await the readers of this year book and we are sure that the cost, \$1.50, per copy, will be money well spent and be a source of encouragement to the faculty members and students of this college year.—Ed.

### JONESPORT, MAINE

Dear Highway Friends:

I wish to report that the young people of the Reformed Baptist Church of Jonesport, organized on March 7, a Young People's Society from the ages of 12 to 40, to be held each Friday evening.

The following officers were elected: President, Millard Urquhart Jr.; Vice President, Vivian Haffses; Secretary, Stella Sadler; Treasurer, Almer Haffses; Pianist, Mary Bridgeo; Highway reporter, Nina Beal.

We ask interest in your prayers.

NINA BEAL,

Highway Reporter.

He who has said: "Give Me thy heart!" will not be satisfied with less. He will not accept the praying lips nor the mere hand of charity as substitutes.

Say—

We Hope  
You are  
Coming



TO THE ...

### Young People's Rally

—at—

#### SEAL COVE

GRAND MANAN, N. B.

### MAY 1st to 4th

4 Big Days of Special Services  
planned for Youth, with

#### REV. E. H. COOPER

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—PLUS—

- SPECIAL MUSIC and SINGING
- PREACHING YOU'LL ENJOY
- PLANNED ACTIVITIES

HERE'S HOW TO GET TO  
GRAND MANAN

—Get the Boat Any of These Days—

#### THURSDAYS—

Leaves St. Andrews 1.30 p. m. for Grand Manan via Wilson's Beach.

#### FRIDAYS—

Leaves St. John 2.30 p. m. for North Head, direct.

#### SATURDAYS—

Leaves St. Andrews 1.30 p. m. for Grand Manan via Wilson's Beach.

Boat leaves Grand Manan Mondays at 7.30 a.m. for St. Andrews.

#### SPECIAL! SATURDAY MORNING FROM BLACK'S HARBOUR

Boats leaving Black's Harbour as soon after 9 a. m. Saturday, May 2, as possible. Accommodations for 60 people. We must know how many want to go on this special trip. Advise the President, Bob MacCallum, Lewisville, N. B., not later than April 30th.

#### ATTENTION, SOCIETY SECRETARY

Send the number of persons attending from your Society and the day they expect to arrive to:

MRS. B. HARVEY, Seal Cove, G. M.

**DON'T MISS THIS YEAR'S RALLY!**