

# Church and District News

## QUARTERLY MEETING

The Quarterly Meeting of District No. 4 convened with the church at Havelock, N. S., May 1-4.

The opening service was one of praise, followed by a message given by Rev. H. C. Mullen from the text, "He must increase but I must decrease." Rev. H. S. Wilson brought the message on Friday night from the text, "Walk worthy of the vocation wherewith ye are called."

The Saturday afternoon business session was held with usual routine, but followed by a sweet time of fellowship and praise as well as verbal reports by several, of the work in the home church. Regret was expressed that Rev. A. D. Cann was unable to be present owing to illness in the family, and that he and Rev. H. C. Mullen will be leaving this district to assume pastorates in Seal Cove and Beals respectively. In the evening Rev. N. E. Trafton preached from, "As it is appointed unto men once to die, but after this the judgment: so Christ was once offered to bear the sins of many."

The Sunday love feast was led by Mrs. H. C. Mullen with subject, "Behold what manner of love the Father hath bestowed upon us, that we should be called the sons of God:" and "Beloved, now are we the sons of God." The blessing of the Lord was on this service as the people testified to the saving power of God, many being new ones who were saved in a recent revival.

The anointing of the Spirit was upon the three sermons of the day, Rev. H. C. Mullen using as a text, "Whereto we have already attained, let us walk by the same rule, let us mind the same thing." Rev. N. E. Trafton spoke from, "And put no difference between us and them, purifying their hearts by faith." The evening message was given by Rev. H. S. Wilson from "What will ye do in the day of visitation?" and "To whom will ye flee for help?" At the close, one young woman sought sanctification at the altar.

This is one church which is too small for the congregation and may have to be enlarged in the near future. The pastor and people are to be commended for the splendid attendance, order and hospitality.

The next Quarterly will convene D. V. with the church at Port Maitland, Sept. 4-7. The work, in the various churches and districts, is one, wherever it is carried on, and we trust we shall all continue in prayer, loyalty, and effort, to extend the work of Holiness everywhere.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. H. C. MULLEN,  
Secretary.

## NOTICE TO DISTRICT NO. 5

District No. 5 Quarterly Meeting to be held at Bloomfield, N. B., from June 5 - 8.

Churches are asked to send delegates and letters. Let us have another good Quarterly.

MRS. LESLIE HICKS,  
Secretary.

The King's Highway

## BETHANY BIBLE COLLEGE

Dear Highway Friends:

Our week of intense evangelistic effort with Dr. R. J. Dixon proved a great blessing to Bethany. The time being so short we did not reach as many outside of the school as we had hoped. However, our efforts were not without fruit. A number who had no affiliation with our work found their way to the feet of Jesus, thus finding peace and soul rest.

Unfortunately for us several of our original Church members together with new converts have been transferred to other places. We are happy to help channel the grace of God to other places, but it does not contribute much in building up the work at home.

While writing of new converts I would like to solicit the prayers of The Highway family for Brother Oland Kent, who is a T. B. patient in the hospital at Point Edwards, Cape Breton Island, N. S. Brother Kent had been a Christian only a little over a year when he became aware of this malady. Both Brother and Sister Kent are fine Christians and will appreciate knowing that others are remembering them in prayer.

The past two years have been pleasant ones for myself and family. It is gratifying to notice the changes for the better in the set-up at Bethany. The buildings, grounds and everything in general is greatly improved since the school first came to Yarmouth. The out-reach of Bethany is increasing each successive year. We feel to congratulate the school board in securing such a fine faculty for next year. Having worked with the present faculty and knowing Brother Laurence Mullen as a top Christian student and teacher, I feel our outlook is the most encouraging ever.

A Bible College is a must for growth and progress in the work of God. Let us continue to give it 100% support and in another four or five years we will be proud indeed to identify our College. God is honoring Brother Trafton and his helpers; let us all co-operate so that our work at this point will be a strong testimony of our consecration and co-operation.

Yours in Christ,

A. D. and MRS. CANN

## REV. R. T. SABINE REPORTS

On May 11th five new members were received into the Seal Cove Church and five persons were baptized.

On May 18th one member was received into the Wood Island Church.

## REVIVAL MEETINGS

The Head of Millstream Church begins special services on June 1st, with J. A. Blinn as evangelist. The prayers of God's people are requested.

## ATTENTION ALL PASTORS

The Annual Church Report Blanks have been sent to the Church clerks. All pastors are requested to see that reports are sent to the corresponding secretary, Rev. R. T. Sabine, Trenton, N. S. (note address) by June 18th or immediately following.

## PLANNING A VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

In planning a Daily Vacation School, one has to do a great deal of organizing. One leader has suggested the theme for this year to be "Greater Heights". It certainly presents to us a challenge. This year, as we choose our objectives, let us work toward them with determination. Make these objectives a matter of earnest prayer both in departmental groups and individually.

As we organize for this year's school let us, as members of the local churches, begin early and plan well. First, contact your pastor and be sure he is brought in on the project at an early date. His support and council are valuable. He is frequently the best person to coordinate the work planned by the V. B. S. committee and church board, if the school is sponsored by the church. The children have a great deal of love for their pastor and like to think of him as their great leader.

In every successful enterprise there is someone who shoulders the load and stays under the burden until the job is done. That is the role of your Bible School Director. Choose her carefully and prayerfully. The director must have initiative, patience and administrative ability. She must have a keen love for children and for God.

Enlisting your teaching staff is another important step. In selecting teachers for various age groups experience is valuable, but willingness is more important. Many earnest Christian housewives can do an excellent teaching job. Do not be afraid to ask people to teach, and do not be too ready to take "no" for an answer. Challenge prospective teachers with the opportunity and privilege of leading boys and girls to know God personally. Emphasize to them the joy one has in realizing that God has used her to lead a child to Christ.

The dates of your school depend upon your local situation, but as a rule the two weeks right after the public school closes is best. Public school discipline habits will carry over into D.V.B.S., and fewer families are on vacation at that time thus your attendance is larger.

The curriculum of your Vacation Bible School should be chosen carefully. It is the heart of your school. It should be Bible-centered, easy to follow, timely, evangelistic, and well correlated. It must be a course of study that will teach the boys and girls how to live for Christ today; it must present the Bible as the inspired Word of their God; it must have a continual emphasis on a personal decision for Christ regardless of the age of the child. All activities, including handwork and recreation, should be built around the theme of your lesson. There are several fine courses of study one can secure for Vacation Bible School which meet the foregoing requirements. Get sample copies from several publishers, and then select the course of study which fits the needs of your group.

To have a successful V. B. S., equipment must be checked and supplies ordered early. Things will run a lot more smoothly on the first day of school if teachers have had a chance to get thoroughly familiar with materials, to experiment with handwork and have models ready. Preparation is the key to success.

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