

EDITORIAL

"AEROPLANES"

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Preparation for the Take-Off (Cont.)

The aeroplane plus the pilot is about to leave the ground yet there are some important things that must be adjusted to ensure a safe beginning. This takes time and care. Nothing must be forgotten and all must be done according to aircraft handling. Without going into any technical procedure of the instruments and gauges that must be checked by the pilot previous to Take-off, there are three very important checks, viz.: Brakes, rudder and oil pressure. Brakes to stop the machine when it reaches the landing field, the rudder to control its flight, the oil pressure to ensure proper engine function. The Pilot can control the brakes and rudder but can do nothing about the oil pressure. The oil must be controlled by the pumps and ducts within the engine.

Could we draw a parallel here? Christ is at the CONTROLS of our aeroplane. He is desirous to take us Off from the ground. We were made for flight. Yet our Brakes must be in order. We must have Spiritual brakes. Our zeal must be within bounds. There must be braking points beyond which we cannot go. We need to be checked at the right time and place. How many Spiritual wrecks there are because it was discovered they had no brakes? License is no substitute for liberty. We must be kept within bounds.

The Rudder determines our course. When the Pilot works the rudder the aircraft automatically obeys. Perfect obedience. My obedience to my Pilot is all essential for a good and safe journey. No arguing—no murmuring—no complaining. He knows the Way and the course, I must obey Him. The safest way to heaven (and of course the easiest) is to Trust and obey the commandments of the Pilot.

The Oil Pressure must regulate itself. All the Pilot can do with this is to set the engine at proper speed and hope that the oil performs its correct work. If the oil fails to distribute itself in the prescribed manner throughout all the working parts of the engine the engine will fail. This will mean catastrophe for the aeroplane but not for the Pilot. He will be forced to make a parachute descent! Our Spiritual oil pressure is determined by the manner and the freedom that we allow the Holy Spirit to lubricate our mind, heart and soul. He should lubricate our thinking, our affections and our real selves. When WE are in good working order the engine will continue to allow the aeroplane and the Pilot to continue on their proper mission. Too high or too low Oil pressure will surely cause trouble. How we need as Christain young people to see to it that the Holy Spirit is always given the right of way in our lives. There must be a place in the Christian experience where the Holy Spirit has complete freedom of action within us, when He has this the Oil pressure and indicator will always be within their prescribed limits.

FROM THE PRESIDENT

Dear Young People:

Greetings to all Young People in the name of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

Another summer, with its campmeetings, has come and gone. However, I believe that the summer has been a time of Spiritual growth for most of us Young People.

Now that we are about to return to our respective jobs or to school, let us maintain a high standard of Christian conduct, and seek to know God's highest will concerning our lives.

The Scripture says: "My people are destroyed for lack of knowledge: because thou rejected knowledge I also will reject thee." (Hosea 4:6). From this Scripture we see that if we lack knowledge we are in danger of being destroyed, and also if we reject knowledge we shall be rejected by Him. As we read the Bible seeking to know God's word, let us, first, pray that God will reveal His word to us. And, second, let us use a dictionary to help us have a thorough understanding of the Word. Some Young People have been known to commit sin because they did not know . . . Let us not be destroyed because of lack of knowledge.

We have the privilege of knowing, and the Scripture admonishes us not to reject knowledge. If we reject, or do not seek to know, He will reject us.

"Therefore to him that knoweth to do good, and doeth it not, to him it is sin."

The closer we walk to Him the more joy there is in serving Him. Therefore, let us as Young People seek to KNOW and DO His will.

Yours in Christ,

MILTON BAGLEY,

President

NOTICE TO Y. P. PRESIDENTS

Self Denial pledges were taken at Beulah, but many Young People were not there to make their pledge. Each society should take pledges some night in a regular meeting.

THE CHURCH BUILDS

The Church is the greatest factor on earth for the building of character and good citizenship. It is a storehouse of spiritual values. Without a strong Church neither democracy nor civilization can survive. There are four sound reasons why every person should attend service regularly and support the Church. They are: (1) For his own sake. (2) For his children's sake. (3) For the sake of his community and nation. (4) For the sake of the Church itself, which needs his moral and material support.—Selected.

"Each person reveals his standards by his acts."

The Pilot and aeroplane are now about to Take-off, I hope they make a safe ascent, don't You?

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Dear Highway Friends:

I am sorry for not writing sooner. We are in our July holidays so I am free to go with dad to the different outposts. We are all very glad that Rev. and Mrs. Morgan have come to work for the Lord in South Africa. They are now stationed at Hartland. Last week we had our Quarterly at Hartland. We had our meals at Mr. Morgan's house and we slept at Rev. C. D. M. Sander's house. I gave tracts out to the people in my spare time. We had a lovely D. V. B. S. We were divided into different classes. There was the big boys' class, the big girls' class and the very small mixed class. The leaders of the boys' class were Mr. Morgan and my brother, Glendon; of the girls' class Miss Smith, and the little class, Mina Nkosi and Mildred Matwa. It was all very nice. We had our closing meeting on the Saturday of that week. We gave prizes for memory verses, etc. Shadrack Nkosi learned seventeen verses in the big boys' class. Seventeen verses were given to them to learn and he was the only one who knew them. In the girls' class Polina Nkosi (Mina Nkosi's sister) learned fourteen verses out of seventeen. In the small children's class Daniel Mtimhuler learned four out of four. He got his prize. The little class gave us a song in the closing meeting. We are all sorry here in Africa that Glendon is leaving us in August, but we are also glad that he will be able to go to Bethany Bible College in Canada. Reginald, my brother, Shadrack Nkosi and myself are still very busy at our Wayside Sunday School.

Last Quarterly was a very nice Quarterly indeed. It was at Altona. I was baptised that Sunday. Glendon and Reginald have been working at Altona carting bricks, cement, etc., to Entungwini. Dad is looking forward to having a church building built there.

Hope you are all feeling well.

Your African writer,

KENNETH KIERSTEAD

FAITH NOT WORKS

The perfect sanctification of believers is the very object for which the Holy Spirit is promised. If it is not a practicable duty to be holy in this world, then it will follow that the devil has so completely accomplished his design in corrupting mankind that Jesus Christ has no way to sanctify His people but to take them out of the world.

How many are seeking sanctification by their own resolutions and work, their fastings and prayers, their endeavours and activity, instead of taking hold of Christ, by faith, for sanctification, as they do for justification.

It is all work, work, work, when it should be by faith in Christ Jesus, Who "is made unto us wisdom, and righteousness, and sanctification, and redemption." When they take hold of the strength of God, then they will be sanctified. Faith will bring Christ right into the soul, and fill it with the same Spirit that breathes through Himself. It is faith that must sanctify; it is faith that purifies the heart.

—C. G. Finney.