

Church and District News

FROM TRURO, N. S.

Dear Highway:

Greetings in the name of the Christ of Christmas.

Christmas has come and gone again, but we still have the Christ of Christmas with us, and will be able to have Him through 1953 as we have had Him in 1952.

We thank the Lord for the past year. We feel it has been a year of victory in our own souls, and in the work of the Lord. We thank Him for the scores of souls we have seen at our altars during the year. It seems that this is our greatest joy to see people seeking God to be saved, or reclaimed, or sanctified.

We feel the work is progressing here at Truro. Our Sunday school has just about doubled since our coming here. When we came there was no adult Bible class, but we now have a good one, and the other classes have grown in number making necessary another class. New people are also coming to our services, and some have been to the altar. We give God all the praise.

Our Christmas was a blessed one. Neither of us is too well, but God is with us. We want to take this opportunity to thank the many, many friends who shared to make our Christmas what it was. Over 280 cards came to our home and we appreciated every one so much. We could just see the love of every dear one back of the sending. We did not get as many cards sent as we would have liked, but we do thank all who thought of us. Then there were so many who sent the King's photo with their card, and others sent gifts. We just can't thank you all enough for these remembrances.

Our Christmas service held Dec. 23rd, was a blessed one. The church was almost filled, and we enjoyed so much hearing the classes sing, and the choir with their carols and special numbers, and then to preach the gospel of the unchanging Christ. Gifts were then exchanged by the teachers, classes and others. Nor were the pastor and his wife left out, for Brother Percy Lynds presented us with a nice purse from the members and congregation. We tried to thank them, and especially do we thank God for all His goodness to us.

We are looking forward to 1953 being the best year yet. God bless you all.

H. S. and MRS. MULLEN.

FROM TRURO, N. S.

We feel a line from this part of God's vineyard is quite overdue. We would like to say, "Thank you" for all the prayers offered in connection with our revival campaigns at P. E. I. They were not offered in vain, for we saw sixty souls out to be saved, reclaimed, or sanctified. We praise the Lord and give Him all the glory.

We were privileged to have Rev. H. S. Dow with us at Truro, Nov. 5-23. God did bless him in preaching. We thought he rather excelled himself. He was not only blessed but was made a blessing. We saw several at the altar, and the church was greatly edified. His preaching was great soul food, and very enlightening on Scripture truths, especially the teaching of holiness. May God continue to bless his ministry.

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PRESQUE ISLE, ME.

Dear Highway Friends:

Greetings from Presque Isle. Several months have passed since we sent in a report from this part of the vineyard. Jesus is very real and most wonderful. Praise His name. Nov. 23—Dec. 3 we had a Revival Meeting with Rev. Mrs. Wilson Douglas of Jasper, Alabama. We learned to love and appreciate these fine workers, and had a gracious Revival. At Christmas our people whom we have served as pastor for the past eight years, presented us with a nice radio and record player. Each year it seems the people become more wonderful and kind. We are resigning as pastor of the church and will be open for a call as the Lord may lead. May we have His continued blessing on us.

It will be hard to say farewell to the folks in Presque Isle. But we feel we must move on. Praying for our work in general, for a mighty move in our midst, throughout our churches.

God Bless You All. Happy New Year!

Holiness is our theme, our song, and our message.

Yours for Jesus,

H. O. McGEORGE.

FROM BURLINGTON, ME.

To The King's Highway:

You will find inclosed the renewal for my Highway. How I would miss it, if I did not receive it. I read it all, the poem by Mrs. Owen of the Prayer Meeting at Millville, surely awakened childhood memories, I could visualize those dear people meeting to pray.

What a thrill I received last year when passing through Old Town, and saw the sign on the old church, The Reformed Baptist Church. For years when I would pass that closed church I would say "How I would love to see it opened by some spiritual people," then when those to whom I belonged as a child came, it was indeed an answer to prayer. I had the privilege of visiting it at a Sunday night service last summer. Brother Moses brought an inspiring message, and I was given a splendid welcome.

Again recently I went by the church and what a change, with its new coat of white paint. Just such a change when Jesus comes into our hearts. Brother and Sister Moses are doing a fine work and may God's blessing be upon them and the little church.

Yours in the Master's service,

(REV.) VIOLET J. G. BAGLEY.

THE SUPERINTENDENT'S APPOINTMENTS

Jan. 18-25 Halifax, N. S. Special Campaign. Church.

Jan. 19-25 Halifax, N. S. Special Campaign. Feb. 1-15 Fort Fairfield, Maine. Revival Campaign.

Home address: Rev. B. C. Cochrane, 694 Union Street, Fredericton, N. B.

Note: I would welcome letters of comment in response to my "Open Letter to Our Pastors and People" in this issue of The Highway. Will YOU write me, pastors and laymen?

Yours in Holy Bonds,

B. C. COCHRANE

PERTH, N. B.

Dear Highway Friends:

A letter from this part of the field is long overdue. It's easy to wait until there is something greater to report, and thus not report very often.

We have had a long uphill struggle here, but believe that there has been some real progress. This is our sixth year here, and we have enjoyed the help of the Lord, and have had the consciousness of being in His will. We trust the Lord shall help us to continue in the same state in the future.

We have had two revival efforts each year since being here. The last meeting was in November with Rev. R. T. Sellick as evangelist and DeVerne Mullen as soloist and song leader. We all felt this to be the best meeting we have had. The attendance averaged about seventy-five, an excellent spirit prevailed, and we saw some good victories. These men make a very able and co-operative team of holiness workers, and we all enjoyed and appreciated their labours.

The work here now, we believe, is quite encouraging. There is a very good interest in all departments of the work; the Sunday evening attendance is from 40 to 60, prayer meeting 18 to 25, and Sunday School of late has been in the 80's, last Sunday's attendance was 89. We are greatly handicapped by only having a small church and no Sunday School rooms (two are in the process of being built now). We also have a poor location for our church. We are praying that God shall help us to remedy these things and really forge ahead with the cause of holiness. We haven't seen the revival that we are praying and looking for, but we believe God will really visit this section of the country with a real "Holy Ghost Revival." This would be the solution to our problems.

We also have been going to Gordonsville for the past four years and the work there is in a healthy condition. They are anticipating the building of a new church before too long. I feel the work there is promising, and that we will see great things in the future.

Each of these churches has a fine group of talented young people, which makes the future more promising.

We have had a very fine Christmas in spite of the fact that Fraser and the car were involved in an accident that has been costly to us, but it is so much better than it could have been that we feel very grateful. There was no permanent injury to anyone and the car is now repaired as good as ever.

We appreciate all the cards, gifts, and remembrances received. The church people here gathered at the parsonage a few days before Christmas, giving us a real surprise. They spent a pleasant evening, served tasty refreshments, and before leaving presented us with a toy Christmas tree decorated with bills amounting to \$70.00. During the meetings there was a love offering taken for us which amounted to \$57.00. At the Christmas Sunday School program in Gordonsville, we were presented a card containing the sum of \$25.00. We appreciate very much the kindness and thoughtfulness of these folk and pray the Lord to richly bless them all.

I wish to take this opportunity to wish all The Highway readers a happy and prosperous New Year.

Yours for the advancement of Holiness,

G. R. SYMONDS