# FROM REV. M. M. GRANT

# Call Your Minister ...

Dear Highway Friends:

Greetings in Jesus' Name!

It is with grateful hearts that we in retrospect survey the past year. God has been good to us, and we feel to praise Him for His loving kindness and tender mercies. We also look ahead to a New Year with trust and confidence in He who stands "At the gate of the year," to lead us on into the unknown by the light and guidance of His Holy Spirit. This will be to us a sure way.

God's eye of watchfulness and care has continued to be upon us since coming to Yarmouth. Surely "He knows the way that we take," and has followed us with His blessing.

We have been remembered by people all over the Denomination, sending us cards, letters, gifts and money. We have tried to answer as many of these personally as we could, and again we say "Thank you!"

We wish at this point to especially remember the charity, generosity and benevolence of the pastor and people of the Port Maitland and Sandford churches. The Sandford church took up a generous offering at one of their regular services at Christmas time, which was presented to us by their pastor, Rev. H. S. Wilson. In addition to this special offering, we received gifts of food items and money from members of both Port Maitland and Sandford churches. This was the second large offering presented to us from Brother Wilson's field, the first being given us while I was at Camp Hill hospital.

We cannot speak too highly of the selflessness and sacrificial spirit of these people and their pastor and wife. Truly their names will be found in "God's Book of Remembrance."

There was also a goodly sum of money collected for us by members and friends of Yarmouth Reformed Baptist Church, which was greatly appreciated.

Too, special mention is in order for the kindness shown by the pastor of the Yarmouth Church, Rev. N. E. Trafton, and faculty members, Rev. C. E. Stairs and Rev. Laurenec Mullen, who have used their cars so unstintingly to drive us to and from church, whereas I have not been able to walk. This has been a great kindness to us. 1. When you are facing a serious problem. Most ministers have been trained to help people with their personal, family and business problems. The impartial judgment of a spiritual leader, together with his prayers for Divine guidance will enable you to face your difficulty with confidence. Don't allow your problem to get too big for you.

2. When someone is interested in the Church. You will meet young people and adults who are new in your community, and others who have not united with the local church. Put in a good word for your church and tell your pastor about these prospective church members,

3. When there is illness. Your minister is as near as your telephone. His presence, counsel, and prayer will be helpful. Your pastor will appreciate your phone call when you, your loved one, or friend is ill or going to the hospital.

4. When there is death. Your minister should be notified immediately when there is a death in the family. He can give comfort and counsel at this difficult time. It is proper to consult him before funeral arrangements are made.

5. When you must make an important decision. If you are a young person and face a decision about going to college, arranging your course of study, or choosing your life work, make an appointment to see your minister. The viewpoint of your spiritual advisor should be considered.

6. When there is to be a wedding. Your pastor should be consulted before the wedding day is set. Since you will undoubtedly desire to have one or more conferences with your minister, it is advisable to contact him well in advance of the wedding.

7. When someone desires to become a Christian. Happy, indeed, is the pastor who is asked to talk with someone desiring to become a Christain. Tell your minister about friends of yours who are interested in know-

### FOR BOYS AND GIRLS

#### SPECKLE

Speckle was a hen, she had been Jack's pet for two years. His uncle had given her to Jack as a little chicken. How proud he was when she laid her first egg!

One day Jack missed Speckle. He could not find her, and she did not come when he called. He looked and looked, but no Speckle.

He was about to go home again when he heard the faintest noise. Peering carefully through the tall grass, he saw some speckled feathers! Stepping closer, he said in surprise, "Oh, Speckle! What a hunt I've had for you!"

She had made her nest in the tall grass where she would not be disturbed. In the nest were ten snowy white eggs. For three weeks she would have to sit there.

Near the end of the three weeks, Jack went to see if the eggs were hatching. He carefully lifted her off the nest to see what was happening underneath. He gave a squeal of delight! Already there was one fluffy yellow ball! And most of the other shells were pipped, too.

The next morning a neighbour, not knowing she was there, set fire to the grass. Poor little hen! She clucked wildly to her brood, but they were too small to run away. Should she run herself, and leave her babies to die? Not Speckle! She hid them under her wings, and none too soon. The fire passed over leaving her body black and burned, but not a chick was touched by the fire.

How that mother loved her children! Either Speckle o rthe chicks could be saved, but one or the other had to die.

Like the mother hen, Someone had to give His life in order that you and I might be saved. The only Person who can save us is God's Son, your sin and be your own Saviour, you can live the Lord Jesus. If you ask Him to take away in heaven when you die, and you can be happy here in this world. He suffered in your place because He loved you so very much.

Billy Bray once declared that the promises of God were as good as ready money any day. He also said that the devil would rather have you wear out the soles of your boots than the knees of your trousers.—Selected.

So we praise our Heavenly Father for all the good people who have remembered us in any way during this Christmas season, and wish you all God's richest blessing in the years which lie ahead.

Yours in His faithfulness,

M. M. and Mrs. Grant and family

## LIC. JAMES MacARTHUR WRITES

Dear Highway Friends,

Since our last letter we have undergone surgery and have spent six weeks in a Boston hospital. We are glad that the Lord has been with us this far, and trust that He will continue to promote recovery. We expect to be able to preach in supply work or special services by mid-April.

A great many cards and good-wishes came our way, but we have not been able to acknowledge or answer them. We thank you for them. The value of help that has been given us totals a surprising amount; and it has been greatly appreciated. So we gratefully thank everyone who has sent cards, given of his means, sawed wood, shoveled snow, and done any of many ing more about the Christian life.

8. When you have a Spiritual problem. Many Christians have questions and fears that bring no little discomfort. Your minister is your spiritual advisor. He can help you overcome your fears and solve your problems.

Your minister is as near as your telephone. —Selected.

"Liquor works against every thing that Jesus worked for. Liquor destroys self-respect while Jesus was always creating it; liquor tears down self-discipline while Jesus was always building it up; liquor destroys while Jesus was always saving. His law, as Paul said, was, "bear one another's burdens." Drinkers do just the contrary; they make burdens for others to carry.—International Student.

errands. Not only have folks from close by helped, but also folks from as far away as Canada and Massachusetts have remembered in a very tangible way. This seems like the Lord's working — through His servants — and, no doubt, we owe you thanks for a great many prayers offered in our behalf.

Yours in Christ, JAMES MacARTHUR.

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