WESTCHESTER CHURCH ANNIVERSARY



The Westchester Reformed Baptist Church was organized by Revs. M. S. Trafton and S. Greenlaw in June, 1903. The following year the present church building was erected and dedicated to the cause of holiness. The old church bell still rings out its call to worship and its warning to the unconcerned, and the message of full salvation still goes forth from the pulpit.

In 1927 a parsonage was added to the church property, and in the last five years electric lights have replaced the old lamps and a full basement and a furnace have added to the comfort of the worshippers. We hope to add several Sunday school rooms to accommodate our growing Sunday school.

Of the eighteen charter members, three are still living: Mrs. Mary Caldwell, who resides in Westchester; Mrs. Minnie Murdock, of Pictou; and Moody Rushton, of Westchester. Mrs. Caldwell celebrated her ninety-eighth birthday on Sept. 1st, and next to Mrs. Roxanna Sabine she is no doubt the oldest living member of the denomination.

MONCTON D. V. B. S.

Our D. V. B. S. opened Aug. 11th with an attendance of 117 which grew daily to a total enrollment of 175. The average attendance was 132, which is the highest we've ever had. In spite of the crowded classrooms the children co-operated well with their teachers. God's presence was very real with the result that many prayed through and found the Lord in saving power.

The good attendance was due mainly to the many who used their cars so willingly, and also to the faithful support given by our pastor. Besides using his car, he led the singing each day. How the pupils loved to sing. The church was filled to capacity for the closing program. Parents and friends seemed to appreciate not only the program but also the display table which contained samples of the work done during the school.

We feel that this was the best Vacation Bible School we've had, both in attendance and in blessing.-Reported.

A STRONG CHURCH

"Is it a strong congregation?" asked a man respecting a body of worshippers. "Yes," was the reply. "How many members are there?" "Seventy-six." "Seventy-six! Are they so very wealthy?" "No, they are poor." "How, then, do you say it is a strong church?" "Because," said the gentleman, "they are earnest, devoted, at peace, loving each other, and striving together to do the Master's work. Such a congregation is strong, whether composed of a dozen or five hundred members!" And he spoke the truth.-Selected.

REFLECT AND ACT

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By a wise stewardship of time, I can bring a new sense of space and leisure into my now so hurried days, and let me especially see to it that I make room for prayer in my life, for calm and unhurried spaces of quiet remembrance of God. This in itself will bring a freedom from strain. God teach me to manage my life and time more wisely !- Francis B. James.

HE CALLS!

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there is no way, give you a life of victory and happiness, and give you a life companion if He wants you to have one.

On the other hand you might reject God's call, even marry a Christian, have a nice home, and whatever you might desire of this world's goods; but if you were out of God's will all these could not bring you happiness.

Our hearts are made to rejoice as we hear young people testify how God has called them to the mission field and they are willing to go, but we are reminded of those words in John 6:9: "What are these among so many." So many need the Gospel who are groping in sin's dark night with no one to help. From all over the world the Macedonian call is coming and Christians are so slow to respond.

A correspondent from Japan writes: "My heart is breaking at the slowness of the Protestant Church to get on the job. Communists are working at blood heat. How I wish I could speak to all Christendom with a mighty voice and make it understood: This is our hour!"

Missionaries are not only needed on the farflung battle lines, but the ranks are so small at home. Can it be possible that there are 10,000 villages in America with no church? Five hundred missionaries are needed in Canada. The people in the southern mountains are begging missionaries who are already overburdened to help them. Our Indian Reservations need more workers to give these people the true light.

As we think of these great needs our hearts cry out, "God give us more young men and women who will say with Isaiah, 'Here am I send me,' and who with a love and compassion for lost souls, will go."

"With a burning, living, holy fire Lord set our hearts aflame And send us forth Thy word to tell, In Jesus' Holy Name."

-Wesley on Youth

Many Christian young people have gone out from our church to be a blessing in other communities. Of these we mention Miss Mary Campbell, our missionary in Africa.

We face the next half century with confidence that the young people will carry on the work for which the pioneers of Holiness sacrificed so much fifty years ago.

LORD OF THE HARVEST

"Lord of the living harvest That whitens o'er the plain, Where angels soon shall gather Their sheaves of golden grain, Accept these hands to labor, These hearts to trust and love, And deign with them to hasten Thy kingdom from above.

"As laborers in Thy vineyard Send us, O Christ, to be Content to bear the burden Of weary days for Thee; We ask no other wages, When Thou shalt call us home, But to have shared the travail Which makes 'Thy kingdom come."

The King's Highway

"Even the truth, if it is to win its way, must be set forth graciously, attractively, persuasively."

OUR ANNUAL SCHOOL WILL BE HELD

Let us work zealously and unitedly for a RECORD ATTENDANCE locally and denominationally.

DAY. OCT. 4th

Will your Sunday School RALLY to the support of our Denomination in response to the special appeal for financial assistance?

(Please report attendance and offering to The Highway Editor immediately following Rally Day).