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## EDITORIAL

### GOD'S GIFT AND OUR THANKS

"Thanks be unto God for His unspeakable Gift!" But what will be the extent of our thanksgiving? In what ways do we purpose to express our appreciation and thankfulness to God? Such a great and loving Gift as His calls for more than mere lip thanks.

Some years ago we received an urgent call to pray for a young woman lying at death's door. The appeal came from her parents. The doctors had said that recovery was humanly impossible. No hope that she might live was held out. Even more serious was the fact that she was unsaved, and so, unprepared for death. We called our church people to prayer while we prayed for her in her hospital room. God heard, and from that time she began to amend. God healed her body and saved her soul, and she soon returned home a well girl.

Desiring to join the parents in giving thanks to God for the great things He had done, we visited the home. On entering we were shown a beautiful new floor-model radio, purchased by the parents to celebrate their daughter's recovery and homecoming. The Lord received mere lip thanks. That which should have been His thank-offering was spent for their pleasure.

But is there not a danger of a like thing being done by many people at this Christmas season? The Wise Men bowed before the Christ with grateful hearts and opened unto Him their treasures, presenting to Him costly gifts. Let us not be content to sing Christmas hymns and carols, and offer mere lip thanks to God for His great and glorious Gift to us, while we spend our money on ourselves, our loved ones, and our friends.

Millions upon millions of people sit in darkness, and in the shadow of death, waiting to hear, for the first time, the Christmas message. "Can we, whose souls are lighted with wisdom from on high, can we to men benighted the lamp of life deny?" The good tidings of great joy are for all people. Then there is the great need in the homeland, and of our important denominational projects. These all call for our help. Offerings sincerely given in Jesus' name to help spread the glad tidings are offerings to God. "Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these . . . ye have done it unto Me."

God's supreme business in this world is the salvation of the millions the world over for whom Jesus bled and died. Let us thank Him

at this Christmas-tide for His unspeakable Gift with a thank-offering to help Him accomplish His purpose. —E. W. T.

"Have you made your Christmas list?  
 Yes, beyond a doubt!  
 It is Jesus birthday, too,  
 Did you leave Him out?"

### A LIGHTED CHURCH AT CHRISTMAS

One of the most tragic and unfitting sights of Christmas Eve is a gloomy church with darkened windows.

Stores, streets, and homes across the state and nation will be bright with decorations and colored lights. But unless we do something about it, most church houses will be dark the week before Christmas.

We complain about the commercialism of the season meant to commemorate the birth of our Saviour—but here is a chance to do something about it! Every church can be illuminated every night for the week before Christmas. Let the light be turned on inside and let floodlights be set up outside. Above all other places, whether there is special activity or not, the church house should stand out brilliantly illuminated in the darkness of the night.

Nativity scenes built by Sunday-school classes or other groups and spotlighted will add beauty to the church yard, and by them the passerby will be reminded of the true meaning of the holiday season.

A crusade for lighting of churches during the Christmas season, launched by Mrs. Ethel Phelps Hawley, of West Hartford, Connecticut, is spreading throughout America. It may become a global tradition.

Whatever the size of the church, and wherever located, whether simple frame structure in the country, town church of brick, or stone building in the city, it is a symbol of a living faith to the people about it. Why should it be dark at Christmas?

If no other lights shone at this season, these lights alone should. It is humble, human effort to reflect the glory of heaven. It proclaims Him who is the Light of the World.

A lighted church house through the Christmas season will blaze out the glory of the Gospel in the world's dark night of sin.—Baptist Messenger.

### "HIS NAME"

Wonderful! shall be His Name,  
 Son of God most high,  
 Leaving heaven's glory  
 To bring salvation nigh.

Counsellor! His Name shall be,  
 Guiding us aright,  
 Teaching men the things of God,  
 Making wrong lives right.

Mighty God! to dwell with men,  
 Taking on our form,  
 Comforting our sorrows,  
 Calming every storm.

Everlasting Father!  
 Lo, He comes to earth,  
 To a manger lowly  
 Born of humble birth.

Prince of Peace! we hail Him,  
 Bringing joy to all  
 Who will bow before Him,  
 And on His Name call.

—Mrs. J. A. Owens.

## Recent Travels of the Superintendent

There have been signs of new life and progress in several areas of our work in recent weeks. It was my privilege to assist in special services in three of our churches where the Lord has encouraged the people with visible manifestations of His approval.

### MEDUCTIC

Since the induction of Lic. Kenneth Jewett as pastor a new interest has been created in the community. Under his leadership the parsonage has been completely renovated, which speaks well for the vision and labor of the few who have carried the burden of the work so faithfully all these years. Those who have pledged support to this worthy project should seek to send financial aid as soon as possible. Special week-end services were held to rejoice over the victories won. Messages were brought by C. E. Stairs, B. M. Hicks, A. L. Stairs and W. L. Fernley, which were helpful and inspirational. Brother Jewett and his capable family love the work of the Lord, and deserve our prayers and support as they continue to labor in the Meductic circuit.

### NORTON

Many times I have looked at the little white church while passing by on the main highway, and wondered whether the faith and labor of former years would ever be rewarded. The chairman of the Home Mission Board encouraged Brother Jack Stevens to hold regular services, and undertake the task of reviving the work in this needy field. The results have been beyond our expectation. I had the joy of working with Song Evangelists DeVerne and Paul Mullen for three nights, and the attendance and spirit of the meetings indicate that a real spiritual awakening is on the way. Brother Stevens has settled in Norton and intends to stand by the stuff until the Lord gives the increase. Let us pray for this young man who is willing to work a new field.

### SUSSEX

A high point in our advancement is the establishment of a Holiness message in the dairy center of New Brunswick. From the beginning in the tent to the first service held in the new building, the work has been characterized by the special touch of God. Not many churches are blessed with a pastor who can efficiently design and supervise the erection of a fine building. Brother Nicholson and his loyal people are to be congratulated for the vision now realized in such a spacious and beautiful sanctuary dedicated to the worship of God. A large delegation of our ministers were present at the dedicatory services as well as representatives from many of our churches filling the auditorium to capacity. Pledges were made by visiting friends which greatly encouraged the local members. Sussex has all the marks of a strong church which time should reveal.

### PLANS

During the next few months revival campaigns will be held in many of our churches, and plans formulated for advancement in new fields. All of this demands the special help of God and the tangible support of our people. Let us put feet to our prayers by giving whole-hearted support to every phase of our work.