Church and District News

HAPPENINGS AT HALIFAX

By Joyce Williams

With the coming of spring we always think of LIFE and added vitality. Is it not precious that Christ, the giver of life, may impart to us spiritual growth at any season?

The Halifax Church has much to praise God for during the past winter; for indeed the Lord has visited us. Through the faithful ministry of our pastor and the intercessory prayers on the part of the people, God has been pleased to bless our work with the salvation of previous souls. Sunday evening services have been very well attended and Holy Spirit conviction has been evident. The choir now consists of over twenty members. Each Wednesday morning at seven o'clock the people gather to pray for revival. These early prayer services have proved a special source of strength and comfort.

The growth of our Y.P. Society has in itself been worthy of a note of praise to our Saviour who said: "And I, if I be lifted up, from the earth will draw all men unto me." Our record crowd numbered thirty-five and we are expecting even greater things in the future. Pray with us, for youth of Halifax who have never yet been reached.

"Moments of Meditation" radio broadcast is heard weekly over CJCH at 7:45 on Saturday mornings. This is the only gospel program on the air from Halifax on a week day. We trust that God will use it greatly in the furtherance of the Gospel.

From April 10 through to the 24 we had the privilege of having in our church, Evangelist Clarence Shrier, of Ottawa. During the campaign, there were five decisions for Christ, Christians were found seeking the Lord in sanctifying power, for more of the Holy Spirit and a greater burden for the lost. The prayer meetings throughout the entire two -week period were well attended. There were prayer meetings each morning at seven o'clock, each evening prior to the service at 7:30, an all night prayer meeting, and a prayer session around the clock. On Sunday afternoon a special Y. P. service was held. Mr. Shrier discussed with the group problems confronting youth, forms of Christian entertainment, etc. On May 1st, nine candidates followed the Lord in the waters of baptism. Truly we might say with the Psalmist David, "Bless the Lord O my soul, and forget not all his benefits: Psalm 103:2.

FROM CALAIS AND CRAWFORD CHURCHES

We are appreciative of the splendid cooperation of the people of both our Calais and Crawford churches. Their ever increasing interest and desire to work together with common objective in the work is particularly heartening.

A moving forward to normal outlook in all phases of Denominational challenge and investment is plain to be seen in paid up budgets. The improved appearance of our local churches, their faithful efforts and the recent extensive renovation of the parsonage speak of the response of these two churches to the challenge of our day.

Within the past month both church groups have met together at the parsonage to render warm-hearted thoughtfulness to pastor and wife, in special thought for our needs, for which we are truly thankful and we pray the continued blessing of God to rest upon them richly.

Yours for souls.

R. H. and Mrs. Parks

FROM GRAND HARBOUR, N. B.

Dear Highway Friends: Another report from this part of the Lord's work seems to be in order. Since last reporting we have had Brother G. A. DeLong as evangelist and Brother Millard Mitchell, song leader and soloist, in a meeting at Woodwards Cove, from March 27 to April 10.

It would be hard to find two men that worked harder for the interest of God's work. Brother DeLong did some outstanding preaching, and was true to the doctrines of our church. I appreciated his ministry among us. Brother Mitchell's singing proved a blessing to us all.

While the results were not what we had hoped for, yet we feel eternity alone will reveal the good accomplished. We are thankful for the privilege of serving such a fine people; they have on different occasions, warmed our hearts by their kindness. Just recently, when we got back from a week in Fredericton, the good folk came in and spent the evening with us expressing their appreciation and welcoming us back in their midst. It was a complete surprise to us and we did so appreciate this gesture on their part. May the Lord help us to be the pastor under God to guide this flock.

FROM ROYALTON, N. B.

Dear Highway Friends:

Almost a year has slipped by since we moved, to this part of the vineyard and this is only our first letter However, God has been good to us in every way.

A few months after arriving, the members and friends of the Bloomfield church gathered at the home of Mr. and Mrs. G. MacDonald and gave us a surprise donation of groceries, money, vegetables, canned goods and a lovely wool blanket.

Shortly after the new year, the members and friends of the Royalton church gathered at the parsonage and gave us another surprise donation of the various household needs, also money and groceries. Both of these were much appreciated.

During New Year's week end, from Thursday to Sunday inclusive we had special services at Bloomfield. Even though the time was short God gave us a special outpouring of his spirit, and several were saved; one in his home.

Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Sears, of Grand Manan, were with us as evangelists and helped much with special singing. These new ones have continued to be a help in our regular services, and we feel these meetings were very worthwhile Our attendance here is good and the Sunday School has increased until we seldom go below 45. The children in our two younger classes have done much in this way by continually bringing new ones in.

Over the last two weeks and three Sundays of January we had special meetings at Royalton with Mr. and Mrs. Sears as special workers. The devil and weather both worked hard in opposition and hindered in our attendance. But the messages given were deep and searching and two of our men came forward to be sanctified and got through to victory and are continuing to go on. This means much to our work. The church, too, seemed to get a spiritual uplift. Their messages in song were also enjoyed. We're thankful for those that still preach a full salvation.

The Suiday School dropped some during the winter, but has increased again to a goodly number, and we have a larger class of little ones than before. Last month we had a Missionary Convention of seven days between our two churcches, with Mrs. Charles Sanders and Miss Uta Chase. The messages they gave along with the slides shown did much to increase our knowlledge and vision of the foreign field. However, what has been done seems small compared with the great needs still around us, and there is still much land to be possessed. But God is able, and we're trusting Him for great things.

QUARTERLY MEETING NOTICE

The Quarterly Meeting of District No. 4 will convene with the church at Sandy Point, N. S., Sunday, June 5th. Services will be at 11.00 a. m., 3.00 p. m. and 7.00 p. m.

NOTICE

The Sussex Church is badly in need of funds. If those who have pledged toward the "building fund" could send in their money soon it would relieve the situation.

Please send pledges and gifts to Mr. John Henry, Apohaqui, N. B.

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Yours in Him,

Hartley E. Mullen

"MOMENTS OF MEDITATION" FROM CJCH HALIFAX, N. S. BEULAH CAMP

Rev. Ralph Hobson is conducting a weekly broadcast, "Moments of Meditation," from radio station CJCH, Halifax, N. S., 920 Kilocycles, each Saturday at 7.45 a.m. CALARAN O

Unless a man is ready to work for the salvation of others, it may be questioned whether he himself is saved. He who wants only enough religion to save himself is not likely to have R. H. Nicholson even that much.-Henry Clay Trumbull.

In His service,

A. L. and Mrs. Stairs

MORNING DEVOTIONS BROADCAST FROM CFNB, FREDERICTON, N. B. 8.30 - 9.00 A. M.

I must find forgiveness in my Heart for them Rev. G. R. Symonds, 10th of each month. Rev. H. S. Wilson-19th of each month. Rev. B. C. Cochrane, 27th of each month. Rev. J. A. Owens, 30th of each month.

"For a correct decision ask yourself: "Is it right? Is It reasonable? Is it Scriptural? Is it Providential?" .edoe vygod ditw an

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