

Church and District News

DISTRICT RALLY

On Labor Day more than fifty ministers and lay people of District No. 1 converged on Meductic, N. B., for an all-day meeting. Three services were held, 10.30 a. m., a Love Feast, 3.00 and 7.30 p. m. preaching services. The morning praise service, led by Deacon Horace Brawn, of Fredericton, was a heavenly sitting together in Christ Jesus. There were songs, shouts and tears, as the large company present testified to the saving and sanctifying grace of the Lord Jesus. It was near 1.00 o'clock when this wonderful service came to a close.

The afternoon and evening services were likewise richly blessed of the Lord. Messages on "Holiness becometh thine house, O Lord, forever," and "Teach us to number our days that we may apply our hearts unto wisdom," were preached by Revs. J. A. Owens and N. J. Rice, fine sermons delivered in the power and under the blessing of the Spirit. Splendid special singing was rendered by Mrs. J. A. Owens, Mr. and Mrs. Olin Hillman, Rev. and Mrs. N. E. Trafton, Theodore Sullivan, Christina Crawford, and the Jewett Sisters. At noontime, a basket lunch was enjoyed, tables being spread for the people on the lawn of Mr. Earl Stairs. At supper time the visitors were guests of the people of Meductic, who spread a most delicious picnic supper. Brother and Sister Jewett and the members of our Meductic church were assisted by friends of the community in providing and serving this fine meal.

The weather was fine, the attendance splendid, the fellowship was enriching, the food delectable. It all added up to a memorable day and we travelled homeward rejoicing in God our Saviour and looking forward to the next all-day meeting of the District to be held at Doaktown Oct. 10th.

WOODS HARBOUR, N. S.

Greetings from our Woods Harbour Church. We are praising God for His goodness and mercy to us since coming to this field.

Although our congregation is small we feel that the people have accomplished much by the help of God. Recently before we moved into the parsonage, they redecorated the interior of the house. The new paper, paint and linoleums make our home very attractive, for which we give God the praise. We feel that this work demanded much sacrifice of time and money on the part of our people.

We are happy to announce that our D. V. B. S. work proved to be a real success. We had prayed for a good school, and God answered prayer. Our average for the week was 80, with 90 on roll the last two days. Because of the D. V. B. S., our Sunday School attendance has increased from 30 to 50, for which we are praising God.

We believe that our Sunday school is important and that we need to do our best to get the children in, as our church of tomorrow will depend on what we do with our children today. Pray for us, as we feel our community is ripe for revival. We are praying and trusting that God will give us a gracious outpouring of His Holy Spirit.

Yours in His service,

Lic. and Mrs. Stewart Steeves

SANDFORD, N. S.

We feel that a brief report is due from this field as we have begun our activities for this church year.

We thank God for the kindness and consideration shown toward us by the people of the Church and community during our first year of pastoral work.

I want to say a personal word of thanks for the various expressions of sympathy which meant so much during the days when the sudden loss of my father was most keenly felt.

On Sunday, July 24th, we were privileged to have with us Rev. H. S. Wilson, former pastor, who conducted the dedication of five babies to the Lord.

Our community D. V. B. S., held in co-operation with the pastor and members of the local United Baptist Church convened Aug. 9-19th.

Interest was high and the enrollment climbed to 100 with an average daily attendance of 80. We are grateful for the unselfish, whole-hearted co-operation of the entire staff of local workers.

A Revival Campaign is planned for Nov. 15-27th with Lic. and Mrs. John MacKenzie as special workers. We solicit the prayer support of all Christians for this effort to win the lost for Jesus.

We anticipate a busy and fruitful year in this corner of the vineyard.

In His Service,

Rev. and Mrs. Karl Gorman

SEAL COVE, N. B.

Greetings to all in the precious name of Jesus. We are happy to report that recently we closed a glorious revival with Rev. Fred Thomas as Evangelist. This was Brother Thomas' second visit to Seal Cove.

God put His seal of approval upon the opening service and continued with increased blessing until the end. Young and old sought and found victory. The work began with the Church and reached out especially to the young people. In the outstanding service the people of the Church moved to the altar before the evangelist began his appeal. This service was marked by Christians seeking out other Christians and confessing their faults, with a view to restoring fellowship and confidence. What praying, what weeping, what rejoicing, attended this and following services.

On the second and final week-end the Church was called together for prayer and fasting. Christians unburdened their hearts to God and to one another. Personal needs were acknowledged and met with great power.

In a recent prayer meeting about seventy were present in spite of rain, and about sixty testified to the goodness of God during the revival. Several men of the Church could not attend this meeting due to their fishing business.

We wish to express our appreciation to Rev. Fred Thomas for his godly ministry. His compassion for souls is outstanding. No price seems too great for this man of God to pay for revival. We were fortunate in having Mrs. Thomas, their daughter and her husband, Rev. and Mrs. Wilbur Brannon, also

with us. The first week of the meeting we had Rev. and Mrs. McGregor. This fine party of six gave us a camp meeting atmosphere. Everyone entered into the spirit of the meeting.

As pastor and people we are encouraged in the Lord. We look forward to the future with the assurance that God is with us and will bless the work as we obey Him.

Yours and His,

A. D. and Mrs. Cann.

QUARTERLY MEETING NOTICE

The Quarterly Meeting on District No. 4 will convene at Yarmouth, October 13-16. Let there be a good delegation from each church in attendance. Entertainment will be provided for all. Come expecting a time of rich fellowship in the Lord!

L. K. Mullen

WINNING SOULS

Someone asked Dr. Lyman Beecher, in his old age, "What is the greatest of all things?" The sturdy veteran replied, "It is not theology; it is not controversy; it is saving souls." He had been the king of the American pulpit; but, as he looked back over his noble career, he felt that the greatest good that he had accomplished was in leading guilty and polluted souls to their own Saviour.

David Brainerd, one of the most celebrated of our missionaries, while he was laboring among the poor, benighted Indians on the banks of the Delaware, once said, "I care not where I live, or what hardships I go through, so that I can but gain souls to Christ. While I am asleep, I dream of these things; as soon as I awake, the first thing I think of is this great work."

—Selected.

Y. P. RALLY

Districts 1 and 5 Combined

PLACE:—Marysville, N. B.

TIME:—Sept. 30 - Oct. 2.

SPEAKER:—Rev. L. K. Mullen, Bethany Bible College.

SPECIAL SINGERS:—Barkers Point Trio.

PIANIST:—Miss Janet DeLong.

A special banner will be awarded on Saturday night to the Society (1) having highest attendance and (2) having covered the greatest number of miles to reach the Rally.