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EDITORIALS

BACK TO WORK!

Vacation time is over for another year. An army of students are on the way to school, a host of people return to the place of employment. For the next ten months we will give concentrated attention to the tasks assigned to us.

In the work of the church there will be the need of a "back to work" movement. The numerical strength of the work is reduced through the summer months. Church attendance drops sharply, Sunday Schools suffer terrific decline, and every department of the work feels the effects of "summer slump".

A real vacation is a joy and blessing to the worker. To get away from the routine and labour for a few weeks is refreshing and revitalizing. Such a break will save us from fatigue and exhaustion and will renew us for the "back to work" call.

Only as the church has a people who "have a mind to work" will she go forward and succeed. And the secret of success is usually to be found right there. The pastor and people who recognize that there is work to be done, set themselves to the task, and stay with it, will undoubtedly enjoy the reward of achievement. "He that goeth forth and weepeth, shall DOUBTLESS come again with rejoicing, bringing his sheaves with him".

There are too many drones in the church, people who want to be warmed and fed, sheltered and cared for, through the labours of others. They are quick to complain if things are not to their liking, and readily criticize the efforts of those who are trying to do something, but they make little or no contribution towards carrying the burden of the work.

There is work enough in the church to engage the attention and skill of every interested person. There is the work of visitation in seeking to reach the careless and unchurched. There is the work of administration, staffing the Sunday School, the Missionary Society, the Young People's Society. There is the work of prayer, the faithful waiting on God for blessing and power upon our service and our services. There is much to be done and much worthy of our best efforts. For a year of prog-

ress, achievement, and blessing, let's join the "back to work" movement in behalf of our churches!

HOME MISSION SUNDAY

Sunday September 30th., has been designated as denominational Home Mission Sunday. Our pastors and churches are requested to give special attention to our Home Mission work on that day and prepare for special offerings. Monies received from those special offerings will be credited to the budget of the giving church.

Our Home Mission work needs and merits our prayerful and practical support. In a letter from the president of the H. M. Board, Rev. R. H. Nicholson, we have this appeal: "The greatest need for the present is to get the challenge before the people so that we may have the support of their prayers".

The financial need of our Home Mission work is very great and very urgent. New projects are being sponsored and new churches established. Money is needed to promote evangelistic campaigns and follow up with efforts to consolidate the work begun. It takes considerable time for some new churches to reach a self-supporting status, and financial assistance is needed to provide pastoral care for these new groups.

The Home Mission Board has laid plans for what it hopes will be a year of progress and increase. If those plans are to be carried out, strong financial aid must be forthcoming.

Let's plan for generous offering on September 30th. And don't forget to pray!

A "NEW LOOK" FOR THE HIGHWAY

The September 15th. Highway will appear in new size and form. We are reducing the size of the paper to conform to modern printing standards, and the size of type will also be reduced so that we will be able to get almost as much material in the smaller paper as we have carried in the larger.

It will take a little while for our readers to become accustomed to this change, but we believe that after a few months the smaller paper will be favoured. We sincerely hope so.

A SOLEMN THOUGHT

If religious books are not widely circulated among the masses in this country and the people do not become religious, I do not know what is to become of us as a nation. This thought is one to cause solemn reflection on the part of every patriot and Christian. If the truth be not diffused, error will be; if God and His Word are not known and received, the devil and his works will gain the ascendancy; if the evangelical volume does not reach every hamlet, the pages of corrupt and licentious literature will.—Daniel Webster.

In the life of the child of God there comes the times when the Holy Spirit is seeking to lead the soul into deeper truth, and prepares the way for this by turning His searchlight upon some hidden and perhaps forgotten thing that should be put right with another. It may be seemingly such a little thing, but there is no "prosperity" of the soul and no going on with the Lord until it is brought out and dealt with.

REPORTING RIVERSIDE CAMP-MEETING

Riverside Camp Meeting of 1956 is history. It was my privilege to attend throughout. This gave me opportunity to compare Riverside of the present with what I knew it to be some twenty years ago. I am glad to say that the comparison favors the present. The attendance is better; the fellowship delightful—this was due to an absence of factions, that once was very evident at Riverside. Our people in the locality are showing a real interest in the development and improvement of the buildings and grounds. The money for the purchase of an "evangelist's cottage" was quickly raised the first Sunday afternoon. This cottage was considered a very good buy. Money for the Camp came easily, which again is evidence of increased interest.

I have not been in a meeting where a more consistent prayer program was maintained. The six a. m. prayer service was well supported as was the three o'clock prayer service. I was impressed by the number of prayer requests that came in. This shows that people recognize the value of prayer and that they have faith in our people. Prayers were rewarded by a wonderful closing service Sunday evening when the altar was filled with earnest souls seeking help from God.

Our special workers were a joy to fellowship with. Dr. C. I. Armstrong proved himself a most willing worker. Without murmuring or complaining he preached twice daily, three times each Sunday, and spoke several times over radio station W.A.G.M., Presque Isle. Rev. Jack and Charlene MacKenzie, who had charge of the music, were also very agreeable and efficient in their work. They were well supported by a fine orchestra, made up of young men and women attending the Camp. The MacKenzies arranged for several others to assist in the "specials," and everyone was delighted with the work done.

The food, served in the cheery dining-room, was of high quality and well prepared. Many complimentary remarks concerning the meals were heard. Mrs. Hubble and Mrs. Kidney, of Mars Hill, were our capable and friendly cooks, and no better can be found in America. They were supported by a fine corps of waitresses that was on the job three times daily.

We report with gladness, a fine missionary day on Thursday. Our Missionary President, Rev. B. C. Cochrane, was on hand and had an interesting program arranged. At the evening service Dr. Armstrong showed slides of his visit to Japan and India, and our beloved missionaries, Rev. and Mrs. Charles Sanders and children, gave farewell addresses to eager listeners who pledged their prayer-support to this wonderful family while they represent us and their Saviour in Africa for a renewed term of service.

Needless to say the spiritual blessings at Riverside far outweighed any material blessings given. However, the joy of meeting friends and renewing friendships of long standing are part of our rewards while here and were most delightful. Riverside Camp Meeting is growing in interest and blessing, and we look for a better Camp in 1957. To all who contributed so largely to make the Camp this year the spiritual blessing it proved to be, our thanks, and may God bless you.

Fraser Dunlop
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Overtaken

By Evangelist Marion B. Hill

"Brethren, if a man be overtaken in a fault, ye which are spiritual, restore such an one in the spirit of meekness; considering thyself, lest thou also be tempted"

In "Pilgrim Holiness Advocate"

If followed fully this verse would make a definite difference in many churches. The failure to restore is often the result of the failure to understand the meaning of the word overtaken. Some super-sensitive souls have been brought under bondage due to strained interpretations of this text. They think they are commanded to restore all classes of offenders and to do so under all circumstances. Others are neglectful of those unfortunate overtaken ones whom we are asked to restore. It is certain that the spiritual mortality rate could be cut considerably, if we would be quick to obey the above verse.

It will be seen clearly that we are to restore those who are overtaken in a fault. Nothing is said here concerning those who are not thus "slipped up on" by our great adversary. There are those who with premeditation plan their sins and who, along with such sinning, plan evasive answers and alibis. The believer who attacks the sins of such presumptuous sinners will usually waste his time, as well as accumulate ill will against himself unless and until the sinner comes to himself, humbles himself enough to accept help, and indicates the same by some change in his spirit. Prayed-down, Holy Ghost conviction is the true preparation for success in dealing with such sinners. Even then, discernment is needed, if we would "strike while the iron is hot."

Unfeigned love on our part will, in most cases, be recognized by the offender, regardless of whether his sin be of the premeditated sort or whether he be one of the overtaken ones. Faithful, tearful sowing will bring bountiful harvests to those who faint not.

Please permit the writer to pass on to the reader some selected sentences from sources consulted by him in seeking the meaning of important words of the text. I quote first from the revised Dr. Adam Clarke.

"If a man be overtaken in a fault. . . If he be surprised, seized on without warning, suddenly invaded, taken before he is aware: all these meanings the word has in connections similar to this. Strabo applies it to the rhinoceros: he suddenly rips up the belly of the elephant, that he may not be surprised with his trunk. For should the elephant seize him with his trunk first, all resistance would be afterwards in vain; therefore he desires to rip up the elephant's belly with the horn that is on his nose. . . It is also used by Arrian to signify a vessel being suddenly agitated and whirled by the waves, and then dashed on the rocks.

"Ye which are spiritual—ye who still retain the grace of the gospel, and have wisdom and experience in divine things.

"Restore such a one—bring the man back into his place. It is a metaphor from a dislocated limb, brought back into its place by the hand of a skillful and tender surgeon.

"In the spirit of meekness—use no severity nor haughty carriage toward him; as the man was suddenly over-taken, he is already deeply humbled and distressed, and needs much encouragement and lenient usage. There is a great difference between a man who being suddenly assailed, falls into sin, and the man who transgressed in consequence of having walked in the counsel of the ungodly.

"Considering thyself—looking to thyself; as he fell through a moment of unwatchfulness, look

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about, that thou be not surprised; as he fell, so mayest thou; thou art now warned at his expense.

"Lest thou also be tempted—and having had this warning, thou wilt have less to plead in extenuation of thy offense. It is no wonder if a harsh and cruel censurer of a weak and backsliding brother should be taught moderation and mercy by an awful proof of his own frailty."

The well-known commentator Matthew Henry, has this to say, "We are here taught to deal tenderly with those who are overtaken in a fault. He puts a common case: If a man be overtaken in a fault, that is, be brought to sin by a surprise temptation. It is one thing to overtaken a fault by contrivance and deliberation, and a full resolution to sin, and another thing to be overtaken in a fault. The latter is the case here supposed, and herein the apostle shows that great tenderness should be used. "Those who are spiritual;" by whom is meant, not only the ministers (as if none but they were to be called spiritual persons), but other Christians too, especially those of the higher form in Christianity; these must restore such a one with the spirit of meekness . . . by faithful reproofs and pertinent and seasonable counsels, to bring them to repentance.

The original word signifies to set in joint, as a dislocated bone; therefore we should endeavor to set them in joint again, to bring them to themselves, by convincing them of their sin and error, persuading them to return to their duty, comforting them in a sense of pardoning mercy thereupon, and having thus recovered them, confirming our love to them. The manner wherein this is to be done with the spirit of meekness; not in wrath and passion, as those who triumph in a brother's falls, but with meekness, as those who rather mourn for them. Many needful reproofs lose their efficacy by being given in wrath."

Martin Luther comments on these words as follows: "Paul explains how the fallen should be treated. Those who are strong are to raise up the fallen in the spirit of meekness. This ought to be borne in mind particularly by the ministers of the Word in order that they may not forget the parental attitude which Paul here requires of
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SAIL FOR AFRICA



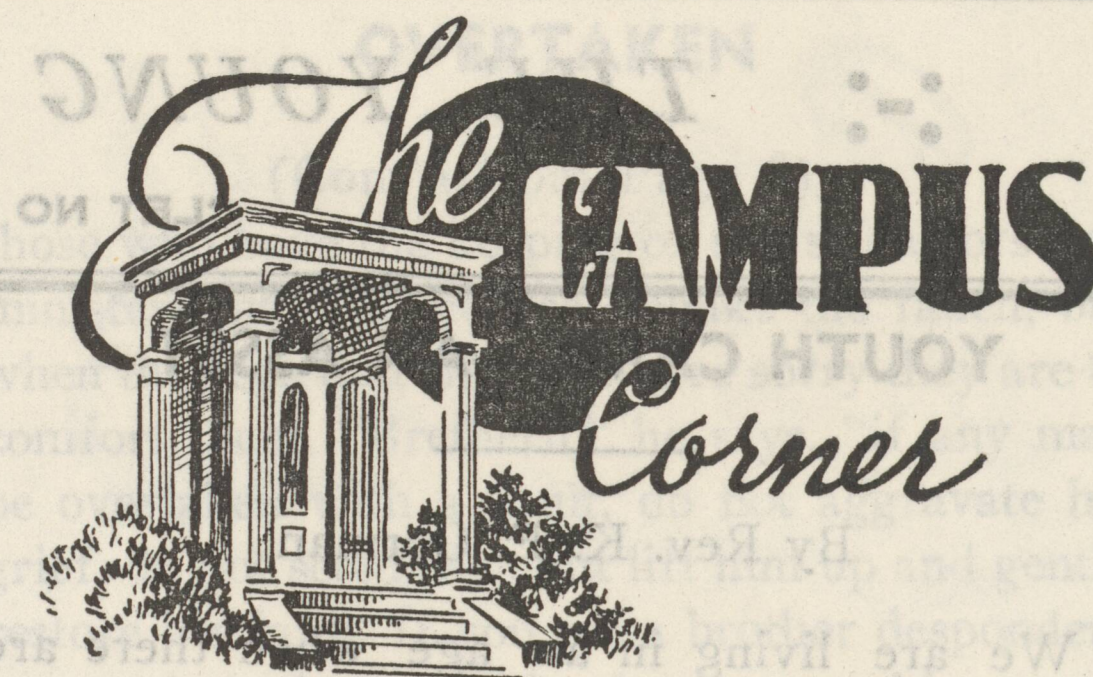
Rev. and Mrs. Charles Sanders

Charles and Myra Sanders, and their three girls, Pamela, Esther and Joy, were scheduled to sail for South Africa from Montreal August 30th.

A farewell service was held at Riverside Camp Thursday, Aug. 16th., and another at Saint John Reformed Baptist Church Wednesday, Aug. 22nd. Also an informal farewell was held in the dining hall of Beulah Hotel Monday, Aug. 20th., when about fifty friends gathered for a social evening in honour of the Sanders family.

The missionary field staff will be strengthened with the arrival of these workers. Pray that they may have safe and pleasant journey and a fruitful ministry in the South Africa field.

The Sanders family will be located at Paulpietersburg.



BETHANY BIBLE COLLEGE

On September 8, 1948, Bethany Bible College embarked on its second school year. The recently constructed Rogers' Residence now became the residence for the male students, and classes were now held on the first floor of the Administration Building, rather than in the chapel.

As a result of a donation of money made by a lady named Mrs. Crosby, the chapel was renovated and became a place of worship only. Known as the Crosby Memorial Chapel, today one finds it a well-finished and attractive house of worship.

Faculty for the new school year consisted of President, Rev. H. E. Enty, Bible Department Teachers, Rev. Mr. Enty and Rev. F. A. Dunlop. High School teachers were Rev. and Mrs. H. R. Ingersoll.

The new year was indeed filled with activity—worship, study, recreation, issuing of the "Torch" and the "Beacon", work of the Evangelistic Association and Student Council and the "Bethany Hour" broadcasts.

Having begun its broadcasts the previous school year, the Bethany Hour resumed its schedule on September 28, being carried by Radio Station C.J.L.S. Each week the broadcast with its message from God's word, and special numbers in song went out to its listening audience.

A new activity was that provided by the Children's Workers Club—a group formed for the purpose of studying the Bible and becoming better prepared for religious work among children.

It was in that year that the "Beacon" made its debut. It was published eleven times during the school year. Each issue contained eight pages, its purpose being to portray the life of the school to its subscribers. The first editor of the "Beacon" was Walter Fernley.

The second issue of the "Torch", the school year book, was produced in 1949. The purpose of this book was to serve as a memoir to the students of their college life and to portray to the public the various activities of the school.

On June 8, 1949, seven students, six from the Bible Department and one from the High School, graduated from Bethany. These students were: J. Moses, L. Hamilton, B. Bridgeo, E. Cann, M. Fernley, R. T. Benson, and G. McCrea. Vacation had come at last.

(To Be Continued)

Home Mission Sunday

SEPTEMBER 30TH

PRAY . . . PLAN . . . PAY

Support your Home Mission Work