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EDITORIALS

LET US GIVE THANKS

Once more we approach the time of national thanksgiving. The annual call to acknowledgment of God's goodness will soon be sounding throughout America.

"It is a good thing to give thanks unto the Lord . . .", most fitting that we should have a day when we remember the loving kindness of the Lord and count the blessings that are ours through His providential mercy and redeeming love.

For a land of unsurpassed beauty, let us give thanks! A land of rolling hills and fertile valleys, a land of picturesque lakes and broad-bosomed rivers, a land of stately trees and multi-coloured flowers, a land of fruitful soil and plenteous harvest, a land now clothed in the gorgeous garments of Autumn, let us give thanks!

For a land of freedom, political, and religious, let us give thanks! A land free from despotic tyranny, a land which respects the value and rights of human personality, a land where those of humble birth may climb to the heights of national leadership, where government "of the people, by the people, for the people" is still a treasured heritage. A land where we may worship God according to the dictates of conscience and the convictions of the soul, a land of an open Bible, an unshackled ministry, a land in which we may gather together for Christian fellowship without fear of molestation or persecution. For a land that is a veritable "thoroughfare for freedom," let us give thanks!

For a land of lawns and gardens, a land of playing children and happy homes, a land where the "milk of human kindness" nourishes and heals the infirmed and diseased in institutions dedicated to the care of the underprivileged and unfortunate, a land where the light and music of the Gospel is seen and heard from hundreds of churches and thousands of God's messengers, for a land

that abounds with all the body needs and the soul desires, let us give thanks!

"Let music swell the breeze, And ring from all the trees
Sweet freedom's song;

Let mortal tongues awake, Let all that breath partake,
Let rocks their silence break, The sound prolong.

"Our fathers' God, to Thee, Author of liberty,
To Thee we sing;

Long may our land be bright, With freedom's holy light;
Protect us by Thy might, Great God, our King!"

OUR REVIVAL EMPHASIS

As stated in the last Highway we are carrying a revival emphasis for an indefinite period. At the request of the editor, Rev. C. E. Stairs is writing a series of articles on revival. We would suggest that these articles be read carefully and prayerfully by pastors and people, referred to and discussed in prayer meetings, Sunday School, etc., that they may help us toward denominational revival. We will welcome helpful comments and reports of the Spirit's working.

GUEST EDITORIAL

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THE FORWARD MOVEMENT AND REVIVAL

The broad outlines of the Forward Movement have been drawn by the leaders of the church, but unless those of us who make up the rank and file of Christian believers fill in the details the picture of spiritual progress never will materialize. It is one thing to want to see things move for Christ and the church, but it is something else to take the necessary steps to see something accomplished.

There is great need among us for a genuine spiritual awakening. This is not to belittle what God has done for us—no, a thousand time no! Nor is it to say that the people are all backslidden. But it is to call attention to the demands of the hour, and to say to all of us that there is an urgent need of a divine manifestation from on high!

Take the matter of prayer—the need for a deepening of our devotional lives. We hear sermons and exhortations about prayer. There is a whole literature on prayer. But how few there are who really pray! We need prayer times and meetings that are open and free and honest before God—prayer meetings that are frequent and protracted.

Wherever and whenever God can find a people who will obey his Word and pray and believe, he will send down showers of blessing! And we must never stop short of real victory!

Unless the holiness churches are all different than the churches to whom Jesus addressed his messages in the Revelation, chapter one through three (which they are not!), then there may need to be some old-fashioned confessing and walking in the light. Not every one who is saying "Lord, Lord" these days is doing his will. And he will never bless and send revival until we are rightly related to God and man. Every revival worth the name has always been characterized by prayer and confession and walking in the light.

Special meetings are not always revivals in the best sense of the term. We need something that transcends all our human efforts for God and that brings his power down upon his people.

Think, too, of this outreach of evangelism mentioned so frequently—the opening of new Sunday schools and

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