

comes home from his vacation. Quietness in retirement should be a tonic to the man who is constantly associated with public service. Following the Master's "come ye apart and rest awhile", the Christian minister should spend a part, the greater part of his vacation period away from the hurry and pressure of everyday living.

Nor should the vacation period, wherever it is spent, be a planning stage for the activities of church life in the months ahead. The pastor would do well to so organize his plans for the future before he leaves on vacation that he may leave it all behind him, to await his return.

The quality of our service will be better, the period of our service may be longer, and we should work with greater pleasure, as well as greater vigour, if we use our vacation time to best advantage.

Is Pentecost Still Pentecost?

By Bishop Charles V. Fairbairn
In "Free Methodist"

Before Pentecost the disciples of our Lord huddled in their meeting-house with windows bolted and doors locked for fear of the unbelieving Jews. But came Pentecost, and those doors flew back against the walls, and out of those confined quarters and down into the streets tumbled those fire-baptized believers to bear witness to thousands. Then, away they went, with Acts 1:8 their commission, but blueprint for their labors the divinely-planned road map of evangelistic progress for all time to come. Away they went to witness to one and all that Jesus alone is the Saviour of the world.

Who were those dynamic witnesses? Very common men; in fact, they were "men of like passions" with us—fishermen, tax collectors, carpenters. Later a young rabbi joined their number, a scholar, a lawyer, a young doctor, two tent-makers, a saleslady, a seamstress, and a host of common others. But whatever their diverse, previous interests, Christ drew them all to one focus, all energies dedicated to one end, all talents devoted to one purpose, all personalities wrapped up in one glorious enthusiasm: Get this good news of our saving Christ out to the lost world which needs it so badly.

And how they witnessed! They spoke out of the fullness of their hearts, declaring: "We can but speak the things we have seen and heard." Their changed lives witnessed so that their enemies had to admit that Christ had really done something for them. Their inner artesian happiness witnessed, for in hardship and under persecution, when the world looked for them to be downhearted, "the disciples were filled with joy and with the Holy Ghost." Their boldness in court witnessed, when they made their defense an opportunity for testimony. And when they were killed for His Name's sake, their very victory in death convinced, convicted, and converted their tormentors until persecutors became preachers of the very gospel they had tried to stamp out.

Pentecost coming upon men from the everyday walks of life made them strangely—I feel like saying terrifically—different; made them holy, gave them a reason for existence, and that on a higher plane, gave them a mission and a message, emboldened them to undertake that mission and declare that message. They did that. And they were never the same again. The church was never the same again. And the world has not recovered from their influence to this very day.

If Pentecost still means that, I wonder what this is which I have on my hands—this cold, clammy, indifferent something! Is this really Pentecost? "Search me and try me, O God!"

The King's Highway



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Saturday, June 8, 6.30 p.m.

BACCALAUREATE:

Sunday, June 9, 3.00 p.m.

GRADUATION:

Monday, June 10, 7.30 p.m.

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