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EDITORIALS

KEEPING THE FEAST

A beautiful and blessed Easter season is history. Once more we have "walked where Jesus walked," to sacred Gethsemane, dark Calvary, and into the glory light of the resurrection morning in Joseph's garden. And, as usual, this annual pilgrimage has been soul enriching.

The annual Easter emphasis is appropriate. That we should "remember Calvary," commemorate the passion and death of our Lord, and His subsequent victory over the tomb, all will agree. But the pathetic aspect of many such celebrations is the strictly seasonal interest of the so-called worshipper.

Some people adopt a plan of self-denial for Lent, and then return to 325 days of self-indulgence. Some make much of the Cross during the annual remembrance of Christ's suffering for sin, and then forget Him for the rest of the year. Some churches are crowded on Easter Sunday morning with those who have come out to celebrate the resurrection of Jesus, and many attending the service will not be seen at church again until Christmas or next Easter.

While seasonal celebrations of great events in the life of our Lord are quite in order, they should not be followed by neglect and forgetfulness. We need to remember Calvary every day, and each Lord's Day is an occasion for rejoicing in the fact that "we serve a risen Saviour." The Christian observance of Easter has accomplished God-designed results when we move away from the season of commemoration and celebration in the spirit of "Jesus, keep me near the Cross," and in the enjoyment of an increased sense of the presence and power of the risen Saviour.

THE LAST MONTH

At the Alliance session of 1955, it was decided that May 31st mark the close of our church statistical year. The prime purpose of this plan is to allow church treasurers, clerks, etc., sufficient time for preparation of annual reports, with the request that the church report to the Alliance be sent to the corresponding secretary not later than June 15th.

And so we have less than a month to check our accounts and make any "last-minute" efforts necessary to reach the goals set at the beginning of the church year.

It would be a most heartening thing if every church could report at this year's Alliance that the support requested for missions, Bible School, the superintendency, and general fund projects, had been given in full. This would not only mean that the funds needed for various branches of the work had been received, but also that every church had expressed its desire to share in the financial responsibility our church programme at home and abroad entails.

"Our church's budgets are paid in full," included on the annual report will be a welcome word to many, to the pastor and church reporting, to ministers and delegates gathered at this year Alliance session, to missionaries, Bible School faculty members, and other denominational workers, for this statement is a vote for continued advancement in the work of God.

"MOTHER LIVED LIKE SHE PRAYED"

A little four-year-old daughter, suffering from a severe scolding from her mother, was heard to sob pitifully to herself, "I wish Mother loved me as much as she does God. She talks so kind to him."

And immediately one's thoughts flash back to a great man who said, "I owe a great debt to the life of my mother in my early childhood days. She always lived like she prayed."

Can we hope to instill the love of God into the lives of our little ones if we do not practice patience, self-control, and poise? In order to live like we pray, we must cultivate that habit of praying as we live.—Christian Life.

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thirty people gathered in the church. Again the Lord was present and I believe that several were especially strengthened and helped.

On Sunday the final service was held at Altone where our large church was full to overflowing and a blessed time experienced. At the close they partook of communion and also a special offering was taken up for Dr. Armstrong, and the ladies were each presented with two grass mats. This was a surprise, and I believe our friends were pleased with this little token of appreciation, from our Bantu.

It was a week of good things! Dr. Armstrong's timely messages, given in love and with the blessing of the Holy Spirit, will not soon be forgotten and neither will the good singing of Rev. and Mrs. Sheppard. Only eternity will reveal all the results, of this week of labor for Jesus. "To God be the glory, great things He has done."

NOTE

Since there is only one month left in our church year we urge all of our churches to make an honest effort to complete the payment of their Bethany Budget.

Approximately \$2,000.00 is still owing on our Bethany Budgets. Our Treasury is extremely low and help is urgently needed. The co-operation of our churches will make the difference between a balanced Bethany report or a large deficit for this church year.

W. E. G.