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certainty, thus giving Him absolute confidence. This same power will be ours today when we pray.

When we compare the first century church with its simplicity of methods to the twentieth century church with its multitude of operations, we are amazed at the difference and yet the accomplishments of the early church were much greater than today. As we read the book of Acts, we find the answer to her success in such statements as: "These all continued with one accord in PRAYER and supplication . . .", "And when they had PRAYED, the place was shaken . . .", "We will give ourselves continually to PRAYER . . .", and ". . . PRAYER was made without ceasing of the church unto God . . ." The challenge was met not by methods, machinery, or materials, but through PRAYER!

The situation in which the church finds herself today demands some sincere praying. Praying that reveals a sense of the need, which as one has said, "abbreviates our prayers, teaching us true eloquence, and gripping the heart with a deadly agony." Such praying as seeks the will of God at all times, free from human or carnal desires which are contrary to His plan. There is need for praying that voices a resistless faith, that refuses to be turned away and accepts nothing but victory. Such praying will produce action that gets outside the four walls of the church. Prayer is the church's most powerful weapon against the forces of evil for as E. M. Bounds says: "Prayer can do anything that God can do."

Oh, that the church would catch the spirit of the prophet Habakkuk who, seeing the judgments which were speedily to come upon his nation, was wrought up to an agony, crying out in his distress, "O Lord, revive thy work in the midst of the years", or the intense desire of the Psalmist as he prayed: "Wilt thou not revive us again . . .", that in so doing she may be REVIVED TO EVANGELIZE!

ENLIST FOR WAR!

By A. T. Pierson

When Christ's voice calls the dead to life, and one comes forth bound hand and foot with ceremonialism and traditionalism, even his mouth bound about with the napkin of enforced silence—the Lord of Glory says, "Loose him, and let him go!" (John 11:44).

As well force him back into the sepulchre and roll the stone to the door as to leave a converted man soul-bound! Let every live man be a free man! Stand back! ye who would fetter a disciple's utterance. He is one of God's witnesses. Teach his tongue, but do not bind it! Train him for service, but do not hold him back!

Ye, who are preachers and pastors, become ye teachers of teachers, trainers of workers! Turn your churches into recruiting offices, barracks, armouries, where disciples enlist for the war, and are put through the drill and discipline of soldiers; where they put on the whole armour of God, and then go forth, led by you, to fight the good fight of faith!

"TO THE WORK!"

A life of service, fearlessly and happily rendered; with a heart that belongs to Him, and conduct that glorifies Him; lived out in His conscious presence, and lasting to our last day on earth: that is the purpose He has for His people, that is the aim of His salvation, which must be ours if we would satisfy His heart, and fulfil His good will for us.

Hubert Brooke.

DEATHS

Robert Murry Thorne passed away as a result of a car accident on Aug. 1. He was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Lee Thorne, of Salem, N. B. He leaves to mourn his loss besides his parents, three sisters, Winnie, of Winnipeg, and Flo-Janet and Dolores at home; four brothers, Lee jr., Ralph, and Reginald, of Ontario, and Deverne, at home.

The funeral service was at the United Baptist Church at Havelock Aug. 4, conducted by the writer Rev. H. E. Mullen, assisted by Mr. Arbo.

The funeral service of Mr. Forest Harding, age 78, was held from R. B. Church, Woods Harbour, July 9th.

Mr. Harding, a native of Charlesville, N. S., was saved last spring in a Cottage Prayer meeting. Sunday Sept. 6th, after a short illness he passed away very peaceably at his home.

He leaves to mourn his wife, three daughters, a son, and a host of friends.

The funeral service was conducted by Rev. S. W. Steeves, assisted by Lic. L. D. Farrel.

Mrs. H. P. McCain, of Fredericton, N. B., passed away at Victoria Public Hospital Aug. 23, following a heart seizure. She was 76 years of age.

Surviving are two daughters, Mrs. Walter Case, Wickham, N. B., and Mrs. John Peiffer, Fords, New Jersey; three sisters, Mrs. N. R. Beal, Mrs. E. S. Horncastle, and Mrs. D. B. Green, all of Fredericton, and four grandchildren, Hayward, Evelyn, Maise, and Dawn Marie.

The funeral service was held from the Fredericton Reformed Baptist Church, of which Mrs. McCain was a respected member, Aug. 27th., and was conducted by Rev. B. C. Cochrane. Rev. and Mrs. N. E. Trafton sang favourite hymns. Interment was in Rural Extension Cemetery, Fredericton.

To all who mourn the loss of loved ones, we extend our prayerful sympathy.

WEDDINGS

Nickerson-Crowell: At the Reformed Baptist Church, Wood's Harbour, N. S., Saturday, July 26th, Crystal Ernestine, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Crowell, of Wood's Harbour, and Mervyn St. Clair, son of Mr. and Mrs. Gerry Nickerson, Wood's Harbour, were united in marriage by Rev. S. W. Steeves.

Bailey-Carr: At the Reformed Baptist Church, Old Town, Maine, August 23, 1958, Betty Jean, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Carr, of Old Town, and Ernest Chester jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Earnest Bailey, of Woodland, Maine, were united in marriage by Rev. R. T. Benson.

CHARITY

By Judson A. Sanders

Charity flows from the wounds of our Savior,
Who died to redeem the whole race of mankind;
Wide as the ocean, and deep beyond measure,
Charity suffereth long, and is kind.

Out on the mountains in sunshine or tempest,
Seeking the wounded and lost one to find;
Bearing it back with a song of rejoicing,
Charity suffereth long, and is kind.

So loving, so gentle, so meek and forgiving,
Facing the world, with its pitiless grind:
Savior, I pray Thee, teach me this one lesson,
Charity suffereth long, and is kind.