



### ARE WE HOME MISSION MINDED?

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I would like for us to visit the Home Mission field. How many of you has ever stopped to wonder what it is like to pastor a Home Mission Church? I trust that every once in awhile each Pastor of our denomination presents some of the challenges of Home Missions to his people.

I have heard some Pastors say that we should go out without any support, as the disciples did. But you know if we did that, all of those who are on salary would have to share their earnings with us and that just wouldn't work, would it?

Have our people responded to the appeal sent out from our Home Mission Board or has the appeal been falling on deaf ears? Have you been interested enough in Home Missions to ask about them?

In a Home Mission Church you are starting from nothing, trying to reach souls for the Lord. No church to lean on, no deacons to go to with your problems, no nice parsonage to live in, and no money in the Home Mission treasury to pay the Pastor's salary. I wonder—do our people realize the circumstances, where Pastors have to live on perhaps \$70.00 some months, with the rent so far behind in the place that you hate to meet the man from whom you are renting. Are you Home Mission minded enough to do this?

Then there are the blessings of the work. You hear a man or woman stand up and testify to Saving and Sanctifying Grace, and it makes you feel it is worth it all. Then perhaps you receive a letter from one who has moved away and is praising the Lord for His goodness. These are souls who were perhaps reached by Home Mission Churches. Could we reach more souls if we would give more? Truly Jesus said, "Go ye into all the world and preach the Gospel!" Have we prayed for Home Missions as well as for Foreign Mission? Has our Home Mission Board sent out an appeal to you? Are we Home Mission minded so that our denomination will grow? Let us look at life on a Home Mission field and ask ourselves the question, "what am I called to do for God?"

### HOME MISSION OFFERING

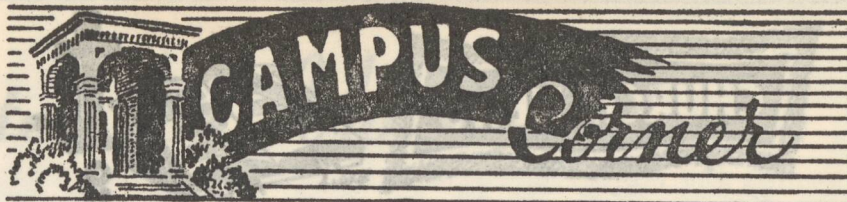
God says: "Before they call, I will answer". We wish to thank all those who will give on HOME MISSION DAY before you have given. We know by your liberal response in the past that this year will be no exception. Your gifts have always come at a needy time, but we wish to assure you, that never before has your contributions meant so much to your HOME MISSION BOARD.

This year has presented the greatest challenge, and yet, it also has been the most strenuous financially. At this time, the HOME MISSION WORKERS, WHO ARE GETTING MERELY A LIVING WAGE, are MONTHS BEHIND IN THEIR SALARIES. This is most disappointing to us all, but the demand has been greater than the financial support.

We are not asking you for more than you have given but we urge you to send your gifts and offerings im-

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### BETHANY HAS RECORD ENROLLMENT

On Wednesday, September 16, Bethany Bible College resumed classes with the largest enrollment in its fifteen-year history. The first day enrollment reached sixty-one and increased to sixty-three by the end of the week. Two more students were expected. In addition to these full-time students there was a few special students who swelled the number to sixty-eight. The previous record enrollment in 1952 was fifty-nine.

Faculty and students alike rejoiced in the increase even though it brought its problems. Temporarily seven girls had to be accommodated at a faculty member's home while an on-campus building is being renovated for their use. Second-hand furniture had to be located, purchased, and moved. Inside the Administration building a partition had to be removed and furniture re-located to provide sufficient room for the grade eleven class, thirty in number. To provide the enlarged classroom, the former reception room bowed out and left a lack; more space is needed for the reception of guests and group activities.

The music department, thriving under the leadership of Mr. Patton, outgrew its facilities the first week and created the need of another piano and practice room. Twenty-six students had registered for private lessons in piano and voice.

This year's student body come from Michigan, Maine, New Brunswick, and Prince Edward Island. Approximately forty are New Brunswickers and Reformed Baptists. Eight other Protestant communions are represented. Generally speaking, they all like "it".

Former staff members continuing in their respective positions are Mr. M. D. Mitchell and Rev. L. S. Johnson. New staff members are Rev. C. E. Stairs, Rev. J. A. Stevens, Mr. Morris Patton, Miss Dorothy Wilson, and Miss Edith Larsen. This year's cook is Mr. Howard Thompson, Sr., a professional cook and a man of fine character.

All in all, the year promises to be a successful one at Bethany. With the unstinted support of our constituency and friends and the blessing of God we can expect much. We can count on God. Can we count on you?

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The man answered rather calmly. "Why, did you not know that man? It was Jesus of Nazareth."

Gordon, with the keenest sense of disappointment said, "My dear sir, why did you let him go without introducing me to him?"

With the same calmness, the gentleman replied, "Oh, do not be troubled. He has been here today and no doubt he will come again."

Then came an indescribable rush of emotion. "What was I saying? In what spirit did I preach? What did he think of our sanctuary? How was he impressed with the music and order of worship?"

The Saturday night's dream changed Dr. Gordon's life and the spirit of the church of which he was pastor. The realization that Christ was present became the Bread of Life to him.

What would be the effect if the glorious Jesus should come, with his glories veiled, into our home, our Sunday school class, our church? And yet he is always there, if only we could recognize his presence. —Gospel Banner

Thank you  
R. H. Nicholson

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