

CHURCH NEWS



Grand Harbour - Woodward's Cove, N. B.

Dear Highway Friends,

Greetings in the Saviour's name. We find to praise the Lord at this particular season for His unspeakable gift to the world. Jesus said in John 15:22 "If I had not come" —What a dark world this would have been, and how different, had this been the Case.

We have been conscious of God's blessing upon the work of the churches this year and, we have been blessed in our souls, as we have watched God open doors, and fill the temple with His glory.

As you know, we resigned from the North Head Church last year. We sought the Lord for divine guidance as we started the year of 1959. We praise God that He has opened for us a door in the community of Woodward's Cove. We held some cottage prayer meetings there, and immediately God began to work for us there. He honoured our faith only after we "stepped into the waters". The doors of the Advent Christian Church were opened to us, and we entered, believing God to prosper the work.

On Sept. 8th. we started special meetings with Lic Sheila Graham as evangelist. The first night we had around forty in attendance. From that night on there was a steady increase, until the house was filled each night to capacity. Almost immediately God began to work by the Holy Ghost, and Conviction settled down upon the meeting, and souls were seeking Christ nearly every night. I was never in a meeting before where I witnessed such Holy Ghost conviction, and where God moved so mightily upon the people. One of the first girls that got saved, was so convicted that she wept in the night, then arose and went to her girl-friend's house, and they both came to the altar the next night. God was moving outside of the meeting also. One night, two young men under the influence of the liquor, came to the parsonage and there in the living room they wept their way to God. We had a camp-meeting in the living room that night. God was moving, the Holy Ghost was searching out sinners. Praise God, I am blessed as I write about it.

One other night at 11.30 p.m. I was called to the church at Grand Harbour, and when I arrived, there, was a carload of seekers wanting to find God. As soon as the lights were turned on, they went in and knelt at the altar, and prayed through to old-time salvation. Glory be to God!

We saw God speak by accident, and later save some of the boys involved, What a sight, as they limped their way down the aisle to an altar of prayer? Angels rejoiced, and so did we.

The effects of the meeting was felt throughout the whole Island and every church of our denomination here had a harvest of souls. God indeed shook the High School and many testified that it was a different place.

Every Wed at 12:15 noon we bring the young people from the High School to our church of Grand Harbour for a prayer meeting. Pray for us as we try to help them and lead them on in the things of God.

We hesitate to state numbers, but we again praise God for his wonder working power in our midst.

We have enjoyed working with the Grand Harbour and Woodward's Cove people, We feel they are some of God's best people, always showing many kindnesses toward us, and manifesting a spirit of unity, co-operation, and fellowship. We have been blessed beyond measure at this Christmas Season.

We are planning a watch night service here at Grand

Harbour, with Seal Cove, uniting with us. Our prayer is, that as we pray the new year in, God will help us to hold the standard of full salvation high in these last days of grace.

Yours by Calvary's ties
Rev. & Mrs. J. A. MacKenzie.

CHRIST IN EDUCATION

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both these ends. As the active exercise of our liberty it gives meaning to it, and checks the drift to totalitarianism by default. More profoundly, as a demonstration of what education can mean that is religious in core and substance, it breaks down the myth of secularism. All truth is God's truth; the Word of God is never irrelevant. Christian education can show the richness of growth in wisdom which reveals the superficiality of training in knowledge and skills apart from the integrating religious core of human thought and personality.

Christian education has answers to the constant dilemmas that arise in public education: the tension between freedom and scientific control, between "child-centered" and "content-centered" instruction, between the fact that public education cannot be religious and the increasingly recognized fact that the child is a religious being. The answer to totalitarian Russian education cannot be left to the state or to state schools alone or we shall have a totalitarian answer, no matter how well intended.

Christian education is therefore a vital part of the Christian witness in the contemporary crisis. This must strike us with fresh force, but it need not surprise us. Obedience to Christ is always fruitful for our witness, whether we see that this is so or not.

For the Christian parent, however, the joy in this obedience is very near at hand. It wells up as he hears the prayers of his children, reads their compositions, senses their admiration for a Christian teacher, and observes their friendships with Christian classmates, and their witness to others.

Disappointments and heartaches do not disappear in Christian schools. Yet many of these exist only because the whole Christian community has yet to catch the vision of the thrilling opportunity and sacrificial cost of bringing up our youngsters today in the nurture of the Lord.

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A WARNING WITH A REASON

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at Calvary; the Holy Spirit was prominent at Pentecost, at Caesarea, and at Antioch.

Paul speaks of the Holy Spirit in this epistle as "sealing" the believer, chapter 1, verse 13; as the Builder of the New Economy, chapter 2, verses 19-22; the Strengthen-er of the individual believer, chapter 3, verse 16; the joy and fulness of God's people in chapter 5, verses 18, 19; the inspirer of prayer and perseverance for all saints, in chapter 6, verse 18. This is quite a variety of the ministries of the Holy Spirit, and yet it is very far from being a full coverage of His work.

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WEDDING

Wilcox-Ingalls: At Grand Harbour, N. B., Dec. 25, 1959, Alfretta M. Ingalls and Lawson L. Wilcox were united in marriage, Rev. J. A. MacKenzie performing the wedding ceremony.