

DO YOU KNOW THAT ...

From 1948-1958, denominational giving to home missions multiplied more than five times and giving to foreign missions multiplied almost five times, but giving to Bethany less than doubled? (See Minutes of Alliance).

Do you know that in 1948 giving to foreign missions was equal to giving to Bethany (\$5,500.00 to each)?

Do you know that a large portion of the monies raised for home and foreign missions has gone directly to extension and new development, whereas the money raised for Bethany has been less than sufficient for maintenance of a basic program?

Do you know that Bethany's financial increase from 1948-1958 (through gifts and student's accounts) has been offset by increased operation costs? (For instance, the total for faculty salaries has gone from \$5,500.00 to \$11,000.00, 1948 and to \$18,000.00 now).

Do you know that within the last few years—when we ought to have been adding staff—we were forced to reduce the Bible department staff?

Do you know that the average faculty member's salary is still below our average minister's salary?

Do you know that we will jeopardize our position as an educational institution if we do not provide sufficient staff and standard facilities?

If you know these things, you will know some sound reasons why Bethany has not made greater progress.

Yes, it is true that enrollment is at a peak—but, it also is true that conditions were never so crowded and facilities never were so inadequate as they are today.

It is also true that if we do not improve our facilities and enlarge our staff, if we do not endeavor to keep somewhat abreast with standards of the day, we can not hope to maintain our enrollment. We need more than "sales" talk to build a school worthy of a name.

We are happy about progress in other phases of the Lord's work, but we ask: Is it necessary for Bethany to lag behind? Have we realized the limit of our vision for Bethany (planted of God, we say)? What is our responsibility to our Christian youth? Has God willed our limited situation or have we lost step with God?

These are questions that for conscience sake we must ask and answer.

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service. It was said of McClaren, that while walking through a field there came upon him in almost overwhelming proportions the realization that at the judgment there would most certainly be unsaved people blaming him for their impending doom.

The preacher needs to understand the visitor—know him as precious never dying soul, weigh him on the balances of God's love. He needs to realize the problems that may be desperate and fearful to his listener.

Much of the help the visitor gets from the service will be decided in the pastor's prayer closet before he ever comes into the sacred pulpit. A. B. Simpson says, "You cannot satirize or scold men into goodness. You can only lift them into it and love them into it by the touch of the Master's Spirit and the power of the Master's indwelling life. The searchlight will not reform anyone any more than a mirror will wash the face of a dirty boy. You must



MR. CHARLES OWENS

Bethany Bible College is pleased to announce the appointment of Mr. Charles Owens to the faculty for the coming year. Mr. Owens will teach in the high school department with Mr. Mitchell, principal, and Mr. Gene Hudson.

Mr. Owens is well qualified as to Christian character and training as well as academic preparation. The son of Rev. and Mrs. J. A. Owens of Hartland, N. B., he has been brought up in the church and has a personal experience "in Christ." He has studied at Eastern Nazarene College, receiving a bachelor of science degree in business administration. He studied further at the University of Toronto, receiving a master of commerce degree. More recently he has taken some courses in the field of education at the University of New Brunswick. At present Mr. Owens is engaged as a high school teacher at Edith Cavell School in Moncton.

Mr. Owens will be teaching courses for which he has a preference and a special preparation: history, economics, social problems, and commercial geography.

Mr. Owen's coming to Bethany is no less than an answer to prayer. We rejoice in God's leading and in our brother's willing and dedicated response. Let us pray for him as he accepts his new responsibilities. Let us pray too, that every position on our staff will be filled as pleasing to the Lord.

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take him to the fountain." We must preach for a verdict. God only knows the results.

Many years ago Mark Guy Pearse sat with the late Charles Spurgeon on the platform of Spurgeon's tabernacle. In an interval during the meeting he whispered to Mr. Spurgeon, "When I was a young fellow in London, I used to sit right over there and hear you preach, and you will never know how much good you did me. You used to wind me up like an eight-day clock. I was bound to go right after listening to you." Spurgeon put out his hand and took that of Mr. Pearse as tears brimmed his eyes. "God bless you! I never knew that," he said.

Let us tear away excuses and let ourselves become obsessed with a new conscience and love for the unchurched and unsaved. Let us thrill our laymen with the possibilities of winning men. Let us win them from the burning that they may be aflame for God. There is an irresistible drawing through the simple gospel witness and the holiness message. In a Christlike, positive method let us help the visitor and the stranger to realize the answer to his need.