



CHURCH NEWS

Marysville, N. B.

Dear Highway Friends:

We feel to thank the Lord for His wonderful salvation and great goodness towards us, in this part of God's work.

We are greatly enjoying our stay in Marysville. We like everything about it here, and especially the people. We are being used well and are trying to give them our best in return.

The Church remembered us at Christmas with a party held in the school auditorium, a gift of a lazy-boy chair and matching foot stool, and some cash. We appreciate very much the gift, the effort put forth, and the evening of Christian fellowship.

We held a short meeting (eight days) here the first of December with Bros. H. M. Kimball and Cedric Landers. We enjoyed the ministry of these men very much. The church was edified and encouraged and a number received definite help, some new ones. Brother Kimball preached well and I feel any church would be blest and edified by his ministry.

Last Sunday we closed a four-Sunday meeting with Sheila Graham and Mr. and Mrs. Cedric Landers. We had a wonderful meeting and we believe almost broke through to a real Holy Ghost revival. This is what we desire to see. But we did have a great meeting. Sheila preached under the anointing of the Lord; her ministry was enjoyed and appreciated by all. Cedric sang and played well, his wife singing with him part of the time. They were afflicted by severe colds, but still kept going and did a fine job. The attendance was good throughout, especially on Sundays. The last Sunday evening was, I think, the best attendance we have ever had in a preaching service here. At the altar call in this service, the Spirit settled down until the presence of God was very real, many were weeping and greatly moved. About twenty came to the altar. The meeting closed in a real tide of victory. We are expecting others to seek the Lord in the regular services. There was an attendance of eighty in our first prayer meeting after the campaign. To God be the glory.

We are seeking the "will of God" for the coming church year, it is nearing eight years since we came to Marysville.

At this critical time in the life of the churches and ministers, we trust the Lord shall give guidance and blessing.

Yours in Christ,

Rev. and Mrs. G. R. Symonds.

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One Sunday evening she attended a small meeting where some young people were talking about their faith, what it meant to them, how it worked in their lives, and how they might transmit it to others. It was all so warm and vital, yet so sane and natural, that she opened up and told what Christ meant to her. The result was a boldness about her faith that she had never known. The next week she took three girls "on" as her responsibility—to talk to them about Jesus Christ and to point out to them how they might have a vital experience of Christ. Now I want you to hear what the pastor says of her: "The girl is intelligent, musical, interested in all things that make life worth while, loves to joke and laugh and have the right kind of fun. But she has become a spiritual spark-plug; and where

A CHALLENGE TO OUR PEOPLE

As many others, we are a music-loving people and a people who realize the worth of music in the work of the gospel and the worship of the church. We well know how God ministers to the souls of men through inspired music. Unfortunately, however, we do not have any program at present for training our youth in music. Our Christian workers go out unequipped in this regard, and our cultural program is lacking in this area.

But now challenge and opportunity have met. There are prospects for the position of music instructor, graduates of a holiness college who are recommended by their president.

Our school board, on the other hand, is anxious to have a music instructor, but in the face of other anticipated expenditures can not meet further salary obligations. With the School Board's knowledge I am throwing out a challenge that someone led of God may accept—a gift of one thousand dollars would make it possible to engage a music instructor. The balance of the salary would be met mainly by fees received from private students.

If someone's gift started this program this year, I believe that we could trust God for the continuity of the program in the future. Someone may even wish to establish a music instructorship to run for a number of years (in memoriam or otherwise).

The God of miracles has been working at Bethany and we believe that He will continue to work.

Anyone who is interested in this particular matter may write or telephone the President.

C. E. Stairs.

THE TIME IS SHORT!

The time is short! O ye, who bear Christ's name,
With unction from on high
His Gospel Truth with prayerful zeal proclaim.
Redemption draweth nigh! Awaken all who idly slumber!
Send heralds out in countless number. The time is short!

The time is short! Unsheathe the Spirit's sword,
Salvation's helmet wear.
Await with joy the coming of your Lord.
Yield not to dark despair. Let kingdoms fall and earth
bonds sever,
God's "settled" Word abides forever. The time is short!

The time is short! while moments still remain
Bring to God's storehouse NOW
The tithes of gold ere rust has left its stain.
O bring in sweat of brow the gifts of toil and service
willing—
Christ's holy law of love fulfilling. The time is short!

The time is short! Sweet Advent Music swells,
O'er hill and dale and plain.
The pealing chime of Maranatha Bells
Heralds His coming reign, Each day His bridal feast
draws nearer—
Each day His Spirit whispers clearer: "The time is short!"
—"Herald of His Coming"

she goes, things begin to happen spiritually."

My fellow Christians, God is calling us, as surely as He called Daniel, to stir ourselves. Daniel responded. He did not have to. He could have gone on as casually and complacently as a lot of us have gone on for years. Instead, we have his testimony: "I set my face unto the Lord God!"

Will you? A revival of faith, a revival of fellowship, a revival of fervor—all this will come if—if we are ready to say, "beginning with me!"