1963 YOUTH RALLY REPORT

After the rally last year, someone remarked to me that Mr. Everest "preached us up from earth to heaven—and left us there". I thought of that statement a number of times during our recent rally and feel those are, undoubtedly, the sentiments of all the young people concerning the messages we heard this year.

The Youth Rally is an important date on our calendar. It seems every year it becomes bigger and better. It would be of no spiritual value whatsoever without the blessing and sanction of the Lord upon it, and never did we sense God's smile of approval as we did this year.

Our local musical talent, comprising the Bethany Choir, Gospel Trio and Male Quintet, were of a high calibre. They proved to be a real blessing. This was particularly evident in the Saturday afternoon concert. We are proud to claim these groups as our own.

There were other contributing factors that, combined, added much to the success of the rally. The spacious Marysville School Auditorium provided excellent facilities, with janitor service and parking assistance by the Town Police. A word of welcome by the Mayor, the banner across the stage, "Youth In Action For Christ", along with the poster "We're Building Reformed Baptist Churches With Youth", added a touch of convention atmosphere.

Needless to say, everyone enjoyed and appreciated the hospitality shown to us by the Fredericton, Marysville and Barker's Point churches.

There is nothing so precious as the fellowship of other Christians; and we need to cultivate deep-rooted friendships with other Christian young people as well as respect and love for older, more mature Christians. In this respect, the Youth Rally provides an excellent opportunity for us to do just that by finding new friends from our other churches and in enjoying fellowship in Christian homes.

The attendance exceeded any other in previous years and on Sunday reached approximately 800.

The rally came to a climax in a wonderful altar service on Sunday night with about 30 young people seeking special help. Following testimonies and a number of special musical numbers, we closed in our usual manner by forming a circle around the auditorium and singing "When The Roll Is Called Up Yonder" and "You Can Look For Me For I'll Be There". Mr. Everest pronounced the benediction.

I feel that none of us can be quite the same after attending this rally. It was rich and wonderful in every way. Our interest and prayers go with Mr. Everest and we are looking forward to the time when he can come back again.

A special word of appreciation is extended to our Youth President and other officers of the Y. P. Association who work earnestly and prayerfully behind the scenes. We also appreciate the concern and interest of our pastors and lay people who unceasingly uphold our youth work in prayer.

One of our pastors who attended for the first time in a number of years commented that, above everything else, he was most impressed with the spirituality of the rally . . . Indeed, we all were. To God be the Glory!

Yvonne Doyle

THE INNER MAN

It has long been seen that it is unsatisfactory to attempt to defend the trees of the forest and orchard by whitewashing or anointing, or indeed by any exterior precaution, from the parasites which afflict them; therefore the forester now bores into the very heart of the tree, and introduces chemical solutions which mingle with the sap and circulate through every branch and leaf, thus rendering the tree absolutely safe from its old foes—they refuse to touch it. How little the New Testament approves of coddled character! how sparingly it legislates for external defense! Christ and His disciples were ever insistent that the understanding should be full of light, the conscience exercised into acuteness, the will dowered with strength, the heart filled with love, because they well knew that these the wicked one toucheth not.—Watkins.

A PRAYER MEETING ALPHABET

Attend regularly.

Be on time.

Come with prayer.

Dare difficulties.

Eschew excuses.

Free the mind from business.

Get a friend to come with you.

H'elp in the singing.

Increase your faith.

Joy in service.

Kindle devotion.

Let society go.

Musicals also.

No "doubtful" amusements.

Operas too; they won't increase your love for prayer meetings.

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Pray without ceasing.

Quench not the Spirit.

Redeem the time.

Salute all who come.

Take front seats.

Unite in every prayer.

Visit who cannot come.

Write to those you cannot visit.

Xpect God to answer.

Yearn for souls.

Zealously strive to win them to Christ.

-Selected

MARRIED COUPLES' RETREAT BEULAH CAMP AUGUST 24-25, 1963

PONDER THIS

Holidays which have no time for worship are not holy days.

Time spent in seeking God adds to the enjoyment of a happy holiday.