

LIVERPOOL

Greetings in Christ to our Highway Friends.

With praise we are reporting victory and blessing from the hand of the Lord here on the south shore of Nova Scotia. How wonderful it is to be engaged in Home Mission Work. We feel it to be a privilege and an honor.

We are writing to solicit your prayers and support for our new Home Mission effort in Bridgewater. Last summer we approached the board regarding services in Bridgewater and they gave us the go-ahead. The Lord has opened the door and we will be having the first service May 9th in the Legion Hall. A christian man and his family are very interested in having a fundamental evangelistic church established in Bridgewater and we know there are others there desirious of the same.

We believe the Lord is leading us to this Town without a fundamental church, with the challenge of the Gospel of salvation and holiness. The Mormons are there, the Jehovah Witnesses' are there, and churches that are modernistic are there. Surely there is room for us.

Will you pray and support this venture of faith that a holiness church may eventually be established in Bridgewater? May the Lord richly bless you as you do so.

Yours for Home Missions,

Elsie and Ole Kent

MINISTERS CONFERENCE

May 17-19 found 39 of our ministers gathered for Conference at Grand Manan. From the opening congregational number to the final benediction there was a blessed sense of the presence of the Lord. Several of the men commented in terms of the best Conference yet.

The hospitality of the fine folk of Grand Manan was of its usual high order. The attractive auditorium of the Seal Cove church made a pleasant setting for the Conference. All who took part in the Conference program, whether it was in devotional leadership, the ministry of song, or as part of the panel leading us in interesting subjects of discussion, made an excellent contribution to the success of the Conference. The ministry of the guest speaker, Rev. James Lentz of Marion, Indiana, will long be remembered by those who were privileged to be present. The messages were interesting, challenging and most helpful.

The opportunity the Conference afforded for the brethren to share fellowship was not the least of the blessings. How pleasant it was to visit together especially while enjoying the Wednesday evening "fish chowder supper hour" provided by the ladies of our Grand Manan churches.

Our thanks to all who attended the Conference, to all who participated in the programme, and to all who entertained us so royally. May our ministry be more effective as a result of these pleasant and profitable days together.



The new dormitory of Bethany Bible College now nearing completion at Sussex, N. B.

WEDDING

Monicque Cecile Lavondeau and Linwood Horton Connolly were united in marriage in the Liverpool Reformed Baptist Church on April 17th. Rev. O. Kent performed the ceremony.

BORN

"Born to Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Keirstead of Norton, N. B., on May 19, 1965, a son, Karl Emil. A brother for Michael, James and Yolanda."



In one of your answers in The Question Bureau you use the expression "prevenient grace." What does it mean?

This is a term that the old theologians used, but, sad to say, we do not hear it much today. The word "pre" means before or something that goes before. In this case it is that grace that is extended to all mankind before they receive saving grace. Saving grace is only given to those who repent and believe on the Lord Jesus Christ.

Prevenient grace is extended to every son of Adam's race. Our good Calvinistic friends often speak of it as common grace.

The Bible teaches that the whole human race fell in Adam. In fact, God told Adam and Eve that the day they ate of the forbidden fruit they would surely die. We usually explain this by saying that they ate of the forbidden fruit. To my mind that is only a partial explanation. I believe that if it had not been for the fact that God had foreseen the fall of man and made provision for the atonement, Adam and Eve would have died that day and the whole human race would have perished.

God foresaw the fall and in the council chambers of eternity He made provision and worked out the plan of redemption. The Bible tells us that Jesus was the Lamb that was offered before the foundation of the world. The plan of redemption was no afterthought with God. He was ready with a remedy before it was needed.

The Bible also tells us that Jesus tasted

death for every man. Not one person was left out of the plans and provisions of God. Every son of Adam's race was born under the canopy of the protecting blood of Jesus Christ. That is why babies are saved if they die before they reach the age of accountability. They are saved by virtue of the shed blood of Jesus Christ. The vilest sinner that walks the face of the earth is under the prevenient grace of God. He is extended life and another chance by virtue of the mercy and grace of God.

In heathen lands we find evidence of this prevenient grace. Paul tells us in Romans 2:15 that the Gentiles show the work of the law that is written in their hearts. He also tells us in Romans 1:18-20 that God has given to all mankind enough light to bring them to know Him if they would walk in it.

No doubt many of you have felt, even when you were living in sin, a strange strong pull from God. Though you were trying to run from God, there was something that pulled you back toward God. That was prevenient grace. You may never accept saving grace and may go on and be eternally lost, but you can't say that God did not do His best to save you.

Thank God for His prevenient grace that found me and brought me back to the Father's House. "Love so amazing, so divine, demands my life, my love, my all."

Dr. John Church.

CANADIAN YOUTH ASSOCIATION

An organization was formed in Toronto, known as "The Canadian Holiness Youth Association" made up of representatives of nine Holiness denominations (Reformed Baptist, Nazarene, Wesleyan Methodist, Mennonite, Free Methodist, Gospel Workers, Pilgrim Holiness, Standard Holiness Movement). Rev. B. C. Cochrane was elected president of the organization with Rev. Robert F. Woods the Vice-President. "The meetings of the Rally, both business and evangelical, were pervaded by a beautiful spirit of harmony. Denominational distinctions were lost in the oneness of the Spirit. and there was not the slightest indication of sectarianism in any meeting. The spirit of the entire Rally was in perfect harmony with the specific purpose of the gathering."