

Weekly Devotional Column

By JAMES MACKENZIE

His mercy underlies.

Yet there is much we can do to make this year a more Christian one both for ourselves and for those with whom we come in contact. To this end I submit the following resolutions:

1. I will read my Bible through this year, from Genesis to Revelation. Further, I will read it carefully, prayerfully, and daily. If I read about three or four chapters a day (about fifteen minutes reading) I shall have read the entire Bible by next Christmas.

2. I will be faithful in my daily devotions. I will thank the Lord for His goodness before each meal, and will begin and end my day with prayer. I will set aside a portion of each day for prayer and meditation. "The family that prays together stays together."

3. I will fully support my church with my presence at all its services, and in my prayers. Further, I will return at least one-tenth of all that comes to me to the Lord, for this is God's way of supporting His work.

4. I will not compromise my testimony in any way this coming year. I will not tell off-color stories, nor encourage others to do so by listening to them and laughing at them. I will not leave myself open to criticism by anything I do, anything I say, or any place I go. I will live a life that is above reproach.

5. I will witness in kindness and love to all of my unsaved friends and loved ones, and strive to help them see, through the power of the Holy Spirit, their lost condition, and their desperate need of Christ as Saviour and Lord.

6. I will do my best not to lose my temper. If I do lose my temper, I will not say anything unkind. If I do say something unkind, I will immediately apologize to all concerned, and do my best to make amends.

7. I will not worry nor fret; trusting God to work all things together for good to them that love Him, as He has promised (Romans 8:28).

8. I will not bother others with my petty troubles; but I will be willing to listen sympathetically to theirs, and to make a genuine effort to be of help to them.

9. I will criticize no one unfairly, nor behind his back. If I find a fellow Christian in error, I will seek him

EDENTON MARINE PROMOTED IN KOREA



Marine Technical Sergeant Robert S. Bedell (left) is promoted to his present rank by Marine Warrant Officer Ernest W. Needham, adjutant of an observation squadron of the First Marine Aircraft Wing in South Korea. The helicopter specialist joined the Marines in January, 1944. He is the husband of the former Miss Annie L. Lassiter, 301 West Gale Street, Edenton. (Official U. S. Marine Corps Photograph).

out privately, and deal with him in humility and love. The only person I will judge harshly, and without mercy, will be myself.

10. I will let the beauty of Jesus be seen in me by living daily by the Golden Rule: "And as ye would that men should do to you, do ye also to them likewise" (Luke 6:31). I will meet every problem by asking myself, "What would Jesus do?"

New '54 Ford Trucks On Display Jan. 6th

Five Lines Will Include 24 Series and Over 220 Models

Ford's 1954 line of trucks, powered by five new ultra-modern short-stroke, low-friction, high-economy truck engines and featuring the first tandem axle unit ever built by Ford, will go on display in dealers' showrooms across the country Wednesday, January 6.

The five truck lines, including 24 series and more than 220 models, range from 4,000 lbs. to 40,000 lbs. rated gross vehicle weight. They again feature Ford's famous "driverized" cabs which last year helped bring Ford a record 150 per cent truck sales increase over the previous year. And Master-Guide power steering now is available on the Big Jobs with Fordomatic fully-automatic transmission on all light duty models.

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January 1, Festival of Circumcision of Our Lord Jesus Christ and New Year's Day, a Holyday of Obligation, Holy Masses will be celebrated at 7 and 11 A. M., sermon on "Pray For Persecuted," Holy Communion, Marian Year Prayer, Rosary for Persecuted, in Edenton Church.

Sunday, January 3, Feast of Most Holy Name of Jesus, mass in Palace Theatre, Windsor, at 8 A. M., and in St. Ann's Catholic Church, Edenton, at 11 A. M., each including sermon on "The Most Holy Name of Jesus", followed by Marian Year Prayer, Rosary in Honor of Most Holy Name of Jesus, Sunday School, with confessions for half hour before every service, stated Father Francis J. McCourt, rector, who invites everybody to all services.

Other week-days at 7 A. M., Mass, Rosary in Church.

CLASS MEETS TUESDAY NIGHT

The Young Woman's Bible Class of the Edenton Baptist Church will meet Tuesday night at the church at 7:30 o'clock. All members are urged to be present.

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