

# Weekly SERMONET

## DO YOU PRAY?

By REV. C. M. WARREN.

Prayer is the soul in contact and in communion with God. It is the Holy Spirit, constantly making known the deep desires of the heart to God the Father. How we need to pray! God made our hearts so that He could commune with us, and we with Him. God wants our hearts to talk with Him so that He can talk with us. If you do not know how to pray, then begin now to talk with God and you will soon learn HOW to pray. Every child learns to talk, then he gradually expresses himself.

Without doubt, God is the only object of prayer (Psalm 50: 15). It is our Christian duty to pray for others, as well as for ourselves (James 5: 16). Thus we are to pray fervently (Col. 4: 12), sincerely (Psalm 17: 1), constantly (Col. 4: 2), with faith (James 5: 15), with repentance (Psalm 66: 18), and by the help of the Holy Spirit (Rom. 8: 26).

Do you talk with God as you should? Do you let God talk with you, as you feel in your heart that you should, in order that you might be made a better man, woman, boy, or girl? How sad is it that so many people think that they can get along O. K. without praying! No one is right in his or her heart who does not pray to God. There is something lacking, and soon or late he will want to talk with God and MAY NOT be able to do so. My friend, talk with God now while you can do so. Pray the prayer of repentance and God will lead you in a wonderful way. You cannot afford to continue without prayer. God wants your heart, but He cannot get it unless you talk to Him. Take stock of your heart and see if you are praying at all, or how little you are praying.

Many pray little. Do you wait until it is forced upon you to pray? So often, people wait until some accident happens, or some serious sickness, or death comes, or something awful, before they pray. That is why so many hearts are not able to make contact with God. You have to pray in the Spirit before you can get help. If you pray once a week, or once a month, or just once in awhile, your heart will grow cold. Do not forget, your heart has to be warm in the Spirit of God before you can get help from God. So pray often in the Spirit. God does not hear us for our much speaking (speaking in big words) but he hears us as we pray from our hearts. Please do not wait until you get into some trouble, or heart ache, before you talk with God through our Lord Jesus Christ.

Do you pray for others? How we need to pray for our president, and the other high officers of our country! We are exhorted that "prayers be made for all men; for kings and all that are in high places." Are you praying for God's peace to come among nations of the world? Are you praying for the salvation of others. Are you praying for and working that evils may be moved out of the paths of our precious boys and girls, and that they may be strengthened to overcome evils? This is a time when earnest praying is needed. Much praying was done when the war

### At the Churches

#### Sylva Methodist

(The Rev. W. Q. Grigg, Pastor)  
 Sunday school will meet at 10 a. m., Gudger Crawford, superintendent.  
 11 a. m. Morning Worship by the pastor.  
 6:30 p. m., Youth Fellowship.

#### Sylva Baptist

(The Rev. C. M. Warren, Pastor)  
 Sunday school at 10 a. m., Hopwood Ball, Supt.  
 11 a. m. Morning worship, the pastor using for his subject, "The Temple of God," I Cor. 3: 1-17.  
 B. T. U. at 6:30 p. m., Carl Corbin, director.

8 p. m. Sermon by the pastor. Sermon subject, "The Touch of Jesus," Matt. 8: 15

Tuesday, 7:15 p. m. Prayer meeting.  
 Friday, 7:30 p. m. choir rehearsals. Each Monday at 10:30 a. m. the Baptist Ministers' Conference meets here.

#### Cullowhee Baptist

(The Rev. Mark R. Osborne, Jr., Pastor)  
 9:50 a. m. Sunday School  
 11 a. m. morning worship, the pastor speaking on the subject, "Jesus Needs Us."  
 4 p. m. Junior and Intermediate Training Union.  
 9 a. m. each day Vacation Bible School.  
 Wednesday—7:30 p. m. Mid week Prayer service  
 Friday — 7:30 p. m. Choir, rehearsal at the church.

#### Cullowhee Methodist

(The Rev. R. T. Houts, Jr., Pastor)  
 10 a. m. Church school.  
 11 a. m. Morning Worship.  
 The Youth Fellowship will meet at the church at 6:00 p. m.

#### Singing To Be At Savannah School

An all day singing is being planned for the fifth Sunday, June 29, at the Savannah schoolhouse. All singers are asked to be present and take part in the singing. The public is invited to come and bring lunch.

#### Upper District Will Have Singing

The regular monthly meeting of the Upper District Singing convention will be held Sunday, July 6, at John's Creek schoolhouse. Every one is invited to come and participate in the singing.

Early raking of hay will prevent bleaching of the green color from leaves and thereby reserve the food value that would be lost through long exposure to the sunshine.

was going on, but there is little evidence that such praying is being done now. My friends, let us pray without ceasing in our homes with our children, in our churches, and as we go away from place to place, that the hearts and minds of our people may be turned from the sinful ways of the world to the things of righteousness and to God. O, let us pray in the Spirit of God.



**ESSAY CONTEST FINALISTS**—The four district winners in the Cooperative Essay Contest who will compete in the State Finals to be held at the Womans Club in Raleigh on June 26 are shown above.

Left to right, they are: Charles L. Herring, age 18, Route 1, La Grange, representing the Eastern District; Elaine Graham, age 15, Proctorville, representing the Southern District; Anita Bolinger, age 16, Route 1, Vale, representing the Western District; D. C. Price, age 18, Mayodan, and representing the Central District.

The contestants in the State Finals will be competing for a top prize that offers a years tuition scholarship and \$100.00 in cash.

#### Lonnie Morgan Celebrates Birthday

Mr. Lonnie Morgan celebrated his 46th birthday Thursday, June 12. All of his children, except one daughter, Mrs. Minnie Foutz, of Danville, Va. were present for the

occasion. Those attending were his two sons, Griffin and Glenn, of Cowarts and one daughter, Mrs. Lon Harris, and small daughter, Delois.

Mrs. Morgan's mother, Mrs. J. W. Wood, who had been very ill, was able to be carried up to Mr. Morgan's for the day. The table

was centered with the birthday cake surrounded by flowers. Mr. Morgan cut the cake and served it to his guests. He received a number of nice gifts.

It is estimated that one man can put down 350 board feet of six-inch flooring in one 8-hour day.

#### Coward Family Has Fifty-Fifth Reunion

The fifty-fifth annual reunion of the Coward family was held Sunday, June 15 at the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Glenn, Sr. in Sylva. This was begun as a celebration of the birthday of Nathan Coward and has been continued annually since his death, and is held each year on the Sunday nearest his birthday, June 12th.

States represented other than North Carolina in the 151 members attending were South Carolina, Florida, Tennessee, Oklahoma, and Indiana.

Rev. and Mrs. C. M. Warren were invited guests. He offered a prayer and returned thanks before the sumptuous picnic dinner was served.

The next reunion will be held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Rogers Coward at Webster.

#### Singers To Meet At Dix Creek

All singers are invited to meet at the Dix Creek church, Sunday, June 22, for the fourth Sunday singing, which will begin at 2:00 p. m.

#### W. L. Jones Have Dinner Guests

Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Jones entertained a few friends at dinner Sunday at the Little Dining Room. The guests were Mr. Claude Love, Asheville attorney, who had been guest speaker at the Sylva Methodist church, this being Laymen's Sunday; Mrs. Love and daughter, Sadie Jean, Mr. and Mrs. S. C. Allison, and Bobby Allison.

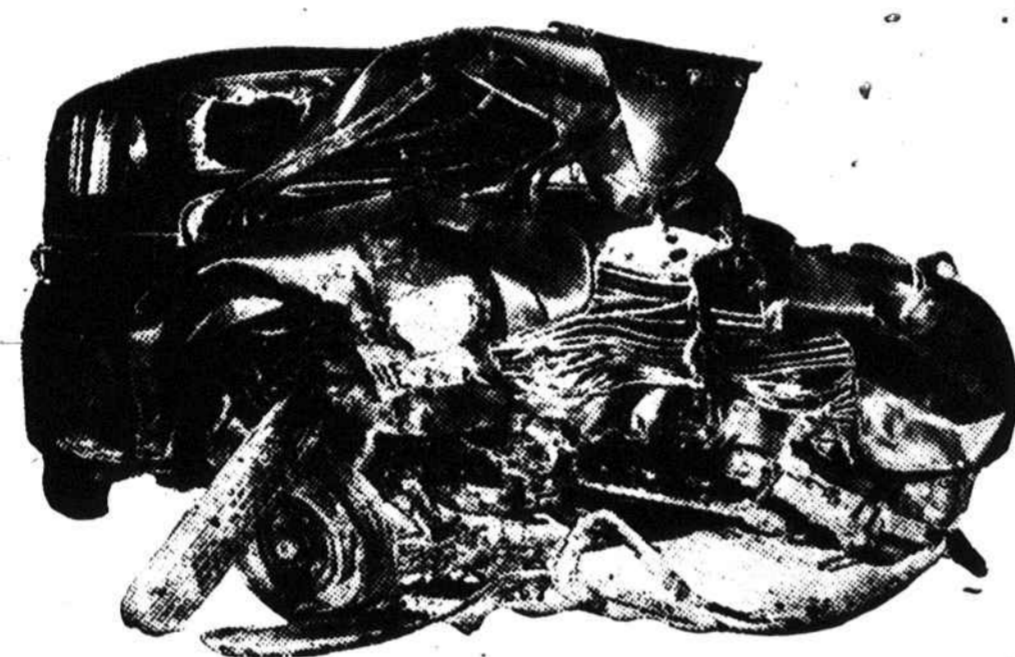
#### EYES EXAMINED

### Glasses Fitted

DR. ALDEN C. DOWNS

will examine eyes and fit glasses in Sylva at the Carolina Hotel Friday, June 20, from 9 o'clock to 4 o'clock.

If you have eye trouble or don't see well you should consult Dr. Downs on above date.



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