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At The Churches

WAYNESVILLE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Rev. Malcolm R. Williamson, pastor.
Whitener Prevoast, superintendent of Sunday School.
Sunday School at 10 o'clock.
Morning worship at 11 o'clock.
Sermon by the Rev. J. M. Carr, D. D.

Evening worship at 7:30 o'clock.
The evening service will feature a religious film.

The Rev. J. M. Carr, D. D., regional director of Religious Education for the Synod of Appalachia will be the guest minister at the Presbyterian church on Sunday. Dr. Carr will preach at the morning hour of worship and at the evening service will show a religious film illustrating the value of visual education in worship services.

The service Sunday evening is being sponsored by the young people of the church. Boys and girls of the Sunday School, all young people and adult members of the church congregation are urged to attend the service. Visitors will be cordially welcomed.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

Rev. L. G. Elliott, Pastor.
Sunday School at 9:45 a. m. Ben Phillips, general superintendent, urges an increased attendance preparatory to Vacation Bible School. There were 261 present last Sunday. The general lesson title for Sunday is "The Fall of the Northern Kingdom."

Morning worship at 11 o'clock. The pastor will bring a message on "Conservation of Democracy."

Training Union meets at 7 p. m. Director P. H. Gentry is very desirous of this organization holding its attendance during the summer months.

Evening worship at 8 o'clock. The pastor will bring an evening message on "The Look of Jesus." This subject is a continuation of a series of sermons on the characteristics of Jesus.

Monday at 3:30 p. m. at the church, a meeting of all Vacation Bible School workers. This is very important.

Midweek worship and choir rehearsal on Wednesday night at 8 o'clock.

UNITED CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Rev. Queen, Pastor.
The United Christian church is now worshipping in the old Rocky Branch church each Sunday afternoon. Sunday School begins at 2:30 o'clock with W. A. Cable as superintendent and regular preaching service starts at 3:30. A special invitation is extended to the public to attend.

Those desiring to attend services may use a bus, which leaves the Five-Point Garage in Hazelwood at 1:30, goes down through Hazelwood by Welles No. 2, up Platt Creek and over by the Log

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Fall of the Northern Kingdom

ILLUSTRATED SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

By Alfred J. Buescher

Scripture—II Kings 5:1-15; 15:8-17:41; Isaiah 28:1-4.



Naaman, captain of the host of the king of Syria, was a great man, but he was a leper. In his household was a little Israelite maid, a captive, who told her mistress, Naaman's wife, that Elisha, the prophet, could heal him of his leprosy.



Someone told what the little girl had said, and the king of Syria wrote to the king of Israel and asked him to cure Naaman of leprosy. The king was very much upset, as he had no power to heal, but Elisha said, "Let him come now to me."



Naaman went with his horses and chariot to Elisha, but the prophet sent a messenger telling Naaman to "wash in Jordan seven times, and thy flesh shall come again to thee, and thou shalt be clean." Naaman was angry and went away in a rage.



But his servants said, "If the prophet had bid thee do some great thing, wouldst thou not have done it? How much rather then, when he saith to thee, 'Wash and be clean?' So Naaman washed in Jordan and was healed. MEMORY VERSE—Psalm 46:1

Cabin church on Hyatt Creek, then up Allen's Creek to the church. The bus will leave the church at 4:30 to make the trip back. Regular bus fare is charged.

FIRST METHODIST CHURCH

Rev. Paul W. Townsend, Pastor.
Church School begins at 10 a. m. with worship services in all departments. Classes at 10:15. M. H. Bowles, superintendent.
Morning worship at 11 o'clock. Mrs. Fred Martin, director of music and Mrs. W. L. Matney, organist.

Sermon by the pastor.
This will be a memorial service with the Haywood Memorial Post of Veterans of Foreign Wars and the auxiliary as special guests.

GRACE CHURCH IN THE MOUNTAINS

Rev. Robt. G. Tatum, Rector.
Whitsunday.
Church School at 9:30 a. m. Holy Communion and sermon at 11 a. m.

On Tuesday, May 27, the Rector's Guild will meet with Mrs. Robert Breece, at her home on Love Lane.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE

The church rooms are located on the second floor of the Masonic Temple. Services are held each Sunday morning at 11 o'clock. "Soul and Body" will be the subject of the Lesson-Sermon on next Sunday. The Golden Text will be taken from Psalms 42:1, "Why art thou cast down, O my soul, and why art thou disquieted within me? Hope thou in God, for I shall yet praise him, who is the health of my countenance, and my God."

ST JOHN'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

Schedule of Masses
Waynesville—
Every Sunday 11:00 A.M.
Andrews—2nd Sunday 8:00 A.M.
Bryson City—
Every Sunday 8:00 A.M.
Canton—5th Sunday 8:00 A.M.
Cherokee—3rd Sunday 8:00 A.M.
Fontana Village—
Every Sunday 11:00 A.M.
Franklin—
Every Sunday 8:00 A.M.
Highlands—
Every Sunday 11:00 A.M.
Murphy—1st Sunday 8:00 A.M.
Sylva—4th Sunday 8:00 A.M.

FIND URANIUM

PHOENIX, ARIZ.—The Phoenix Gazette said recently in a copy-righted story that extensive deposits of uraninite, a uranium-bearing ore, have been discovered in a copper claim in Hack's Canyon, a tributary of the Grand Canyon, 135 miles southwest of Fredonia, Ariz. Three other large deposits were reported nearby.

Jonathan Creek News

MRS. W. T. RAINER

Mrs. Marvin Leatherwood was hostess to the Woman's Society of Christian Service of the Shady Grove Methodist church last Wednesday afternoon. Mrs. F. R. Kennedy, president, presided.

Twelve members were present with Mrs. Fisher, Mrs. Pless Boyd and Mrs. Medford Leatherwood as guests. Mrs. C. O. Newell led the devotional and Mrs. R. E. Owen had charge of the program which was a study of Japan.

Each member is to bring a pound or more of clothing to the June meeting to be sent to the needy in Europe. \$1.50 was made from the grab-bag.

During the social hour the hostess, assisted by her young son and daughter, served homemade cake,

ice cream and tea.

Those attending the Mission Study Class from the creek at the Methodist church in Waynesville last week were Mr. and Mrs. C. O. Newell, Mrs. Robert Howell and Mrs. Troy Leatherwood.

Mr. and Mrs. F. R. Kennedy have returned from Knoxville, where they attended the funeral of Mr. Kennedy's sister, Miss Mary Kennedy.

ARMY AIR FORCE TO BOLSTER ARCTIC DEFENSE

WASHINGTON — (AP) — The army air forces today revealed new plans for bolstering America's defenses against attack across the Arctic.

The AAF announced that an \$8,125,000 expansion program would be undertaken at Mile 26 field near Ladd Field, Alaska, to base its 10,000 mile-range B-36 super bombers.

Leads Revival



REV. JOHN W. MOORE, well-known retired Methodist minister of Lake Junaluska, will conduct revival services at 8 o'clock each evening, beginning Sunday, at the Lake Junaluska Methodist church. The series of services will begin Sunday morning with the pastor, Rev. Cecil L. Heekard, preaching, and continue throughout the week. Mrs. C. O. Newell, pastor of the Crabtree Methodist churches, will conduct services for the children each evening at 7:30 o'clock in the basement of the church.

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The Everyday Counselor

By HERBERT SPAUGH, D. D.

Again the question of a Christian's participation in secular amusements, such as dancing, card playing and the movies, is raised by a correspondent. This time it is by a young man. He has been told that participation in such things is sinful, that he should not engage in such recreation.

Periodically this question comes up. Again I say that there is no hard and fast rule on these matters. Each individual has to make his own decision in the light of the teaching of his church, or by his own interpretation of the teachings of the Bible as they apply to his particular case.

St. Paul, in his Epistle to the young man Titus, wrote, "unto the pure all things are pure; but unto that are defiled and unbelieving is nothing pure; but even their mind and conscience is defiled. They profess they know God; but in works they deny Him, being abominable and disobedient, and unto every good work reprobate." As a man thinks in his heart, so is he. Rotten fruit is enjoyable food to

The Golden



Naaman.

"God is our refuge and strength, in trouble."—Psalm 46:1

worms but not to man. Water seeks its own level, and a man's character is reflected in his actions. So a man's conduct is a reflection of his inner life.

But St. Peter knew that it is easier for most of us to progress downward in our conduct than upward, so he wrote, "Dearly beloved, I beseech you as strangers and pilgrims, abstain from fleshly lusts, which war against the soul; having your conversation honest among the Gentiles; that, whereas they speak against you as evil-doers, they may by your good works, which they shall behold, glorify God in the day of visitation."

Conduct goes further and reflects our own characters. It may, and often does, prove a stumbling block to others. Things which we may be able to do, even in moderations, they may not be able to do without harm. St. Paul wrote of such when he said, "Wherefore, if

Sunday School Lesson

Fall of the Northern Kingdom

HIGHLIGHTS ON THE SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

By NEWMAN CAMPBELL
(The International Uniform Lesson on the above topic for May 25 is II Kings 5:1-15; 15:8-17:41; Isaiah 28:1-4, the Memory Verse being Psalm 46:1, "God is our refuge and strength, A very present help in trouble.")

"NOW NAAMAN, captain of the host of the king of Syria, was a great man with his master, and honorable, because by him the Lord had given deliverance until Syria; he was also a mighty man in valour, but he was a leper."

In one of the raids made by the Syrians, the soldiers had brought a little Israelite maiden as a captive, and she waited on Naaman's wife. "And she said unto her mistress, Would God my lord were with the prophet that is in Samaria! for he would recover him of his leprosy."

Someone told the master what the little girl had said, and the king of Syria wrote a letter to the king of Israel telling him that he, the king of Syria, was sending his servant, Naaman, to him to be cured of leprosy. The king of Israel read the letter and tore his robe, saying, "Am I God, so kill and to make alive, that his man doth send unto me to recover a man of leprosy? Wherefore consider I pray you, and see how he seeketh a quarrel against me."

When Elisha heard that the king had sent his clothes and thought the king of Syria was trying to pick a quarrel with him, he said, "Let him come now to me, and he shall know that there is a prophet in Israel."

Naaman Goes to Elisha
So Naaman came to Elisha with his horses and his chariot and gifts, and stood at Elisha's door. Now Elisha did not come down to see Naaman himself, but he sent a messenger to him, telling him to go to the river Jordan, wash himself in the water seven times, and he would be clean.

Naaman flew into a rage at this message. Probably he felt he had not been shown the proper respect due to one of his station because Elisha had not come to talk with him. "Behold, I thought, he will surely come out to me, and stand, and call on the name of the Lord his God, and strike his hand over the place, and recover the leper," he said.

And as for the river Jordan, why could he not wash in one of the rivers of Syria and be clean? They were much less muddy than the Jordan. However, his servants, who seem to have been fond of him, said, "My father, if the prophet had bid thee do some great thing, wouldst thou not have done it?"

How much rather then, when he saith to thee, Wash, and be clean."

That must have seemed like commonsense to Naaman, so he went to the river Jordan, dipped himself seven times in the water, and "His flesh came again like unto the flesh of a little child, and he was clean."

Naaman went back to Elisha and offered him gifts, but he would take nothing, so Naaman told him he would offer no more sacrifices to strange gods, but only to the Lord.

Fall of the Kingdom

This story of the healing of the captain by the power of God is the first part of our lesson; the rest deals with the fall of the northern kingdom because of the people's wickedness and disobedience to God. As we noted in our last lesson, Israel rose to its height in power and prosperity in the reign of Jeroboam II. This monarch was followed by his son, Zechariah, who was murdered after a six months' reign, by Shallum, who reigned for only one month and was killed by Menahem. At this time Tiglath-pileser, king of Syria, invaded the kingdom of Israel and exacted an enormous tribute from the king of the now weakened empire. The king took the money from the wealthy men of his kingdom who had piled up fortunes when Jeroboam II was king.

Menahem was succeeded by his son, Pekahiah, who was assassinated by Pekah. Pekah opposed the Assyrians, but he was slain by Hoshea I and his followers. He was a tool of Assyria.

Isaiah, the prophet, prophesied the downfall of Israel, saying, "Woe to the crown of pride, to the drunkards of Ephraim, whose glorious beauty is a fading flower, which are on the head of the fat valleys of them that are overcome with wine! . . . The crown of the pride, the drunkards of Ephraim, shall be trodden under feet. And the glorious beauty, which is on the head of the fat valley, shall be a fading flower, and as the hasty fruit before the summer; which when he that looketh upon it seeth, while it is yet in his hand he eateth it up."

Hoshea was a wicked king, although not as bad as some of the others. It was during his reign that Israel fell. Hoshea was taken captive and held a hostage for the payment of tribute, and the hordes of Assyrians poured into Israel. Samaria was besieged, and although it held out for three years, it was finally captured and the Israelites were carried off into slavery once more. This took place in 722 B. C.

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