

SOCIAL HAPPENINGS

Sorrowing Hearts

Again, with unexpected sadness, death has come among us. The shock of the passing of Mrs. Irma Law Hanner is visibly and profoundly felt by those with whom she had daily contact. We at Bethel pause to pay our tribute of love and affection and respect to her memory. We join in extending to the members of her bereaved family our heartfelt sympathy, and pray that in the years that lie ahead the good Lord will sustain them and give them peace and health.

District Retreat

The youth of Bethel Church have sponsored several types of activities to raise funds to help defray their expenses at the Second Episcopal Retreat of the A. M. E. Church to be held at Kittrell College, Kittrell, N. C., August 5-9.

Sunday, August 4, they will sponsor a "Bake Sale" in the church kitchen immediately following the morning worship service. Give the young folks a hand!

Fellowship Service

The pastor, Dr. Leon S. Penn, Sr., the Senior and Gospel Choirs, Ushers and Congregation of Bethel A. M. E. Church are invited to worship at Mt. Zion A. M. E. Church Sunday, August 4, at 3:00 p. m. Dr. Penn will be the speaker. Dinner will be served by the members of Mt. Zion Church. Will you meet us there?

"Outer Space" Rally Activities

A BABY CONTEST, sponsored by Mr. and Mrs. James Slappy, the Rev. Mrs. Lucy James and Mrs. Catherine Hester will terminate Sunday, August 11, at 4:00 p. m. at Bethel Church, Regan Street at Friendly Avenue. There are 7 babies in the contest. The Bethelites and others will appear on the program which will be presented at that time. All are cordially invited to attend.

A Special Service

will be sponsored by the Rev. S. O. McLaughlin, Sunday, August 18, 4 p. m. at Bethel Church. Mr. John C. McLaughlin, former Dean of the School of Agriculture at A. and T. State University, will be the guest speaker. Others will appear on the program. Come one, come all.

Gratefulness

The Pastor of Bethel Church, Dr. Leon S. Penn, and family are grateful to all who contributed toward the much needed vacation.

A Reminder

Those delegates who will attend the Retreat at Kittrell College, Kittrell, N. C., are reminded to take their own bed linen, blankets and pillows.

A THOUGHT TO PONDER

"This Way To Power"

We live in a day of unprecedented change. There are ex-

citing frontiers on every hand, yet most Christians today are not facing these challenges with the power that is their right. According to present statistics, it takes a year's effort on the part of one thousand laymen and six pastors to introduce a single person to Christ.

—Bill Bright.

Missionary Circle Meets

The Winnie Lewis Missionary Circle met Thursday night, July 25, in the Intermediate Classroom at Bethel Church for their regular monthly meeting, with the chairman, Mrs. Aleece Faulkner, presiding. The devotion was led by Mrs. Carrie Black in the absence of Mrs. Ethel Ruffin by singing, "Have Thine Own Way, Lord". Prayer was repeated in unison. The song, "For You I Am Praying," closed the devotion.

During the business session, activities for the fall were discussed.

Several members told of their trips this summer. Mrs. Ida B. Wilkins gave a brief resume of her trip to Dallas, Tex. this month. Mrs. W. M. Verble, Mrs. Marion Watson and Mrs. Florence Kesler talked briefly of their trip to Cherkoe, and the drama they saw, "Unto These Hills" which was beautiful, indeed. The Circle plan to take a trip next year.

Following the sick report the meeting adjourned with the Missionary Benediction, to meet again September 12, 1968.

CHANGE IN SOCIAL SECURITY LAW

A recent change in the social security law makes it easier for young workers to qualify for disability benefits, according to Charles E. Myers of the Greensboro Social Security Office. Persons who become disabled before age 31 do not need as many work credits to get disability benefits as were required under the old law, adds Mr. Myers.

Before, social security credits were generally needed for at least five out of the last ten years before the disability started. Now, persons who become disabled between 24 and 31 need credits for only half the time between 21 and the time they become unable to work. Persons who are disabled before age 24 need only 1-1/2 years of work credits out of the 3-year period ending when their disability began.

Mr. Myers advises anyone who became disabled before age 31 to get in touch with the social security office. This applies even if a previously filed claim was denied for too few work credits. The Greensboro Social Security Office is located at Room B-32, Old Post Office Building, 324 West Market Street. The office hours are 8:45 a. m. to 5:00 p. m. except on Mondays when the office is open from 8:45 a. m. until 7:00 p. m.

Sunday School Lesson

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us to God as the one who not only has acted in the past but also acts in the present and has promised to act in the future. In a day when children are dying from starvation, when people are either dying or being deformed by napalm, how does one proclaim that God is working for good in his world? If God is still acting in our history, why does he not put an end to such terror?

But the presence of God as the one who made us and who holds our future in his hands is precisely the message the church is called to proclaim. History is no more in the hands of the war gods of the 1960's than it was in the hands of Marduk.

The Church's Failure

The problem the church faces in today's world is one of a credibility gap. Many persons do not believe what we preach. Perhaps one reason for this failure to believe is that we often live as though we don't believe it either. It is very easy to talk about the love of God for all men on Sunday but very difficult to love all men on Monday.

If we as Christians are going to talk about God's concern for the well-being of society, we are going to have to be concerned about the well-being of society.

Those of us who are white, middle-class Protestants must be ready to identify ourselves with the poor, the colored, the lonely. Those of us who belong to the economically secure section of the Negro community must be ready to risk what we are and what we have by identifying with our lower-class brothers. We must further be ready to risk the insults of white men by striving to close the gaps that separate these groups. Those of us who are among the lower economic classes of all races must be ready to cast off the reverse snobbery that believes all people who have money are heartless and snobbish. Those of us who are wealthy must not allow our money to claim our prime loyalty, which belongs to God.

If Christians are going to make any progress toward closing the credibility gap, we must learn to put ourselves in the place of others — to sense their needs, hopes, ambitions, and desires. We must be able to speak hope

North Carolina Guilford County

NOTICE

The undersigned, having qualified as Administratrix of the estate of Leon H. Hardy deceased, late of Guilford County, this is to notify all persons having claims against the said estate to present them to the undersigned on or before the 12th day of January, 1969, or this notice will be pleased in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate payment to the undersigned.

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Greensboro, N. C. 27402

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This 8th day of July, 1968.

Carry B. Hardy
2207 Stamey Street
Greensboro, North Carolina
Lee, High Taylor and Dansby

to the legitimate ambitions and unashamedly speak judgment to the illegitimate ones.

The Witness of Others

Stories from World War II tell of Christians who, when Jews were forced to wear yellow arm bands to identify themselves as Jews, also wore the arm bands. This action could even mean a trip to the gas chamber for the Christians. But these Christians felt that the best way they could proclaim the love of God was to identify with those who were oppressed.

In *The Plague* Albert Camus tells of a priest who refuses to call a doctor when he is infected with the plague because he feels he must walk through the valley of death with his people. Clutching his crucifix to his breast and turning his face to the wall, he dies with his people. This, said Camus, is what it means to be a man.

The Contagion of Grace

Certainly, not everyone with whom we become involved will become a Christian. Each individual must make this decision for himself. Our reason for identifying with others is that we have been commanded by our Lord to love others as we love ourselves, regardless of the outcome.

WHAT WILL WE DO ABOUT IT?

We are always in danger of reading and talking about the world's problems but never becoming involved in doing anything about them. On the other hand, reading and discussion

NORTH CAROLINA GUILFORD COUNTY

NOTICE OF SALE OF LAND

UNDER DEED OF TRUST
Under and by virtue of the power of sale contained in a certain deed of trust executed by Amos Herbin and wife Mary S. Herbin dated June 26, 1959 and recorded in Book 1852 at page 93 in the office of the Register of Deeds of Guilford County, North Carolina, default having been made in the payment of the indebtedness thereby secured and said deed of trust being by the terms thereof subject to foreclosure, the undersigned trustee will offer for sale at public auction to the highest bidder for cash at the east door of the Guilford County Courthouse at Greensboro, North Carolina, at 12:00 o'clock noon on the 16th day of August, 1968, the property conveyed in the said deed of trust, the same lying and being in the County of Guilford and State of North Carolina, in Glimer Township and more particularly described as follows:

BEGINNING at an iron stake in the east side of Main Street, Leonard's southwest corner and running thence southwardly with Martin Street 50 feet to a stake, Jeffries' corner; thence eastwardly with Jeffries line 173.5 feet to a stake; thence northwardly with line of Lot No. 24, 50 feet to a stake; thence westwardly with Leonard's line 173.5 feet to the point of BEGINNING, being Lot No. 6 in Block 15 in Douglas Heights.

This property will be sold subject to any deeds of trust of record, all taxes, special assessments, water rents and any other prior encumbrances of record.

A 10% deposit will be required of the successful bidder at the sale of the first \$1,000.00 of his bid, and 5% of any excess above \$1,000.00.

This 15th day of July, 1968.

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maybe the means by which God leads us to act on these problems. An extremely challenging book in this respect is *The Plague*, by Albert Camus. Camus was not a Christian, but his book makes a good statement of Christian compassion. Your class might want to read this book and spend a couple of evenings discussing it, or perhaps a public school teacher or librarian would agree to review it for your class sometime.

You might want to read on a couple of topics related to the lesson. The writer refers to God by using the name "Yahweh" (pronounced YAH-way). Check the origin of this name in a Bible dictionary. (Look under "God".) You might also want to check for more information on Second Isaiah. (Look under "Isaiah".) Were you previously aware that this book had more than one author?

Turn back to the section entitled "What the Scripture Says to Us." Check the third paragraph under the heading "The Church's Failure." Here the author is talking about middle-class people identifying with the poor and colored and lonely, Negroes helping their own people, and the lower-class people understanding middle-class people. List these three areas on a large piece of paper or a chalkboard. Under each heading list the problems that would be in-

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NOTICE OF SALE OF LAND UNDER DEED OF TRUST

Under and by virtue of the power of sale contained in a certain deed of trust executed by C. D. McGowan and wife Elizabeth S. McGowan dated the 6th day of April, 1963 and recorded in Book 2092 at page 520 in the office of the Register of Deeds of Guilford County, North Carolina, default having been made in the payment of the indebtedness thereby secured and said deed of trust being by the terms thereof subject to foreclosure, the undersigned trustee will offer for sale at public auction to the highest bidder for cash at the east door of the Guilford County Courthouse at Greensboro, North Carolina at 12:00 o'clock noon on the 16th day of August, 1968, the property conveyed in the said deed of trust, the same lying and being in the County of Guilford and State of North Carolina in Morehead Township and more particularly described as follows:

Being all of Lots 18, 17, 16, 15, 20, 21, 22 and 23 of Charles B. Routh Stone property as per plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 19, Page 1, in the office of the Register of Deeds of Guilford County, North Carolina, SAVE AND EXCEPT from the above-said described property that certain tract of land described in a deed from H. L. Coble Construction Company to Geo. H. Farley and wife Lillian M. Farley, dated January 26, 1966, and recorded in Book 1908, Page 195, Guilford County Public Registry.

This property will be sold subject to any deeds of trust of record, all taxes, special assessments, water rents and any other prior encumbrances of record.

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