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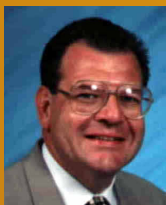
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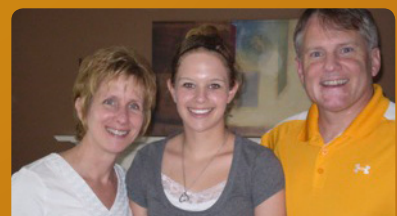
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FROM THE EDITOR

This past year has brought several changes to the family of Nazarene evangelists. Every now and then our Lord re-directs some of us to serve Him in a new capacity. Down through the years I have observed many of my friends and colleagues make the transition from itinerant evangelists to successful pastors and administrators. Ray LaSalle, Lenny Wisehart, Michael Benson, Ken Dove, Bob Lothenore, Marjorie Jantz-Owens, Carlton Mills, Jerry Kline, and many others come to my mind. These ministers continue to serve our Lord with the same evangelistic passion that sustained them while traveling each week to a new assignment.

Earlier this year Evangelist Timothy Hancock accepted a call to pastor the First Church of the Nazarene in Gallatin, Tennessee. Tim is an alumnus of Mt. Vernon Nazarene University and was ordained in 1988 on the North Central Ohio District. Tim served as a tenured evangelist and singer for twenty years holding revival meetings and camp meetings from coast to coast. Tim and his wife JoAnne and daughter Abi will always be a part of our large family. They are just going to be in an extended revival meeting for as long as the Lord needs them in Gallatin. Tim already has stored his Ohio State Colors for the Tennessee Volunteers as you can see.



Dr. Gary Haines Accepts Position with Nazarene Bible College

President Harold Graves is pleased to announce that Dr. Gary Haines has joined the recruiting staff of Nazarene Bible College with specific responsibility for nationwide recruiting within the Church of the Nazarene. As a 1975 graduate of the Bible College, Gary has been an enthusiastic supporter of the school throughout his thirty-eight years of active ministry as a tenured evangelist. For the last seven years he has been the volunteer organizer and promoter of the annual G.B. Williamson golf tournament, which raises money for NBC student scholarships. Under his leadership, the tournament has achieved record numbers of sponsorships, golfer registrations, and monies raised. When first approached about joining the staff, Gary stated, "NBC saved my life. It will be like coming full circle to be able to share what the college has meant to me and my ministry and to encourage others who are called to ministry to get their education through my alma mater." As one of the most respected and loved evangelists in the Church of the Nazarene, Gary has been encouraged by President Graves to continue to accept engagements to speak at revivals, camp meetings, and district assemblies. The college administration believes that Gary's service in these meetings will serve as an embodiment of the spirit of holiness ministry and servant leadership that is the hallmark of NBC.

*Dr. Jay W. Ott
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Dr. Gary Haines has served on the Committee of the God Called Evangelist for many years as a tenured evangelist and singer. Dr. Haines and his wife, Marti, live in Colorado Springs, Colorado and have earned the distinction of being "lifers" in the family of Nazarene Evangelists, having served nearly forty years in the field.

Another one of our tenured evangelists, Duane Smith and his wife, Ruth, are entering a new phase of their ministry. I remember very well the first time I saw Duane. We were attending an evangelism conference in Kansas City in the 1970's. There was a mirror in the corridor of one of the buildings. We were wearing almost identical

blazers, ties, and slacks. Because of the mirror we both assumed we were approaching our reflection. When we passed by each other we both turned around at the same time with a surprised look and grinned. Well, he kept most of his red-blond hair but mine turned loose. It's hard to believe how quickly the years have gone by. Preachers and especially evangelists never fully retire but the office of Pensions and Benefits does keep track of us. The church Manual requires that as soon as we enter the designation of evangelism service retired we must resign some of our positions of service. Duane has been the secretary for the Committee on the God Called Evangelist from the very beginning. He has served the committee with faithfulness and distinction, but has graciously followed the Manual instructions and submitted his resignation as secretary. Duane and Ruth will continue to keep busy with their itinerant ministry and I heartily recommend them to you and to your churches. The church needs to continue to hear the messages of these seasoned and God-anointed evangelists.

As you can see, change is inevitable. I am encouraged by the fact that some of our commissioned evangelists have fulfilled the Manual requirements for tenure. There is a very gifted and talented class of candidates that are ready to be "tenured" this coming year. Evangelists Susie Shellenberger, Michael Adams, Billy Huddleston, Scott Ferguson, and Jeremiah Bolich are some of those on the list. I encourage you to pray for all our evangelists and to support them by calling both new and veteran evangelists to your churches. The Christmas season is upon us. Would you pray about sending a love gift of any amount to the evangelist or song evangelist that the Lord draws you to? Speaking from the experiences of forty-two years in the field, the "little" gift at Christmas time makes a big difference. Thank you for your support and prayers and we wish you a merry and blessed Christmas. ★

G. Bond





The Jesus of Paul's Letters

Paul once regarded Jesus as a renegade Jew, a blasphemer of God and an enemy of Israel. He was single-minded and whole-hearted in his efforts to destroy the early church. Then Jesus struck him down, called his name, rebuked his sins, and changed his life. From the moment of that encounter Jesus became Paul's "magnificent obsession." With single-minded and whole-hearted devotion he labored and suffered, lived and died to proclaim Jesus Christ to others. He wrote to the Philippians, "For to me, to live is Christ and to die is gain" (Philippians 1:21).

In his letters Paul often names himself as the servant of Jesus, and throughout his letters he calls Jesus, "Lord." He uses a word for Lord that commonly refers to God in the Greek translation of the Old Testament called the Septuagint. The use of *kryios*, by a man who was a Pharisee trained in strictest monotheism speaks volumes about his "high" Christology.

Paul's gospel labors were strongly independent of the other apostles. Although he identified them as true apostles, however, he also insisted that consultation with them added nothing to what he had been taught by the Lord and was teaching in the church. He preached the same Jesus as they did.

Paul shared with John the identification of Jesus as Creator. "By him," he wrote to the Colossians, "all things were created: things in heaven and on the earth, visible and invisible" (Colossians 1:16). To Christians, he wrote to the Corinthians, "there is but one Lord, Jesus Christ, through whom all things came and through whom we live" (1 Corinthians 8:6). All that we can see, even with our vision notably enhanced by microscopes and telescopes, was created by the Word of God. This creative Word entered history as Jesus of Nazareth.

The Creator, as Jesus, became the Redeemer. "God was pleased to have all his fullness dwell in him, and through him to reconcile to himself all things, whether things on earth or things in heaven, by making peace

through his blood, shed on the cross" (1 Corinthians 1:19-20). Paul shared the belief of the gospel writers that the death of Jesus was an atoning sacrifice. He declared the resurrection of Jesus to be a powerful affirmation of His son-ship to God and his savior-hood of believers (Romans 1:1-6). He argues that all mankind, Jews and Gentiles, are guilty of sin and unable to save themselves, since the law could define sin but could not deliver from sin. The way out of sin, the way to God was Jesus. "There is no difference [between Jews and Gentiles], for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, and are justified freely by his grace through the redemption that came by Jesus Christ" (Romans 3:22-24).

To Paul, Christ was the "last Adam," and all who are in Him are destined to share His eternal glory. We are in Him by faith, and the Spirit is in us to witness that we are the adopted children of God. This makes us "heirs of God and co-heirs with Jesus Christ" to God's eternal riches (Romans 3:17).

The Redeemer is now the Intercessor. Jesus is "at the right hand of God and is also interceding for us" (Romans 8:24). This truth brings to believers the sweet assurance that nothing "will be able to separate us from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus our Lord" (Romans 8:35, 38).

Jesus, as Creator, Redeemer, and Intercessor, was the subject matter of Paul's preaching. "God was reconciling the world to himself in Christ." God-in-Christ was one Paul preached about. God-in-Christ was also the one who preached through Paul. God had given to Paul and his preaching colleagues "the ministry of reconciliation" and "the message of reconciliation." They stood before men imploring, "Be reconciled to God." They were "Christ's ambassadors" and God was "making his appeal" through them (2 Corinthians 5:18-20).

In a similar vein Paul wrote to his Thessalonian converts, "We also thank God continually because, when you received the word of God, which you heard from us, you accepted it not as the word of men, but as

it actually is, the word of God, which is at work in you who believe (1Thessalonians 2:13). They heard Paul, but at the same time they were hearing the Lord, and gospel preaching, that carried within it a power to take minds and hearts captive to Christ.

To the Corinthians he wrote, "We preach Christ crucified: a stumbling block to Jews and foolishness to Gentiles, but to those whom God has called, both Jews and Gentiles, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God" (1Corinthians 1:23-24). Paul was not ashamed of the gospel for it could do what the wisdom of the world could not do, deliver persons from sin and unite them to God.

Of "first importance" to Paul as a preacher were the crucifixion and the resurrection of Jesus. These were events in history that occurred in fulfillment of the Scriptures (1Corinthians 15:3, 4). They were not incidental or accidental. In them the saving purpose of God was actuated. Both events could be confirmed by a large number of eye-witnesses. The resurrection of Jesus was the "first fruits" of a harvest that the resurrection of his followers will complete (1Corinthians 15:20-24). Our lives in this world and in the next, therefore, depend utterly upon the work of Jesus Christ.

In one of the finest passages ever written about Jesus Christ and gospel preaching Paul said, "We do not preach ourselves, but Jesus Christ as Lord, and ourselves as your servants for Jesus' sake. For God who said, "Let light shine out of darkness," made his light shine in our hearts to give us the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Christ" (2 Corinthians 4:5-6). Jesus, in his human life and as our divine Lord, is the image of God and the light of men. He dispels the darkness of our spiritual ignorance and reveals what God is and what we should be.

The cross of Christ provides the way by which God, without compromise or coercion, can remain just and yet be the justifier of those who believe in Christ. The resurrection validated and interpreted the cross. It affirmed the Father's acceptance of the Son's sacrifice, and therefore it affirms His acceptance of all who come to the Father through the Son.

"In Christ" is a favorite phrase in Paul's correspondence. He speaks of believers collectively as "saints in Christ" (Philippians 1:1), "brothers in Christ" (Colossians 1:2) and "the faithful in Christ" (1 Corinthians 1:2). Believers are "created in Christ" (Ephesians 2:10), "included in Christ" (Ephesians 1:13), "justified in Christ" (Galatians 2:17), "forgiven in Christ" (Ephesians 4:32), "sanctified in Christ" (1 Corinthians 1:2) and "approved in Christ" (Romans 16:10). Believers experience

"salvation in Christ" (2 Timothy 2:10), "life in Christ" (1 Timothy 3:12) and "joy in Christ" (Philippians 1:26). Believers possess "faith in Christ" (Philippians 3:9), "hope in Christ" (1 Corinthians 15:19) and "love in Christ" (2 Timothy 1:13). Believers receive "every good thing in Christ" (Philemon 6) and "every spiritual blessing in Christ" (Ephesians 1:3).

The list is impressive, and it cannot be true if Jesus was just another prophet, teacher, reformer and founder of a religion. He is all these but much more than all these. To Paul, "Christ is all and is in all....God's chosen people" (Colossians 3:11, 12). He is our very life (Colossians 3:4). Just as we live physically in air and with air in us, so we live spiritually in Christ and with Christ in us. His word dwells in us and His peace rules in us (Colossians 3:1, 11, 15, 16). "Christ in you," is to Paul, "the hope of glory" (Colossians 1:27).

The Jesus of Paul's preaching and writing is coming again. Paul was convinced by "the Lord's own word" that He would "come down from heaven" to raise the dead and take his people to be with Him forever (1Thessalonians 4:15-18). This glorious prospect is a primary means of "comfort" to Christians who are afflicted and persecuted now. Paul also declares that when "the Lord Jesus is revealed from heaven in blazing fire with his powerful angels," He will "punish" those who have rejected the gospel and will grant "relief" to those who have faithfully followed Him through troubled times (2Thessalonians 1:7-10). The final destiny of all persons is in the hands of Jesus, the coming righteous Judge.

Paul wrote from a different perspective and experience than did the authors of the Gospels, but he proclaimed the same Jesus. All the main ingredients of their Christology can be reproduced from his epistles. He was in constant conflict and competition with false prophets and their false gospels (Galatians 1); but never at odds with true apostles. He did not simply parrot them, but he and they preached "one Lord, one faith, one baptism." The four Evangelists would say a hearty "amen" if they heard Paul preach that Jesus "is Lord of all and richly blesses all who call on him, for "Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved" (Romans 10:12, 13).

Summing up: the Jesus whom Paul preached was the Son of God and the Savior of believers. He existed before time and history and is the Creator of all things. Love brought the Creator into creation as the Redeemer. His death was a judicial human blunder, but a spiritual divine conquest. He atoned for sin and now intercedes for sinners. At some point in the future He will return to judge (continued on page 21)

STEPHEN MANLEY Jesus Pusher

Stephen Manley is a Jesus Pusher. It sounds a bit odd perhaps; some people “push” drugs or alcohol, sex or entertainment, and I guess in our own ways we all have something we “push.” But I have met few individuals with such an intense focus on one thing. For Stephen Manley, his one thing, his only passion, his single desire is Jesus.



In his own words: “I am a Jesus pusher!!!! I am an undaunted, courageous, stouthearted, bold, adventuresome, brave, fearless, gallant, heroic, lionhearted, unafraid, unflinching, valiant Jesus pusher. I cannot help myself. He is startling and He has overwhelmed me. I do not speak of ideas about Jesus or historical information concerning Him. I speak about Him. I am a Jesus pusher!!!! I am a mastered, possessed, addicted and obsessed Jesus pusher. There seems to be no way to quit. But who would want to?”

And Stephen does everything he can to “push” Jesus on everyone. No, Stephen is not aggressive, mean, or harsh, but he is intense, focused, and dedicated. Perhaps that’s because of the foundation

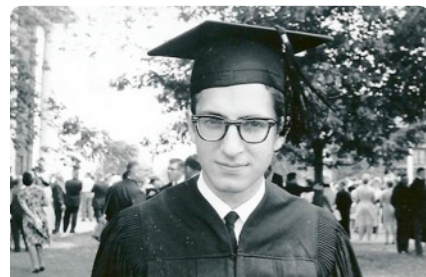
God laid in his life at a young age.

The Foundation

Stephen Manley, born July 18, 1942, grew up in the home of an Indiana Methodist pastor, which provid-

ed the basis for his early spiritual growth. Stephen received his call to ministry at the age of seven and began filling his father’s pulpit at the age of eleven. But as a young man entering high school, he was conflicted and torn with the reality of his spiritual life. There must be something more. During the lunch hour one afternoon, Stephen stole away from the high school and walked across the street to his dad’s church, hiding himself in a classroom to think and pray. There was no emotional surge, no lights in the sky, no booming voices, but Stephen left the church radically altered in heart and mind; Christianity is about intimacy with Jesus! Stephen concluded if the essence of Christianity is oneness with Jesus – the outside God getting to be inside, living and sourcing one’s life – then it is critical to keep one’s focus upon Jesus throughout the day, not merely a few minutes each morning in devotions and prayer. As a way to develop such a habit of focus, Stephen decided every time the school bell rang he would pray:

“Thank you Jesus for living inside of my life.” This became so much fun he decided every problem he had, he would bring to Jesus and allow Him to be a part of the solution. Soon, he involved Jesus in every good thing; desiring His involvement and activity moment-by-moment throughout the day. During these formative high school years, Stephen devoured every book he could get his hands on about the depths of intimacy with Christ. It was then he discovered he did not invent the concept of “practicing God’s presence,” but found great encouragement by those who had written about such a life long before his own. This concept became a growing aspect in young Stephen’s life. He was constantly growing in intimacy and oneness with Jesus in an attitude of surrender and dependency. None of his reading compared to his desire for the Word of God, which became the bedrock and



platform for Stephen's life. Stephen found that as he dove into the written Word (Bible) he was diving into the Living Word (Jesus). The Bible was not a dreary book to study in order to prepare sermons, it was an exciting avenue through which he could experience the living person of Jesus, develop deep intimacy with Him, and be continuously pressed and transformed by Truth (Jesus). As he is so fond of saying, "We do not handle the Word of God; it handles us." Even now, some fifty years later, the Word continues to become more precious and important in his life. At age seventeen, now attending Taylor University and pastoring a local Methodist church, Stephen met, and two years later, married Delphine Oliver. For the next five years, Stephen and Delphine ministered in the pastorate of both the Methodist and United Missionary Church Denominations. While in the pastorate, the Manleys adopted their first child, Stephen Christopher Manley, in March 1967. The following year, July 1968, they adopted their second child, Evangeline Faith Manley (Vangie). The expansion of the Manley family came at a critical time in Stephen and Delphine's call to ministry. After pastoring for seven years, Stephen, now twenty-four, made the leap into full-time itinerant evangelism, which became his call for the next forty-one years.

For his first four years in evangelism, Stephen travelled alone. In 1971 he moved his ministry under the umbrella of the Church of the Nazarene; and in 1972, Stephen brought his wife and children onto the road, where they ministered together for the next ten years. Again in 1982, Stephen found himself traveling alone as the two children, now in their



high school years, stayed at home with Delphine. As young Steve and Vangie attended high school, Delphine established and administered the office for Stephen Manley Evangelistic Association (SMEA), based out of their home in Upland, Indiana. It was only after Steve joined the army and Vangie graduated high school that Delphine joined Stephen back on the road.

The international arm of SMEA began in February 1985, continuing for the next fifteen years. Stephen and Delphine dedicated nearly three months of every year to international evangelism, traveling throughout Africa, Central and South America, and Europe. In 1989 they spent six months within nine different countries in Africa. These trips often consisted of pastoral training during the day and evangelistic meetings in the evenings.

In addition, the Manleys began an evangelist intern program, taking young men and women on the road with them during the summer months. The emphasis of the intern program was on practical ministry as well as Biblical training and transformation. The interns would minister to the children and teens at the summer camps and church meetings Stephen preached, while attending a daily one-hour training with Stephen



that included sessions on theology, evangelism, saturation Bible study,

practical ministry, and sermon preparation. For the next twenty years over 65 interns experienced life on the road with Stephen and Delphine Manley – seeing holiness, a servant-hearted lifestyle, and evangelism lived out in day-to-day living. Since the program's inception in 1987, Stephen had a desire to begin a one-year school of practical ministry that would invest, train, and mentor a new generation of people called to ministry. His desire was to give individuals an opportunity to learn how to study the Word, experience growth and transformation, and provide practical ministry training within a needy community. However, the desire for the school would have to percolate for a few years.

In 1986, Nazarene Bible College invited the Manleys to teach at the school, even with their busy preaching schedule. During winter semesters, Stephen and Delphine would live in their RV in Colorado Springs so Stephen could teach Monday night through Wednesday morning and then catch a flight to preach at a revival meeting Wednesday night through Sunday. Delphine was also an adjunct professor teaching under Verla Lambert in the Women's Study Series during several of those NBC years between 1986 and 1992.

The Lord soon pointed Stephen and Delphine toward Tennessee. In December of 1998, they responded to the Lord's leading and moved SMEA's ministry headquarters from Upland, Indiana to Lebanon, Tennessee, not realizing at the time that this would become the location of the practical ministry school Stephen had long felt a divine stirring over.

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The Future

After 41 years in itinerant evangelism, the Manleys felt a clear call from God to come off the road for the purpose of starting the Cross Style School of Practical Ministry. The basis for this school required a church

body to partner in the lives of the students and in the ministry training. In September 2009, twenty-two years after the dream began, Cross Style Church of the Nazarene was established in Lebanon, Tennessee with Stephen as the lead pastor.

Over the last two years, Cross Style Church has aggressively ministered within the community. Whereas some churches are inward focused, Stephen has wanted from the beginning for the pastoral staff, the congregation, and ministry students to be outward focused. The church now runs an emergency-housing program for the homeless and needy, provides food boxes and serves a daily free hot buffet dinner to the community. Cross Style is invested in nursing homes, the community little league, the local Kiwanis Club, and has recently started a transformation program

(The Lazarus Project) for those with addictions and people coming out of prison or jail. The ministry opportunities have been expanding

and opening up in ways that can only be ascribed to Jesus.

Now that a ministry foundation has been laid in the community, Stephen and the Cross Style team are officially launching the Cross Style School of Practical Ministry in January 2012. While we have had a few students as a part of the program thus far, in January, ten international students are planning to join a few others in Lebanon, Tennessee to be the first official class of the school. The outflow and ministry potential as well as the practical investment in the lives of these students cannot be overstated. These ten international students from Africa, India, and Central and South America will be spending a year at the school and will not only be grounded in the Word of God but will also take practical ministry experience back to their countries. It is the passion of everyone in Cross Style, especially Stephen, to have the opportunity to invest in and train up the next generation of leaders, pastors, evangelists, missionaries, and ministers. As such, the Cross Style School of Practical Ministry is focused on three types of individuals: high school graduates who want to spend a summer, semester, or year grounding themselves in the Word to have a Biblical filter before entering college; individuals called to ministry and want practical ministry training; and laymen who want to take their depth and intimacy with Jesus and their Biblical understanding to another level. Summer internships, much like the original evangelist intern program Stephen began, are still available for those who desire to spend a summer immersing themselves in the Word of God and learning servant-hearted

ministry through practical hands-on experience.

Stephen, now 69, has joked that he has been doing things backwards. Often pastors retire into evangelism but he has been slowly moving out of evangelism to become a full time pastor. Stephen still travels in evangelism, averaging one meeting a month and several camps throughout the summer, but his focus has become the church, school, and community within Lebanon, Tennessee. If you were to ask him when he might consider retiring for good, he would respond with a smirk and tell you it will never happen. And after a lifetime of full time ministry, you might think burnout might become an issue, but long ago Stephen found the solution for burnout: getting into the Word of God. As he says, you never hear a pastor or leader express how exhausted he/she is, and follow that



with "let me tell you of the riches I've been discovering in the Word, how Jesus has been transforming my life, and the intimacy I've been experiencing with Him." Burnout is impossible when one's life is built upon the foundation of the Word and intimacy with Jesus. For Stephen, his life is wrapped up in a total saturation of Jesus and the Word of God. Time in the Word is more than an activity or duty to schedule in his day. It is the delight of his heart and the focus throughout his day because it draws him deeper





into intimacy with Jesus Christ. He wants his “moment-by-moments” saturated with the Person of Jesus and the Word. He longs for Jesus to ever increase and expand in and through His life.

Stephen’s life, testimony, and preaching has been used throughout the last six decades to touch, influence, and transform the lives of countless people around the world. But in honest humility, Stephen downplays himself in order to lift up and “push” Jesus. His life is not his own; it is the stage upon which Christ acts, the glove Jesus wears, the voice through which Jesus proclaims Himself to the world, the hands Jesus uses to touch, minister, and love a hurting and needy world. Stephen is a Jesus pusher. He has no other focus than Christ.

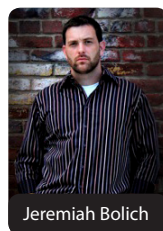
“Jesus is present in every situation of my life. There is no conversation in which I do not feel His presence. He participates in all my recreation. He is everywhere I go. Who would want to be without Him? He is the protection for my life. He is the fragrance I constantly smell. He is the flow of my spiritual blood giving me life. He is my constant nutrition making me healthy. I cannot survive without Him. I am a Jesus pusher!!!! I want to push Him on you. I want you to join me in this obsession. You do not have to work at it; it is not a discipline. It is as natural as breathing. Please let Him pull you to His heart.” –Stephen Manley

For more information about Stephen Manley and the Cross Style School of Practical Ministry, please visit: www.Cross-Style.org

Dr. Stephen Manley and his wife Delphine have been my personal friends for over forty years. My wife Beth and I had the privilege of ministering with the Manleys in the “early days” when we had to light charcoal fires underneath our trailers in the winter time to thaw the drains so we could shower and get ready for services. They have never wavered in their commitment to God’s call to ministry. Dr. Manley was the first Revivalism Coordinator and served with honor, distinction, and integrity. I have always enjoyed fellowship with them in our gatherings over the years for many reasons not the least of which is the fact that Stephen always gives me his dessert. I am blessed to know that without a doubt the fire in his soul which was ignited as a young boy is still burning with power and intensity today. I want to thank Evangelist Jeremiah Bolich and Evangelist Nathan Johnson for their work in assembling this article on the ministry of Dr. Stephen and Delphine Manley. - Gary Bond



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To think of Stephen Manley is to envision revival fires that have been ignited across the nation and around the world because of his anointed preaching. Brother Stephen has been used of God in thousands of congregations, camp-meetings, and rallies to call us to live holy transparent surrendered lives of radical obedience to God. To think of Dr. Manley is to witness

a disciple - maker who passionately pours his life into young evangelists. The Paul-Timothy relationship he has nurtured with countless young disciples has multiplied the Kingdom- impact of his fruitful ministry, to the glory of God. To think of Stephen Manley is to think of intentionality. He knows exactly why he serves the way he does and everything in his life is dedicated to reaching the lost and awakening the church. Brother Manley is a treasured gift from the Father to the Church!

Dr. Jerry Porter
General Superintendent
Church of the Nazarene



I was standing in the middle row of the filled arena prior to the evening General Assembly service looking for my seat, when Dr. Don Gibson, Secretary of Evangelism in the world wide Church of the Nazarene, stopped me as I was proceeding down the aisle to introduce me to a young man he had with him. He told me his name was Stephen Manley, a new evangelist in our church who had recently joined the denomination. I turned and introduced myself to Stephen extending my hand to him in that first greeting, thrilled at the prospect of a new evangelist joining our ranks. As we walked along together, I did my best to introduce Steve to everyone I passed on the way to my seat. That was a long time ago, and the thought of me introducing *(continued on next page)*

him to Nazarenes seems almost foolish now, for he is so well known and such an integral part of evangelism in the Church of the Nazarene.

Steve is well educated with an undergraduate degree from Asbury College (now University) and an earned Doctorate in Ministry. Beyond this formal education, his ministry has been characterized by his love of learning and thirst for new understanding. Not just learning in general but an intense fascination with the words of Holy Scripture. In this process he has fallen in love with the Greek and Hebrew. I have preached in camp meetings with Steve when he has preached the entire week from one verse most often from Matthew.

Steve is a dynamic proclaimer of the Word. His delivery is hypnotic in a most spiritual and wonderful way. He has for me redefined the word exegesis. Following the delivery of his messages, conviction rolls in like waves of the sea over the crowd and yes, even over his preaching partner sitting in awe on the sidelines. He is truly a unique and powerful preacher careful to function under the direction and unction of the Holy Spirit. A disciplined athlete, he runs on a daily basis and most often in the early morning. I asked him once why he runs like this and why he consistently follows such a defined diet. His answer was, "I want to grow old and feel good." What he was really saying is that he wanted to be rung out for

God till the end of his very life. Beyond this, he has a passion to come alongside young preachers and teach them how to dive deep into God's Word and live a life that is radically given to Christ. More than a marvel in the pulpit and a student of remarkable depth, I am pleased to say he is my friend. His "cross style living" has intersected my life in numerous positive ways.

Dr. Chuck Millhuff
Evangelist / Revivalism Coordinator
Emeritus



Our Lord doesn't say that we "should" be or even "could" be salt and light in this world. He says, as Christians, we "are" salt and light. Our standing in Christ enables us to greatly influence our world. One of the saltiest and brightest among us is Evangelist Stephen Manley. He and Delphine have traveled the church spreading wonderful flavor and shedding beautiful light. I have been personally impacted by Dr. Manley's powerful preaching of the cross. Carefully, intensely, and passionately, he has preached holiness to our generation and thousands have responded to his invitation to truly live like Christ in our world. The Church of the Nazarene and sister denominations are deeply grateful for the way that the Manleys continue to model and

mentor the surrendered life.

Bob Broadbooks
USA/Canada Regional Director
Church of the Nazarene



I've heard Stephen Manley preach many times; I've been the co-evangelist with him several times in camp meetings; and I've learned to deeply respect and strongly love this man of God. Stephen Manley is disciplined. He is a verse-by-verse Bible preacher. He is a clear Holiness preacher. His anointed messages always bring seekers to an altar of prayer. He preaches with power, courage, clarity, and conviction. The Church of the Nazarene (plus many other denominations) is further up the road spiritually because of the life and preaching of this godly man~~~Stephen Manley. I thank God that he has crossed my path many times in this journey through life.

Dr. James Diehl
General Superintendent
Emeritus Church of the
Nazarene



Life Time Achievement Award Recipients for 2011

Last year it was decided to honor Nazarene evangelists and song evangelists who had given thirty or more years to the full time ministry of itinerant evangelism and revivalism. The previous recipients of the "Life-Time Achievement Award" are Jim and Rosemary Green, Dr. Bob and Peggy Hoots, Wally and Ginger Laxson, and Dr. Stuart and Ellen McWhirter. It is a joy for the entire family of evangelists to honor these inductees and welcome them into this unique group that is worthy of our love and appreciation. To the glory of our Lord and Savior the list of future inductees is a growing one. We encourage you to either send a card, letter, or e-mail to these "road warriors" to thank them personally for their years of service to the Kingdom. A personal letter from Dr. Warrick, who also represents the Board of General Superintendents, has been sent to each of the past and present inductees.

Life-Time Achievement Award

Jesus said to them, "No one who has left home or wife or brothers or sisters or parents or children for the sake of the kingdom of God will fail to receive many times as much in this age, and in the age to come eternal life."
 Luke 18:29-30 (NIV)

It is with sincere gratitude and recognition of a life-time of faithful ministry as song-evangelist in the Church of the Nazarene that your church, colleagues, and friends, lovingly bestow this award to
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 December 13, 2010

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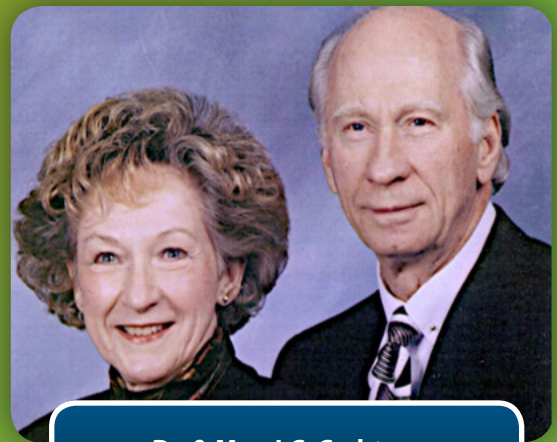
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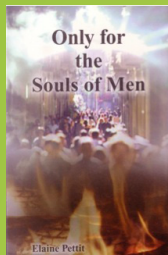


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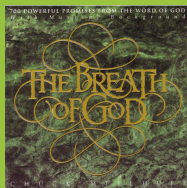
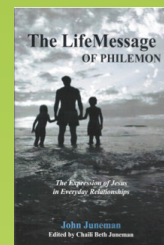


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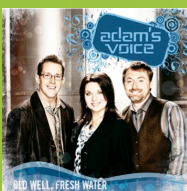


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Hope: The Anchor of the Soul

Hebrews 6:17-20



Nelson Perdue

We have heard a lot about hope and change in the last three years. One of the saddest statements the Apostle Paul makes is recorded in Ephesians 2: 12, speaking of the heathen world, he wrote, "having no hope, and without God in the world..." In the constant pursuit of change, too often we find ourselves like the Athenians of Acts 17 who "spent their time in nothing else, but either to tell, or to hear some new thing." If they would have stayed with the 'old paths' (Jeremiah 6:16) they would have found rest for their souls.

In Hebrews 6: 17-20 the writer is speaking to the heirs of promise and the heritage that is promised. He said until they receive their heritage, they lay hold upon the hope as an anchor of the soul. God reveals the inheritance of His people as "that within the veil." The veil that He is speaking of is that which separated the holy place from the holies of holies. The birth of the Spirit makes us heirs and as heirs we, through baptism with the Holy Spirit cast our anchor within the veil, which is an earnest of our full inheritance to come. The word 'anchor' comes from the Greek word that means 'a hook.' If we keep pulling on the rope (rope is our obedient faith) we will ultimately arrive at our final destination.

We are not permanent residents of this world but rather pilgrims on a journey until we enter into the joys of our Lord. The writer says that Jesus is the forerunner. He has gone ahead and made a way for us to come to Him. He's the Rock upon which we hook our anchor. He secures the vessel in time of storm and peril. The anchor is only of service when connected with a good cable. The cable is our faith and when sight and feelings fail us our faith tells us that the Rock never fails. As long as we are anchored "within the veil" it can never drag nor slip no matter how the winds of doubt and unbelief may rage. Our hope in Christ can never fail unless the blood of Jesus should lose its efficacy. As Pilot of the Ship of Zion, He will one day guide us into the harbor of hope and cast anchor and shout, "all out for the New Jerusalem." ★

*"We have an anchor that keeps the soul,
Steadfast and sure, while the billows roll,
Fastened to the Rock which cannot move,
Grounded firm and deep in the Savior's love."¹*

¹The song "We Have an Anchor" was copyrighted in 1882 by William James Kirkpatrick and renewed in 1910 by the Hope Publishing Co. words by Pricilla Jane Owens.



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 Dec 9-11 Manhattan, KS
 Dec 27-30 Marion, IN
 Jan 13-15 Lebanon, TN (Cross Style)
 Jan 22-25 Longview, TX (First)
 Jan 29-Feb 1 McAllen, TX
 Feb 5-8 Borger, TX (First)
 Feb 12-15 Hereford, TX
 Feb 19-22 Crowley, TX (First)
 Feb 23-25 Crowley, TX (First)
 Feb 26-29 Whitney, TX (First)
 Mar 2-4 Isabella, OK
 Mar 9-11 Chandler, OK (First)
 Mar 18-21 Anderson, MO (Goodman Banner)
 Mar 23-25 Marshfield, MO

BURKHALTER, G. (T)

Nov 30-Dec 4 Haltom City, TX

COVINGTON, NATHAN (T)

Jan 21-22 Pella, IA
 Jan 28-Feb 1 Severn, MD
 (Grace Pointe Community)
 Mar 25-28 Elkhart, IN (Northside)

DELL, JIMMY (T)

Jan 8 Coolidge, AZ (Community Fellowship)
 Jan 14 Peoria, AZ
 Jan 29-Feb 1 Ponca City, OK
 (Brookfield Wesleyan Church)
 Feb 2-5 Wichita, KS (First Wesleyan Church)
 Mar 4-7 Meade, KS
 Mar 15-25 Maui, HI

DOWNING, ANN

Dec 2 Louisville, OH
 (Canaan Acres Christian Camp & Conf. Center)
 Dec 4 Toledo, OH (Trinity)
 Dec 10 San Angelo, TX (Bible Church)
 Dec 17 Hagerman, ID (Christian Center)
 Dec 18 Hagerman, ID (Christian Center)
 Dec 31 Winnipeg, MB (Calvary Temple)
 Jan 1 Winnipeg, MB (Calvary Temple)

FERGUSON, SCOTT

Dec 3 Snow Camp, NC
 (Victory Chapel Wesleyan Church)
 Dec 4 Kings Mountain, NC
 Dec 9 Hedgesville, WV (Snyder's Bible Chapel)
 Dec 10 Franklin, PA
 Dec 11 New Galilee, PA
 Dec 16 Donalsonville, GA (First)
 Dec 17 Sandersville, GA
 Jan 15-18 Tennille, GA (Good Shepherd)
 Jan 22-25 Rockledge, GA (Wilkes)
 Jan 29-Feb 1 Brunswick, GA (Grace Community)
 Feb 5-8 Cascilla, MS (Rosebloom)
 Feb 19-22 Orange Park, FL

FLINT, ROBERT

Dec 25 Leipsic, OH
 Jan 6-19 Urbana, OH
 (Ministry Development Center)
 Jan 23-27 Findlay, OH (Winebrenner Seminary)
 Feb 2-23 Urbana, OH
 (Ministry Development Center)

GALLIMORE, DAVID

Dec 3-7 Fremont, NE

GESSNER, DON AND SHIRL

Dec 1-31 Newark, OH (Evangelism Outreach)
 Jan 1-31 Newark, OH (Evangelism Outreach)
 Feb 1-29 Newark, OH (Evangelism Outreach)
 Mar 1-30 Newark, OH (Evangelism Outreach)

GREENWAY, KENNETH (T)

Dec 4-7 Greensboro, NC (Triad Covenant Life)
 Jan 8-15 Seagrove, NC (Mt. Zion Wesleyan)
 Jan 22-25 Garner, NC (Raleigh First)
 Feb 13-15 High Point, NC
 (Hayworth Christian School)
 Feb 19-22 Greensburg, KY
 Feb 26-Mar 1 Stanford, KY

HAINES, GARY (T)

Jan 1-31 Colorado Springs, CO
 (Nazarene Bible College)
 Feb 1-29 Colorado Springs, CO
 (Nazarene Bible College)

HUTCHISON, RICK

Feb 1 St. Petersburg, FL (Camp Freedom)
 Mar 28-Apr 1 Knoxville, TN
 (Westview Wesleyan Church)

KYONKA, JAMI

Dec 4 Fairview Heights, IL (Belleville Korean)
 Dec 6 St. Louis, MO (Division of Youth Services)
 Dec 11 Fairview Heights, IL (Belleville Korean)
 Dec 18 Fairview Heights, IL (Belleville Korean)
 Dec 25 Fairview Heights, IL (Belleville Korean)

LIVERSAGE, JERRY

Dec 1-31 Garden Grove, CA (Friends Church)
 Jan 1-26 Garden Grove, CA (Friends Church)
 Jan 26 Costa Mesa, CA (Time Warner Studio)
 Jan 27 Anaheim, CA (Valencia Inn Motel)
 Feb 2-9 Garden Grove, CA (Friends Church)
 Feb 11 Anaheim, CA (Evergreen Royale Motel)
 Feb 16-23 Garden Grove, CA (Friends Church)
 Feb 24 Anaheim, CA (Time Warner Studio)
 Mar 1-22 Garden Grove, CA (Friends Church)
 Mar 29 Anaheim, CA (Time Warner Studio)
 Mar 30 Anaheim, CA (Valencia Inn Motel)

LOMAN, LANE

Jan 8-11 Phenix City, AL (Landmark)
 Jan 15 Kissimmee, FL
 Jan 17-19 Kissimmee, FL (Billion Soul Conference)
 Jan 22-25 Oglethorpe, GA (Battlefield Parkway)
 Jan 27-29 Oklahoma City, OK
 (Tinker Area Holiness Crusade)
 Feb 12-15 W. Columbia, SC (First)
 Feb 17-19 Little Rock, AR (First)
 Feb 26-29 St Petersburg, FL
 (Cornerstone Community Free Methodist)
 Mar 4-7 Kingsport, TN (Southview Community)
 Mar 11-14 Warner Robbins, GA (First)
 Mar 18-21 Fostoria, OH
 (Trinity United Brethren Church)
 Mar 25-28 Dothan, AL

MANLEY, STEPHEN

Jan 8-11 Beaver Creek, OH
 Jan 12-15 Lebanon, TN (Cross Style)
 Feb 5-10 Bradford, PA (Spiritual Life Crusade)

MITCHELL, ROYCE

Dec 9 Payette, ID
 Dec 10 Kimberly, ID
 Dec 11 Baker City, OR
 Dec 17 Nampa, ID (Bethel)
 Dec 18 Kuna, ID (Baptist Church)
 Jan 8 Wilder, ID (Homedale Mountain View)
 Jan 8 Nampa, ID (First)
 Jan 13 Ripon, CA
 (Immanuel Christian Reformed Church)
 Jan 14 Paradise, CA (Alliance Church)
 Jan 15 Roseville, CA
 (Pleasant Grove Community Church)
 Jan 15 Menlo Park, CA (Presbyterian Church)
 Jan 20 Los Altos, CA (Bridges Community Church)
 Jan 21 Desert Hot Springs, CA
 (Caliente Springs RV Resort)
 Jan 22 Indian Wells, CA
 (Southwest Community Church)
 Jan 22 Quartzsite, AZ (Alliance Church)
 Jan 23 Indian Wells, CA
 (Southwest Community Church)
 Feb 10 Lake Havasu City, AZ
 Feb 12 Oro Valley, AZ
 Feb 17 Sun City, AZ
 Feb 18 Surprise, AZ (Palm Vista Baptist)
 Feb 19 Surprise, AZ (Grand Community Baptist)
 Feb 19 Mesa, AZ (Red Mountain Christian Center)

PERKINS, HAL

Dec 3-4 Olathe, KS (Faith Journey)
 Jan 1-4 Durango, CO (Faith Community)
 Jan 11-13 Colorado Springs, CO
 (Desperation Leadership Academy)
 Jan 15 Thornton, CO (Denver ThornCreek)
 Jan 16-19 Colorado Springs, CO
 (Desperation Leadership Academy)
 Jan 22-26 Concord, CA (Christ Community)
 Jan 29-Feb 2 Ceres, CA (Valley View)
 Feb 4-5 Marysville, OH
 Feb 6-7 Marion, IN
 Feb 11 Oakes, ND (Prairie Lakes)
 Feb 11-16 Litchfield, MN
 Feb 18-22 Richardson, TX
 Feb 24-29 Sheridan, WY (First)
 Mar 4-7 Pablo, MT
 Mar 9-10 Spokane, WA (First)

Mar 17-22 Cody, WY (First)
Mar 25-29 Victor, MT (Bitterroot)

PETTIT, BENJAMIN AND AMANDA

Dec 2-4 Shipshewana, IN (Christmas Gathering)
Jan 7-15 Muskegon, MI (Breakwater)
Jan 20-21 Shipshewana, IN (EPM Gathering)

PETTIT, ELAINE (T)

Dec 2-4 Shipshewana, IN (Christmas Gathering)
Jan 7-15 Muskegon, MI (Breakwater)
Jan 20-22 Shipshewana, IN (EPM Gathering)

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Dec 2-4 Shipshewana, IN (Christmas Gathering)
Jan 7-15 Muskegon, MI (Breakwater)
Jan 20-22 Shipshewana, IN (EPM Gathering)

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Dec 24-Jan 1 Franklin, PA

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Dec 4-18 Fort Wright, KY (Covington Central)
Jan 8-29 Fort Wright, KY (Covington Central)
Feb 5-26 Fort Wright, KY (Covington Central)

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Dec 2-4 Blue Springs, MO (First)
Jan 22-25 Las Vegas, NV
Jan 27-29 Powder Springs, GA (Marietta First)
Feb 3-5 Grand Prairie, TX (Family)
Feb 10-12 Savannah, GA (Harvest)
Feb 17-19 Sparks, NV (First)
Feb 24-26 Little Rock, AR

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Dec 1-31 Newark, OH (First)
Jan 1-31 Newark, OH (First)
Feb 1-29 Newark, OH (First)

TRAINER, JAY

Dec 9-10 Potsdam, NY
(New Hope Community Church)
Dec 18 Cato, NY (Christian Fellowship)
Dec 30-Jan 1 Rumney, NH (Bible Conference)
Jan 6-8 Halifax, PA (Camp Hebron)
Jan 20-22 Otisville, MI (Richfield)

Jan 27-28 Butler, PA
Feb 3-5 Rumney, NH (Bible Conference)
Feb 10-12 Rome, NY (Delta Lake)
Feb 17-19 Rome, NY (Delta Lake)
Feb 24-26 Rome, NY (Delta Lake)

TRAN, DAVID

Feb 10-11 Grand Rapids, MI
(Marriage Enrichment Retreat)
Feb 12-15 Wyoming, MI (Grand Rapids Clyde Park)

ULMET, BILL (T)

Nov 30-Dec 4 Clover, SC
Dec 11-14 Paducah, KY
Jan 25-29 Decherd, TN
Feb 26-29 Rock Hill, SC (Grace)
Mar 4-7 Albany, KY (United)
Mar 11-14 Royalton, IL (First)
Mar 18-21 Newton, IA (New Life Community)

WELCH, DARLENE

Dec 4 Louisville, KY (Beargrass Christian Church)

WILKERSON, BOB

Dec 3 Austin, IN (Austin High School)
Dec 4 Austin, IN (Calvary Temple Church)
Dec 11-14 Mattoon, IL (East Side)
Dec 17 Brentwood, TN (Concord Community)
Dec 25 Belleville, IL (Emmanuel)
Jan 1 Redford, MO
Jan 1 Piedmont, MO
Jan 8 Waynesville, MO
Jan 8 Lebanon, MO
Jan 28 Nashville, TN (Grace)
Feb 1-3 Bradenton, FL (The Breakfast Club)
Feb 5 Saint Cloud, FL
Feb 5 Orlando, FL (New Life Community)
Feb 10-12 Georgetown, IL (Olivet)

(T) Tenured Evangelist is recognized by the church as a lifetime assignment. See Manual 407.3

A REVIVAL MEETING AND THE CONGRESSIONAL MEDAL OF HONOR



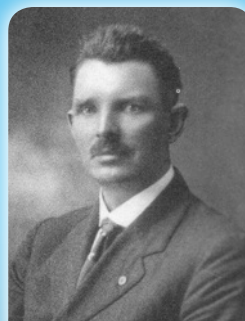
On October 8, 1918 after being pinned down in an attempt to capture a narrow gauge railroad, Alvin York took his fateful walk into history. As the company sharp shooter, he and sixteen other soldiers under the command of Acting Sergeant Bernard Early were given the unenviable task of silencing the machine guns that halted the advance the day before. It was a cold, wet morning. Rain mixed with sleet added to the gloom of the fog that draped the landscape. As the soldiers worked their way around the hill, the men on the left flank stood exposed in the creek bottom. German machine gunners opened fire, wounding or killing nine Americans, including York's best friend Murray Savage. York was on the right flank beneath the crest of the hill in a natural depression, which he used to kill nine of the men who operated the guns. In the mean time his comrades opened fire on the Germans and in a few minutes twenty-five were dead. The Germans surrendered to what they thought was a superior force, and York and the American survivors escorted one hundred thirty two prisoners to American forces at Varennes, France some ten miles away. For that he won the Congressional Medal of Honor and a host of other medals.

Three years earlier as York came of age he earned the reputation as a deadly accurate shot and a "hell raiser." Drinking and gambling in borderline bars known as "Blind Tigers," York was generally considered a nuisance and someone who "would never amount to anything." That reputation underwent a serious overhaul when York experienced a religious conversion in 1915. In that year two significant events occurred: his best friend, Everett Delk, was killed in a bar fight in Static, Kentucky, and he attended a revival conducted by H.H. Russell of the Church of Christ in Christian Union. Delk's senseless death convinced York that he needed to change his ways or suffer a fate similar to his fallen comrade, which prompted him to

attend the prayer meeting. The Wolf River Methodist Church is where the York family went to church for many years. Methodist Circuit Riders began preaching there around 1800 and the church only met quarterly until after the Civil War. Because this church did not meet every week until well into the 20th century, the building was shared by a number of denominations over the years. In fact, York's conversion to the Church of Christ in Christian Union in 1915 took place in the Wolf River Methodist Church. Though raised a Methodist, York joined the Church of Christ in Christian Union and in the process convinced one of his best friends, Rosier Pile, to join as well. Blessed with a melodious singing voice, York became the song leader and a Sunday school teacher at the local church. Rosier Pile went on to become the church's pastor. The church also brought York in to contact with Gracie Loretta Williams, who would become his wife on June 7, 1919.

"I got very rough in a way. And this did not suite my mother and she kept begging me to stop and be a better boy. One day there came in our county a little evangelist preacher and he was pounding away and many people was joining the church. And my best girl, she joined the church and that got me to thinking. So one day I made up my mind that mother was getting up in years and was worrying much of her time about me, and losing many nights sleep when I would be out on a wild goose chase. And I began to think, father never did drink, nor play cards, nor smoke cigarettes, nor do things that I was doing. Neither did mother and they both had taught me not to do these things. And I begin to pray for God to help me as a poor sinner to find some relief from my appetite for drink, for cigarettes, for tobacco, for card playing, for swearing, for dancing, for all the things that the world had that man could not do and be a

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Fires of Revival

Thanks be unto God for His indescribable gift. Indescribable is defined as having the idea of wonderful beyond description!

It was early Tuesday. I had packed up and was on the way to Terre Haute South Side Church of the Nazarene for a revival meeting. Pastor Kim Suits had called earlier to talk about the financial difficulties the Church was experiencing and whether to cancel the revival. He and South Side decided to go ahead by faith and trust in our Lord. I was about forty miles into the trip from my home in Monroe, TN. I was talking to a disciple on the cell phone and quickly learned that this is not a good idea! It was raining and suddenly I skidded out of control on a sharp curve in the mountains, barely missing oncoming traffic. It felt like I was hydroplaning and couldn't gain control. The car sped across the median, down an embankment, flipped onto its roof and careened backwards into a grove of trees. It happened so fast; all I could think of was, "I am going to die" and "have mercy Jesus!" He did! He spared my life! The paramedics were there as soon as I unhooked my seatbelt and crawled out the window. The only pain I experienced was when they secured me to the hard board with my head immobilized, then the IV needle missed. The EMT was not given another try. The emergency staff at the hospital was amazed and released me without the usual scans and x-rays. The church gathered together that evening to pray for my healing and for revival. I was able to go and preach the next day because God healed me. Thanks be unto God for His indescribable gift!

To give God all the glory, the Lord gave us a wonderful revival, and the church was able to give a generous



expense and love offering. Have you considered having a revival by faith? Step out on faith! It could be indescribable.

Rev. Bill Ulmet, Tenured Evangelist

"It shall come to pass ... says God, that I will pour out of My Spirit on all flesh." Acts 2:17 (NKJV) In a time when Wall Street has failed and Washington has faltered, God is still in control. This summer I was the speaker at the North Carolina Teen Camp where we saw teenagers finding salvation, sanctification, and healing for the broken areas in their lives. We called for voluntary prayer and fasting on Thursday morning at 8:00 am. The young people were still praying when the 10:00 am service started and began to break out in shouting and praise. Two major newspapers carried articles on the change it had brought in the lives of our young people.

God spoke to our hearts during a Saturday night prayer meeting at Mt. Olive Church of the Nazarene about believing for miracles. That week, Jonie Tooley, a pastor's daughter, was healed of an incurable stomach condition that was keeping her from a call to missions. Every night God filled the house and the altars were lined with seekers. Christian Family Center, a drug rehabilitation program, brought over 100 men and God broke the power of many addictions. We then traveled to Sandersville First Church of the Nazarene. Again, God filled the house and did mighty things. Michelle Mimbs, the wife of Pastor Gary Mimbs, had been suffering with mild depression and Hyperacusis, as the result of an automobile accident. Noises were amplified to the point that she would become nauseous. She testified that God healed her ears and she was able to sit in the rest



of the services without earplugs or medication. The week continued with miracles: one mother was stunned as her two boys in their 20s stood to be saved, along with many others who came to know Jesus personally. The blood will never lose its power! The altars lined several nights with believers seeking the Holy Spirit to fill them and sanctify their souls. As we travel the country, we are seeing God still pouring out His Spirit on all flesh – to God be the glory!

**Rev. Scott Ferguson
Commissioned Evangelist**

Our recent revival with Susie Shellenberger was blessed by the Lord's presence service after service. Susie's broad range of experiences, her love for the Word of God, her clear message of holiness and her winsome ways endeared her to our people. Specific victories were noted, people being sanctified, many deepened their walk, and all were encouraged. Susie is contemporary and yet communicates to all age groups... without doubt this gifted servant of God would be a blessing to any church.

**Lenny Wisehart
Pastor South Lake
Nazarene**

Rev. and Mrs. Stuart McWhirter would like to honor Pastor and Mrs. Robert Stoess for forty years of ministry at Shepherdsville, KY Church of the Nazarene. Pastor Stoess started the church in December of 1972 and is the first and only pastor since the church was organized by Dean Baldwin in June of 1973. Pastor Stoess believes in revivals and has been a faith friend and supporter of evangelists his entire ministry.



Evangelists Homecoming Camp Meeting

Indian Lake Nazarene Camp Grounds, Vicksburg, MI

September 2 – 5, 2011



Rev. Billy Huddleston



Chuck & Jeanne Millhuff



Communion



Rev. Duane Smith



Esther Crabtree



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Susie Shellenberger

For almost forty years, Nazarene evangelists and spouses have met in the month of December for the annual gathering. For almost as long, the suggestion has been to consider a better time of the year for this event. This year we decided to break tradition and have our annual meeting at the close of the summer camp meeting season in the month of September. We certainly did not have to worry about icy roads, cancelled flights, and blustery winter snows this year! The iconic Indian Lake Nazarene Camp Grounds provided an ideal venue for our banquet, relaxation, and opportunity to minister to several hundred "Labor Day Weekend" campers and full time residents. This was a great opportunity for laypeople and pastors to hear from full-time evangelists and singers again. The services were so well attended, and the people were so blessed by the anointed preaching and singing, that we have been invited to return next year. The dates for next year are August 31 through September 3, 2012 (Friday through Monday). We heard great messages from Rev. Susie Shellenberger, Rev. Billy Huddleston, Dr. Nelson Perdue, and Rev. Norman Moore. Rev. Phillips Phelps blessed everyone with his singing and piano artistry. Our song evangelists provided a "camp-wide" concert on Sunday evening. The old tabernacle witnessed the joyful singing of hymns and gospel songs and more than just a few "shouts" from the saints. These preachers and singers attended this time of praise and fellowship at their own expense and were blessed to do so. Perhaps in your church's budget planning you could consider providing an offering to help your evangelist or song evangelist meet some of those expenses for next year.

We want to thank a great number of our Nazarene district superintendents and their districts for their financial support. For several years, Dr. Orville Jenkins Jr. has made an appeal to our district leaders to help support this annual event for itinerant evangelists and singers. We want to extend a special "thank you" for his leadership and concern for this vital ministry of the church. Olivet Nazarene University continues to be a major supporter of the "gathering" and now "Evangelists' Homecoming Camp Meeting".

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all men in righteousness and truth. By faith in Him we have been justified freely, we are being sanctified entirely, and we will be glorified eternally. Those who now live in Him and for Him will live with Him forever.

There is a benediction in 2 Thessalonians that provided a choice way to close this chapter: "May our Lord Jesus Christ himself and God our Father, who loved us and by his grace gave us eternal encouragement and good hope, encourage your hearts and strengthen you in every good deed and word" (2 Thessalonians 2:16-17). Jesus is here linked with the Father as the source of the love and grace that brings to us salvation from sin and strength for service.

A greater Jesus than Paul proclaims has never been imagined or described. ★

W.E. McCumber served the Church of the Nazarene for over 69 years as preacher, college professor, revivalist, conference speaker, radio speaker, writer and magazine editor. On December 18, 2010 he suffered a massive stroke and never recovered. "Brother Bill" has been a friend and encourager of the Evangelists' Perspective magazine. His articles have blessed and challenged all of us. His home going service was a blessed time of reflection and inspiration to all of us in attendance. There was much laughter and rejoicing in knowing where our friend and loved one would be celebrating Christmas and the New Year. The service reached a grand crescendo as song evangelist Brian Arner sang, "And Can It Be". Yes, there was shouting and praising God for a life lived in the beauty of holiness.

A Revival Meeting and the Congressional Medal of Honor CONTINUED

Christian. And I begin asking pardon from god for the sins that I have committed and He for Christ's sake pardon my sins and delivered me from all the awful habits that I had. And I haven't broke either of the habits since my sins were pardoned first of January 1915. And in the last of January I had a longing in my heart for that power that was delivered to Peter and the saints in the upper room at the Day of Pentecost and I sought it and I got it. And I have retained it all these years. And I have it now. This I know!" - Sgt. Alvin C. York

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After the Armistice was signed, I was ordered to go back to the scene of my fight with the machine guns. General Lindsey and some other generals went with me. We went over the ground carefully. The officers spent a right smart amount of time examining the hill and the trenches where the machine guns were, and measuring and discussing everything. And then General Lindsey asked me to describe the fight to him. And I did. And then he asked me to march him out just like I marched the German major out, over the same ground and back to the American lines. Our general was very popular. He was a natural born fighter and he could swear just as awful as he could fight. He could swear most awful bad. And when I marched him back to our old lines he said to me, 'York, how did you do it?' And I answered him, 'Sir, it is not man power. A higher power than man power guided and watched over me and told me what to do.' And the general bowed his head and put his hand on my shoulder and solemnly said, 'York, you are right.'

Most war heroes usually state that the "real heroes" did not come home but are buried on battlefields and in final resting places around the world on land and sea. Sergeant York is a true American war hero in every sense of the word. He is also a hero of the Christian faith. In his hand written testimony taken from his personal diary, he states that he sought and received and kept the cleansing and sanctifying power of Pentecost. Please continue to pray for those serving in our armed forces and their families especially during this holiday season.



MISSIONARY EVANGELISTS

BY EVANGELIST LARRY LECKRONE

The divine call to go, to preach, and to make disciples is still relevant, and the burning passion to fulfill that call is still answered by many faithful servants that consider it a privilege. When we prayed the Jabez' prayer in faith back in 2004, we had no idea that God would literally take us up on it. He definitely "enlarged our borders" to minister in many places we had never been in the United States and Canada, as well as other world areas. Can we afford it alone? –No! Is God still big enough? –Yes! In ourselves, can we preach and sing effectively and persuasively in other cultures? –No! Is God still able to translate His Truth through the language of love? –Yes! Kingdom compassion encompasses countries, cultures, and economic encumbrances. All ministers may not be categorized in the church as missionaries, but we feel we are—wherever we minister... at home or abroad."

The role of the God-called evangelist continues to evolve in this post-Christian day we live. Revival campaigns and evangelistic crusades are shorter in duration than they used to be. They often focus on particular needs, emphases, or age groups. The Kids' Crusade and Holiness Summit are examples of this. The purpose and methods of the modern evangelist and the missionary converge more today than in the past. The United States now receives many missionaries from other world areas as a mission field.



Missionaries originate from nearly everywhere. Denominations and mission organizations struggle to keep up with the financial support, so more and more missionaries will need to raise their own

funds to continue ministry in foreign lands in years to come. That too, sounds like the faith walk of an evangelist who relies solely on love offerings and honorariums. God is bigger than any obstacle if He is kept at the helm of the vessel.

Hungry For Holiness

The Africa Central Field is made up of 12 districts of the Church of the Nazarene in Malawi, Zambia, and Zimbabwe. Field Strategy Coordinator, Rev. Paul Mtambo, and Africa Regional Director, Dr. Filimao Chambo feel a strong burden for holiness training throughout the region. Many new churches have been formed and much growth in existing churches has been realized in recent months. Pastors and laypeople are hungry for holiness teaching and preaching. It is exciting to sense that desire in hearts growing spiritually and becoming more equipped to teach others in their congregations. After one has been saved from sins past, the miraculous work of entire sanctification is to cleanse the carnal heart and fill with the Holy Spirit and righteousness. It is God's plan for man's victory and universally crucial in every world area. Holiness Conferences have become a highlight for the pastors and laypeople on this field. We have been honored to preach and provide music for the Holiness Conference in Lusaka, Zambia in 2008 and in Harare, Zimbabwe in 2011. Revs. Gary and Penney Sidle, missionaries, have coordinated other revival events such as zone evangelistic crusades and a district wide children's camp crusade.

Zambia is an amazing country. English is the official language although other native languages are spoken. They are culturally progressive with the rampant use of cell phones, yet economically poor. Lusaka is the capital, a modern city. Western influence is evident with Subway, KFC, Wal-Mart, and other iconic familiarities. A stark difference is found in the outlying compounds and villages where customs and accommodations are still heavily influenced by historic culture and even a bicycle is a luxury.

Zeal in Zambia

The Church of the Nazarene is growing rapidly in Zambia. In 2006 there were 50 new congregations needing a building of their own for worship and





training. By 2009 there were nearly 300 congregations in the same plight. The evidence of many new church buildings, including a new district center facility to entertain future events is encouraging. Steady growth in 2011 continued to create new demand for personnel and resources. Leadership in the churches emerges through spiritual hunger and obedience. God calls the willing, and immediately the process of theological and pastoral training goes on the fast track. Spiritual maturity takes time, but having a part in that growth is spiritually invigorating to anyone who ministers there.

Drifting Cultures Everywhere

We have ministered in various locations in England, including Clapham Junction, Thomas Memorial, and Bolton, however, the Walthamstow Church of the Nazarene has become a recurring point of ministry and favorite stop for us on our way to or from Africa. Pastor Martin and wife Mavis Seymour are faithful servants and continue to shepherd this wonderful congregation. Holiness evangelism is welcome—and fruitful—as pastor and people hunger for the Truth pertaining to the Spirit-filled walk. Living in a drifting culture is not unique to the western world. In many ways, Europe has felt it first. The sinful, permissive evidence is obvious in public display in all world areas, and yet there are lingering bastions (or should I say remnants) of Wesley's holiness influence in greater London and throughout the United Kingdom. Although we are citizens of heaven as born again believers, we are aliens of this earthly, sinful world. Holiness is the answer to enjoying an anchored faith in a drifting culture.

Missionary Evangelist At Large

Traditionally, the denominational church has licensed different stages of ministry (i.e. local and district licensed minister) and credentialed different categories (i.e. elder, deacon, etc.) after certain criteria are met. The role of those categories can vary according to the specific call of God on one's life (i.e. pastor, missionary, evangelist, song evangelist, minister of music, chaplain, etc.). Furthermore, each of those roles can be further defined in some denominations (i.e. senior pastor, associate pastor, commissioned evangelist, tenured evangelist, etc.). Every minister should be "mission-al" in his/

her approach to propagating the gospel of Jesus Christ. It doesn't just happen because God is able. He uses willing, earthen vessels and enables gifts and graces to communicate His Word in a variety of settings. "Mission-al" strategy means mission with a plan. Transformed lives living for Christ is the mission. Salvation and sanctification of souls is the plan. Many people think it more adventurous to hear the stories of God's great work in far away lands than in close by communities. However, the



miracles of sins forgiven, cleansed natures, physical healings, and addiction deliverances are not reserved for certain foreign countries. The cause of evangelism in any language, country, or culture is highly favored and blessed by the Father and He is still in the miracle business. Regardless of who said it first, it's true that, "Every person knowing Christ as Lord is a missionary—Every person without Christ is a mission field." Home missions, foreign missions, compassionate ministry with a witness, revivalism, camp meetings, and holiness conferences are all under the umbrella of what Paul told his young friend Timothy to do when he said, "Do the work of an evangelist." After 40 consecutive years of itinerant ministry, I gladly testify to God's faithfulness in every way. Yes, "Faithful is He who calls us, who also will do it!" We are called to holy living, preaching, teaching, singing, and witnessing wherever the charge or the chance. In fact, every "chance" to demonstrate Jesus and help others find Him is a "charge" by God. ★

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