

# Religion and Life

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## GOD REVEALS HIMSELF TO FURTHER HIS WORKS

A friend asked me to answer two questions: First, under what circumstances did God reveal Himself to men in the past? Second, under what circumstances will He reveal Himself to men today?

These are searching questions and we can take up only one at a time. They are the more important because God's self-revelation always carries with it His self-communication. He comes to men to impart to them something of Himself, without which His designs in them cannot be fulfilled.

First of all, there is God's answer to the soul that seeks Him. We are not told anything of Abraham's search for the living God; all we know is that, at a certain point God responded to his quest, and sent him out to live a life of personal communion with Himself.

We recognize him now as the spiritual father of three world religions, but all this originated in his own personal discovery of the living God whom he found ready to commit Himself to his friend. Often men arise who cannot live without God. They must find Him for themselves.

Men like Luther, Wesley and Spurgeon led mighty spiritual movements which brought humanity to higher levels, but all started with that personal thirst for God which God slaked by a personal communication of His love to them.

The race question is the burning issue of our time. Particularly in Asia and Africa whole nations are rising to a new self-consciousness, and are demanding the opportunity for full self-development.

Moses' spiritual experience reveals the living God as the champion of the oppressed and the Creator who demands for an enslaved race its right to freedom and opportunity.

Israel was a people endowed with a capacity of extraordinary spiritual attainment and achievement, as history has shown. Egypt was grinding them down under an iron heel. Through Moses, God intervened and set them free.

EVERY STEP

At every step Moses was aware that it was God's power that he exercised, and that it was entrusted to him for a definite purpose—to prepare this people for the fulfillment of God's design in them and for the outworking of His purpose through them.

God has endowed every race with a genius of its own, and therefore with the capacity for a unique service to mankind, and we owe to the ruling race that stands in His way. He is in action in this field today as in years gone by.

In this old saying more wishful thinking: "One with God is a majority." It seems so in some cases. For example, God called the prophet Jeremiah to stand

alone against the downward tendencies of the whole nation. God said to this youth: "Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, and before you were born I consecrated you; I appoint you a prophet to the nations."

He added that He was making Jeremiah an iron pillar and bronze walls against the whole land—kings, princes, priests and people. For years this man of God stood alone against the policy of the ruling class which he saw leading to the nation's destruction.

At every stage he received communications of God's will, which the ruler rejected but which events proved to be divine. He seemed to fail. The nation persisted in its mad policy and was destroyed. Jeremiah perished at the hands of the wretched remnant that he would not abandon.

### PROPHET'S FAITH

But, as we look back over the outcome of it all, we see that this prophet's faith in Israel's destiny, and loyalty to them in the ruin they brought on themselves proved the inspiration which stirred the exiles to return and start anew the history which culminated in the coming of the Son of God.

Any man who in the name of God takes his stand against the downward tendencies of his people and claims them for a noble destiny has God on his side, and although he may suffer, he cannot ultimately fail.

The prophet Amos was called to prophesy by a deep conviction that the nation was following a policy that was morally wrong. He prophesied long before Jeremiah's time in a period of victory and prosperity. He saw a rich nation piling sacrifices on God's altar, but allowing injustices and inhumanity to flourish in the land. His call was: "Let justice flow down like waters and righteousness like a mighty stream."

Similarly Christ came to Paul on the way to Damascus and called him to preach the Gospel to the nations of the world. God never calls individuals merely for their personal salvation.

As Shakespeare puts it: "Heaven does with us as men with torches do—not light them for themselves."

It is true that He has a design in each person that He aims to perfect, but He calls the men to cultivate his own powers in the service of others.

The above are just examples that might be multiplied indefinitely: God has revealed Himself to men in order to link them with Himself in working out His plans for mankind and this means their good for time and eternity.

## Birthday Party For Little Twins

Mrs. Leroy White, Montague, entertained on Saturday evening, March 26, in honor of her charming twin daughters, Joanne and Janice, on the happy occasion of their fifth birthday. There were 23 guests present. The supper table was centered with two beautifully decorated birthday cakes which were cut by Joanne and Janice, and served with ice cream. Assisting in serving were Heather Jamieson, Elaine Poole and Pauline Nicholson. The young girls received many beautiful gifts and the accompanying greetings were read by Mrs. J. D. MacLeod and the gifts arranged by Miss Bessie Poole. Joanne and Joanne graciously expressed their appreciation. Beautiful gifts were received from their aunt, Mrs. John Jacobson, Boston, Mass., who also sent birthday greetings.

Following the supper hour a program of singing was enjoyed with all the little guests present seated about the fireplace. A solo "Open Up Your Heart" was sung by Deborah Sinclair and solo "Bimbo" was sung by Mary Grace Davis. The children's hymn "Jesus Loves Me" was sung by the group, led by Sandra and Anne Shaw.

Three beautiful films were then shown by Rev. R. G. Hill, and the accompanying script was very effectively read by Mrs. C. A. Shaw. The films were "Alice in Wonderland", "Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs" and "Cinderella".

A very delightful evening was enjoyed by everyone and as the guests departed they wished Joanne and Janice many happy returns of the day.

## MEADOW BANK MISSION BAND

Meadow Bank Mission Band met on Thursday evening, March 24th, at the home of Mrs. Victor MacPhail. There was a good attendance of children and several parents present.

Sharon MacLean, president, "Jesus Loves Little Children" was sung. Scripture reading, Matthew VI, was read by Wendell Hyde; minutes and roll call by Eleanor Hyde.

Collection was received by Jean MacPhail and Doris Hyde. Several members paid their fees. Purpose and prayer was repeated, and a Temperance Exercise was given by Verna MacPhail, Wilma Hyde, Junior Clow and Willard Clow.

The meeting closed with, "Father Make Us Loving." A social hour and sing-song followed. A bounteous lunch was served.

## FAST JUMPERS

Plays are wingless insects which can jump 200 times their own length.



## P.E. Island Art Society Back-Drop Painting

## Ask Books For Queen Charlotte H. S. Library

## Major Debate Looms On Army Thefts

The shelves in the library at the new Queen Charlotte High School were designed to take care of 8,000 books. Although they now hold nearly one thousand volumes the library still looks very empty. Most of the books now on the shelves were put there by the Prince Edward Island Libraries. The Home and School Library Committee, says Mrs. H. B. Armstrong its chairman, is most indebted to Mr. Bramwell Chandler for the time and hard work he has put into getting the books assembled, on the shelves and ready for distribution to High School readers before the Easter holidays. The School Board was also very fortunate in being able to secure the services of Mrs. Ruth MacKenzie as custodian, in which position she will look after all books placed on the shelves. She is to be at the library from 12:00 noon until 4:30 or 5:00 p.m. on school days.

The thousand or so volumes belonging to the Prince Edward Island Libraries only fill one section of shelving. The selection Mr. Chandler has provided covers a wide field but nevertheless, says Mrs. Armstrong, some of the library's present needs are immediate. Youths of High School age should have various types of reference books available to them. Often teachers are able to increase the interest in a certain course by mentioning articles and stories in current periodicals. The list of desirable volumes for such a library is without number. The Committee feels that many people in Charlottetown must have books they would be glad to donate to such a worthy cause.

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## ST. JOSEPH'S SODALITY AND ALUMNAE MEETING

The regular monthly meeting of St. Joseph's Sodality and Alumnae was held Sunday, March 20th. The President, Miss Anne Walsh presided.

After the opening prayer, the minutes of the last monthly and executive meetings were read and approved.

The following committees were reported on: Sick — Mrs. Leo McNally; Library — Mrs. Gordon Tombs; Good Works — Mrs. Allan MacDonald; Membership — Miss Alice Hennessey; Retreat and Study clubs — Mrs. James Coyle. Further plans were made for the Easter Tea to be held April 13th.

## COLDS

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## Death Sunday of Resident of Murray River

The death occurred at the King's County Memorial Hospital yesterday, Sunday, March 27th of Daniel D. Livingston, Murray River in his 78th year, following a short illness.

He was born in High Bank in 1878, the son of the late Duncan and Anne Livingston. He is survived by his widow, (nee Rachel Anne MacLeod, and four sons Elmer, Hopefield, Malcolm and John at home, Lester at Dartmouth, N.S. A son Clarence was killed in World War II. He is also survived by a sister, Mrs. Roland A. Stewart of Regina, Sask., and a brother, Rev. Duncan L. Livingston, Florida, U.S.A.

## LOCKE ROAD

Trueman Harris of the Locke Road, was in O'Leary on Tuesday, March 22nd.

Jerry Arsenault and son, Louis of Howlan, were in O'Leary on Tuesday, March 22nd.

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Mr. and Mrs. Joseph T. Gallant of Forest View, were in O'Leary, March 22nd.

Micky Gallant of the Dock Road, was in Forest View on Monday, March 21st.

Mr. and Mrs. Johnson Cullicott of the Reserve Road, was in Howlan on Monday, March 21st.

Jerry Arsenault of Forest View, and Anthony Finnan of Howlan were visitors on Tuesday evening, March 22nd, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph T. Gallant, Forest View.

Edward Griffin of Burton, was in Forest View, March 22nd.

Mr. and Mrs. Leo Arsenault of Howlan, were in Alberton on Sunday afternoon, March 20th to visit Mrs. Herb Avery of Alberton, who was a patient in the Western Hospital with the "virus flu". All hope for her a speedy recovery.

Ronald Griffin of Burton left for Montreal on Saturday morning to resume his work on the boat.

Clifford Arsenault of Howlan was in Forest View on Wednesday, March 23rd.

## Getting Up Nights

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## MAYFAIR THEATRE MURRAY RIVER, MARCH 28 - 29

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## Hockey Matches At Montague

The Montague hockey rink was the scene of three games Saturday night. In the first game the Charlottetown Bantams defeated the Montague Bantams 9-1. Scoring for Charlottetown were Bradley (4), MacFayden, Kennedy, Joseph and Mulligan (2). And for Montague Ballem.

In the second game Cherry Valley defeated Murray Harbor North 4-1. Scoring for Cherry Valley were MacRae (2), Trainor and White, and for Murray Harbor North, N. Lanigan.

The last game of the night between the Primroses and the Southern Kings All Stars was an eye opener and a thriller. The expected Primroses supremacy was just not there and they had all they could do to hold down these local who were fast on the attack and close on the defensive. The first period was well along before either team was able to crack the other's defenses, when Cain for the All Stars notched the first one. The Primroses fought back hard to get the evener and MacLean slipped in a slider on Gosbee who was expecting one in the air. From there on it was anyone's game during the first and second periods. In the last period the more experienced Primroses gained the edge and counted the telling goals. A very large crowd from all over the district was on hand to watch the game and they were well satisfied with the exhibition given by the All Stars. It was learned last evening that another game between these two teams is being arranged for this week, and another stirring performance is expected. The game ended 10-4, scoring for the Primroses were MacLean, L. Sheehy (2), Hughes (4), J. Sheehy, MacRae, Arsenault. And for the All Stars, J. Cain, J. Giddings, G. White and F. Thompson.

## STARTS WITH TRIPLETS

TORONTO (CP)—Mrs. William Houston, 27, gave birth to triplets early Wednesday, first children for her and her husband. The mother, originally from Shawville, Que., and her babies—all sons—later were reported doing well.

## Radio & TV

TV and Radio repairs promptly, skillfully performed. TV antennas installed. Bowlan Radio And TV Ch'town

The Christian Women's Missionary Society of South Lake Church was held at the home of Pearl Stewart on Tuesday evening, March 15th, with a large number of members and visitors present.

The vice-president, Mrs. Roy Dixon was in charge of the meeting.

The devotional service under the leadership of Mrs. D. I. McClare and Mrs. H. R. Bell opened by singing, "Come Let Us Sing of a Wonderful Love," followed by prayer by Mrs. Bell. The devotional message was centered around Christ's thoughts and sufferings in Gethsemane and was given by Mrs. McClare, after which "Tis Midnight, and on Olive's" brow was sung.

During the business period plans were discussed for sending aid to destitute persons in war devastated areas.

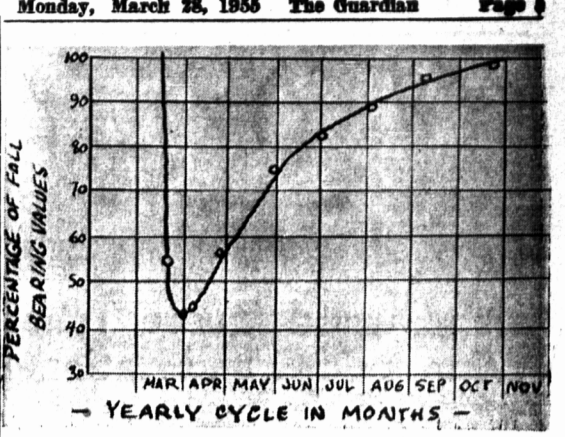
New worship and study committees were appointed.

A letter of sympathy was to be sent to Mrs. Clara Blacklock of Toronto, whose son was killed in a level crossing accident recently. Mrs. Blacklock is Interim Secretary for women's work in the churches of Christ across Canada and visited with us a few months ago.

Meeting closed with Bless Be The Tie That Binds and Missionary Benediction.

On February 25th this society in co-operation with the U. B. W. M. U. observed the World's Day of Prayer in the Kingsboro Baptist Church. Members from each group took part in the service which followed the form suggested in the World's Day of Prayer folders, prepared for this purpose.

A very interesting address was given by Mrs. Walter Dixon and



## Deep Frost Hangs On Under Highways

Yearly cycle of loss and recovery on highway supporting values in regions subject to deep frost penetration. Result of finding of U. S. Highway Research Board after study of conditions in the United States territories adjacent to Canada.

## Mr. Speaker Arrested

KARACHI (AP)—Seven members walked out of Pakistan's Sind provincial assembly Monday protesting the arrest of the Speaker in connection with an alleged plot to assassinate provincial ministers.

The assembly meeting continued after the walkout. The rest of the house later voted unanimously to strip the Speaker, Ghulam Ali Talpur, of his post.

## B.I.S. PLAY AT SOURIS

Benevolent Irish Society presents "JENNY KISSED ME", St. Mary's Hall, Souris, Wednesday, March 30. Curtain 8:30. Under the auspices Souris Branch Canadian Legion. A laugh riot from start to finish.

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