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The Daily Task

The common daily tasks of life
Seem poor and mean and small,
And oft we scorn them to respond
To some alluring call.

The tasks that lie so close at hand
Grow irksome to the soul
And are forsaken for some dream,
Some visionary goal.

And yet the surest road to fame,
To deeds that stir and thrill,
Is doing the tasks that lie at hand
With all our strength and will.

Katherine Edelman



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ROCKLIN

Our much loved Superintendent was with us over the week-end of the fourteenth. In our Sunday evening evangelistic service he spoke to a near full house, thanks to the efforts of Mr. and Mrs. A. K. Rasmussen, the converted dairyman and his good wife. Brother Moran told me at the close of the service that he had never before spoken to a group of people who had listened with such wrapped attention. The people of the Rocklin area are coming to the Pilgrim Church with hungry hearts and are listening carefully for some word of hope which they might hear in the Gospel. And thank God, some have had their hunger satisfied by partaking of the bread of life.

This last Sunday the Lord came in a beautiful way in our regular quarterly communion service. Thirty-five people shared in this part of our worship. Among this splendid little group was a large number of young people from the community who have recently been saved. Some of them whom you met at the recent Mile High Pines youth camp. Our young people are now planning a big Youth Rally at the Rocklin Church for Placer County.

We were happily surprised to have Rev. and Mrs. J. H. Kiehl worship with us this past Sunday. We would like to extend a hearty invitation to all Pilgrims who get up our way to come to the Rocklin Pilgrim Church and worship with us.

WORTH HODGIN, *Pastor*

VENTURA

We are now in our revival and it begins well, with fair attendance and interest. We are believing for a real work of the

tell the audience about the part of the Islands from which they come—the crops, climate, customs of the people, etc. with emphasis on the work of the Pilgrims in that particular area.

Recently \$2,500 has been sent to Bro. Dudley, with the tentative plan of buying land in Mindanao. On June 11th, \$36 was radiogramed to the American Bible Society Headquarters in Manila, for dialect Bibles and New Testaments. Other English and dialect Bibles have been sent from here, for the workers. During the months of June to Sept. 1947, 17 packages of used clothing, and 4 packages of printed matter have been sent. These articles of clothing were donated by the Pilgrim Churches in this area, who are interested in helping the Filipinos who have suffered the loss of everything during the war. The encouragement along this line has been greatly appreciated by those who work at the Mission.

A cordial invitation to attend the meetings on Sunday afternoon at 2:30 is extended to all.

MRS. T. GARCIA, *Mission Sec'y*

SUNDAY SCHOOL RALLY

We are sorry we cannot get a complete report in this issue. A very few reports have been returned, but thus far everyone has gone over the top. A complete report will be printed in the next issue.

Let us remind you once more that the month of October is Rally Month. And our Motto is "Every Sunday School Over The Top".

Your Sunday School Sec'y

MARTIN F. HORINE

P. S. It looks good. Twelve Sunday Schools have already sent in a Rally Day report with a to-

and testified to real victory. We say praise the dear Lord.

Now we are looking forward to a special meeting with our Bro. Fred. K. Wells from Garden Grove, Calif. Please pray that God will continue to bless in this meeting and save souls.

LORIN WILSON, *Pastor*

REDLANDS

Greetings in the name of our Saviour. Arriving here as pastors July 15, we found a fine spirit of fellowship prevailing among the Pilgrims. The Redlands Pilgrims are praying that our God will help us meet the challenge that is before us with renewed vision and courage.

We feel there is a real future for the Redlands Church, to serve the community of which it is a part.

The Pilgrims have been encouraged here by our District Superintendent receiving into the local church four new members, when he was with us on July 17.

We are also encouraged by a steady increase in our Sunday School attendance.

We are planning a fall and mid-winter revival and are looking forwards by faith in prayer for great things to happen here at Redlands.

Pray for us, and souls for His Kingdom.

BYRON H. SALLADE, SR.
Pastor

SANTA BARBARA

Praise God from whom all blessings flow.

Eight precious souls have been at the altar thus far.

To-day we took four new members into the church.

A recreation center, back of the church and parsonage, will soon

YOUTH CAMP

Plans are now shaping to make the 1948 Pilgrim Youth Camp at Barton Flats the best we have yet known, from the point of attendance, recreation, dynamic speaking program, definite spiritual results.

If we are to have the camp we need to accomplish this, certain additional improvements in the buildings must be made during the next few months. This takes money! The needs:

1. A large dining hall, in connection with the present kitchen
2. A small rock generator house.
3. Hot and cold water in the showers.
4. Satisfactory dormitory facilities for sleeping.

Your cooperation is urgently requested, as individuals, and Young People's Societies over the district. Our need just now is CASH, for materials, later we will make a plea for labor—will you help us?

BILL MAYS, *Chairman*
Youth Camp Committee

THANK YOU! THANK YOU!

For your fine coooperation in fruit canning through the summer. We have on our shelves at P. E. I. over 2,000 quarts of fruit that were canned this year. These consist of pears, peaches, grapes, and apples. This means a great saving to the school.

And say, I wish you could see the beautiful beef we have in our corral to be butchered within the next few days. We will be needing another beef in the next few days to start fattening. Also we want a four legged pig or two to fatten. We have a school full of two legged ones, and these things will go a long way to help feed them. If you are interested in

spirit in our midst which is the great need everywhere.

Last night we had the group from Ojai and enjoyed their music and singers. We are getting new scholars in the Sunday School and all in all we are encouraged, and also busy, as we have a morning meeting, and the city wide revival coming on with Jack Schuler Oct. 12.

C. A. THOMPAON, *Pastor, Evang.*

POMONA

Sunday School attendance is on a steady climb at Pomona, young peoples' services are full of interest and enthusiasm, and worship services are times of spiritual uplift and salvation. Plans are being laid for definite forward movement in all departments. The pastor, Rev. David Metsker, who has been serving the church since the latter part of August, says, "We face the future with anticipation; in fact, the future is as bright as the promises of God. I am happy to serve this aggressive, spiritual people."

REPORTER

OAK VIEW

Rev. C. A. Nicola of Santa Barbara, California was guest speaker at Oak View Pilgrim Holiness Church on the evening of Sept. 18. A nice crowd was present to enjoy this fine service.

RALPH E. LEWIS, *Secretary*

FILIPINO MISSION

Our missionary interest has been greatly stimulated by the display of a large map of the Philippine Islands. Using this map as a basis for their talks, different Filipinos are asked to

be completed.
in offerings for the printing presses at Headquarters

M. F. H.

HIGHLAND PARK

God is surely blessing us here in Highland Park. The Holy Spirit is manifested in every Service. It is so wonderful the way God is working in this Catholic neighborhood. Some children are now attending quite regularly. Also some young people and adults are showing a real desire to worship with us.

We have had Bros. Henry Kiehl, Harry Smith and Marvin Hester in our services and God has surely blessed. Praise His precious name.

ALBERT LIGHT, *Pastor*

PHOENIX

Greetings from the First Pilgrim church in Phoenix. We have just returned home from visiting my 90 year old Mother who has been quite ill but in answer to prayer God allowed me to see her once more, for which we do praise His dear name.

We returned home to find a wonderful spirit of revival. We were so well pleased to find that the young man who supplied truly was a man of God. God gave Him a number of souls at the altar.

The revival spirit is still on and our God is still leading on to victory. Sunday morning Sept. 14th we had no preaching and God came on the scene and there was 1 seeker. That night after bringing the message God gave us 3 at the altar; one, a young lady whom we had been praying for for two years. She came through

C. A. NICOLA, *Pastor*

RIVERSIDE

After our Conference and Camp meeting we had a good revival with Rev. Fred K. Wells as Evangelist and Rev. Fern Cook helping in the music.

Bro. Wells preached under the anointing of the Lord and I believe was God's man for our meeting. The church was blessed and lifted spiritually. There were a number that prayed through to victory at the altar of prayer. There were two additions to the church.

We have had seekers at the altar almost every Sunday now for some time. The church attendance both morning and evening is good. An average of about 25 at the Sunday evening Young People's service. There were 31 in attendance at the midweek prayer meeting last week.

Bro. and Sis. Guinn and Bro. and Sis. Tomms have returned from New Mexico. There is a family of six from Arizona that have come in to worship with us and are planning on locating in Riverside.

We have a grand group of people. None better anywhere. I am sure there are great things ahead for the Riverside Pilgrim Church. We are planning on another Revival in Oct. from the 22 to Nov. 2.

DOYLE DORRANCE, *Pastor*

CONDOLENCES

We wish to express our sincerest sympathies to that church in midstate that is so unfortunate to be in a Sunday School attendance contest with the Rosemead Church.

helping out or supplying one of these needs please contact me and I will be out to see you.

Again we say thank you.

In His service,
MARTIN F. HORINE

PENNY-A-DAY

The Santa Ana Pilgrim Young Peoples' Society has come to the front by having the best Penny-A-Day offering per average attendance for the month of August. The Rosemead Church was in the lead for the month of July.

Perhaps some are wondering just what the Penny-A-Day offering is and what it is for. The purpose of this system is to help each one to have an interest in home missionary work and this affords them a simple way to give.

The Penny-A-Day Offerings should be sent to the Young Peoples' District Treasurer immediately after the first of each month for the previous month's offering. Be sure and designate that it is for Penny-A-Day and for what month and Church it is from. This offering should be sent in promptly and regularly in order to keep up our payments.

A system for collecting the Penny-A-Day which has proved to be an excellent one, is to have calendars (one for each person who wishes to give) posted on a large board in the church where it will be a constant reminder. Also, have a small offering box near the board and when a person drops an offering into the box, he can check off the number of days for which it pays. When he completes a month, he can tear that month from the calendar. This helps each person to keep track of how much he owes or has paid in advance.

DISTRICT NEWS



Where shall I begin? We have enough for two pages.

Rev. and Mrs. Ralph Steelhead, and Marjorie are back in Calif. Welcome home! Bro. Steelhead is entering the evangelistic field. He is a good singer as well as preacher and will help your church.

How wonderful to hear the grade school classes opening their school day with prayer, hymns and gospel songs! There is no substitute for christian education.

The school is planning on a revival with Rev. Paul Thomas as the evangelist.

We had the privilege of speaking to a sizeable crowd of Pilgrims at the Cottonwood Church recently. God is blessing in the work there. Several new faces were in the congregation.

By the time you read this item the Prescott Pilgrims will probably be worshipping in a new location in Miller Valley. Rev. Basham is supplying—put this new work on your prayer list.

As we write the campus is the scene of unusual activity. Wearing apparel on inside out and

backward, extra shoes etc. *The POOR FRESHMAN!*

One foreign country and several states find representation in our student body at P. E. I.

Ventura is in a revival meeting with Rev. C. A. Thompson as the evangelist. God is blessing in an unusual way. The Ojai Pilgrims are furnishing special music—crowds are on the increase.

The Fresno Pilgrims are forging ahead. The church building was filled to capacity for both Sunday School and Church at our recent visit. Fresno and Rosemead are in a Sunday School contest for several weeks.

We request prayer for our Eloy Church. Starting a new work is not easy these days. Rev. Brown from Tucson is helping Rev. and Mrs. Hines in the work there.

Rocklin is boasting of prayer meeting of 40 and over. Praise the Lord! In our Sunday night service recently the church was filled almost to capacity.

West Phoenix is planning on a tent meeting soon and they are making plans for a new church building.

Rosemead will soon be starting their church building. Where they put one hundred Sunday School pupils in the present building is a mystery to me.

San Diego Pilgrims are making steady progress and new high gains in Sunday School. Rev. McClain is proving a good pastor and is a diligent worker.

The Bentley's are in their new

parsonage at Wilmar, and at present are making a community survey to arouse church interest. May God reward with souls for the Kingdom.

Redondo Beach Pilgrims are anxious to build—the church is over crowded, both Pastor and people are diligent in the Lord's business fervent in spirit serving Him.

Church Success or Failure

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| 1. A Missionary Spirit. | 1. A non-missionary spirit |
| 2. A minister with a program. | 2. A minister with no program. |
| 3. A congregation that never gossips or finds fault. | 3. A gossiping, fault finding congregation. |
| 4. Optimistic Officials. | 4. Pessimistic officials. |
| 5. A democratic church. | 5. A church run by some one person with a "rule" or ruin disposition. |
| 6. Every one assigned a task and every one endeavoring to accomplish his task. | 6. Where everything in the church is done by the same two or three people. |
| 7. A church that prays much—talks little and works hard. | 7. A church that prays little, talks a lot and does nothing worthwhile. |
| 8. A church that tries a new method when old methods are failing. | 8. A church that gets in the rut and stays there and is afraid to try anything new. |
| 9. Every member a tither. | 9. None of the members tithe. |
| 10. Good music and good leadership. | 10. Poor music and no leader. |
| 11. Every meeting started on time. | 11. Always start the church and Sunday School late. |
| 12. A welcome by all to strangers. | 12. Never see the strangers, but visit with their own people. |
| 13. Diligent in service, fervent in spirit serving the Lord. | 13. Are content, and having no craving for souls, are spiritually dead. |
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