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The District Young People met about 400 strong at the El Monte Tabernacle on Friday November 14, in an all zone rally with Martin Horine, District Sec'y, presiding. This was a get acquainted time, in which everyone enjoyed an hour and a half of good singing and music, and afterwards refreshments in the dining hall.

In preparation for our 1948 Camp Meeting, the young people were encouraged to bring their instruments to form an orchestra and to cooperate in coming forward every night on the platform to make up a full chorus.

Rally night there were ten instruments and a packed choir loft. Fifteen churches were represented, with the Ojai church coming from the greatest distance. SPECIAL NOTE

Reserve the first part of Feb. for our next Rally to be held at the El Monte Tabernacle with Rev. Paul F. Elliott, General Sunday School Secretary, as our speaker hassa at and Watch your January issue of the Pilgrim News for the date. - ""

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Santa Ana Young People again lead with a banner Penny A Day Offering for October.

Out of 30 churches on the district, there has been an average of ten churches contributing to the Penny A Day offerings monthly. If your Young Peoples group has not been taking this monthly offering, why not start this month?

Rocklin Pilgrim Church is our Home Missions Church at the. present time and we want to keep sending support to them regularly but unless better offerings are sent in, our support will have to be cut down considerably. How about it? Can we let them down?

Have your Young People's treasurer send in the money by the tench of the following month-to "" the District Young Peoples Treas. Gravion B. Aldred, 1502 Atchi- ad son Street, Pasadena 7, Calif. the state of the s

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THE MAKER of the universe As man, for man was made a curse, The claims of law which He had made Unto the uttermost He paid.

His holy fingers made the bough Which grew the thorns that crowned His brow,

The nails that pierced His hands were mined In secret places He designed.

He made the forest whence there sprung The tree on? which His body hung. He died upon a cross of wood, Yet made the hill on which it stood.

The sky that darkened o'er His head, at By Him above the earth was spread. The sun that hid from Him its face, By His decree was poised in space.

The spear which spilled His precious blood Was tempered in the fires of God. The grave in which His form was laid Was hewn in rocks His hands had made.

The throne on which He now appears. Was His from everlasting years, But a new glory crowns His brow, And every knee to Him shall bow. F. W. Pitt

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DISTRICT NEWS



Thanksgiving seems to prevade the atmosphere these days, everywhere we go we observe the spirit of liberality and Thanksgiving.

The ground breaking service at Rosemead church was a very happy and blessed occasion. Over \$2300.00 was raised toward the building fund. Almost all cash. Praise the Lord!

The Santa Ana Church of which Rev. Harry Wells is the pastor is showing good progress. We had a splended service with the Pilgrims there recently.

Rev. A. L. Whiting of Santa Barbara is quite ill and has been moved to the hospital, pray for him and, by the way, send him a card, let him know that we appreciate his faithful service and labor of Love. Address him Rev. A. L. Whiting, 127 W. Ortega St., Santa Barbara, Calif.

The Alfred Adams and East Los Angeles Church are considering uniting and moving to a new location. Join with them in prayer that a suitable site will be found and that the united group will be used of God as a real revival center.

The El Monte Pilgrims have,

perhaps a majority, of our church buildings have been built by donated labor. One of the principle costs of construction today is labor. If we have to pay all the labor costs we can not build, yet build we must. It is our earnest desire and praver that God will put it into the hearts of Rosemead and El Monte Pilgrims to donate a major portion of the labor on the two new church buildings. Many work well for an evening or two but only real purpose of heart will cause us to stick by the job until the work is completed.

The calls are increasing for a work in the Bay area. It does seem as though the time is beginning to ripen for such a move and yet the Home Mission funds are very limited. Pray and give liberally to Home Missions and church extension.

HELP FOR PRESCOTT. We made an appeal through the pages of the "NEWS" for prayer for Eloy and God has helped. Now we come to you relative to Prescott. The work started as a local Phoenix project and was then taken over by the District. God has blessed the work, however several families have moved away. We are now without a pastor and the few folk remaining are discouraged. If we say with Jacob "all these things are against us" we will close, if however we say with Paul "all these things work for us" and with him take the upward look, God can and will give us victory. Pray with us to this end. God has not led us thus far in Prescott to put us to shame.

The Riverside Pilgrims have made some decided improvements in church arrangement and we believe there are good days ahead

SANTA BARBARA

What great things God has done for us here in Santa Barbara for which we do praise Him. We have had the full cooperation of our people enabling us to reach many homes in our house to house canvasing.

Since taking over the pastorate in August we have had the joy of seeing twenty eight accept Christ as their personal Saviour. There have been eighteen additions to the church, and another group soon to join.

A baptismal service has been planned for a goodly number who have expressed their desire for baptism. We press forward expecting greater things from our Lord.

C. A. NICOLA Pastor

ROCKLIN

We wish to take this opportunity to thank Rev. and Mrs. C. A. Nicola for the wonderful contribution they have just made to the Rocklin Pilgrims.

They spent a week-end with us for a Missionary Convention and under God it was a glorious success.

We enjoyed the largest attendance we have ever had. The church was packed every service. Saturday and Sunday nights we had to open up the side doors in order to accomodate the crowd.

Over fifty *outside* adults attended during the four services. Many of them not knowing the Lord as their personal Savior.

The Divine Presence was with us in a marked way in every service. We are believing God to send His Word home to the hearts of the people and that as a to keep pressing foreward until we press right through the Pearly Gates into that city of God. Our aim is, to be more like the Master every day that we may be able to point men to the Lamb of God that takes away the sin of the world. Pray for us

HARRY WELLS, Pastor.

REPORT OF EVANGELISTIC MEETINGS

We wish to express to our many friends on the California District a few words of appreciation for the hearty welcome and Christian fellowship extended to us upon our return to the Calif. Conference again.

Arriving here in the early part of September, the Lord not only opened a house for us to live in, but also opened a number of revival meetings which we felt was God's will to accept.

Our first meeting on the District was at the El Monte church with Bro. and Sis. Lee. This was a good meeting in which a number of souls sought and found the Lord in the good old-fashioned way. Attendance was splended.

Next meeting was at our Riverside Church, where Brother and Sister Dorrance are the faithful and sacrificing pastors. I enjoyed laboring with these good people. The Sunday School went over the top for the year in attendance the last Sunday of the meeting. There were a good number of seekers and the last Sunday night was a scene of real rejoicing as the altar filled with earnest seekers and happy finders.

From Riverside we went to the Santa Ana Church where our old friends Harry and Dora Wells are doing a good spiritual work as pastors. In this meeting we of Hoyt and Klingerman from Pilgrim Evangelistic Institute and are planning to start construction on a new church building soon. At a recent home coming service some \$2500.00 was raised for the new church.

Brother Aurelio Sabado and Gasper Abejon are preparing to teturn to their own people soon. Let us all pray that they will be most used of the Lord in their efforts in their homeland. The brethern recently sent over \$25.00 to the Philipines for our Bible School there.

The Pilgrim Evangelistic Institute has a cquired the El Monte Pilgrim church building from the local congregation. Beginning next September the building will be used for class rooms for the Bible department and . school administration.

A great home coming day was held at Rocklin recently. The former members of the church of some 20 years ago gathered for a special evening of song and sermon. We had the privilege of speaking to a packed house, and many of them new people. We do not know when we have had a more interested crowd and definite sign of conviction.

The Santa Barbara Pilgrims are going forward. There were 21 at the altar a few Sunday evenings ago. There is considerable talk of merging the two churches at this time.

Rees Memorial church has just purchased a new Sunday School bus. Busses are becoming indispensable to a growing Sunday School.

Work on the new church building at Rosemead has begun. By the way did you know that many,

work Key. Dorrance.

Tucson is pushing ahead on their building fund. They want to have a sizeable amount in the treasury before beginning construction on their new church building.

Oh, yes, be sure and plan on coming to Rees Memorial church for the Sunday School Convention January 27 and 28! Plan—Pray— Come—Rev. Paul Elliott and Rev. E. E. Leadingham will be the special speakers.

One of the outstanding events of the past year was the great Missionary Convention held in the tabernacle at El Monte. This year we are moving the convention to Rees Memorial Church and are hoping for an even better convention. The home office is sending special workers from Indianapolis and perhaps our foreign missionary secretary, Rev. R. G. Flexon will be in charge. The dates are January 29, 30, 31 and February 1. Let us make this convention the greatest missionary convention we have ever held.

Rev. E. E. Leadingham will be with us for the month of January, Fresno has called him for a meeting—from this, Rev. Leadingham will hold revival meetings at Rees Memoral, P. E. I., El Monte, and Rosemead.

RECOMMENDATION

We are happy to recommend Brother R. W. Brown as an evangelist. Brother Brown is a sincere, earnest minister of the Gospel. His ministry is scriptural and spiritual. The Lord will use him wherever he goes.

THE TUCSON PILGRIM CHURCH BOARD

T. C. Abbott, Minister

will find Him as Savior and Lord of their lives.

> WORTH HODGIN Pastor

REDLANDS

We have just closed two weeks of meetings with Rev. R. W. Josey as our evangelist. God was and is blessing the Pilgrims here and we give Him all the glory.

We feel along with others that God is laying a new foundation and the folk here are greatly encouraged to push the battle for souls and to see an increase in attendance.

Several new families attended the services and a fine spirit prevailed through-out the two weeks of services. The spiritual thermometer of our church is climbing, also a slight increase in our Sunday School attendance.

We were treated to a fine service Sunday Nov. 16, by the visiting group of students from Pilgrim Evangelistic Institute with Prof. A. Krag in charge.

We are receiving Bro. Claude Goodrich into the church next Sunday. We are thankful to our God for all His many blessings and we give Him all the Glory.

> B. H. SALLADE, SR. Pastor

SANTA ANA

Greetings in the Precious Name of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. We are still pressing the battle against sin and unrightousness and God's blessing is still upon us here. We are slowly progressing and some are getting through to definite victory. We are determined, by God's grace groups. Some who came were old friends of many years standing. We did enjoy so much their support and encouragement. It seems hard indeed to reach many outsiders these days, however we are thankful for a few outstanding victories in this meeting that, we trust, will stand for time and eternity. Hallelujah.

We are glad to report personal victory. Jesus saves, sanctifies and keeps. Seeking only to be a blessing and to do His will in all things, may God bless you everyone.

RALPH V. STEELHEAD

OJAI

Ojai closed a successful revival meeting Nov. 2 with Sis. Marian A. Childs as evangelist. God gave us a number of souls. One young man who had never been saved before was wonderfully saved the closing night of the meeting along with his wife who was reclaimed. Another young couple was saved the first night they attended the meeting and are still attending. There were fourteen seekers in all.

God is still working in the hearts of the unsaved since the revival closed and open hearts are finding peace. Three adults came forward last night (Nov. 16) and went away with a testimony, and the smile of God on their countenance.

We enjoyed a good Sunday School contest with Rosemead during the month of October and though they won, our Sunday School has profited by a marked increase which is continuing.

Our Sunday the past five months has shown a 50% increase over the same period last year. To God be all the praise.

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Institute

P. E. I. is now operating under the old Pilgrim Bible College charter. A vision of upholding the ideals of both H.E.I. and P. B. C. as well as enlarging their influence, is encouraging our districts to stand behind P. E. I. with their prayers and their support.

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Those who have not already seen the new improvements will 13.01 be pleased to know that a number of the buildings have been painted both inside and out. New shrubbery has been planted and flowers are growing in the patios. The dining room and kitchen have been redecorated, the tables painted and new covers provided. New chairs are the latest addition to the furniture and a deep freeze unit has installed. A sunny comfortable room has been set aside for an infirmary so that proper care can be given any student who may be sick.

Thanksgiving was suitably observed with turkey or chicken dinner and all the fixin's for all who did not go home for that holiday. At Christmas a joint-program will be given in the tabernacle by the church and school, the school to furnish the music, the church other numbers. It is The second secon

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hoped that many visiting friends will be present. 1 - 117

A fine chorus, as well as smaller groups, is being trained. Many. of the churches are calling them to give a service in the interest of the school. This they are happy to do.

Ameeting of the Alumni Association of H. E. I. and P. B. C. is being planned for later in the year. It is hoped that alumni members of both schools will rally to the support of the new organization. The school would be glad to have names and present addresses of any who live at a distance.

Plans are being made for a wider teaching ministry in our theological department for next year by adding another member or two to our present teaching staff: pray with us that God will lead in this matter. We are also hoping to have better administration facilities as well as separate class rooms for the Bible College by next summer. - 52 -

Arrangements are being made for summer school for both High School and Bible College students. Address all communications to-Pres. A. Krag, 447 W. Klingerman, El Monte, Calif.

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