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ATTENTION!

**PASTORS,
SUNDAY SCHOOL WORKERS,
AND FRIENDS**

**DISTRICT SUNDAY
SCHOOL CONVENTION**

at Rees Memorial Pilgrim Church,
North Hill Ave., at Howard St.,
Pasadena, all day, Friday,
March 7th.

Do you need help in departmentalizing your Sunday School? There will be instructors with graded materials who will give demonstrations, from the opening song to the benediction of each department. It is going to be a full day, so be on time at 9:30 a.m. for the devotional,

which will also be a demonstration showing you how to conduct your worship period.

There is not going to be a dull moment. We will have something for everyone even to instructions as to how to conduct and organize adult classes.

Please, Pastors or Superintendents; since dinner and supper will be served gratis in the church dining room, the Committee should know several days to a week in advance approximately how many will be present. A card addressed to Mrs. Martha Raun, 1497 No. Roosevelt Ave., Pasadena 7, with this information, will be very much appreciated.

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SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION

March 7th., All Day

REES MEMORIAL CHURCH

N. Hill at Howard, Pasadena, Calif.

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THE HOME DEPARTMENT

God has ordained two institutions; the church and the home. In these disintegrating days it seems the very foundations of our way of life are about to be destroyed. Are we fully aware of the fact that 75 to 90% of the population of our cities are unchurched? The question naturally arises, What are we doing to cope with these conditions? How can they be reached? One way we can help is through the Sunday school and its strong arm, the Home Department.

The Home Department may be defined as that feature of the Sunday school work which makes it possible for everyone who for some legitimate reason can not attend regular Sunday school to enjoy full membership in it.

We really owe our faithful aged folk some special attention: they have been in Sunday school most of their lives.

In addition to the aged and infirmed there are many mothers and other workers who can be reached and benefited by the Home Department.

The aims of the Home Department may be summed up as follows:

1. To extend the membership and fellowship of the Sunday school.
2. To promote Bible study.
3. Encourage family and individual devotions.
4. When possible bring the family into active Sunday school and win them for Christ.

The Department should be well organized. Its success depends largely on its Superintendent, who should really have a vision of what can be accomplished.

The duties of the Home

CONFERENCE NEWS



Often when some new venture is made, those who lead do so with fear and trembling. A mid-winter missionary rally for the Pilgrims was something new—would it be a success? Could the large El Monte tabernacle be heated? Would the people support such a convention? Well—it is history now, and PRAISE THE LORD it was a success along all the lines—so much so that ever so many have requested that we make it an annual affair, and have day meetings as well! What do you say? Write in to the office and let us know how you feel about it.

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POMONA ZONE

The Pomona Zone Rally, held in the Corona Pilgrim Church, was a real success. Almost every available seat was taken, and every one of the churches of the zone had a splendid representation. Redlands took home the banner with some thirty-two in attendance—good for Redlands!

Rev. Thomas reached the hearts of the hearers with a stirring appointed challenge to our young people.

There seems to be a contest on between the El Monte and Pomona Zones relative to rally attendances—I wonder who will win.

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REES MEMORIAL PILGRIMS

I know of no better people—and no better givers. Last month at the close of a stirring message by our Flora Belle Slater the Rees Memorial Pilgrims gave nine hundred dollars for a school in Puerto Rico.

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BUENA PARK

We have moved into the Sunday School rooms of the new church, and had our first services there Sunday, January 5th.

The auditorium is not quite finished yet. However, the Lord is blessing with good services and visitors in attendance lately. Please pray for the work here, as there are unsaved people whom we believe may be reached with the gospel, in this community.

The Lord set His seal on this first Sunday in the new church with blessing, and new people in attendance.

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YOUTH COUNCIL

March—the month set aside by the Youth Council to raise funds for the Youth Camp at "Mile High Pines." Let us all do our best. Several buildings must be erected before the next youth convention in September.

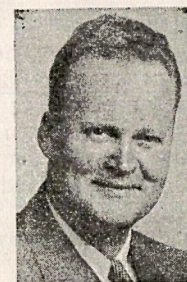
The conference, guided by our able District Superintendent, Geo. A. Moran, a God-fearing man, and in charge of Paul Thomas, will go down in history as the greatest Missionary Conference yet.

Pray for us, beloved prayer partners, that the God of all the past will remain among us, saying, as of old, "My Spirit remaineth among you: fear ye not."

(Haggai 2:5)

Yours for lost souls,
C. A. NICOLA

NICOLAS



REV. C. A. NICOLA

Some people never think about religion until they come in sight of a graveyard.

The devil makes every string pull toward the saloon, from hunger to politics.

It is not the last drink that makes the drunkard, but the first.

Do you know that the talent we do not use for God is the one He wants?

Whenever we open the door to a doubt, the devil has a messenger with bad news ready to come in.

Men often come to want because they do not season their speech with the salt of common sense.

As long as bad books and newspapers are made welcome in a

1. To plan the work with the staff of workers.

2. Secure visitors for the calling.

3. Keep the pastor informed as to the conditions in the homes where he can be of special help.

4. Keep the Sunday school informed of the work being done, thereby stimulating greater interest.

The importance of the work of the visitors cannot be over emphasized. They should go to each home at least once a quarter and better still once a month. It may be possible for the Home Department visitor to arrange for cottage prayer meetings in some of these homes thereby linking them not only to the Sunday school but to the church.

To become a member of the Home Department the only obligation placed upon one is to study the lesson for a half hour each week. An offering envelope is passed out and offering is not required.

Often some of the members of the Home Department like to contribute to work of the Sunday school. A list of the absentees from Sunday school of the previous Sunday may be given them to call, to phone and turn in information as to the causes of their absence. Again they may help in getting material out for the Sunday school's mailing list.

In conclusion strive to make your Home Department a vitally spiritual asset to your Sunday school. May the Lord help us to be so "spirit filled" that we may be used to help kindle a flame of love for the Master in the hearts of those to whom we minister.

Editor's note—Condensed from an article for Sunday school workers by Gladys A. Henry.

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MISSIONS and PILGRIMS

In a recent issue of the "Advocate" we had our attention called to the fact that the Pilgrim Church stood without a rival in the field of per-capita giving. Praise the Lord!

The Missionary Convention at El Monte has proved beyond a shadow of a doubt that the California-Arizona Conference is equally up in the field of giving—from the time our missionaries arrived from the east for deputation work until the close of this convention the Pilgrims of this conference have given to foreign missions the sum of three thousand and five hundred and twenty-two dollars. I say, "Praise the Lord!" One of our church has pledged in addition the sum of one hundred dollars per month or more.

On Sunday night the altar was lined with young people offering themselves for full time service for Christ. So long as we keep the missionary spirit we shall prosper.

It is the desire of some that this mid-winter missionary convention shall be held annually.

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EL MONTE ZONE

A splendid meeting of the El Monte Zone young people was held at the East Los Angeles Church during the past month with some gratifying results—all but two of the churches were present with representative groups and the service was climaxed with a splendid address by Rev. R. W. Dawson.

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RADIO

Rev. Milton Harrington has signed a contract for a radio program with a Riverside station, K P R O. The broadcast is released from 11:00 p.m. to 11:30 p.m. Sunday night.

We have heard many splendid reports of the broadcast, and we urge our people to listen in and also send a card to a friend telling him of the program. We believe such a program can prove a real blessing to the conference. Pray for the broadcast and help spread the gospel message.

STRANGE THINGS

Dear Friends,

"And they were all amazed, and they glorified God, and were filled with fear, saying, We have seen strange things today."—Luke 5:26.

Had you been with us during our Missionary Conference you, too, might have said, "We have seen strange things." Indeed, we "were all amazed." And then we "glorified God," for He alone could have done it. "Not by might, nor by power, but by my Spirit, saith the Lord of hosts." (Zech. 4:6) And the outcome? "We were all filled with fear"—as men always are in God's presence—godly fear lest we grieve the Spirit, jealous fear lest the work should be half done.

Some 1,500 missionaries used to go out each year from North America. Now the number is around 500. Shame on us. Yea, worse, what a crime!

O Church of Christ, what wilt thou say When in that awful judgment day They charge thee with their doom?

It is the extravagant man who lectures his wife most about the importance of economy.

The devil gets an army when he gets a child.

The yoke of Christ will not fit a stiff neck.

The prophet who turned back to eat and drink was killed by a lion.

One of the men of whom the devil is surest is the moderate drinker who thinks he is safe.

The busy man may be tempted by one devil, but the loafer is tempted by a dozen.

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YOUTH CAMP

March is the month for raising money for YOUTH CAMP. Do your share—

Are you interested in the youth of America? Are you interested in the youth of our Pilgrim Church? If you are, don't delay but start right now gathering funds for PILGRIM YOUTH CAMP.

We must raise two thousand dollars for this year's Youth Camp. We can raise this with every one doing his share.

If every member of the Pilgrim Holiness Church would give only two dollars in the month of March, it would be easy to raise this money. Your church will be expected to raise an average of \$2.00 per member.

Do your best and see the youth of the Pilgrim Church grow spiritually. Urge your young people to start preparing to attend Youth Camp next Labor Day week-end. Make March the month that you try the hardest to raise your share of investments in YOUTH.

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PASTORS!

SUPERINTENDENTS!

TEACHERS!

Would you like to double your Sunday School attendance? Would you like to recover those absentees? Are your Sunday School scholars Christians?

Or did you know that you are engaged in the greatest work in the universe? Daniel Webster says,

"If we work upon marble, it will perish;

"If we work upon brass, time will efface it;

"If we rear temples, they will crumble into dust;

"But, if we work upon immortal souls; if we imbue them with immortal principles, with the just fear of God, and love of their fellowmen, we engrave on those tablets something which will brighten all eternity."

Furthermore, did you know that 85% of the church membership come through the Sunday School? Did you know that only

2% of the six million criminals in the United States have been Sunday School attendants?

"So shall my word be that goeth forth out of my mouth; it shall not return unto me void, but it shall accomplish that which I please, and it shall prosper in the thing whereto I sent it." Isa. 55:11.

The Sunday School is of national interest. It is of public interest. It is of spiritual interest. And it should interest you.

Plan now—encourage the workers of your church to attend this convention!

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—KATHERINE THOMAS

DO YOU KNOW—

That 37,000,000 people in the world attend Sunday School?

That only 66 per cent of America's girls go to church regularly?

That 27,000,000 young people never darkened a church door last year?

That 30,000,000 heathen die annually without God?

That there are 2,500,000 Sunday School teachers in America?

That 85,000 churches in the United States are unable to support a full time preacher?

That there are 70 heathen temples in the United States, 35 of them located on the Pacific Coast?

The heart of the Sunday School is worship—put your school on their knees for spiritual power—on their seats for instruction—on their feet for visitation. —Sel.

OUR MISSIONARIES



LEILA BARTON

It was a happy and yet sorrowful crowd that gathered at the Alhambra station to bid farewell to our own Leila Barton.

As she boarded the train there was the click of camera shutters as friends and loved ones snapped that farewell picture of their very own missionary. A beautiful gardenia corsage (presented earlier by her friends) tried in vain to add to her wholesome loveliness—every one was smiling—then, "All aboard!" and the Sunset Limited began to move away ever faster until it was lost in the distance carrying our Miss Leila on the first step of her long journey to Peru.

Now the friends could control their feelings no longer—handkerchiefs began to appear everywhere. A glance to the side as we drove away from the station on our way home indicated that silence was the order of the day. One line of our old familiar song came to our mind over and over again, "Give of your best to the Master." And some way we felt we had.

ANNOUNCEMENT

Change of date for Rosemead revival—from Feb. 5-16 to Mar. 19 thru 30. REV. H. J. OLSON

RECOMMENDATION

I wish to recommend Rev. B. Ivan Williams to any who may need the service of a good pianist, song leader or preacher. He is a young man with ability and deep sincerity. May God enlarge his field.

This recommendation is not asked for but volunteered. Address him at 1020 S. Washington Street, Owosso, Mich.

REV. S. I. EMERY

Dear Bro. Moran, Gospel greetings!

Hope you can get some of the churches to slate Bro. Williams, as he is worthy. I went to school with him, and recommend him as a good minister, and excellent in the field of music. Yours,

MILTON HARRINGTON

PASTORS NEEDED!

Always—but think of the new opportunities now opening up for men who can preach the Gospel and who know how to lead their churches in a constructive soul-winning program. Train for your life work at El Monte Bible College.

And plan to enter NOW. Come to this friendly, growing school to prepare for successful work—at home or abroad.

El Monte Bible College stands without apology for the "Old-time religion," and the absolute authority of the Bible.