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# THE FRIENDLY ENDEAVOR

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## Christmas Harmonies

By Hazel Porter

Luke is called the first Christian hymnologist. He alone gives the five great hymns.

1. The Ava Maria, or the Angel's Saultation to the Virgin Mary, 1:28-33.
2. The Magnificat, or Song of Mary, 1:46-55.
3. The Benedictus, or song of Zacharias, 1:68-79.
4. The Gloria in Excelsis, or Song of the Angels, 2:14.



Hazel Porter

5. The Nunc Dimittis, or Song of Simeon, 2:29-32.  
How fitting that the good news from heaven should break upon the world amid the harmonies of music. May we each find a quiet sanctuary and open our souls to the holy Christmas message. May heaven see us on our knees in adoration of the Christ born within our hearts.

Hark, the herald angels sing,  
'Glory to the new-born King;  
Peace on earth, and mercy mild;  
God and sinners reconciled!"

What a beautiful Christmas gift Charles Wesley gave to the world when he wrote the words of this well-known Christmas carol! His heart was on fire with love for Jesus Christ and for lost souls. Surely he expressed his heart as he wrote these familiar words! The tune for this carol was taken from a great cantata, written by a Jew, Felix Mendelssohn. Mendelssohn was a devout worshiper of God. He rose from an open Bible to devote nine years of inspired labor in writing his wonderful oratorio, called *Elijah*. Much of the music for this oratorio he conceived while he was on his knees. He poured his very life into it, for within a year after its completion, he said, "I cannot play, I have no strength," and he died, being not yet forty years old. The tune, written by Mendelssohn, and chosen by Charles Wesley for the words of his Christmas carol, is a beautiful, glorious, triumphant tune. How we all love it!

Out of your life God wants to make beautiful harmonies, reverberating His love and light to a world still in darkness. Implore Him, count on Him to make you an honor to His name.

### WHY I BELIEVE MY BIBLE

By Joseph G. Reece

There is a lamentable lack, these days, of a daring faith in the Bible as the inerrant Word of God. Too many people are putting the Bible on a par with other books spelled out by finite minds. I believe my Bible because it has never failed in the

## President Describes Jesus

By Publius Lenulus

There lives at this time in Judea a man of singular virtue whose name is Jesus Christ, whom the barbarians esteem as a prophet, but his followers love and adore as the offspring of the immortal God. He calls back the dead from the graves and heals all sorts of diseases with a word or touch. He is of amiable and reverend aspect; his hair of a color that can hardly be matched, falling into graceful curls, waving about and very agreeably couching upon his shoulders, parted on the crown of his head, running as a stream to the front after the fashion of the Nazarites; his forehead high, large, and imposing; his cheeks without spot or wrinkle with a lovely red; his nose and mouth formed with exquisite symmetry; his beard, and of a color suitable to his hair, reaching below his chin and parted in the middle like a fork; his eyes bright blue, clear, and serene, look innocent, dignified, manly and mature. In proportion of body most perfect and captivating; his arms and hands delectable to behold. He rebukes with majesty; counsels with mildness, his whole address, whether word or deed, being eloquent and grave. No man has seen him laugh, yet his manners are exceedingly pleasant, but he has wept frequently in the presence of men. He is temperate, modest and wise. A man for his extraordinary beauty and divine perfection, surpassing the children of men in every sense.—(This description of Christ was written by Publius Lenulus, President of Judea, in the reign of Tiberius Caesar, to that monarch in Rome, and first appeared in the writings of Saint Anselm of Canterbury in the eleventh century.)

past and furthermore because it finds a ready response in my heart to the work of grace which has been wrought therein. Therefore with perfect confidence and assurance I hold to the Bible for my tomorrows, knowing that it will never fail. The Psalmist declares, "For ever oh Lord thy word is settled in Heaven." (Ps. 119:89) and Jesus says, "Heaven and earth shall pass away, but my Word shall not pass away." (Matt. 24:35) And so I take a positive and definite stand on the authenticity of the Bible.

The question may arise, why is it necessary to take such a positive and definite position on the authenticity of the Bible? The answer is, there is no vital christian experience without it. The Bible points out so clearly the way for any lost soul to find

## This is Why a 4-page Issue

### C. E. UNION OF OREGON YEARLY MEETING QUOTAS

Society	Quota	Am't rec. Nov. 14
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Lents	24.65	
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Intermediate	9.00	
Vancouver	12.75	
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Intermediate	3.00	
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Intermediate	7.20	
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Intermediate	16.20	
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Intermediate	9.60	
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Tacoma	16.15	5.00
Intermediate	4.20	
Entiat	7.65	
	\$436.60	\$31.25

Isn't there a rather large difference between the two figures at the bottom of the columns. The year is almost half gone already so we will have to work extra hard to catch up. Let's make a big change in this list before it is printed next month!

High honors go to Sunnyside, which is now on the Sunny Side of the treasurer by paying their quota in full. Next in line is Tacoma with 30.9 per cent of their quota and then Greenleaf with 22.6 per cent of their quota paid.

God. In it we find the plane of christian experience. Its pages are replete with the power of a mighty God, His infinite wisdom, His tender mercy and we catch a vision of the great plan of salvation. What kind of an experience would you find outside the Bible? No other religion can lift its followers to a plane of peace, joy or happiness, and many of these religions are merely excuses to hide evil practices.

Again, without such a positive position, we find no successful effort as a winner (Continued on Page 2)



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**SOCIETY REPORTERS PLEASE NOTE!**  
The winter address for Mignon Macy is 1106 North Ainsworth St., Portland, Oregon.

### NEWBERG ELECTS OFFICERS

Newberg seniors started the year with a "bang", at their first business meeting, electing officers. The officers were elected as follows: Esther Mae Weesner, president; Mary Edith Thomas, vice president and prayer meeting committee chairman; Mary Esther Pemberton, secretary and social committee chairman; Warren Roberts, treasurer and lookout chairman; and Wesley Jeffery, quiet hour and missionary committee chairman.

So far the C. E. has undertaken two socials. One the eve of Sunday, October 22, we had a reception in the church basement for the new and old college students. Friday, November 4, a quarterly meeting party was held at our church.

Much interest has been shown among the members in the C. E. this year and we are out to do big things in regard to the chart work.

### SOUTH SALEM NEWS

Greetings Friends!  
The close of summer has brought many changes. Those returning from their vacations were met by our new pastor, Dillon Mills and his family, who have come from Idaho to take the place left by Miller and Hazel Porter.

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We miss Miller and Hazel very much, but we know that they will be busy and happy in their new field of service.

Flash!!! The interior of the church has a new coat of kalsomine. The money was raised by various entertainments which were sponsored by the Builders Class, and by free-will offerings.

Home-coming, on October 31, which was celebrating the end of our summer cruise on the ship "Enthusiasm," was enjoyed by many. Dinner was served at the noon-hour, followed by an interesting talk by Mr. K. L. Mendenhall, the Yearly Meeting Bible School superintendent.

Now let see what's happening in the Senior Endeavor. The members have reorganized and are now going under the name of the "Intermediates." An election of officers was then held. The following people were elected:

President, Bill Laughlin; vice-president, Hazel Cooper; secretary and treasurer, Gwendolyn Pearson; prayer chairman, Pauline Miller; missionary chairman, Iola Coop; social chairman, Abigail Miller; press chairman, Carol Cooper.

### DRONES

Drones, parasites, blood suckers, spongers, robbers, beggars—all are supported by someone else. The drone bee for instance, gathers no honey. He doesn't help fan excess water out of the fresh nectar; the drone, the lazy dawdler, just eats and buzzes loudly. He eats of the good that the worker bees bring home but he depletes the strength of the hive by his continual eating.



You drone—and you are one if you go to church and Christian Endeavor and never think about contributing money to help keep the work going. If you disregard paying C. E. obligations you are a lazy drone, eating of the good things of our church and our young peoples' organization without helping to gather them. The worker bees gather all the nectar they can. Some find better pastures and can bring more in. This is a hint to all half hearted givers to awaken to a fuller Christian stewardship. Maybe God has called you and me to make money to support His kingdom work. You have as high a calling, as much a share in saving souls, if you have accepted this call to be a supporter, as though you were preaching.

C. E. member, will you and I just eat of the good things of C. E. and not support them by tithing and giving? We have missionaries to support; we have outpost workers and a C. E. program to keep going. We

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are about to let God's work suffer. Will we rob God in tithes and offerings?

### PIEDMONT C. E.

With shrieks, laughter, gayety, and perhaps some fear and foreboding, the members of the Piedmont Senior C. E. groped their way in the dark along a winding trail and passage way until they finally arrived in an attic decorated with pumpkins, corn shocks, ghosts, and other objects symbolic of Hallowe'en. After playing a number of games the hostess, Doris Kald, served refreshments of pumpkin ice cream and cookies.

Our pastor and family left Monday, November 14, for a two weeks vacation in southern California.

The high school and senior C. E. societies had charge of the Sunday evening service November 20 in the absence of the pastor who was on a vacation.

Rev. Mr. Samms, missionary to Alaska, spoke of his work among the Eskimo people Sunday morning, November 13.

### WHY I BELIEVE THE BIBLE

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of souls. Why? Because the awfulness of hell is gone, the lostness of man and need of salvation is out of the question, and the Blood of the Cross as a necessary part of redemption is cast to one side as an idle fancy. Moreover it is clearly evident that wherever an indifferent attitude is taken toward the inspiration of the Scriptures, you will find moral degeneracy set in. In other words, it is according to your belief in the Bible that you will find yourself either raising or lowering your moral standards.

The Bible tells us where unbelief came from, when in Gen. 3:4-5, we find the devil contradicting God. Unbelief comes from the devil as he is the father of lies. Let us not for one brief moment take sides with this enemy of our souls. Let us flee from the devil and trust in the God of the Bible. Yes, why not trust the Bible implicitly?

The Bible is God's effort to speak to man lost in sin and show him a way back to safety. After finding God in forgiveness of sins and having become a new creature in Christ, we see the plain and clear directions for living a life pleasing unto God. It is to be expected that these directions would come under the observation of students, educators and scientists. But it is interesting to note that although the Bible is not a book of science, yet when ever reference is made to any scientific subject it has always been right. Let us listen to what scientists have to say:

Cuvier, founder of Paleontology, says, "Moses has left us a Cosmogony the exactitude of which is most wonderfully confirmed every day."

Dana, of Yale, says, "The record of Creation" (Continued on Page 3)

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### FRIENDS ARE FRIENDLY

Friends are friendly. We invite you to attend the service of the church. You will be given a friendly welcome. You will be a stranger only once.

### CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

**OAK PARK CHURCH**  
Frederick Baker, Minister  
Bible School—10:45 a. m.  
Junior Church—9:45 a. m.  
Meeting for Worship—9:45 a. m.  
Christian Endeavor:  
Intermediates—6:00 p. m.  
Seniors—7:00 p. m.  
Union Meeting—8:00 p. m.  
Mid-week Meeting (Thurs.)—7:30 p. m.

### PRUNE HILL CHURCH

Frederick B. Baker, Minister  
Bible School—9:45 a. m.  
Junior Church—11:00 a. m.  
Morning Worship—11:00 a. m.  
Christian Endeavor—6:30 p. m.  
Union Meeting in Camas—8:00 p. m.  
Mid-week Meeting (Wed.)—7:30 p. m.

### West Mill Plain

Bible School—10:00 a. m.

### WHY I BELIEVE THE BIBLE

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tion given by Moses and that written in the rocks are the same in all general features."

It was about fifty years ago when the French Academy of Science had twenty reasons against the Bible, anyone of which, they said, was enough to overthrow it. Today not one of these stand. Some modern scholars question that Moses wrote the Pentateuch, but we find 17 of the writers of the Bible give Moses as the author.

Another indisputable fact of the inspiration of the Bible comes from fulfilled prophecy. Look at the Jews and see how wonderfully the Bible foretold it all. And if you are still in doubt, look at the adherents of the Bible and then look at those who are its opponents. A glance at such a contrast is most convincing.

God's picture of sin is not as man sees it, neither is God's picture of holiness according to man's idea. Hence the Bible is not a book that man would write if he could or could if he would.

Jesus refers twenty-five times to what the Old Testament writers had written, by saying, "It is written," and 7000 verses of the Old Testament are enclosed by "Thus saith the Lord."

In conclusion let us ask, without the Bible what shall we do, when sin overwhelms? When the world trembles? When death faces us? When the trump shall sound? And when the judgment day arrives? No, give us the Bible that we may pillow our heads upon it, looking forward with perfect confidence as our God leads the way.

"A glory gilds the Sacred page,  
Majestic as the sun;  
It gives its light to every age  
It gives, but borrows none."

### WEST MILL PLAIN NEWS

The Thunder Bird Class gave a party at the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Smith Saturday evening, November 19. The evening was spent in playing games. Light refreshments were served. Those present were Leonard Holsman, Sherzade, Robert Bailey, Myrle Bailey, Hepsadiah McCoy, Curtis Hansen, Josephine Lane, Beatrice Peters, Clarence Boley, Adalina Norton, Penelope Hansen, Ernest Smith, Clyde Lawson, Glenn Coldwell, and Jane Ellithorpe. A good time was had by all and more parties are planned for the near future.

### WEST MILL PLAIN SPONSORS WINNING TROOP

Adding further laurels to the list already held by Boy Scout troops on this side of the river, Troop 341, Vancouver, Saturday night won the annual first aid contest sponsored by the Multnomah County chapter, American Red Cross. The troop was competing against troops from Portland as well as elsewhere in the entire area council.

It was the first time the perpetual plaque a large silver shield mounted on a mahogany base, has been won by an outside troop since it was placed in competition by the Red Cross in 1936. Troops 119, Portland, and 204, Multnomah, Oregon are the previous winners.

The victorious team was composed of Hugh Mundeoe, captain; and Jay Ellithorpe, Phil Sorenson, John Peters, and Bobby McCoy. R. W. Smith is scoutmaster.

## THE POET'S CORNER

By Aline Terrell

### CROWN HIM LORD

No doubt all Heav'n was silent, the angels stood aside,  
As the Father from a heart of boundless love  
Looked on a gift most precious, His only Begotten Son,  
As He prepared to leave the Courts above.

He came, not unattended, to live here among men,  
But angel hosts announced Him that glad night;  
The Wise Men gave Him welcome and worship when they saw  
The One whom they had sought by guiding light.

The wise today would seek Him, if they would know the peace,  
The joy, the grace, and matchless love He brings;  
And too, it takes the lowly, as shepherds keeping watch,  
To crown Him Lord of Lords and King of Kings.

### OAK PARK NEWS

Mrs. Glenn Miller, a niece of Mary H. Allen, was her guest here during the third week of November.

The Gospel Song hour held in the different homes once a week is proving to be a blessing.

The next meeting of the Woman's Missionary Society will be held at Nellie Beauchamp's December 9th.

The series of messages on the X-ray of the Heart culminated Sunday evening November 20, with seven people kneeling at an altar of prayer. The artist who carried out Fred Baker's design on the chart used for these messages was present in the service and given recognition.

The Oak Park and Prune Hill Senior societies met in a union service Sunday November 20 with the young people of First Friends Church in Vancouver leading. Special features of the service were a vocal duet, a saxophone trio, and a discussion on "The Home" under the able leadership of Meda Runyan.

### PRUNE HILL NEWS

Every Monday has been set aside by the men of the Prune Hill congregation as "Churchyard Improvement Day", Bob Manary is the chairman of the group. They are making a parking lot. This will avoid the necessity of going around the church in wet weather, and will also be a big improvement toward beautifying the yard.

We have missed Mildred Hadley from our group the past few weeks and hope she will have a speedy recovery.

The monthly Christian Endeavor Business meeting was held after Prayer meeting, Wednesday, November 16th, with most of the members present.

A "Backwards Meeting" supplied the novel meeting in C. E. The meeting was begun by repeating the benediction. Slips with questions which were written backwards were distributed among the group.

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# The Church Window

By CHESTER A HADLEY

See the Yearly Meeting through the Church Window

## While Shepherds Watched

By Floy B. Mardock

'Twas while the shepherds watched their flocks,

Among Judean hills,  
And rested neath the stars, their clocks  
In sound of laughing rills;  
An angel came while glory shone,  
And told of Jesus birth;  
Then suddenly a host made known  
Good news to men on earth.

I wonder, did the temple lamp,  
Still burn with steady glow?  
Was it at evenings dew and damp,  
Or did the lamp burn low?  
Did glory fill God's house once more  
As in Isaiah's day,  
And door posts move as once before,  
At passing types away?

And did the high priest, cold and stern  
Rest calmly on his bed,  
Or did he restless, toss and turn,  
Because his sleep had fled?  
Where were the scribes and the pharisees,  
The boasters in the law?  
For in blindness, none could see,  
Nor did they stand in awe.

Did jealous Herod see a king,  
That envy made him hate?  
Did premonition to him bring,  
Some warning of his fate?  
No prince or ruler saw the star,  
The rich man or the great,  
Which guided the wise men from afar,  
And unto Herod's gate.

Oh! did the Rachels lout out cry,  
Disturbed by awful dream,  
And draw their tender babes up nigh,  
While starlights softly gleam?  
For innocence must ever pay  
In suffering and pain,  
While princes of this world hold sway  
And lust for power and gain.

Old Anna must have heard a stir,  
And rustle as of angel's wing,  
As slumber sweet enfolded her,  
And raptures sound did cling.  
Perhaps, to Simeon there came,  
Some tidings in that hour  
Of the wonder of Jesus name,  
And of his grace and power.

Why did the inkeeper not know,  
Or seem to understand,  
The mystery in the evening glow  
And things so near at hand?  
Salvation's miracle so nigh,  
"E'en in thy mouth and heart,"  
And yet, so many pass it by,  
And cause it to depart.

## DO YOU WANT FRIENDLY ENDEAVOR TO CONTINUE?

A short pointed letter from Lawrence McCracken notified the entire staff of the Friendly Endeavor that there was not enough money to publish a full issue of the paper this month. We of the Church page are largely responsible for the shortage. Why? Well you see it's like this, the Yearly Meeting gives the Friendly Endeavor part of the United Budget money to pay for the printing of the Church Window pages.

So far there has not been a penny paid to the treasurer for this item and our Yearly Meeting treasurer has not received enough to keep up the salaries of our missionaries and out post men and be able to turn any of the money received to help in the printing of the Friendly Endeavor.

So what? Well for one thing the Church Window is rather small this month, and to think of it! Christmas month at that! We had so much we wanted to say and that we felt needed to be said but it will have to be filed for future use. The Christmas article will keep for twelve months.

The point to these rambling remarks, if it can be found, is please pay your share of the United Budget so we can be back in circulation next month. Won't you please help us out of this difficulty?

Another good thing about telling the TRUTH is—you don't have to remember what you say.

## Kenworthy-Nordyke

A quiet but pretty ceremony was solemnized Sunday evening, October 23rd, when Miss Eilene Kenworthy became the bride of Mr. Robert Nordyke at the home of the bride's cousins, Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Hadley, of Longview, Washington.

The candle-lighted ceremony, performed by Rev. Ray Dew, took place before the fire place which was banked with vine maple and autumn flowers, making a lovely background for the party.

Mr. and Mrs. Randall Dicus attended the couple. Mr. Dicus sang "At Dawning," accompanied by Mrs. Dicus. Melvin Kenworthy, brother of the bride, accompanied the party to Longview.

Mrs. Hadley served a buffet supper following the ceremony.

We all join in extending the best wishes to Mr. and Mrs. Nordyke.

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