WHAT ABOUT PRAYER?

Ralph Waldo Emerson in his early life was a New England preacher. He was a great philosopher, spoken of as the wisest American. On October 15, 1826 Emerson preached his first sermon. His subject was Prayer, his three division were—1st, Men are always praying, 2nd, All prayers are answered, 3rd, Beware then what we ask. Emerson, one of the wise men our East, prayed.

Daniel Webster, another of our wise men, a giant intellectually, and he prayed. Lincoln, a third wise man, an outstanding statesman of all time, and he prayed.

Now, sir, what about prayer? Is it a lost art, has it no merit, are we ashamed to pray in this mechanical age?, Four out of five of all Churches have either eliminated the mid-week prayer meeting from their schedule, or the old-fashioned prayer meeting is carried on by the elderly folk and so called religious fanatics. Here and there a Church keep the lights burning in the windows and the voice of prayer sanctifies and hallows the meeting house.

But what about prayer? Really, has it gone out of fashion, is it worthless, or do our voices mock us, or, perhaps, a later discovery in the spiritual life has taught us a better way?

My friend, wisdom has provided nothing to substitute for prayer, and the Church that outgrows the holy practice loses infinitely more than it realizes.

I will cite three values, worth by far more than the effort they cost, in the realm of prayer. Before I mention the three values I remind my readers that Prayer is a Bible doctrine, that Jesus taught His disciples to pray, that prayer, in its fullest beauty, is the passion, the urge, the longing of the human soul. It is a petition coming up from the depths of the human heart, or it is an overflow of praise and thanks to a loving Providence for blessings received.

The first value in prayer is, it brings to fruitage the best that is in us. This is true because prayer is a natural function, like breathing, or exercising, or eating. It is not a badge, or a trinket, or a bit of imagery. It is life, it is something to be enjoyed, it is a privilege, it is comfort. People to the christian is like sunshine and moisture to the seed, chrstian character will grow tall in the Garden of Prayer.

Second value. Prayer confesses or acknowledges a higher Power. It feels for, or reaches out, for God. Man's hope is to know that all is not sifting sand. It is a great day for any man when he learns there is a rock, something substantial to stand on. He that feels no need of Omnipotence, of a steadying mighty strength, of wisdom and guidance and health, far beyond the human element, he who says it is not, or needs it not, is a fool, and there is no depth of reason in him. The simplest prayer of the most unlearned, or the scholarly words of the mighty, and all between these two extremes who pray, one and all worship at the same altar, the humble confess-
Third value of prayer. Prayer contacts the Divine. No wonder that Evans, the one-eyed Welsh preacher, said, Prayer is a rope that rings the bell in Heaven. This third value of prayer is true, from the very nature of God and man, for man is made for God, and a walk, a life and a contact between God and His family on earth is reasonable and to be expected. Many of our prayers no doubt are dull, formal and lifeless, they blunder, stumble and perhaps go amiss. The world may not respect the band that prays, but reject not, neither forget to pray.

Make your prayer a clear message, put fervor, spirit and sincerity in it and you, too, will know the contact of Earth with Heaven.

THIS FRIDAY
Church Night Business Meeting will be held on Friday evening of this week in the church basement. Members should be present at 7:30 P.M. Important business relative to church finances will be presented and decided upon. Be there!

NOTICE
The Ladies Bible Class will hold a covered dish supper at the church Tuesday 6:00 P.M. Stee. 12th. At that time this year's buddies will be revealed and new ones will be exchanged. If you have a Buddy or want one this coming year please attend this supper.

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NEXT SUNDAY
Inasmuch as our Bible Orchestra has several members who will shortly return to their respective colleges and universities this Fall Supt. Monteith requested Director Maxwell to produce some extra special Music this coming Sunday morning. This he expects to do. So come Sunday morning prepared to hear some good music.

THE PAST SUNDAY
Last Sunday “Bill” Robinson who expects to study for the ministry delivered the sermon at Community Church. Some of the things which he said are as follows: Text—“They that are in the flesh cannot please God.” The Bible says “Be ye separate.” To know God is therefore to be separated from the world. “Worldly things should be gotten out of the church, then get God’s Spirit back in.” Speaking of movie censors: “The time has come when we need a censorboard of God and not of man.”

SUNDAY—SEPTEMBER 10TH
COMMUNION
On Sunday Sept. 10th Rev. Hulme will be back with us again and regular morning and evening church services will be resumed. The morning service will probably be held as a part of the Bible School. Evening services will be held at 7:30. On October first, which is the first Sunday in October the first of our quarterly communion services will be held. Every member is expected to attend.

THURSDAY EVENING
PRAYER SERVICE
Folks will please remember that our Wednesday evening prayer service is held on Thursday evening. Mrs. Dunn lead a very good meeting while papers were being folded last Thursday. This made for a very high order of thought and speech while folding papers but a prayer meeting under such circumstances does not allow everyone to give as much attention to the subject as might be desired. However we did get the papers folded in record time and at the close of the meeting several fervent prayers were made by those present.

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GRANGE NOTICE
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The weeds to be mounted on cardboard which will be furnished by the committee.

A part of the stem and the leaves, also the bloom or seed to be shown. These must be correctly labeled. The cardboard may be obtained from W. H. Peck, Hudson Road or Howard Call, Fish Creek Road.

For the best exhibit a prize of $1.00 will be awarded, second 50 cents, third 25 cents.

The following weeds to be exhibited: Canada Thistle, Snack Grass, Golden Rod, Morning Glory, Black Bindweed, Bitter Dock, Carrot (Wild), Clover Dodde, Narrow Leaf Plantain, Field Bindweed, Pigeon Grass, Rag Weed. Young people 18 years and under are eligible.

FOOD FOR THOUGHT
Many people in their lives are trading peace for excitement and are being badly cheated.

F. A. C.

At the Stow Garden Club Flower Show Mrs. Mary Olson received the grand sweepstake prize for number of points won while Mrs. F. C. Neugebauer won the most blue ribbons.

COMING
In the next issue of this paper there will appear the first of a series of eight articles on various phases of work on our church. These, of course, are by our

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minister, Rev. Hulme, and, are intended to give the reader a better understanding of the why and the wherefore of a Community Church.

Be sure to avail yourself of the opportunity to read each article as it is published.

AN OUTSTANDING TRUTH OF OUR SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

Heads of government have no authority over the work of God.

Many assume it, but such do well to remember that they themselves are subject to the King and the Lord of lords. Rome did not last long after its Caesars regarded themselves gods and accentuated the worship of the people. When religious liberty is throttled by a government it is the most definite sign that the government has degenerated and is decaying. Totalitarianism is morally wrong because it assumes prerogatives which belong to God alone.

"The Otterbein Advanced Quarterly" thru Courtesy of a Reader

FRIDAY EVENING PRAYER MEETINGS

The church is composed of those whom the Lord has admitted (Acts 2:47) and those who love Him and obey his will (John 14:23; 1st John 3:24) are the ones whom the Lord has admitted as members of the body of the true church. Many do not seem to understand that it is not "our church" but Christ's church purchased by His blood (Acts 20:28; Eph 5:25-27).

Christ is the glory of the church. Th's, the present day church, in a large measure, seems to have forgotten. "Only as He is lifted up will the church prosper and God's will be accomplished." (Read John 3:14-15).

The above points and many more of a similar nature have been considered at recent Bible Study and Prayer Meetings which are held each Friday evening (except the first Friday of the month) in various homes throughout the community.

Last Friday seventeen met at

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C. E. YOUNG FOLKS LAUNCH OUT FOR CHRIST

The 15th Annual Fall Retreat of the Summit County Christian Endeavor Union will be held at Camp Y-Noah, Sept. 9th and 10th.

The theme of the Retreat is Launch Out For Christ.

Conference leaders and speakers are: Geneva Craig, Walter Grosh, Byron Bankes, Glen Massman, Grace Warneke, Louis Turncr, Howard Short, Harold Etling, Harry Hannum, Rev. Haulman.

The full cost of the Retreat will be $2.00. This includes all meals and a night’s lodging. Several from our society are planning on going. Be one of them.

PERSONALS

Read the Minister’s article this week.

“Be not carried about with divers and strange doctrines.”

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Note from Ladies Class: Mrs. Conley and Mrs. North were welcomed back at Bible School Sunday.

Need a new furnace coil? Let us check it now. E. F. Kastens, the plumber, 116 E. Graham Road. Phone WA-7688. (Adv.)

M. C. Taylor and family of Niagara Falls, N. Y. spent last week with his parents, the Taylors at 141 Hudson Road, Stow.

Mrs. Frances Ellsworth, fifth grade teacher in Stow School, held a party at her home in Kent last Saturday for her last year’s pupils. Everyone had a fine time.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. D. Conley of West Arndale Road spent the last week end visiting home folks at New Metamoras, Ohio.

Mrs. Ralph Nichols was given a surprise party in celebration of her birthday by her neighbors Saturday night at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. McAdams. About thirty-five were present. She received many lovely gifts.

Attendance at Bible School last Sunday was one hundred fifty-seven. Birthdays celebrated were those of Donna Rae Davis, Virginia Easterling and Mrs. Ralph Nichols. Miss Clara Hardy’s class with an attendance of one hundred six percent won the banner.

Chestnut Framing and sheeting $30 per M Bd. ft., up to 12 ft. long. Real black walnut or trim. Joe A. Mitten, 142 Thorndale. (Adv.)

Mr. and Mrs. Foote and daughter, Shirley, have returned from a ten day trip visiting relatives in Pennsylvania and New York States. They tell us the mountains are not only very beautiful but the place for “Hay Feverites.”
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Kindergarten-Mrs. Green's kindergarten with advanced and beginners classes for children of preschool age located at 619 Portage Trail Cuyahoga Falls, opens Sept. 11th. Special offer to those paying tuition in advance. For further information call WA-1589. (Adv.)

Sorry: We are sorry not to have included the Graham Road notes last week, also a notice regarding the Stow Band Lawn Fete was omitted. These omissions were due to neglect and lack of energy on the part of the Editor. He did not call at the Post office as is his usual custom on Monday evening. And another thing, we apologize for the printers. While no ads that we know of were omitted this time, Mr. Marhofer's new ad was a mess. All the words were there, but, mixed up. It will be run again this week and should make better sense.


Mr. and Mrs. Milford Hissem and their niece, Miss Freda Wonn, returned on last Thursday night from a trip to Florida. The scenery was very beautiful thru the Smoky Mountains altho it was raining too hard on Clingman's Dome to see any distance, the elevation is 6642 ft. at this point. They visited in Panama City and Sarasota, Fla. While in Panama City they went deep sea fishing and had good luck. The trip covered 3040 miles.

Be wise! Have your pump checked before winter. E. F. Kastens, 116 E. Graham Road. Phone WA-7688. (Adv.)

Erratum: In stead of the merchants giving away two bbls. of groceries the week of the homecoming as noted in last week's paper, it is the Fire Department and Legion who will give away the two barrels of groceries. However, it seems that tickets for this event may be secured from the merchants. Another thing, children's day is Wednesday, 1 to 6:00 P.M. in place of Friday.

Hungry for a Hamburger Sandwich? Get it at the Stow Bar-B-Cue. (Adv).

A subscriber has just called our attention to the fact that slot machines which pay off in money exist in certain Stow business houses and that our church members (?) quite often play them. These machines in certain cases are in back rooms covered up

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when not in use, in other instances they are displayed openly. There are persons in our community who rightly regard such devices as instruments of the Devil, a menace to our young people, and an exceedingly undesirable thing to have in Stow.

If your car won’t run, call George at Gerbers. He will fix it. Phone WA-8843. (Adv.)

No one, that we know of, can beat the Gillams when it comes to having visitors. Here is the list. Mrs. Clyde Willisan, her two daughters, with Miss Ruth Willisan of Saxon, Pa., and Mr. and Mrs. Cletus Detwiler, presumably from the same place, were visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Gillam last Monday and Tuesday. On Wednesday Mr. and Mrs. Harry Parthanore and Mrs. John Cobler of Edward City, Pa. arrived with Miss Betty Cobler of Conneanut Lake, Pa. Then on Saturday and Sunday, if we get it straight, those visiting the Gillams included Mr. John Cobler of Wooster, Ohio, with Mr. and Mrs. George Cobler and daughter, Betty, of Pennsylvania. (Ed note: On reading this paragraph over it may be that we have John’s name where George ought to be or the other way around).

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SIDE WALK MEETING

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As the proposition now stands citizens of Stow will vote in the November election on proposed levy against the property tax duplicate to pay 50% of the sponsor’s share, or approximately 1/2 of the total sidewalk cost. This tax levy has been proposed by the township trustees because:

1. They feel that it would work a hardship on property owners some with as much as 1200 ft. frontage to pay the entire sponsor’s share.

2. Stow has never financed a WPA project and we have had as many as 350 men on WPA. It is time that we furnished a project.

3. Last winter’s relief ran from $900 to $1300 per month. However this August, due to WPA layoffs, our relief will run $1500 with every prospect of it being doubled later on. By providing work we will cut the relief load to a greater extent than the amount of relief provided, since the Federal Government furnishes over 70% of the cost of the project.

4. Most important of all side-
walks will keep the children, who now walk to school, off the roads. As one man expressed it our children are our most valuable asset.

Delicious sandwiches, and coffee prepared for parties. Stow Bar-B-Cue. (Adv.)

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