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The Indian Version of the 23rd Psalm

"The Great Father above is a Shepherd Chief, I am His, and with Him I want not. He throws out to me a rope, and the name of the rope is Love, and He draws me, and He draws me, and He draws me, where the grass is green, and the water is good, and I eat and lie down satisfied.

Sometime—it may be very soon, it may be longer, it may be a long, long time, that He will draw me into a place between mountains. It is dark there, but I'll draw back not, I'll be afraid not, for it is there between these mountains that the Shepherd Chief will meet me. Sometimes He makes the love rope into a whip, but afterwards He gives me a staff to lean on.

He spreads before me a table with all kinds of food, and He puts His hands upon my head and all the tired is gone. My cup He fills until it runs over. What I tell you is true, I lie not, for these roads that are away ahead will stay with me all through this life, and afterwards I will go to live in the big tepee and sit down by the Shepherd Chief for ever."

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THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

The number of questions asked concerning the status of the Provincial Representative to the National Council of the Order is conclusive evidence that a clarification of this office is needed. Limitation of space prevent considering these questions as fully as we would like. (1) "Why not increase the number of Council members in lieu of having Provincial Representatives?" For years the Council having seen the need to enlarge its membership, discussed the matter from time to time at its then, semi-annual meetings. Members not familiar with the articles of the Order's Certificate of Incorporation, enacted April 16, 1917, felt—like some do now—that all that was necessary was an amendment to the constitution providing for a larger Council. But it was not that simple. For among the articles is one which states: "The name of this Corporation is to be The Daughters of the King, Inc.; The number of Trustees shall be *fifteen* and they shall compose the Council of this Corporation." It is a legal obligation that we comply with this article of agreement. After the Council did not meet as often as in previous years, it was thought to be an opportune time for the serious consideration of delegating to the Provinces greater responsibility for the general good of the Order. To this end a resolution was presented to, and adopted by Triennial Convention 1949, giving to each of the Provincial Daughters of the King Assemblies the privilege of electing a Representative to the Council in an effort to stimulate interest and realize a closer unity. (2) "What are the responsibilities and functions of the Provincial Representative?" This article does not attempt to cover all her duties as these vary according to the By-Laws of her respective province. It is clearly evident there is no uniformity in Provincial organization; each province appears to be organized in a way suited to its needs. Provincial Representatives serves as liaison officers between the Council and their Province. They are required to attend all regular meetings of the Council; to report to the Council progress of the work and extension of the Order in their Province; to participate in discussion and

decisions of matters brought before the Council in regular sessions; to follow-up through personal contact, if possible, all inquiries relative to forming chapters that come to our national office from clergy and lay persons in the dioceses in their Province, and which our office secretary forwards to them; to cooperate with the proper officers in an all-out effort to organize chapters both senior and junior in dioceses in their Province—especially in dioceses where there are no chapters. (3) "Why is it not permissible for the Provincial Representative to be an officer of the Council or take part in their election?" Obviously there is but one reason. Our constitution which must conform with our laws of Incorporation directs: "That the National Council of the Order shall be composed of *fifteen* Daughters to be elected by the convention; they shall elect from their own number the officers of the Council." There are distinct advantages to the Provinces having a Representative on the Council and of benefit to the Council to have its number augmented by so representative a group.

With much gratitude and joy we announce the number of chapters steadily increases. A warm welcome is extended to our seven new chapters. Seniors: 2nd Province, Diocese Central N. Y., St. Paul's, Owego; 4th Province, Diocese S. Fla., Grace Church, Ocala; 6th Province, Missionary District S. Dakota, St. Mary's, Mitchell; 8th Province, Diocese Los Angeles, Diocesan Chapter of San Diego Convocation. Juniors: 4th Province, Diocese S. Fla., All Saints', Ft. Lauderdale and All Saints', Lakeland; 7th Province, Diocese West Texas, St. Paul's Memorial, San Antonio.

The glory and beauty of Spring will be passed and it will be June with the winter's work accomplished when this reaches you. Many will be anticipating days of relaxation. For every Daughter we hope a happy vacation and may we all return to our various work resolved to offer more abundantly our prayers, and our service for the "Spread of His Kingdom."

Lillian Janet Soper

Helpful Suggestions From The Chairman of Devotions and Study

During the winter I had the privilege of attending the Bryan Green Mission in Charleston, S. C. I am sure many of you know of Canon Green (England's best known preaching Evangelist). As I listened to his sermon on "How we can continue to grow in CHRISTIAN LIVING," I wished every member of our Order could be there to hear, since I knew that was impossible, I took a few notes and would briefly like to outline them for you.

A. We can continue to grow in Christian Living by continuing in the Apostles Doctrine—the Christian Faith. In order to know the Christian doctrine we must read the Holy Bible, in particular study the New Testament; by reading good books and by really listening to sermons.

B. We must continue in Fellowship with other Christians—we can help each other on by being real friends.

C. We must make our Communion regularly or we will never make progress in the Christian life.

D. We must PRAY. "How can we get to know God if we do not talk to Him?", he asked. He suggested that we pray not only privately but corporately and that we have a fixed time to pray and talk to God simply and ordinarily.

After these four ways in which we can continue to grow in the Christian Life, Canon Green pointed out that he had said nothing about "doing anything" in order to lead a Christian Life—because if we keep close to God always, the Holy Spirit will make us want to do only good.

Perhaps many of us would like to read books which would help us to better understand the Bible or parts of the Bible, some need help in their Prayer life, others have problems which sometimes they can overcome by reading a book on Faith. Listed below are a few titles which I would suggest you borrow or buy to read on vacation or whenever you take time out to relax—it is always relaxing to read really GOOD BOOKS.

ROADBLOCKS TO FAITH—James Pike and John McG. Krumm. A series of dialogue sermons given in the Cathedral of St. John the Divine in New York City. The Believer answers the Skeptic; Dean Pike of the Cathedral and Chaplain Krumm of Columbia University oppose each other in alternating roles of Skeptic and Believer.

The GOSPELS, translated into modern English.—J. B. Phillips.

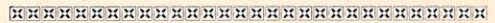
Letters to Young Churches.—J. B. Phillips. A translation of New Testament Epistles.

A Pattern for Life.—Archibald M. Hunter. An exposition on the Sermon on the Mount.

The Practice and Power of Prayer.—John Sutherland Bonnell. There are seven chapters dealing with Prayer in this very new book. Among which is covered, Healing Prayer, Unanswered Prayer — Intercessory Prayer — How Prayer effects the lives of others. Then there is an exposition of The Lord's Prayer and the Sermon on the Mount.

Beyond Anxiety—James A. Pike. The Christian answer to fear, frustration, Guilt, Inhibition, Loneliness—Indecision and Despair.

Hattie K. Bunting



THUS GOD

The Lord God speaks in clarion tones:
In crash of seas,
In equinoctial gales:
In jagged lightning thrown on night's black screen
To awe man's timorous soul.

Again, He speaks in little things:
In slender cobwebs balancing frail spheric dews
On opalescent ropes.
Each smallest beetle, dressed in cinnabar and gold
Reveals His voice to well-tuned ear,

While overhead at twilight,
Framed in tranquil blue,
Behold this lovely crescent moon,
The thin bright signature of God.

Dorothy Luke



From The Editor's Note Book

Again it is a pleasure to have such delightful, and inspiring poems written by members of our Order in this issue—one by Dorothy Luke of Burlingame, California, the other by Mabel Clare Thomas.

Only yesterday I was reading about a celebrated psychiatrist who recommended reading of poetry for our relaxation in these strenuous days, but these are poems which give us inspiration too, and we are deeply appreciative of them.

When attending our last Convention in Hartford, Conn., many of you visited Trinity College, and admired the beautiful Gothic Chapel, so I know you will enjoy our Cover picture.

In the foreword of a booklet on the chapel I found this paragraph:

"The Chapel has proven itself to be a vital working symbol of a Christian heritage, and of the ongoing process of Redemption of the whole order of history. Its contagion permeates all the disciplines of learning within the College, giving us foretastes of the way in which the Good News of Christ must gradually inform all of the relationships of man."

In this issue we also introduce you to our new Chairman of Devotions and Study, Miss Hattie K. Bunting. She has given both Juniors and Seniors some excellent suggestions.

So often I wonder if we are appreciative enough of our helpful Forward Movement publications and make as much use of them as we should.

I have been reading the ones put out especially for the armed forces, and realized what a tremendous help they give.

It seems to me that one of the finest things a chapter could do would be to put copies in the hands of every young man in their parishes—especially those joining the forces.

I have always felt there was a lack of religious books for the teen age, and even younger, and recently have been so pleased to read Edna Eastwood's well told stories.

Now Miss Eastwood is giving us a new one entitled "When The Time Comes," a story of Holy Week and Easter . . . but splendid summer reading for the younger groups.

It was a very great disappointment not to have room for the excellent sermon "The Eternal Awakening" published in our last issue.

However, you may have more time in the summer days ahead to enjoy it, and profit by it. And, I would like to share with you.

A PRAYER FOR THE SUMMER

"O, God, who dwellest not only in temples made with hands, help us as we daily look out upon the beauty of the world to know that thou art near. May the lake, the trees, the wide spaces of the fields, and all the nature sights and sounds of earth and air, be unto us as gates whereby we may enter into the vast temple of thy presence and think quiet and compelling thoughts of thee. And grant that the friendships of the summer, as we live in happy fellowship with one another, may deepen our purpose to serve Thee, by giving upreach and outreach to every good impulse of heart, mind and will, through Him who is our Master and Teacher, Jesus Christ." Amen.

PRAYER FOR WITNESSING

Dear Father, help us as we come to Thee in prayer, knowing we cannot pray as we ought, unless we live as we ought. Let us realize if we are to live unto God at any time, or in any place, we are to live unto Him at all times and in all places. We thank Thee, O Father, for Thine infinite love, care and guidance. Help us to be worthy Christians, always conscious that Thou dost expect us to be witnesses to Thee by the very lives we live. Let us not pray for great opportunities, while daily smaller ones pass by. Let the words of our lips, and the light in our eyes count for Thee. Our Father, give us strength to live Christ-centered lives, and assist us to love Christ more passionately than ever before, that He may be glorified in our daily lives. Teach us Thy way and give us strength to be real witnesses of Thy work of redemption, through Jesus Christ, Our Lord. Amen.

March 23, 1954—Cleveland, Ohio. Written by Mrs. Laura McIntire, Emanuel Chapter, Emanuel Church, Daughters of the King—Diocese of Ohio, 8614 Euclid Ave., Cleveland, Ohio.

A Letter From a Master's Fund Girl

"This is something like the report by the President on the State of the Union. It is my report on the state of my training and me to all of you who are backing me with your prayers, concern, and financial help. My only regret is that it is long over due. As I hope you will see by this report, however, I have been very busy this past six months and, unfortunately, letter writing has been postponed. I will try to bring you up to date now, however, and hope you will forgive my delay in writing and know that I think of all of you often.

As you know, I arrived here at Windham House in September to begin my work on my Master's Degree in Religious Education. This is a two year course and classes are taken at Union Seminary, Teachers College (part of Columbia), and General Seminary (our Episcopal Seminary).

As part of my training, I have Field Work at St. John's in Greenwich Village where I work on Saturdays in a laboratory school and the first semester taught the confirmation class. This semester I am making house calls among the families. I have quite a thrilling summer ahead between my two years. I am going to Alaska to work with Bishop Gordon. I plan to take some pictures of the work there and am sure it will be a tremendous experience.

There is so much to see, hear, and do here that it is hard to decide just what you can do and find the time to do it. I have seen a Sadler Well's Ballet, *Carmen* at the Met, *The King and I*, and done some sight seeing. I am attending Trinity Church, Wall St., most Sundays which is a wonderful Church. Also, this semester I have been elected Worship Chairman of the House which gives me the duties of scheduling the regular daily services in our chapel—which we take turns leading—and scheduling altar guild duty for the celebrations twice a week of Holy Communion.

As you can see, all of this means a full life. I can't begin to describe all the wonderful times here at Windham House. It is an intensive two years of study, but it is wonderful to have a staff such as we have at Windham House to help us to relate all that we study and hear and observe to our lives and future work in the Church. The real

love and concern of all is truly wonderful. I wrote this letter propped up in bed for several days with a cold. With the first sign of a germ, you are hustled to bed and really treated like a queen—with meals in bed, etc.—as long as you co-operate and stay there and rest. That is one of the many practical things we learn here—not to work until we drop and then are no good for weeks, but to take regular time off and go to bed at once with colds, etc.

This is a brief but I hope interesting report. Do let me hear from you; I'll try to be prompt in answering. It is so wonderful to know that all of you are behind me and thinking of me and whenever I get snowed under with work, I think of you and dig in a little harder. Recently we were discussing getting experience before coming to Windham House—both while in College and working a year or more before coming—and I especially thought of all of you and mentioned many of you when I told briefly what it had meant to me. My many experiences and opportunities which were given me at St. Alban's were of unexpressable help last year and have been good background for the theory I am now getting. Many things I now study, I can remember hearing about at one of the many institutes St. Alban's sent me to or at a summer conference or as something I tried to use with Mrs. Perkins' help in a class at St. Alban's. The experiences and knowledge I gained at Trinity, Toledo, could never be enumerated, but one of the girls said one night, "You certainly had a lot of different experiences at Trinity, didn't you?" There is certainly a lot that I did or saw done last year that I can relate the theory of my studies to. We came to the conclusion that every person is different and every situation is different, but it seems that any amount of work that you can do before coming here is of much help.

Please write whenever you have time and let me know the news. Any time you are in New York, be sure to call and plan to come out if possible and see Windham House for yourself.

Sincerely,
Betty Hovencamp"

DESCRIBES ORIGIN OF PRESIDENT'S RELIGIOUS FAITH

Writer In LIFE Magazine Assesses
Eisenhower's Religion;
Finds Its Source In Family Background and
Responsibilities of High Authority.



New York, March 17: President Eisenhower's emphasis on religion, in both private and public life, is not something adopted for politics' sake, but the honest expression of deeply held beliefs which have their roots in his family background of strong religious faith and discipline, says Dr. Paul Hutchinson, writing in the current issue of LIFE Magazine.

"President Eisenhower seldom makes a speech without some reference to the nation's need for spiritual strength," says Dr. Hutchinson. "He attends church more frequently than most of his predecessors. His cabinet sessions begin with prayer. And as his first official word as President of the United States, instead of the expected inaugural speech opening, his first words to the nation as President were a prayer, beginning: 'Almighty God . . .'"

"Washington church leaders see no signs of a religious reformation sweeping over the capital," writes Dr. Hutchinson. "But they report increased attendance at Senate, House and governmental department prayer groups. One of the indications that Washington's morality is improving is its progress toward the elimination of racial segregation. On that, Washingtonians who are fighting for equal rights for all citizens declare they owe much to the forthright support they have received from the White House."

Religion in the Eisenhower Family

"Religion was the center of Eisenhower family life," writes Dr. Hutchinson in LIFE. "Everything else revolved around it. It was a biblically literalistic religion. The Bible was the one authoritative guide, read every morning at prayers, quoted again and again when family decisions were in the making. The family discipline imposed daily attendance at family prayers, regular attendance at the River Brethren Sunday School."

"It should not be inferred that the Eisenhower boys conformed without resistance. Their careers show how soon and how largely they freed themselves from the pietistic pattern, finding new interests in high school athletics and social life," says Dr. Hutchinson.

"It was high command which forced Eisenhower to face the justification for his

calling," writes Dr. Hutchinson in LIFE. "In his post of supreme responsibility he found himself under an implacable pressure to answer these questions—by what right did his country draft men, or call on them to volunteer for military service? By what right did he or any other commander send them into battle?"

Eisenhower came to believe that every American soldier, who sought to find within his soul some reason for being on the battlefield, had to fix his relationship to the service of God in his own mind. "The war became for Eisenhower what he was later to call it in the title of his book—a crusade," says Dr. Hutchinson in LIFE.

Religion In Presidency

"Since he entered the White House the President has increased his insistence of the nation's need to give priority to what he called in his current State of the Union message 'the kingdom of the spirit.' One of his first acts as President was to join a church, which reflected no new religious convictions, but was rather a reflection of his belief that the nation's head should be formally identified with the nation's religious institutions," the LIFE article states.

He has worshipped in many churches, Methodist, Roman Catholic, Episcopal, as well as in the National Presbyterian Church of Washington in which his membership is registered. "The Eisenhowers usually go to church wherever Sunday finds them," says Dr. Hutchinson in LIFE.

The President himself may not realize how much his early pietistic Abilene background shows through in his character and words—it does however appear in the simplicity of his religious beliefs and his preference for informal church services, says the LIFE article. He likes to sing hymns, and likes vigorous preaching. Senator Carlson of Kansas has revealed that one of the President's favorite hymns is "What a Friend We Have In Jesus."

Hud Stoddard

Courtesy of Life Magazine

ECUMENICITY

"And what denomination are you?" the lady asked the maid applicant.

"Well, mum," the maid answered, "Mother goes to the Baptist Church and Father to the Methodist, but speaking for myself, I'm radio."—*Quote*

THE HISTORY OF ST. CHRISTOPHER'S CHAPEL TRAILER

"Tall trees from little acorns grow." Let us go back to an Assembly of The Daughters of the King of the Diocese Los Angeles when the little acorn was planted. At the Assembly in the Spring of 1939 Bishop Gooden voiced the wish, that the Daughters would sponsor a Chapel Trailer to carry on its journeys of missionary work in the remote and inaccessible parts of the Diocese. Gifts of money quickly followed and with faith, hope and a great amount of service, the building and equipment of the trailer was accomplished. It was dedicated January 25, 1940 by Bishop Stevens, Bishop Gooden and Bishop Wand who is now Bishop of London. Bishop Wand was at that time Primate of the Church of England in Australia. The first Altar was given by the late Edwin Weary and was used by the Rev. Francis Gogolphin in the 36th Div. and the Royal Flying Corps. Other appointments were given as memorials by Daughters of the King, Woman's Auxiliary, Church Schools and individuals. The model of St. Christopher's Chapel Trailer was taken to General Convention at Kansas City, Missouri, 1940. It was there that Captain Charles Conder, of the Church Army was asked to take over this great missionary venture in connection with the Chapel Trailer. Captain and Mrs. Conder after a conference with the Bishop and Dean of the Convocation in which the itinerary was outlined, started on the trail with St. Christopher's Chapel. Time was spent in house to house contacts in outlying and untouched areas of Southern California. Many people were met who previously had been unshepherded. Meetings were held during the week among migrants and a miners camp. Clergymen cooperated for sacramental ministry. A tale is told of some miners who took up a collection and sent it to the meeting—this took place in a desert hamlet where the gospel had never been preached before. To the families of these unshepherded people was regularly sent St. Christopher's Chapel Trailer and a copy of "Forward Day By Day." Under the presidency of the late Mrs. W. W. Pedder, St. Christophers' Guild was formed to defray the operating expenses of the Chapel Trailer. In these early days of the history of St. Christopher's Chapel Trailer the Bible School by mail was formed under the direction of Mrs. Phyllis Devey and Guide Mothers. After four years of an ever-growing work, Mrs. Devey turned over this work to Mrs. Mable Morse and Mrs.

Morse, Jr. Mrs. Mable Morse carried on the work until her death in 1950. This part of the work among the children begun by the ministry of Captain Conder is now in the hands of the Diocesan Dept. Christian Education. To go back to our story—the work of the Trailer ministry had become too large to be covered by one missionary. Bishop Stevens asked for a second trailer, so another trailer was dedicated in 1945 and Captain Lewis of the Church Army took charge of the second trailer. Captain Conder was ordained to the Priesthood, June 1945. So the story goes on reaching scattered homes, and building churches in areas reached and ministered unto by the Rev. Charles L. Conder—'till now in 1953 from the date of the first trailer dedicated in 1940, and the Confirmation in 1942, there are congregations organized, churches built, Daughters of the King Chapters, Woman's Auxiliary Branches, Church School groups and other Christian organizations—all as a result of the love of souls entrusted to the missionaries of the trailers. In 1948 the Daughters of the Diocese Los Angeles decided to make a "Daughters of the King Memorial Fund" a permanent part of their diocesan work. By this means it was felt they could give a lasting memorial to dear ones and at the same time help equip the churches and missions started by the ministry of the Chapel Trailers. Since the Fund was established the Daughters have given in memory of their dear departed, a carved Altar to St. Paul's Mission, Barstow; Processional Cross to Christ Church, Victorville; Bishop's Chair and Litany Desk to St. Luke's Mission; Fontana; Children's Corner, Litany Desk, Silver Chalice and Paten and a silver Ewer to St. John's, Indio.

An extract from an article written Jan. 1954, by the Rev. Mr. Conder, states; "St. Christopher's Chapel Trailers have been sold. Since days of trailer beginnings much has been accomplished through their use, and as a consequence there are now resident missionaries in the Coachella Valley; Victorville; Barstow; Fontana and a Church Army Captain has been assigned to the Twenty-nine Palms area, so with five resident missionaries where before there was none, the desert work is well cared for and justifies the faith of the pioneers who supported the trailer program and paved the way."

Louise C. Nyland

Central N. Y. Reporting

Mrs. Thomas Shannon, Editor
The Royal Cross,
Pine Orchard, Conn.

Dear Mrs. Shannon:

The Daughters of the King of Central New York have embarked on a campaign to form several new chapters in this Diocese.

On March 10th, Mrs. Jane Turner, Diocesan President, presented a group of 12 women to the Rev. Williamson, Rector of St. Paul's Church in Owego, N. Y.

Mrs. Eleanor Hutcheson, President of Trinity Chapter, Elmira, N. Y., described the work of the Order as performed by the Daughters and suggested many ways in which they can be of real assistance to the Rector. Mrs. Lola Smithers and Miss Margaret Gracie of Trinity Chapter described personal visitations and how the group can work as prayer groups.

The Rector assigned special tasks to selected workers and is looking forward to using the Daughters for the extension of Christ's kingdom in his parish.

Very truly yours,
Eleanor J. Hutcheson, Pres.
Trinity Chapter, Elmira, N. Y.

A Hobby or a Faith

By BISHOP PEADBODY of Central New York

The story is told of a young guest at a house party who, when Sunday came around, was the only one interested in worship. A girl agreed to accompany him to the church door, where she left him with the words, "It's nice to have a hobby, isn't it? Mine's fishing!"

The story, of course, raises the question, "Is Christianity a hobby?" If it is, then it is unworthy of more than casual attention.

But the Bible says that following Christ is a full-time vocation, and justifies its claim by the fact that God, in creating the world, has given us everything we enjoy, health and friends, food and raiment, talents, time itself.

It continues with the directions of the nobleman to his stewards, "Occupy till I come," which is to say, "Let them adorn the earth. Use them for my glory and the welfare of man."

The serious times in which we live are leading many people to reconsider the bases of their Faith in God. The need of the day requires us to reconsider the basic ideas of Christians and to re-assert them in more effectual action.

"COME UNTO ME AND I WILL GIVE
YOU REST"

Hold fast thy faith, the Lord thy God is here,
His presence is, and always will be near
To those who need His tender, loving care;
Be not afraid, He hears thy earnest prayer.
Have faith in Him, all ye who would be blest,
In Him who said, "Come unto me and rest."
Be calm and trust, O weary, anxious soul,
For Christ has said, "Thy faith will make
thee whole."

—Mabel Clara Thomas

NOTE: The above was written after Mrs. Thomas' daughter, a young mother, recovered from polio. She told her mother what a wonderful comfort and solace prayer was to her during her darkest hours, so Mrs. Thomas wrote this little poem hoping it might help others find comfort. She has had 300 copies printed on cards and when she visits the sick and shut-ins in hospitals and institutions she gives them the little card as she thinks it is needed and can be of service.

Lillian Janet Soper

Mrs. Thomas is a Daughter of the King of St. Thomas Chapel, College Station, Texas. Her husband, Dr. Thomas, has been a faculty member of the college for 30 years and has now accepted a position with the National Agricultural Society of Peru to direct a 3-year program of research on cotton control insects. She wrote to know if the Royal Cross could be mailed to her during her three years stay in Lima as it would make her feel a little nearer home and close to the people and things she loves.

ATTENTION

The office will be closed from July 6 to July 20 for vacation period.

A REMINDER

When you have finished reading this issue of the ROYAL CROSS why not pass it along to a friend?

THE ETERNAL AWAKENING

By the Rt. Rev. Richard T. Loring, Jr., D.D.
Late Bishop of Springfield

Man lives three times—three lives, yet one life. His first stage is when he is in the envelope placed within his mother. In this very simple life he is continually asleep. There is no light because he has no need for light. He is quite alone there because he has no need for company. And in this life he is hemmed in on every side. He is in a contracted and very small envelope, which is again within the contraction of the mother's body.

When then we contemplate this first life, or stage of existence, the thinking person must needs ask a question. Why is he in this curious state at all? What can be the possible use of the first stage of our lives?

Man lives his first life for one purpose only, namely to develop a self, and the instruments which he is going to need in the next life—the life we call the world. While in the womb he knows nothing of the glory and the joy of second life. Had he the ability to think, he could not even imagine the use of another life. He is warm and comfortable and fed. To him the future life would be an absurdity. A fine eye, a beautiful mouth, a hand, a foot, lungs to breathe with, all these things would appear quite useless to the child within, if he thought about it.

And—the child would be right. These things are quite useless in the first life. But they are made for another world of which at present he knows nothing. He might guess if he thought. But actually he cannot even imagine.

But all the while, we on this side of life know that the only reason that child lives, as he does, is to grow and become fit for his second life. He does not know. He thinks he lives simply to be warm and fed and to remain undisturbed. It is in reality to develop the instruments he will need in the second life.

Now comes this second life—yet the same life. As his instruments for this world become ready, he is suddenly compelled, without his permission or desire, to leave the warm body of his mother in a way which is hard and painful, and with a moment of transition which must seem curiously like death to him. For the envelope which was his means of nourishment, and his immediate home, is discarded, quite useless in the new life. The envelope in fact dies.

What we call death here is no more death than is the birth of a child death. Death to the envelope, yes—it is thrown away and goes back to the elements; but the child is more of a child, a greater being than he was before his birth. And the soul, developed here, is the instrument—the real self—which becomes all in all in the life of Paradise.

Life is a marvelous adventure there in which everything developed and cherished here that is unseen—love and beauty, faith and goodness, hope and trust—becomes the seen and the real forever and ever.

Our dead are not dead, but living. The next world is more real than this world. For those of us who have watched many a one die, and seen holy Christian deaths, know this, and we stake our lives upon it. The souls of the righteous are in the hand of God.

This second life he lives differently from the first. He lives alternately in darkness and light, alternately between waking and sleeping. Suddenly and immediately the nose, the ears, the mouth, the lungs have uses he did not dream of before. The world of light and color and tone; of perfume, taste, and feeling, opens up a new realm to be used and enjoyed. The new life is as different, as unimagined, from the first life as darkness and light.

But now asking the same question as before, what is this second life for?

Just like the first—its sole purpose is to develop the instruments which shall be of use in the third life.

As in the first, so in the second we are but dimly conscious of these instruments and their uses. We hardly know they exist, but we are wise enough, I hope, to realize that lack of awareness in no way alters fact. In this second life we live with companions. But we are still within a contracted body, though it is a little larger than before, so that we move quite freely compared to the envelope within the womb. We can propel ourselves where we will, given time. Before, we could not. While now we can know our companions, still we can never know them completely, for the body intervenes. We cannot see them as they are, for we see them only through the flesh, not themselves.

We are just one step nearer reality. We now eat and sleep and play and work and worship — we make love and weep. And

what a change, what a miraculous change from the hibernation of the first life!

And it is foolishly easy to think that the dark and narrow way which leads to this glorified life is a blind pitfall from which there is no outlet. The words of Christ echo in our minds as He said to the Apostles to whom He tried to explain—"O fools and slow of heart to believe."

Finally the third life. Here we must be cautious about making rash assumptions. A flat denial of its possibility is as silly as for the unborn child to deny the life of the world.

We know from Revelation and from the application of common sense a few things about this life which we have not entered. The third life is an eternal awakening. There everything is as clear as the life of the unborn to the physician who studies it. Then we shall no longer be separated by useless flesh from every other soul, but shall know, even as we are known.

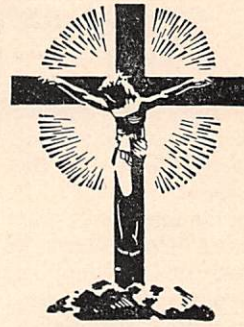
In this second life the soul unfolds from its seedbed and develops the spark which shall be its life in the future. As yet with our whole consciousness bound to mortal flesh, within a body, we know nothing of the splendor and harmony, the radiance and freedom, of the third life except by partial revelation from God our Father.

¶ *This article, originally preached as an Easter sermon in 1938, when Bishop Loring was rector of St David's Church, Roland Park, Maryland, appeared as an article in THE LIVING CHURCH shortly after his untimely death on April 16, 1948 [L. C., May 2, 1948]. The article was reprinted and had a wide sale. It appeared a second time in THE LIVING CHURCH in the issue of April 13, 1952, from which it is here reprinted.*

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BUILDERS FOR CHRIST

Almighty Father, who dost put into the hearts of thy servants in every age the will to work for the extension of thy kingdom throughout the world, pour down, we beseech thee, the abundance of thy blessing upon our new venture as Builders for Christ. Grant unto us all such a lively faith and such a generous spirit that we may worthily rise to these fresh opportunities for service to thee in thy Holy Church. All which we ask in the Name of thy Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.



WHAT DID EASTER MEAN TO YOU?

What did Easter mean to you
Stately church with cushioned pew,
Where, Lenten season gone at last
And days of self-denial past,
Richly clad, devoted throngs
Of worshippers unite in songs
Of praise in lily-scented air?
Is that what made your Easter fair?
Did it mean the end of winter's reign,
Bright skies and welcome warmth again,
Singing of birds, budding trees,
Sweet spring odors on the breeze
From daffodil and crocus bed
And balsam branches overhead?
Sad is the world and cold and gray
If that is all of Easter Day?
But if this blessed season brings
A firmer faith in holy things;
Assurance of a living Lord;
A strengthening of the tender chord
Of love that binds us to the life to come
Where loved ones wait us in the heavenly
home,
No pain or loss can e'er efface the bliss,
Dear Friend of Easter, when it means all this.

—Mary Ricker Conrad

The Secret

William E. Gladstone, former Prime Minister of England, was one of the world's great leaders. He was noted for his unflinching poise, self control, courage and good judgment. But there was a certain secret to his greatness. On his bedroom wall were these words of the Prophet Isaiah:

"THOU, GOD, WILL KEEP HIM IN PERFECT PEACE, WHOSE MIND IS STAYED ON THEE."

For forty years this was the first thing he saw in the morning, and the last thing he saw at night. He kept his mind turned toward God. His Presence and His Power, and God guided and protected him for ninety years.

ANNUAL ASSEMBLY OF DIOCESE OF TEXAS

Thirty-fourth Annual Assembly of the Daughters of the King was held at the Church of the Good Shepherd, Austin, Texas, Saturday, January 23, 1954 with the Good Shepherd Chapter of the Daughters acting as hostesses.

The Assembly opened at 11:00 P.M. with Holy Eucharist administered by the Rev. Yerxa, Rector of the host Church, and assisted by the Rev. John A. Logan, Jr.

As is the custom, the Renewal of Vows was taken by all the Daughters present when Mr. Yerxa called them to the Altar to do same. This had not been done for some time, but I hope to see it become a custom, as the Vows became so meaningful.

Immediately at the close of the Communion Service, the Rev. Gray M. Blandy, Dean of the Southwestern Theological Seminary, gave us a Meditation, based on the Rules of the Order; namely Prayer and Service Excerpts from his talk as follow:

"Service is hard to define, because so often the 'Right deed is done for the wrong reason.' Most problems are made bearable thru sharing. Capacity for service is a response to need. We all shirk our responsibility of service at times—which results in a sense of frustration. A Christian knows forgiveness is offered him and accepts it, even when he feels this frustration.

To do our best in Service we must follow and use adequate prayer. Too often we say "If Only" to God sort of a directive to Him, instead remembering "*Thy will be done.*" We should pray for Patience, Strength and Abundant life. Man must be reconciled to God and walk by Faith."

The morning session was closed with the announcement that registration and luncheon would be in the Tarrytown Restaurant—one block from the Church.

We filled the dining-room at Tarrytown and registered and had a lovely luncheon. We were honored by having Bishop Hines and his wife with us, also four Past Presidents, all of whom were introduced by Mrs. Orian Wymer, our Presiding Officer of the day. Bishop Hines thanked us personally for our services to the Missions during the past year. Back to the Church for our Business Session and our Guest Speaker.

Our Presiding Officer called the meeting to order at 2:00 P.M. by use of the gavel, and then led us in the Prayer and Motto of the Order. She then introduced Mrs. James Atlee of the host Church, also President of

the Chapter at Good Shepherd, who welcomed us in their behalf.

Mrs. Wymer then introduced Mrs. Winona West who thanked the Good Shepherd Chapter for their hospitality. She also said she felt we'd all leave with our "Spirits refreshed." We did!

Mrs. Wymer introduced our Guest Speaker by saying he could best introduce himself; which he did, by saying he was the Rev. Hans Frei, Professor of Theology at the Southwestern Theological Seminary. Excerpts from his address follow:

"Very truthfully, Mr. Frei admitted he had stolen a look at Dean Blandy's notes—and as the Dean had been theoretical in his approach he, Mr. Frei, would try to give us something more applicable to the things we practice (or profess to practice).

Mr. Frei quoted from Martin Luther's book "*Freedom of Christian Man.*" "The Christian is the freest of all men—beholden to none, yet bond servant to all." Love God and do as you please; but there is a catch to that.

The things we should *not do*: use the word ought, try to tote up merits with God, or divide the world into two parts (the good and the evil); for with the freedom of God, no line is necessary.

Freedom does not come from—"Doin' what comes natcherly," but in some sacrifice to God, who acknowledges us and accepts us, as is!

Mr. Frei's last remark was for us to find that person who was so good that we were not conscious of our own shortcomings in his presence, and there we would have a person who was really giving perfect service."

This was the nicest chastisement of Christians I've heard in a long while, and gave us all a heap of thinking to do!

Roll call followed with 68 Daughters present, representing twelve Chapters. There was also one Junior Daughter present.

Next were read the minutes, and with one correction, they were accepted. The Treasurer's report was accepted as read. (Praise be!)

Mrs. W. A. Smith's President's Report was read by the Secretary in her absence. Although in poor health, Mrs. Smith made a gallant effort during her term of office; attending 2 Board meetings, the Spring Conference at Lakeview, the Southeast Convocation, writing 72 letters, 10 cards and sending several packages. Our thanks, Edith.

The Vice-President, Mrs. Wymer, gave her own Report of Activities, which included two Auxiliary Executive Board meetings, Council, writing six Parishes concerning their inquiries about the Daughters of the King, attending Spring Conference at Lakeview and presenting 13 women at Trinity Church, Baytown.

There was an open discussion. One Daughter asked if there weren't New things for us to do. Another Daughter thought we should live up to our Rules before we went looking for new things. The meaning of our Rules of Service were again reviewed. In the opinion of your humble Secretary, I think it well to remember that TIME is not essential in God's sight, and we should do well to remember the quote "while *We* have time let us do good unto all men." It took me seven years to bring a neighbor to Confirmation in our Church, but I did it, by the Grace of God. There is nowhere found a specific remark concerning days, weeks, months or even years, in bringing "women within the influence of the Church"; therefore by doing our deed of Service, at least one a day, we will accomplish that which is set before us.

The Junior Directress, Mrs. Caroline Stout, gave a very thorough report; four active Chapters and 45 members. The Jr. Daughters are planning their First Assembly in the latter part of March. (We wish them well, and will expect a full report in May.)

Mrs. Margaret Duer sent her Trinity-Self Denial Report via Mrs. Janet Little of St. Andrew's Church, Houston. It was complete, up to and including Bishop Hines' latest request for three more sets of Chalice and Paten for St. Thomas, Houston, St. John's Center, Texas—and St. Luke's, El Campo. Our achievements were five sets for '53, which included a Portable Service sent to Liberia.

The Rev. John A. Logan, Jr. conducted the Service of Installation of Officers for the newly elected President and Vice-President. With closing prayers and the benediction, the 34th Assembly of the Daughters of the King concluded at 3:45 P.M.

Janie Schadt, Dio. Sec.-Treas.

Have courage for the great sorrows of life and patience for the small ones, and when you have laboriously accomplished your daily task, go to sleep in peace. God is awake.

—Victor Hugo

Fourth Province Reporting

The 25th Provincial Assembly of the Daughters of the King, Province of Sewanee, was held at Christ Church, Lexington, Kentucky, on October 5 and 6, 1953, following the service of Holy Communion, with Dr. James W. Kennedy, Rector, as Celebrant, assisted by the Rev. Wm. G. Workman. The offering made at the service Tuesday morning was sent to Father Robt. C. Fletcher for his work with the handicapped.

Mrs. R. W. Ringwald, President of the Fourth Province, presided at the business sessions, with twenty-one Daughters present. Five Dioceses were represented. Reports from the Dioceses showed extensive service and spiritual growth throughout the Province. The Diocese of South Florida showed greatest increase in chapter growth, with five new chapters admitted during the year 1953.

Reports from National Council members who are in our Fourth Province, Mrs. Arthur T. Loving, Mrs. Helen Terry, and Provincial Representative, Mrs. Fred Knapp, brought forth much interest, discussion, help, and information on plans of the National Council. To have this close contact with these officers added much interest and inspiration to our Assembly.

Our meeting adjourned at eleven o'clock Tuesday morning, to reassemble in Christ Church Chapel for a most inspiring message from our guest speaker, Dr. Donald Henning, D.D., Rector of Calvary Church, Memphis. Dr. Henning, being warm in his support, and expressing his belief in the value of the Order, gave us a greater vision of what the Order can be and should be. He told us that we have "a formula for victory under the Cross of Christ," and as Christians and members of a religious Order with the purpose of spreading the Kingdom of Christ, we have "Christ for our leader, religion as our cause, and the Church as the instrument."

The joy of fellowship, the feeling of close unity in our work, and gratitude for the inspiration gained from our speakers and the clergy, left us most grateful for this opportunity of being together, and with this prayer in our hearts: "Remember, O Lord, what thou hast wrought in us and not what we deserve; and as thou hast called us to thy service, make us worthy of Thy calling."

Martha E. Rodman
Provincial Secretary

THE JUNIOR MESSENGER

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Dear Girls:

When school draws to a close, time will be a little more free for most of you which is something which you are no doubt looking forward to. You know we begin to think of all the things we will be able to do, and how well we we will enjoy ourselves. We will probably try to see how many of the things we can possibly crowd into one summer's vacation time.

There are two things that might be well for all of us to keep in mind this year. The first is to remember that God calls us to service and worship just as much in the summer-time as during the school year. It is God who gives us this wonderful summer time and all the pleasures that we enjoy. And remembering this we ought to be so very thankful that we gladly return thanks to Him for all this not only in our prayers but by glorifying Him in whatever we do.

Secondly we ought to remember that in the summer time as well as at any other time, Christ has no hands but our hands to do His work in this world of ours. So very often during our school year we feel that we just can not make time for the work that needs to be done in God's house or for the advancement of His kingdom. So when we are deciding on how our summer should be spent, why not save plenty of the time to offer in some particular service to God's work? After all it is not much to ask to share part of what He has given to us in order that more of His work may be done.

It is our sincere hope that each and every one of you will have a most happy and fruitful summer, and will come back to your fall schedule with added strength and a better outlook on life because of what you have given rather than what you have received.

WELCOME TO NEW CHAPTERS

We wish to welcome to the Order all the new chapters and remember those who are now serving their probation period. May

God bless and prosper your work within the Order.

NEW JUNIOR DIVISION HANDBOOKS

We are very glad to announce to those who do not know that the new Junior Handbooks have been printed and are in the National Office from which they may be ordered. Among other changes the new Handbooks carry the Constitution of the Junior Division.



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The relationship of God and man is being taught in the kindergarten and through the fifth grade in Heathwood Hall Episcopal School, Diocese of Upper South Carolina, through the use of *Tamsy*, a full-color, 35 mm filmstrip illustrating the Parable of the Good Shepherd.

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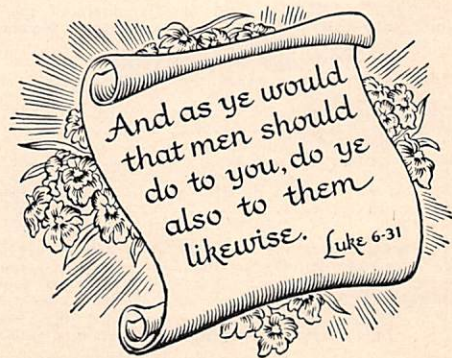
WE SHOULD WORSHIP HIM IN CHURCH WHEREVER WE ARE

JUNIORS

Once again we come to the summer season and for most of you it means a little more time for recreation and relaxation and vacations. Have you stopped to think that it could be a good time to make those promised visits to our new members, the sick and shut-ins or new neighbors whom we could not visit because of studies or other business during the winter months? True we are just bubbling to get to the seashore or mountain or perhaps to the city if we live in a rural district. Let us not forget that wherever we go we must not forget we have God's work to do. It would be a wonderful thing if every member of the Junior Daughters of the King would make a list of the sick and shut-ins in her parish and take the time to remember them with a card while vacationing—let them know you are from their parish and you are interested in them—personal contact is always the best but so often a card brings such joy that it is a good messenger of the sender. Then too, as we go away let us not go just for the good time and fun—parties and dances—boating perhaps and beach parties or mountain hikes; let us take time to thank God for Nature, for the beautiful world He has created for us to live in—as we are in the open let us thank Him for the birds and trees and flowers, sunshine and rain, the clouds and sky, moon and stars, rivers and streams. Remember the Prayer for "Joy in God's creation" on page 596 of our Book of Common Prayer. Surely a most appropriate time to use this is when we are out in the open where we are aware of the many wonderful and beautiful things God has created for us. Then too, as we relax and throw aside the regular routine of our lives for a day or week or whatever period our vacation happens to be—let us not become EXCUSE MAKERS and stay away from Church—there are people who feel they should take a vacation from their church—I hope this is not true of you Junior Daughters of the King. Some of the excuses I have heard lately are such as "Oh, I had a date and went dancing and was too tired to get up for Church" and another "When I woke up it was raining so I just stayed in bed till it was too late to go to Church," these are just two, there are many more. God does not make excuses to us whether we are home or on vacation so WE SHOULD WORSHIP HIM IN CHURCH WHEREVER WE ARE.

What about our Prayer Life while away—surely it takes but a few minutes of our day or night to talk with God and to listen for His answers and wouldn't our vacations be happier ones if we would take the time to say a prayer at some time during each day for our members of the Daughters of the King, our parish, our homes, our shut-ins and our missionaries? How about our prayers for guidance and courage, especially for guidance in the use of our time and talents and money, for forgiveness for anything that we have done or said that was amiss during the day or week? We could pray for two of these each day upon rising or going to bed or even when we are getting dressed to go out for an evening of fun. God does want us to have fun and to have a sense of humor, to see the funny side of things, to laugh and be gay, all of this we can do and still do His work and live as He wants us to do His Will. So as you go on your way to what I hope will be a happy and joyous vacation, you take with you my prayers and the prayers of your fellow members of the Daughters of the King, that you may come back to your homes and parishes realizing that as you have relaxed and had fun, you have not forgotten your vows of Prayer and Service and that your vacation has been happier for it, that you may be filled with reverence to God—Thanksgiving to God and memories of happy times and fellowship with other Christians.

Hattie K. Bunting,
Chairman of Devotions and Study.



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