

Teach the World

We'd like to teach the world to see
The truth of God in '73.

We can help them seek, and salvation find—
Tho' many folks seem to be willingly blind.

The truth of God's Word has been blurred a plenty;
But the eyesalve of God can give folks twenty-twenty.

With contact lenses, and bi-focals, and such,
Folks can study their Bibles, and learn very much.

Our job this year is—by truth, set men free.
He said, "Your eyes are blessed, for they can see."

We'll find religious errors that need to be fought,
And so much more truth that needs to be taught.

Too many are preaching, in false doctrines rich.
And when blind lead the blind, both fall in the ditch.

We can help these souls out, if we do our part.
We can pray, talk, and give—and do it all from the heart.

It's true—without vision, all men will soon perish.
Let's start using eyesalve, so the Light—all may cherish.

Here's what we tell them, when they mention Sabbath day:
It's part of God's law that was never done away.

We'll even work with those who twist scripture 'round,
And help them to see that they're not heaven-bound.

We must encourage people—the truth to obey;
We'll be glad we did, on yon' judgment day.

The gods of this earth have put blinders on folks;
Some will refuse truth, 'tho we plead and coax.

But please don't give up, or be weary in good deeds;
For someday we'll reap the results of our seeds.

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Our cover this month features our motto for 1973. Our thanks to Janice Henderson, an FYC-er from Joplin, Missouri, for designing this motto emblem.

We'll meet a few setbacks, as you may suppose;
But if God be for us, we'll come out like a rose!

All our work must be done in love and humility;
For a proud, careless heart yields only sterility.

This world's true Light is Jesus; He told us that fact.
Where men died in darkness, it was He that they lacked.

But we're the reflectors of Jesus' great light;
If we're under a bushel, the world stays in night.

This '73 motto will not help us one hair
Unless F.Y.C.ers get busy, and all do their share.

The scripture says eyesalve will help folks to see.
So, keep a good supply handy, in '73.



Dear Teen-ers,

If you are able to read these words, you are blessed with one of the greatest assets in all of this worldly realm—the gift of sight! You can see—and that is marvelous!!

If you question the emphasis I am placing on your vision, then I suggest that you try covering your eyes (tape them shut) for at least 15 minutes, and continue your normal activities around home.

Ouch! If you actually try this or seriously think about it, you will more clearly “see” what you have to be thankful for.

The Bible makes several references to people and their sense of sight. Jesus once remarked concerning some people who “go through life with their eyes open, but seeing nothing” (Matthew 13:13). In this statement Christ contrasts the physical vision with spiritual insights. He offers a mild rebuke to those who may have “20-20” vision when examined by the local optometrist, but can never see beyond worldly objects to discern spiritual truth.

Here's an example: Suppose that a man spent his entire life-

time looking for God—actually making a physical search for the Creator. Of course, he would never succeed, because God is invisible . . . He cannot be seen with the physical eye. But all the while of his futile search, this man was ignoring fantastic evidence of God's existence (the heavens, living creatures, life itself, the atom, natural laws, the fulfilled Word, etc.). He went through life with his eyes open, but never saw the clear proof of an invisible God.

As young people who desire to be a part of God's Church, HOW DOES YOUR SPIRITUAL VISION RATE? You may be reading this print well enough, but do you recognize its message as a call to be spiritually minded, which is life and peace? As you view this world and the people in it, do you perceive each of them as a living soul, facing either destruction or eternal life? Instead of seeing buildings, and projects, and programs, do you see all the activities of your church and F.Y.C. group as service unto the Lord and the opportunity to point someone to the Kingdom of God?

Here's the point: The world is blinded, but it is possible to teach many people to see spiritual truth. If we would be a part of teaching others, let us be certain that our own eyesight is 20-20, spiritually speaking.

You don't have to wait . . . start NOW! Become more faithful in your study of the Bible and prayer. Dedicate your full support in behalf of your F.Y.C. group and church projects. Ask for boldness, and be ready to give an answer to every man that asketh you a reason of the hope that is within you. Keep your eyes open, and be alert for opportunities to serve and help others.

OUR MOTTO IN 1973 CHALLENGES US TO TEACH MEN THAT LIGHT IS BETTER THAN DARKNESS. YOU MAY NOT ILLUMINATE THE WHOLE WORLD, BUT YOU CAN BRIGHTEN THE CORNER WHERE YOU ARE!

Yours for better vision,

Calvin A. Burrell

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National Youth Week — March 20-25

FAITHFUL YOUTH CHALLENGERS

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Dear F.Y.C.ers:

For the past several years many local groups of Faithful Youth Challengers have experienced outstanding blessings from God through participation in NATIONAL YOUTH WEEK. And now again, in 1973, we want every youth group to plan for, and participate in, NATIONAL YOUTH WEEK. We want every F.Y.C. group to "get in on the blessings."

We are suggesting the dates of March 20 to 25 for NATIONAL YOUTH WEEK; however, each local group may change the dates to best fit their own situation. Anytime from March through May should be fine for your YOUTH WEEK activities.

Our theme for NATIONAL YOUTH WEEK is the same as this year's motto: Teach the Word To See in '73. Each activity of the week may be planned to develop various aspects of this theme.

We will give you a few suggestions for activities for your NATIONAL YOUTH WEEK. You may add to them whatever will be pleasing to your local group and to God.

Remember, a successful NATIONAL YOUTH WEEK is not an accident! It is the result of planning, preparing, participating, and praying—plus God's blessings. Let every F.Y.C.er do his part, and I know that our Heavenly Father will do His!

Sincerely,

National Chairman

BANQUET: Choose one night (not Friday) to enjoy a "dress-up" meal together, either at the church fellowship hall or at a reserved room in a nearby restaurant. The program which follows your feast might include several songs by a guest singing group and a keynote address on the National Youth Week theme.

GUEST SPEAKER: Let the F.Y.C.ers choose whom they would like to invite to preach at one or more evening services (including the banquet). These special services should be planned by the youth in cooperation with the pastor. Perhaps you will want to request that only the youth attend the first few night's services before the weekend. Make it truly a youth revival—several groups have found this to be quite effective.

SABBATH SCHOOL: Wherever possible, let the F.Y.C.ers serve in the various offices of the Sabbath School for this one day: superintendent, pianist, song leader, teachers, etc. This will need to be cleared with your regular Sabbath School officers a week or two in advance, of course.

YOUTH RALLY: Friday night or Sabbath afternoon present the best time for a rally to which the entire congregation will be invited. We have not prepared a full outline for your rally, but the 1973 motto will certainly lend itself to many interesting uses of visual aids and skits. (Hint: The scene of the rally could be inside an optometrist's office and various people could come in with vision problems—spiritual, of course!) Get a committee to begin planning for this rally right away!

RECREATION: If the group is not too tired by Saturday night or Sunday, it will be worthwhile to schedule a time of recreation. A ballgame or hike would be fine, but something less strenuous like a wiener roast with a campfire service might be more popular. Perhaps you could plan a drive to a scenic attraction where the F.Y.C.ers could see something beautiful in this world—and be challenged to return and help the world to see something beautiful in Christ!

BRADEN ACRES
GRADE SCHOOL

The Parable of the Light-Maker

by
Calvin Burrell

Therefore shall an F.Y.C. group be likened unto a light-maker who had in his shop all varieties of lights. Among his supplies were large amounts of filament, wax and wick, fuel, bulbs, cords, sockets, holders, tungsten, matches, and in his walls there was a very great supply of electricity.

Upon a certain day the light-maker determined to fashion a new light likened unto a certain young Christian he knew. He took the various materials he had, and with his tools he devised a *neon light*. And lo, it bore a strong resemblance to the young Christian, for it was continually flashing off and on. The light-maker was unhappy so he consulted his Bible of light-making,

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EDITORIAL ETCHES

There it stood, straight and tall, regally towering above the deep, sparkling snow... i just couldn't believe my eyes—This beautiful, delicate-appearing flower—the first flower to bloom in my garden, the "sign" of the coming of Spring—had actually defied Winter's chilling grip... it lived on, and its ethereal beauty engraved a permanent impression on my mind. Why, just the evening before i had looked at the lovely, lonely flower and thought, *"Such a pity—this first flower, the first sign of life after a long, cold Winter—will be ruined by the snowfall forecast for tonight—"*

As i knelt in the snow the next morning examining the unharmed flower, a surge of great joy, a feeling of awe filled my heart and soul. *"Why, my Saviour was like this flower,"* i realized! Jesus Christ, God's only Son, Himself a sign of "Spring"—new life and new hope—triumphed over death's chilling grip. Just as i doubted that my flower would survive the snowfall, so the disciples and others who knew Christ doubted that He would rise from the grave. How difficult it was for them to really believe that Christ cheated death and rose victorious.

Oh, the wonder of it all!! And because our Saviour arose, we, too, have the promise and hope of a resurrection to life eternal. *"But now is Christ risen from the dead, and become the firstfruits of them that slept."*

(1 Corinthians 15:20-23).

PRAISE GOD! CHRIST AROSE!!

John 1:1-3

Gail Rincker, Editor

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He is not here:
For He is risen.
Matt 28:6

and found the place where it was written, "Let your light so shine." He noted that it did not say, "Let your light so flicker," so he began to be all the more dissatisfied with his neon light that resembled the young Christian. The wise and thrifty light-maker also knew that bulbs which shine continually burn much longer and more economically than those which are always blinking off and on. So he laid the faulty light on a back bench, and resolved to make a more perfect one.

The light-maker decided to create another light—this one after the likeness of a youthful church-goer he had known. Carefully he assembled all the required parts for this 40-watt bulb, and upon examining his finished product, he found it quite similar to the church-goer he had copied. Indeed there was some light present, but hardly enough that a man might discern the way from his right to his left. Again the light-maker consulted his great Direction Book, and found the words, "Ye are the light of the world." He then perceived that the faint twinkle and glow of his 40-watt light would never illuminate the whole world. Therefore he carefully placed it on another bench, and set out to improve his work.

At this point it seemed good to the light-maker to devise a light in the likeness of a dear brother in the church. After assembling a number of parts and preparing them with care, the skilled man recognized the finished product as a real working spotlight. Being of strong wattage and concentrated beam, it was well able to temporarily and effectively blind anyone upon whom its beam might fall. "I have somewhat against thee," said the light-maker to the spotlight as he re-read the Instruction Book, "for the best lights are not proud and overpowering and rude; but instead they should be warm and kind and gentle." And even though it pained the light-maker greatly to lose a light of such brilliance, nevertheless he straightway placed it in a large box in his store-room. He was thinking about correcting this error.

Suddenly the light-maker got a better idea. He remembered
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Try on Peter's Shoes

by Hope E. Dais

To us the incidents prior to Peter's denial seem so definite—Jesus' warning so plain—that we find it hard to acknowledge that we ourselves might have done the same thing that Peter did.

Jesus had told Peter so plainly that he would deny Him three times before the rooster would crow. Peter assured his Master, undoubtedly with earnest sincerity, "Though I should die with thee, yet will I not deny Thee." Yet, in his extreme fright and confusion, he emphatically denied that he knew Christ.

We associate this denial specifically with one disciple—Peter—and yet there is an aspect here that we overlook—"Likewise also said all the disciples" (Matthew 26:35).

Peter was not alone in his resolve that he would never deny his Master. This sentiment was shared, and spoken, by all the other disciples as well.

In pursuing this aspect of the occasion, what do we notice in the account of the other disciples? Not much. But in Matthew 26:56 we read, "Then all the disciples forsook him and fled."

While the other disciples fled, Peter followed afar off. Thus he was put in a position where he had to verbally defend himself, and he denied His Master in words. Was it a greater crime to deny Him in words, under this tremendous pressure, than for the other disciples to deny Him by their actions? I think not. God looks upon our hearts—He was as aware of the actions of those disciples who turned and fled as He was of Peter's words, "I know not the man."

Because there is so much lukewarm recognition of Christ in this nation of ours, you and I must LIVE Christ in our daily actions. Of course, we would not deny Him in word. In our society it is



An extra-special feature of our rally was the beautiful music provided by the TRIO ST. PAUL. Trio members are l. to r.: Elder Noah Camero from Bloomington, California; Elder Daniel Camero from Calgary, Alberta, Canada; and Brother Gilbert Sanchez from St. Paul, Minnesota.

Youth rallies are a very important part of the F.Y.C. program for they serve as a source of inspiration to young people as well as entire church congregations. At one time or another all F.Y.C. groups have faced the task of coming up with an idea for a rally. Now you can share your ideas and inspirations with other F.Y.C. groups and benefit from theirs. Send to AIM a short report and pictures of a rally your group has planned and presented. In your report be sure to include the theme of the rally and tell something about the way you expressed this theme. Pictures should show visual aids such as posters, banners, and scenery used in connection with your rally. With your help RALLY REVIEW can become a regular feature in AIM. Send photos and reports to AIM, P. O. Box 2370, Denver, CO 80201. Thanks for your help!

—Editor

THE VALUE OF TRUE SCIENCE

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lieve the Bible to be the word of God be careful to separate the facts of science from the theories. God has permitted man to learn facts, but man has gone beyond this and has based many so-called "facts" on his own ideas and imaginations. This the Bible calls "science falsely so called" (I Tim. 6:20).

GOD is Supreme

We must always keep in mind that there is an Almighty God and

that He is the Supreme Ruler of the universe. We appreciate the revelations which God has given us in these last days, and we should use these things as a basis for a stronger faith in Him and His Word. Satan tries to use these things to cause people to doubt God and to deny the authority of the Bible. But if we study so as to "rightly divide the word of truth," we will not be led astray. LET US HOLD FAST TO GOD AND TO OUR FAITH IN HIM. AND REMEMBER, TRUE SCIENCE ALWAYS AGREES WITH THE WORD OF GOD!

THE PARABLE OF THE LIGHT-MAKER

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a certain Christian who would make a fine pattern for his light. With great speed and enthusiasm and at a very small cost did the light-maker prepare this giver of light. He would name it a candle in honor of the one after whom it was designed. All was well until the light-maker raised the window to get some fresh air after completing his work. In no more than two moments a small gust of wind came through the open window and snuffed the light of the candle into utter darkness. It was only then that the light-maker was struck with the full similarity between his latest invention and the certain Christian. At the same time, he recalled those words in his Book of Lights about not being blown about with every wind. That fault in his candle must be corrected, he thought, as he placed the candle in a bottom drawer and began to work on his next light.

And then the light-maker remembered one of the newest members of his church, and he began to combine various pieces of equipment to imitate that modern Christian. To perfect the up-to-date style of this light was not easy, and verily, the light-maker feared it would be too costly. After the task was finally completed, he flipped the switch and noticed a bit of glowing light coming from somewhere—but where? He was puzzled. The light-maker made a complete search of this strange light which he had made, but the actual source of the light could not be located—there was just a faint glow mysteriously coming from the bulb. Perhaps this was what he had read about—real *indirect lighting*. Upon searching the Scriptures of Light, the maker found the problem with this indirect light. The real source was hidden under a bushel of things. "I must choose some other Christian after which to pattern my next light," said the light-maker to himself as he sadly boxed and shelved his latest failure.

Something brought the face of a certain teenager into his mind. "It doesn't seem logical, no—but then again, maybe it will work to copy that young person," thought the light-maker. So, he began his work. Considerable time, effort, and material were used before this latest light was ready for testing. With great hopes and anticipation, the maker placed it into the trial chamber; and lo... nothing! Darkness! A burned-out bulb! Greatly disappointed, he had to grope for a flashlight in order to scan through the Textbook for these words: "Men love darkness rather than light." The face of the teenager flashed through his mind again as he discarded the burned-out light into the trash heap.

The light-maker was very much out of ideas and nearly out
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The Choice is **YOURS**

Covered by the blood of Christ . . .

Washed in the blood of Christ . . .

Made pure by the blood of Christ . . .

These are phrases very familiar to those who have been raised in the Church. Even those who are recent additions to God's family are quickly discovering their frequent use. *But have you ever really thought about what the blood of Christ means to you personally?*

When God instituted the sacrificial system centuries ago for Moses and the Hebrew children, the key item for atonement of sin was the sacrifice of the lamb and its shed blood. Without the shedding of blood there can be no forgiveness of sin. When Christ died on the cross for our sins, *His spilled blood atoned for our sins.* Hebrews 10:4 tells us that the blood of bulls and goats can not bring about forgiveness of sins. Only through Christ's blood can this be accomplished.

This shows us just how significant and how truly wonderful Christ's death on the cross was. Without His death, we would have no hope. Our lives would be condemned. **NOW, BECAUSE OF HIS SACRIFICE, WE HOLD THE POWER TO CHOOSE BETWEEN LIFE AND DEATH. WE CHOOSE LIFE IF WE ACCEPT AND SERVE HIM; WE CHOOSE DEATH IF WE REJECT HIM.**

To gain an even fuller knowledge of what Christ's blood means to **YOU**, read and study Exodus 12 concerning the Pass-over lamb and Leviticus 16 for the lamb which was slain on the Day of Atonement. Then compare these texts with what you find in Hebrews 9 and 10 (these scriptures contain a comparison of the old covenant with the new covenant established by Christ).

Christ paved the way for you to have eternal life by shedding His own blood on the cross. It is, however, up to you to accept this gift which He so freely offers.

Hebrews 9:22 Hebrews 10:4 Romans 5:9 Ephesians 1:7
Ephesians 2:13 I John 1:7 Exodus 24:8 Hebrews 10:29

THE PARABLE OF THE LIGHT-MAKER

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of patience. Then he remembered how his Instruction Book had said that men ought always to pray, and not to faint. Thus, he knelt beside his work bench and cried: "*Oh thou Father of lights, guide my hands to make a reflector of Thy glorious light, which will pierce through the darkness of this world and guide all pilgrims into a haven of peace. Amen.*"

Having thus prayed, and being comforted, he arose to his work. Straightway his work was completed, and the light-maker gave thanks. For this light he had made was one that shined upon all people in all directions. It was a bright and shining light, yet not harsh or blinding. It did not flicker off and on, neither could it be blown out by the wind, but it continued to shine in all conditions. So that it could not be hidden it was set upon a hill near the crossing of several roads. There it remained steadfastly, giving light unto all that passed by its way.

It was a real lighthouse!

Likewise in each F.Y.C. group there are those who give light: some give it only part-time; some give it dimly; some give it rudely; some give it indirectly or secretly and some not at all; but others just shine and shine and shine that men might see their good works and glorify their father which is in heaven.

TEACH THE WORLD TO SEE IN '73



(The above parable was given as part of an address to the Joplin, Mo. F.Y.C. group at their National Youth Week banquet March 25, 1973.)

Are

You

Hooked?



by Calvin Burrell

Of all the household gadgets invented since toothpaste, the T.V. is probably the most marvelous. Its magic lens scans the globe to bring news breaks, sporting events, weather reports, international happenings, and all varieties of entertainment into the cool and comfortable access of your favorite living-room rocker—almost instantaneously. With just a flick of your wrist, you can change the scene ten thousand miles and one hundred years—a literal time-and-space machine! And you don't just listen either—listening went out with prayer meetings: with this gadget you have full view of all that occurs, exactly as it happens.

I'll be perfectly honest with you—television is a fantastic invention. For educational purposes it can't be beat; newcasts and commentaries are excellent viewing; travel pictures are delightful; sports events are good entertainment. I wish that I could sincerely endorse the television 100%, but I can't. T. V. could be so fine and wholesome. Properly used for right purposes, T.V. could be one of the most powerful influences for good in our whole land. But no, the main idea of the producers seems to be "gold," not "good." We see more heed paid to T.V. rating and viewer demand, with no care really given for the eventual benefit of the poor person in front of the box. So in many programs, wrong themes are chosen, wrong situations are portrayed, wrong instincts are appealed to. With a magnificent opportunity to be a force for God and for good, television is doing a fair job of wrecking many lives and homes that pay daily homage to its habit-forming offerings.

Let's examine some issues closely: The same hate, crime, and murder that is wrong for you to commit personally, is wrong for you to watch and enjoy on the T.V. screen. The same unnatural and immoral sexual behavior that is sinful when shown in the movie theater downtown, is just as sinful for your entertainment when portrayed on a T.V. screen in your own living room. The same off-color jokes, suggestive remarks, and generally cheap conversation which is wrong to come from your own lips, is also wrong for you to snicker at and appreciate when it comes from your favorite T.V. personality.

The Bible states it simply and flatly: "ABHOR (hate) that which is evil" (Romans 13:9).

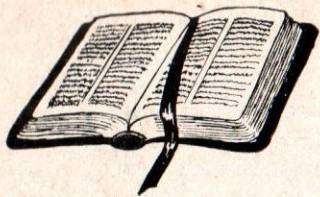
Now I know that there are some good programs, but many more are not. Wrong movies cheapen and destroy character. You're a better person if you avoid them, for there's a terrifically strong tendency to be what you see. Far too often many folks who claim that they know when to turn it off are the same ones who continue to watch, trash included, what freely emits from the box. They somehow think that they can absorb the good and allow all the undesirable to run off. They are strong in good intentions, but things just don't work that way.

But this is not my main appeal to the Christian teenager. Perhaps you love the T.V. I don't blame you, for it's quite an attractive thing. Most teenagers spend double the time watching the box than they spend in church and church-related activities. But for Jesus' sake, you must listen and decide for yourself whether in your Christian life you can afford to watch it all.

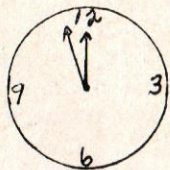
In most rooms where a T.V. occupies a position of reverence, two other objects are usually found. One receives a place of honor in



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box, more beer commercials, and a certain haunting in the memory of wasted hours and what might have



been done for Christ. In this day when everyone seems to be crying "no time," everyone seems to have plenty of time for their favorite T.V. thriller.

The closed book on the table advises, and the quiet machine on the wall urges YOU—

DON'T get hooked on T.V.

location, either nicely featured on the end table or maybe on the box itself; this object is a book. The book has two covers which always remain closed while the box blares incessantly away from morning until bedtime. The Bible remains unread, and prayertimes are forsaken.

The other object generally hangs on the wall—it is a machine operated by electricity. The machine quietly and quickly marks each hour with a new program from the

It's time now for you to reserve your seat for the 1973-74 school year!

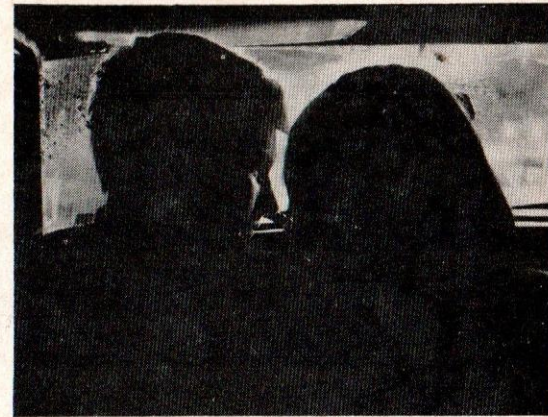


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Something Is WRONG



by Ricky Everett

What is happening to the morals in our teenage world today? Man has gained much knowledge in the last one hundred years. In what way is this knowledge affecting our teenagers? Will this newly acquired knowledge enlighten or blind our teenagers?

People throughout the ages have pursued the idea of "fleshly pleasure." From the early days of this earth, people have sought pleasure as their main goal. And afterward men had to bear the punishment for their loose morals. Will history repeat itself?

How does this problem affect today's generation—especially people between the ages of 12 and 20 years of age?

Here's how! . . .

Teenagers have been bombarded with the three-letter word S-E-X from childhood on. Blaring music from records and radio drug the teenagers with a desire for "pleasure." And let's not forget the motion pictures, advertisements, and filthy magazines. Everywhere one looks, sex is dis-

played.

What about parents? Yes, too many contribute to this rising problem by letting their children go wild. Many teenagers say, "Mom and Dad are real hip! They don't care what I do as long as I am happy." Shocking. No wonder this problem is increasing.

What effect does this have on a teenager during and after his teenage years? Statistics show the alarming rise in venereal disease resulting from personal intimacies, not to mention the 40% of teenage brides who are already pregnant when they take their wedding vows. The rising rate of suicide among teenagers shows that something is wrong.

What about later in marriage? Facts show that 50% of all teenage marriages end in divorce within five years. Just imagine what their lives will be after this tragic happening! What if they have children? Most children are sent home to mom or to an adoption agency. Young people, this is a serious problem!

WHAT IS FRIENDSHIP? Friendship is the bond of unity between individuals; it can break the chains of doubt, and weld a web of wondrous faith.

WITH FRIENDS, a man is quick to listen, slow to repeat, and is never alone. The richest man in the world is poor without friends, and a friend bought with money is of less value than a fool's words, which can no more be heard.

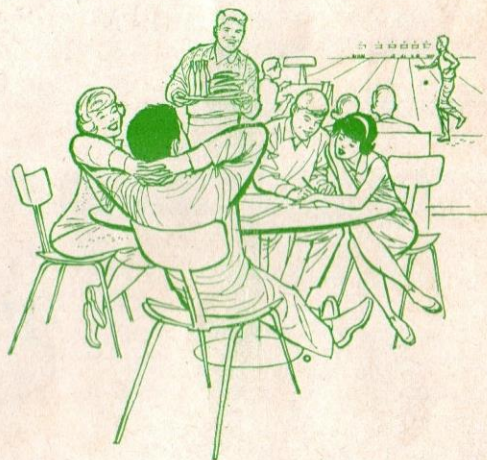
TO HAVE FRIENDS, a man must show himself friendly; to be friendly we should be as the wise old owl who lived in the oak: the more he saw the less he spoke; the less he spoke, the more he heard; why can't we be like that old bird?

TO HAVE FRIENDS, a man must show himself friendly, and the fires of strife will be doused. To emphasize the faults of another only brings us to his level, and as fire cannot exist without fuel, so where no talebearer is, the strife ceaseth.

TO HAVE FRIENDS, a man must show himself friendly, and the size of a man's friendship can be measured by his circle of friends. Friendship knows no barriers of size, color, or creed; to reject from our circle of friends someone whom God has included in His family, is to place our own judgment above that of God's. To keep a man down, means only to stay down with him; we can be no closer to God than we are to His children. A man should keep his friendship in constant repair.

FRIENDS — Who Needs Them?

by Calvin Burrell

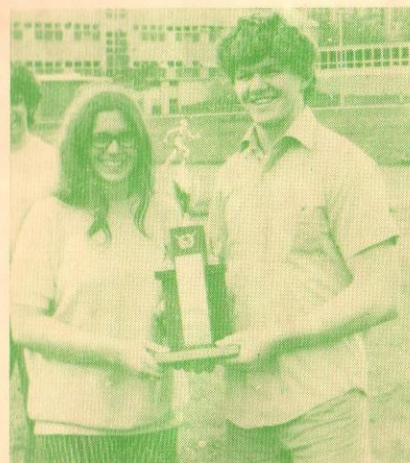


TO HAVE FRIENDS, a man must show himself friendly, and there is a friend that sticketh closer than a brother. Though we are betrayed by brothers, and wounded in the house of friends, yet will the Lord Jesus Christ never fail us. And when the fearful day comes when man's weapons are rendered futile, when the earth quakes, and fire engulfs the wicked, HE will carry us through!

FRIENDSHIP IMPROVES HAPPINESS, AND ABATES MISERY, BY DOUBLING OUR JOY, AND DIVIDING OUR GRIEF.

—Addison

SVA Prepares for OUT-OF-THIS-WORLD Trophies



Karen Blackwell and David Stucker received Spring Vale's track trophy for the May 9 meet with Lansing Christian High. David scored the most points for the boys' events and Karen for the girls' events. The final score: SVA, 72, Lansing Christian, 48. First and second place winners received blue and red imprinted ribbons.

Spring Vale wins a few trophies which are of this world, but the more important ones are out of this world.

We have no monopoly on these, but these are our daily objectives which are in addition to the regular objectives of other high schools.

Out-of-this-World-Trophies

1. The crown of eternal life.
2. Preparation for Christian leadership through course work and experience.
3. Witnessing instruction and experience with the public.
4. Mutual help and sharing of problems in the dorm.
5. Preparation for Christian service in the missions of the church.
6. Bible classes to give Bible knowledge for more effective service.
7. Worship of God through the miracles of His creation (instead of the theories of evolution).

"For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also" (Matt. 6: 21).

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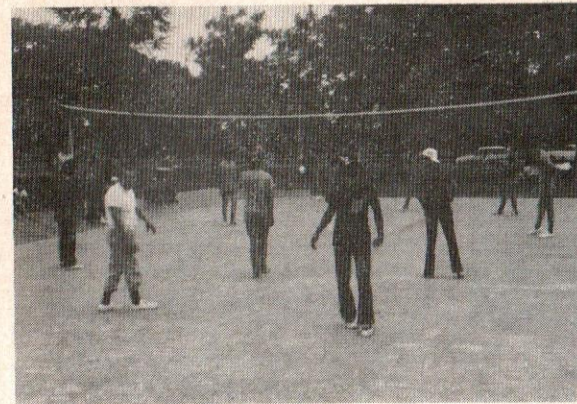
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Three Days in July

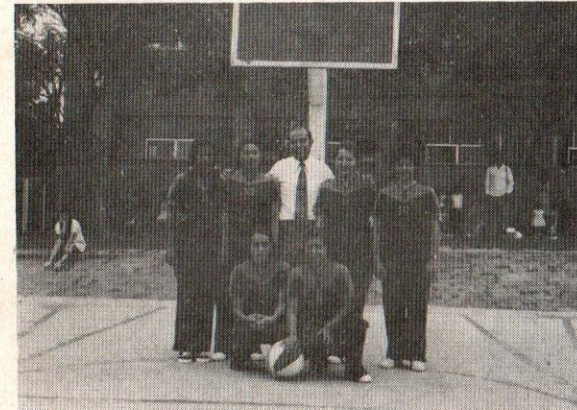
Over 500 young people from across the country of Mexico and about thirty young people from the United States including our National F.Y.C. Chairman, Elder Calvin Burrell, and his wife, met at Oaxtepec, a beautiful resort in the mountains south of Mexico City, for an exciting youth convention July 22-25.



Elder Burrell, Chairman of the United States F.Y.C. is pictured here with Mexico's youth leaders.



Volleyball was just one of the many recreational activities enjoyed at the Congress.



One of the district basketball teams that participated in the keen Congress competition.



Just a portion of the people who gathered at each worship assembly during the Convention!

The purpose of the three-day Mexico National Youth Congress was to unite young people from the six districts of Mexico and from the United States for inspiration and fellowship. This purpose was well realized for much inspiration was gained through the assembling together for discussion and worship. And the fellowship was unlimited!!

The recreational program at the Congress was an outstanding one which offered organized district team competition in many sports as well as a wide variety of individual participation games and sports.

The thrills, excitement, and blessings of this great convention will long live in the memories of all the young people who were at Oaxtepec and experienced those three days in July!

by Calvin, Burrell

Teen Guidelines

How to Win Friends and Influence People for Christ

As Christian young folks, you and I have many responsibilities to our God and our fellowman. We should accept these responsibilities seriously and be eager about fulfilling each one. In addition, however, we have a very important obligation to ourselves, and it is one which will most surely determine heavily the extent of our success in Christian work. The obligation about which I speak is that of developing Christian character and personality.

Certainly, cultivating personality and character are Christian works, for we must know better how to win Christian friends and influence people for Christ. From cover to cover our Bible supports the thought that strong character makes strong workers of righteousness, and pleasing personality begets pleasant fellowship. If we are, indeed, ambassadors for Christ, then we must be able to represent Him effectively—yes, we must! Here are two keys (Jesus had them) which will help us build effective Christian character.

- **Develop an outgoing interest in others.**

Some call it charity; some, compassion; some, just plain friendliness. Call it what you will, this trait of an outgoing interest and warmth toward others is the basis for the type of personal charm and magnetism that we all desire. It is also the prompting force of all the good that we can do for others. It is the putting on, in thought as well as deed, of Jesus' own statement, "It is more blessed to give than to receive." All of us should learn to smile more, to share more, to listen more, and to give more. Learn to give of yourself in real consideration for others. Politeness, loyalty, and patience are those traits which endear us to

others and make our Christian influence noticeable. Consider our Saviour's character in this respect: "But when He saw the multitudes, he was moved with compassion on them..." (Matthew 9:36). He was sincerely and warmly interested in others, and He showed it. There are hundreds of little ways that will express our charity for others, also, if it really exists first down in our own hearts.

- **Build zeal, confidence, and enthusiasm into your life.**

Be as it may, the cause however lofty and the reward so great, no one will succeed in a task who does not undertake it with a real desire to do so. Christians have the purpose, and the reward, now we need to have the zeal. The greatest leaders and personalities of all time have had, at least in measure, these qualities of drive, optimism, and courage.

A salesman must show enthusiasm for his product that will bubble over and infect also the client. Learn to proceed in your work with a confidence and faith that God will see you through each test. Build into your voice a tone that will assure people of your zest and sincerity. Most people today seem only half-alive—drowsy, dull, and uninteresting—concerning the product that gives us the most exciting hope in life, an eternity with Jesus Christ.

There are other traits which are very important to our Christian influence. You can read a complete list of them in Galatians 5:22-24. These fruits of the spirit might well be termed "traits of a Christian Character." They are the traits that will aid us in actually putting on a Divine Nature.

Character building is a constant job, a continuous duty. Good Christian character is not a gift, it is a product of real effort on your part, and prayer. Every one of us should desire to put on these Christian traits. This is our Father's business.

A good character is, in all cases, the fruit of personal exertion. It is not inherited from parents; it is not created by external advantages; it is no necessary appendage to birth, wealth, talents, or station; but it is the result of one's own endeavors—the fruit and reward of good principles manifested in a course of virtuous and honorable action.

—J. Hawes