

Letter From the Roods in India

The following letter is another of a series written by Rev. James ...

Falmouth Villa
Ootacamund, Nilgiris
June 8, 1963

Dear Friends:

Greetings from "Ooty." These past two months have been delightful and refreshing ones spent in this place which is very much like England. On April 2 we left Kakkada by train and arrived the following morning in Madras. That night we boarded another train travelling south-westward toward the foot of the Nilgiri Hills, and the next morning changed to another small cog railway which slowly took us up and up until at last we reached Ootacamund, 7,500 feet above sea level. It was good to don our sweaters and hang out of the open windows in gulp the clear air and feast our eyes on first the low-lying rice fields, later banana groves and still further on the plantations, tall eucalyptus trees and evergreens. The weather has been sunny and warm and the nights cool, but this week the monsoons have begun, bringing almost continual rain and wind.

These days have been ones of both physical and spiritual blessing. We have hiked through the hills, cycled to outlying towns, and taken bus rides to out-of-the-way spots. A high point in the Ooty season is the annual convention which takes form of a deeper life conference in one of the local churches. Major Ian Thomas of the Copernicus Fellowship in England was the speaker this year, and his challenging messages from the Bible were stimulating to us all. This year we Canadian Baptists (16 of us in this area) had our first spiritual retreat on Friday and Saturday, May 30 and 31. Our text was Ephesians 1:3 and the object was the application of the text to our lives as missionaries. Everyone was vitally interested in the retreat, and we believe that what was an experiment in 1963 will be an annual event.

Many missionaries from all over India come to Ooty for their holidays. Thus we are able to become acquainted with many people engaged in the same work as we. As you can imagine, such fellowship is very helpful. We are able to ask questions of those who have spent years of their lives seeking to evangelize the Indian people. Moreover, the spiritual fellowship enjoyed in worship services and prayer meet-ings is helpful and will surely fit us well for future work.

At the end of June we will return to the plains and move to a new address:

Canadian Baptist Mission
Pithapuram, East Godavari Dist.
Andhra Pradesh, India

Pithapuram is only 12 miles from Kakinada. Jim will go there first to arrange for the transport of our goods to Pithapuram in a bundy (a two-wheeled ox cart). Our house is a small one just a stone's throw from the largest of our Canadian Baptist hospitals. On that compound are the hospital, two doctor's houses, a general bungalow and a single ladies' bungalow. Our missionary neighbours will be D. Aileen Vining, Evelyn Hawn, Irene Cochran and Edith Gilman. Edith will take her second-year Telugu examinations in December, and therefore we will share a month with her.

Daughter Growing Up
Barbara is big enough now to give you a great big 6-toothed smile if she saw you. She would raise her arms high to show how big she is, patty cake, and tell you about her name, dada, kuka (dog), poov-vu (flower) and afterward bid you "ba". She has learned to crawl at a great speed, but does not stand alone yet.

We are continuing our Telugu study, of course, and would appreciate your prayers as we prepare for our November examinations.

Yours sincerely,
Jim and Marion.
"Be still, and know that I am God: I will be exalted among the heathen, I will be exalted in the earth" Psalm 46:10

DOWAGER CAR
As a variant on new car notices warning that engines are being run-in at restricted maximum speeds, a sign recently observed on a dowager car in London's Wimbledon district said: "Wearing out. Please pass."

BUSINESSMAN'S WORRIES
A fund wife made her husband a present of a bottle of hair tonic.
"I don't need it," he protested, "my hair isn't falling out."
"I know," she replied, "but give it to that blonde secretary of yours. Her hair is coming out rather badly."



O.P.P. MOTORCYCLE PATROLMEN from the North Halton detachment stationed at Milton, recently completed an extensive two week motorcycle training course at Camp Borden. Constables Wilf Griffiths (left) and Al Miles (seated) accept their diploma from Eric Silk, O.P.P. Commissioner. Const. Ron Hudd of the same detachment also passed the course. The officers are shown wearing the distinctive new blue and gold "crash helmets" recently adopted by the O.P.P.

EBENEZER

Session Conducts Church Service U.C.W. Hold Interesting Meeting

(Intended for last week)

The Sunday service at Ebenezer was in charge of the session. Mr. Wynne Dunbar assisted Mr. Horace Blith in conducting the service. Mr. Blith based his remarks on the verse "I am the Good Shepherd, and know my sheep and am known of mine."

Good Followers
If we try to be good followers of Jesus, we must follow His example as a shepherd in (1) leading. It is so easy to drift with the crowd. (2) Feeding the sheep. As mature Christians we should provide spiritual food for those who will listen. (3) Protecting the flock from spiritual enemies. (4) Restoring the lost sheep who have gone astray.

Visiting newcomers in the community should not be left to the minister.

Times are changing. Sunday to many is a day to get caught up on odd jobs. To fulfil one's job as a true disciple of Christ we should have a shepherd's heart, an attitude of compassion, feel that it is a privilege and not a duty to help in shepherding Christ's flock; have humility; be free from anxiety; be sober and watchful — ready to help.

We shouldn't look for rewards in doing what is only our duty. Our reward is the approval of the Good Shepherd.

Miss Sandra Blith said "Follow Me."

The young people met in the evening. Next Sunday the service will be in charge of "The Gideons."

Suffers Injuries
Mrs. Hattie Price suffered a fall recently at her home, R.R. 1, Campbellville.

She is recuperating at Guelph General Hospital.

Her many friends wish her a speedy return to complete health.

U.C.W. Meeting
Twenty-four ladies of Ebenezer Church Women met at the home of Mrs. Art Diamond last Wednesday evening.

The rollcall was answered with a verse using the word "charity." The theme was "friendship." The conveners were Mrs. Archie Stanley and Mrs. Art Norrish. Mrs. Stanley led in prayer.

The Scripture passage was the parable of the talents. From Matthew 25, read by Mrs. Sheldon Trousdale.

Mrs. Malcolm Moffat read Padre Yung's article. If you ask me, all men are not created equal. Some have great endowment, most are just average, some have physical or mental handicaps. In the parable no one

was overlooked, and the two-talent man is not required to do the work of the five-talent man. The one-talent man is especially tempted to do nothing, because he has so little. The only real success is to make the best use of what we have. Fear makes us buy our talents — faith is the antidote of fear. We must have faith in the future, faith in ourselves, faith in others and faith in God.

Heads Discussion
Mrs. Norrish led in a thought-provoking discussion. A citizen uses his talents first by caring for his family, and then in community service. Democratic

church organizations give their members practice in democratic procedure. Religious faith insures against democracy's destruction. Good Christians are bad subjects for dictators.

Becoming a citizen gives a person the advantages and responsibilities of sharing in community affairs. Many different cultures merge in Canada. The physical and spiritual welfare of a nation depends on individuals.

Mrs. Norrish closed with Canada's own verse, Psalm 72:8, "He shall have dominion also from sea to sea, and from the river unto the ends of the earth."

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SAFETY HEADQUARTERS

Paul Braida Wins Camp Award Best All-Round Boy Commended

Eleven-year-old Paul Braida is the proud possessor of the Knights of Columbus Trophy for best all-round boy at Camp Brebut. Paul was one of 140 boys attending the first session of the camp this summer.

In announcing the award, camp director Rev. R. D. Kennedy of Hamilton said that Paul was the choice of the committee to whom recommendations had been made by the camp counselors. Special mention was made of his co-operation and leadership in all activities and competitions as well as general proficiency in sports, including swimming, canoeing and archery. Several hundred parents were on hand last Friday evening for the closing ceremonies during which the trophy was presented.

Old Trunk Can Be Child's Death Trap

The July 4 deaths of two Ontario boys in an old trunk have led the Ontario Safety League to repeat their warnings to be on the watch for all such empty suffocation traps.

Last summer four Toronto area children suffocated in old unused refrigerators stored around their homes. The latest tragedy involving a trunk points out that any chest — whether an ironbox, cedar chest, a trunk or large suitcase — can be a death trap for unsuspecting children playing hide and seek. Parents are urged to inspect their homes and property for any such hazards. Trunks and suitcases should be kept locked.

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THIS SUNDAY'S Church Calendar

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SUNDAY, JULY 21st, 1963
11:00 a.m.—Worship.
"Unshamed."
7:00 p.m.—Evening Service.
"An Holy Temple."
Sunday School ALL Summer — 9:45 a.m.

Prayer Meeting, Wednesday, 7:30
Drive-In Church, Saturday, July 20, 8:45 p.m.—Toth's.
Welcome To All

EVANGEL BAPTIST CHURCH
All Services in Y.M.C.A.
Pastor: J. H. Wilson
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YOUTH SUNDAY SERVICES
JULY 21st, 1963

Guest Preacher
Rev. Joseph Bellington
9:45 a.m. 11 a.m. 7 p.m.

Guest Youth Music
Young People from Guelph
All Sunday Services in Y.M.C.A.
Cottage Prayer Meeting, Wednesday, July 24, 8 p.m., 51 Longfield Rd.—Topic, Jehovah's Witnesses (4).

Attend Drive-In Community Church, Saturday at 8:45 p.m.—B. Toth's Service Station

ACTON PENTECOSTAL TABERNACLE
P.A.O.C.
33 Churchill Road
Rev. S. M. Thoman, Pastor
853-2715

SUNDAY, JULY 21st, 1963
10:00 a.m.—Sunday School.
11:00 a.m.—Morning Service.
7:00 p.m.—Evening Service.

Tuesday, 8 p.m.—Bible Study and Prayer.
Thursday, 8 p.m.—Christ Ambassadors.

Don't forget the Community Drive-In Church at Toth's Shell Service Station, Saturday, July 6, at 8:45.
You Are Cordially Invited

BENEFIT
CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH
Student Pastor, Jerry Noytens

SUNDAY, JULY 21st, 1963
10:00 a.m.—English service.
1:00 p.m.—Dutch service.
7:45 p.m.—Sunday School.

TRINITY CHURCH
(The United Church of Canada)
Acton, Ontario.
Minister:
The Rev. Dwight I. Engel, B.A., B.D.
Organist:
Mr. George Elliott, M.A., Ph.D.

SUNDAY, JULY 21st, 1963
Divine Service
10:00 a.m.

Combined service of Knox Presbyterian and Trinity United in Trinity Church.
Nursery during service for young children.

ROCKWOOD EMMANUEL BIBLE CHURCH
(Associated Gospel Churches of Canada)
Main St., Rockwood.
Pastor: Ray Wiseman.

SUNDAY, JULY 21st, 1963
9:45 a.m.—Sunday School.
Classes for all ages.
11:00 a.m.—Morning Service.
7:00 p.m.—Evening Service.
You Are Welcome

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SUNDAY, JULY 21st, 1963
Trinity VI
9:00 a.m.—Holy Eucharist
10:00 a.m.—Holy Eucharist

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN CANADA
KNOX CHURCH, ACTON
Rev. Andrew H. McKenzie, B.A., B.D., Minister
Mr. E. A. Hansen, B.A., Organist and Chour Master

SUNDAY, JULY 21st, 1963
10:00 a.m.—Combined Service with United congregation in Trinity United Church.
Rev. A. H. McKenzie preaching Theme, "A Most Popular Sin."
10:00 a.m.—Open session of Church School in Knox Church.
Everyone Most Welcome