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THE WITNESS

Ye shall be witnesses unto me.... Acts 1:8b

GLEN COVE BIBLE SCHOOL
1962
It is with deep gratitude that we the students dedicate this first year-book to the faculty of Glen Cove Bible School in appreciation of their tireless and devoted effort in training us for the Lord's service.
The act of witnessing involves two areas of emphasis which were present in the lives of the early disciples, and in the lives of all men who have ever witnessed. The first of these two areas is that of Preparation. Every Christian who confesses the Lord openly has some preparation for it, whether we look at the new born Christian with the basic preparation of a changed life or the Ph. D. with his many years of higher education. Both have a message to give and are compelled to do so by Acts 1:8.

Following Preparation and also concurrent with it is the second area of emphasis - Presentation. In this respect every Christian does witness, and his witness brings positive or negative results. Either he makes an impression for Christ or harms the cause of Christ by his life or lips.

Each of us here at Glen Cove Bible School are concerned with the need of Preparing ourselves in order that our Presentation might be effective and pleasing to the Lord. This book is, therefore, our attempt to portray the Preparation aspect of witnessing and opportunities for Presentation which are typical of this Bible School.

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"And that repentance and remission of sins should be preached in His Name among all nations..." (Luke 24:47)

The Disciples of Christ were charged to preach "repentance and remission of sins." There are two things here that are very important and they should be preached in this order. We may be careless and preach the remission of sin and not repentance, and the reverse might also be possible.

Now just what is repentance? Repentance is an attitude of the life which condemns ourselves and our ways in the presence of God. Without repentance the truth is brought low. To believe that Christianity is possible while we continue to go in our own ways is to hold the truth in unrighteousness. (Romans 1:18) Christianity is in great danger here today and there is a great need to return to the preaching of true Bible repentance. Until it is preached, it will not be acted upon by believers. Paul declared repentance, and lived in an attitude of self judgment all his days. What sin is unjudged in your life?

Repentance is very closely associated with the remission of sin. When the Lord sees the repentant heart in His presence, He revives the heart. Would you ponder this thought from Isaiah 57:15? This needs to be more and more experienced by Christians in these days. Humility and contrition before the Lord are a must, or remission of sins cannot be claimed. Many do not have any assurance or joy in the life because sins are allowed in the life. The moment any man takes his place in repentance, God meets man with remission of sins. One illustration is very clear from Isaiah 6. Isaiah confessed his uncleanness; God immediately sent one of the seraphims with a live coal from off the altar to purge his sins.

Repentance and remission of sins is included in the gospel which is to be preached to all nations. How the Church has failed in this matter! Workers are needed! The Bible School here at Glen Cove is seeking to train workers for the Great Commission.

Harold Duff
Principal
THOUGHTS FROM THE DEAN

The church has never lived in nor faced a more challenging day in which to train servants of the Lord Jesus Christ. For sure, we live at the mid-night hour of this age when all the power of Hell seems to be on the verge of eruption. As we approach the end of the age anticipating the coming of the Lord, millions still sit in darkness who have never once heard the clear preaching of the Gospel. With a world population of 2,896,686,000 and an estimated Protestant population of 200,000,000, we are compelled to train faithful men to preach Christ in hopes of snatching some of these lost ones as brands from the burning.

For sure, we stand in Biblical tradition when we seek to train faithful believers for the work of the Lord. The apostle said to Timothy, "The things that thou hast heard of me among many witnesses, the same commit thou to faithful men, who shall be able to teach others also." (II Timothy 2:2) The training of young lives in the Word of God for the work of God is most challenging.

The Bible surpasses all other books and is basic in training God's servants. A working knowledge of the Word is as necessary to the servant of the Lord as oil is to a furnace. The teaching of the Bible itself is our primary objective at Glen Cove Bible School. We assume that the Bible in all its parts both Old and New Testaments is verbally inspired of God in the original text, and that it is the supreme authority in all matters of faith and conduct. All other related subjects taught are designed to give the servant of God greater ability to preach His Word to a world lost in sin.

All preaching of the Word of God is centered in the person of the Lord Jesus Christ. He is its theme and focal point and is as essential as the hub is to the wheel. Apart from the finished work of Christ on the cross there is no salvation. We seek to so exalt Him from the Word of God that those who go forth from these premises will be absolutely sold on Him and entirely given over to Him to win the lost.

With it all the servant of God must be endued with the power of the Holy Spirit to preach His Word effectively. It is our desire that each student entrusted to us of the Lord shall go forth a Spirit driven servant of God for the glory of the Lord.

Al Troester
Dean
Seated: M. Chadwick, R. Starbird, B. Wagner
Standing: C. Holmes, W. Farrington
THIRD YEAR CLASS REPORT

"I will instruct thee and teach thee in the way which thou shalt go: I will guide thee with mine eye." (Psalm 32:8)

September of 1959 was the founding date of the Glen Cove Bible School which had an enrollment of eight students the first semester, and nine the second semester. Marriages and transfers to other schools left the second year class with only three of the previous years' students returning, with two transfers from other schools. We are well into the second semester of the third year now, and there has been one more drop-out and a gain of another transfer student.

All five of us in the third year class are looking forward to graduation next year. We will continue to follow the Lord, His grace permitting, wherever He would lead us.

Clifford Holmes
Third year class reporter

"After finishing high school, I went into Nurses Training, where I became conscious that the Lord was calling me to Bible School. This last year of Bible School has been the most precious year of my life. The Lord has become more real to me, and I have found a peace and joy in living daily for Him and preparing for His service."

Marilyn Chadwick
Third year class
SECOND YEAR CLASS

Seated: G. Brown, M. Belyea, D. Flynn, D. MacDougal, V. MacDougal
Standing: J. Hunt, R. Chaffee, B. Austin, E. Keay, J. Biggar, J. Sprague
M. Forsyth, A. Hawes, L. Hudson, L. Stiles
"For with thee is the fountain of life: in thy light shall we see light." (Psalm 36:9)

We have fifteen witnesses who claim that the second year is the greatest! Even better than our first year? Yes, for we have been able to delve deeper into the Word and really enlarge our vision of missions. It has been a year filled with opportunity for acquainting ourselves with each other better and of learning to live together.

Of our original number from last year there were six who did not return. We are happy to have gained three transfer students during this year.

It is with keen anticipation that we look forward to this summer and our next year of school here.

Don MacDougal
Second Year Reporter

"Fifteen years ago the Lord wondrously saved me. Through the years the Lord has taught me many lessons, but each one has drawn me closer to Himself. Not until I was willing to give my will over to His did the Lord become real to me. Since then He has grown sweeter every day. One of the verses that the Lord has made precious to my life is Revelation 2:2, 'For even hereunto were ye called: because Christ also suffered for us, leaving us an example, that ye should follow his steps.'"

Marie Forsyth
Second Year
Seated: S. Pearl, B. Reed, B. Conant, J. Ellis, J. Gerstung
Standing: E. Exel, F. Hatfield, K. Tibbetts, N. Cousins, S. Lord
"Thou art my hiding place and my shield: I hope in Thy word." (Psalm 119:11)

The Freshman Class started the year with an enrollment of ten students - after two weeks one left and one new student joined us. All ten of us agree that this first year has been one great learning experience. From the first day of learning new names and faces to the last day of learning our ranks, we have been thankful that the Lord called us to Glen Cove. We do not claim to have learned it all after one year, but we can say that we are further along the road and the Lord has been with us every step of the way.

We have been fed from the spiritual manna from heaven and have seen growth in our lives. Truly the Lord deserves all the glory and praise for the things that have been accomplished during our first year at Bible School.

Ben Conant
First year class reporter

"The Lord Jesus came to live in my heart while I was attending Bible Camp in Poland, Maine in July 1956. I did not live for the Lord, but He brought circumstances into my life which caused me to turn to Him. How I praise Him for leading me here to Glen Cove Bible School and working in my life! The verse I have chosen for my Bible School days is Colossians 3:2, "Set your affections on things above, not on things on the earth."

Sybil Pearl
First year class
DEVOTIONAL REPORT

"Say not ye, there are yet four months and then cometh the harvest? Behold, I say unto you, lift up your eyes, and look on the fields: for they are white already to harvest." John 4:35. Daily students meet with Miss Betty Howe for the Missionary Prayer Band meetings where hearts are lifted together to God in behalf of the various fields of the world.

Another ministry and time of refreshing is made possible as the Bible School students meet every morning to share a promise from God's Word and to seek the Lord's leading throughout the new day.

Our mid-morning chapel time is something that staff and students alike anticipate. Mr. Duff has been preaching a series of messages from the book of Revelation. Hearts have been challenged and decisions have been made in the way of dedication to Christ. From time to time we have visiting missionaries and pastors ministering to us. For three weeks Rev. John Bell, of the China Inland Mission, was with us for class lectures and chapel messages.

Wednesday evening is the weekly prayer meeting for both the high school and Bible school. For the Sunday morning service one of the faculty members brings the message. The evening service has been the responsibility of the Bible School students, future pastors in particular.

Above all else, however, the school encourages each student to maintain a full life of personal devotion. For this personal relationship to Christ is a prerequisite to the student's concern, love, and service for others. The purpose of the devotional activities of the school is to add to the spiritual life of each student, that he may in turn make Christ known to others.

Clifford Holmes
Devotional Chairman
CHRISTIAN SERVICE

The Christian life is one of countless privileges and opportunities, and with these privileges come equal responsibilities. The Lord has opened the door of service to practically all of the Bible School students. Most of them are engaged in Good News Club work under the supervision of Miss Marilyn Noyes.

These Clubs reach out in five different towns - Stockton Springs, Thomaston, Rockport, Glen Cove, and Rockland. The total number of children enrolled is approximately 180, and there have been about forty-seven decisions for Christ.

Praise the Lord for this privilege of reaching these children who hold such tremendous potentiality for the future! We would take Solomon's wise advice, "Train up a child in the way he should go and when he is old, he will not depart from it." (Proverbs 22:6)

The service of preaching has been opened for many of the male students. Some of them have churches of their own in which they preach every Sunday while others are on call for rallies, special meetings, and pulpit supply preaching.

Singing has an important part in the student's opportunities for service. There are groups such as the choir, trios, quartets, and also soloists who keep busy on week-end services and chapels.

Dale Flynn
Choir

Girls' Trio

Girls' Quartet

"Good News" Teachers
SOCIAL ACTIVITIES

Are Christians happy? That question is answered in the affirmative here at Glen Cove Bible School. Everyone joins in the fellowship and jokes that are a familiar part of campus life, but we also enjoy the times set aside specifically for such activities. These times give each person an opportunity to relax from the routine of studies and become better acquainted with others.

One such party was given for the Bible School Students at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Duff. We all enjoyed a wonderful time of games and fellowship followed by delicious strawberry shortcake treats. Before the evening was complete we heard an inspiring devotional from Mr. Duff.

In March we had an All Fools' Party, under the direction of the staff and faculty. Both the Bible School and High School attended this display of varied and interesting talents. There was even a hillbilly band composed of faculty and staff members which contributed considerably to the success of the evening. After the laughter subsided, Mr. Stanley Matson, an evening school student, led us in the devotional.

All of this just points up the fact that the Christian life is a joy and is to be enjoyed. We are at present planning an outing and a Spring Banquet as final activities for the school year.

This past fall, under the direction of Mr. and Mrs. Troester, the married students and their wives formed a Couples Club which meets once a month in the different homes. A time of fun, devotions led by the host, and refreshments are enjoyed by all.

Mr. and Mrs. John Sprague
Social Committee
"AND YE SHALL BE WITNESSES UNTO ME..."

"I am thankful to God for the salvation that I possess in Christ Jesus. My mother for years had prayed for my soul's salvation, but not until after I had joined the Air Force and came home on my first leave did I finally make a decision for Christ. Since, the Lord has blessed me with a fine Christian wife and two precious children. We count it a privilege to be presently training for the Lord's service. If it were not for the gracious provision of the Lord, this would not be possible. We thank God for the way He has supplied our every need and our prayer is that we will be fully yielded to the leading of His Holy Spirit at all times."

Clifford Holmes
Third Year

"My Saviour gave me peace, an infinitely precious peace with God, a peace unruffled by outward circumstances, an irrefutable absolute knowledge that I am His. I, therefore, have no fear, '...though the earth be removed, and though the mountains be carried into the midst of the sea; though the waters thereof roar and be troubled, though the mountains shake with the swelling thereof.' (Psalm 46:2,3). I have no fear - but a peace that passeth all understanding."

Roberta Chaffee
Second Year

"About seven years ago my life was freed from the bondage of sin and I became one of God's children. Walking the Christian pathway has not been easy, but a real challenge and a wonderful blessing, because Christ gives victory. I believe that Christ is coming soon and that I must keep on the 'firing line' to win souls who are still in darkness."

Brenda Reed
First Year
"Although I had accepted Christ as my Savior at the age of ten, I never allowed Him to be Lord of my life. While attending Christian High for my Senior year of high school, things began to change, and Christ became more of a reality to me. For the first time I had a desire to serve Him.

During these past years of Bible School, God has taught me many spiritual and practical lessons, and today I can praise and thank Him for all that He has done for me."

Betty Wagner
Third year class

"The preciousness of the Savior grows sweeter each year. He has so miraculously supplied each and every one of my needs, both spiritually and financially. I praise the Lord for the challenge that He has instilled within my heart to go to the "Regions Beyond" and labor for Him there.

I look at the world situation today and see an urgent need of the Gospel. I pray that the Lord will continue to touch my heart and make it tender, so as to hear that still small voice. My desire is that of the Apostle Paul's, '...that in all things He might have the preeminence'." (Colossians 1:18c)

Dale Flynn
Second year class

"It is a privilege to know Christ as my Savior. Although I accepted the Lord five years ago, only recently have I come into a fuller knowledge of Him. By doing His will and allowing Him to lead me, I can attain my goal of living a victorious Christian life."

Judy Gerstung
First year class
SLAVE AUCTION

$25.00 bid...

Huh!! This suit is worth $50.00

Good News Clubers singing
"Climb, climb up sunshine mountain"

Perfect harmony

Married Couples
"Fellowship Hour"
ATTENTION PLEASE!!!

Oh no, there's one in every bunch.

Gratis work, ugh!!

Washwoman for hire.

Yep, this is the place.
"It's time for your bedtime story again, Viola dear."

"Hey! Don't leave now. Here she comes."

Florence Nighten Gale

Not steak again!

"$2.00's worth, is that so."
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