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HOW THEY ENTERED CANAAN  
(A Collection of Holiness Experience Accounts)  
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Vol. I -- Named Accounts

### **C. WARREN JONES (Nazarene)**

Apart from the Board of General Superintendents, it can be safely said that Dr. and Mrs. C. Warren Jones have visited more mission fields, spoken through more interpreters, looked in at more foreign mission activities about the globe than any other Nazarenes of their time. Without question they are "missionaries at large."

This moving, roving blood in C. Warren Jones -- "Man of World-wide Missions" -- comes honestly. His father, Edward W. Jones, crossed the plains with his parents from Warsaw, Missouri, and landed in the spot where Portland, Oregon, now stands. That was at the close of the Civil War and Edward was, only eight years old. Brother Jones's mother was born in San Jose, California, after her parents had made their crossing from Indiana in the "gold rush days" of 1849.

C. Warren Jones was born on a farm near Garfield, Washington, on March 2, 1882. As a lad he found Christ in a crossroads schoolhouse revival meeting. Upon finishing high school he proceeded to Puget Sound College, Tacoma, Washington, where he received his A.B. degree. He then taught one year in public schools and five years in a business, college.

Two major events took place in the life of Mr. Jones at this period. He met the girl of his choice and they were united in marriage on June 30, 1909, and God called him to preach the gospel. This he endeavored to do in a few Methodist churches. But days of discouragement came and, giving up the work of the ministry, the C. Warren Jones couple traveled to Illinois, where he planned to work on his master's degree at the University of Chicago.

The Joneses were strangers in the great city, but Mrs. Jones remembered a minister who had preached at their town of Garfield. So they sought the guidance of Rev. I. G. Martin, then pastor of the First Church of the Nazarene, Chicago. He readily assisted them in a place of lodging. Martin saw the spiritual need of the couple. He therefore made it his business, to make their salvation full and complete. Almost immediately they were both reclaimed and sanctified. Then early in September, 1913, he received both of them into the Church of the Nazarene.

With the call to preach returning afresh to Brother Jones, Pastor Martin assisted the Jones couple in being placed as pastors of the newly organized church at Chicago Heights. There they began to work for the Lord with their seven members. In less than thirty days the annual assembly met at Olivet, Illinois. Since Brother Jones had three years' experience in the Methodist ministry and was up on his studies except the Manual, which he promised to complete, he was presented to Dr. E. F. Walker for ordination. And on October 5, 1913, the general superintendent extended Nazarene elder's orders to C. Warren Jones.

Source: "Our Pioneer Nazarenes" by C. T. Corbett

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