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## THE GENERAL COUNCIL PURPOSES

Some Things for Which the General Council of the Assemblies of God Stands Committed in the Lord and Before the World.

While in a general way, all over the country, there seems to be in many ways a good understanding of the work intended by the **General Council** and a wonderful falling in line on this matter nearly everywhere, still now and then we find one who does not understand our purpose and is asking for light. It is for the information of such that these lines are designed.

### Spirituality and Power.

Sad indeed it is so many blessed movements have soon lost the Spirit of God and have then fallen back on human machinery to make up for lack of power from God. Our first aim and supreme prayer to God is to keep Himself, His Spirit and His glory foremost. God has poured forth His Spirit and given us a message that has set the world on fire. Our great stock in trade is not human preparation, but the divine anointing from heaven. Nothing is so dead as a Pentecostal meeting without the glory, power and presence of God. Those accustomed to run on human energy and man's wisdom are prepared with a good stock of this on hand; but we have depended on God alone for so long that when we miss connection with Heaven we fall flat indeed, our all is gone!

So we realize that it will be thus with this movement as a whole if it ever loses the Spirit of God. Hence, by His grace, we are determined to keep up the battle cry for the Spirit of God to be supreme in the land. Let us keep humble before God. Let us honor the Holy Ghost. Let us make ourselves of no reputation that God may have right of way to give glory to His Son and our Christ. Let us keep to the front deep spirituality in our souls and the power and anointing of God on our ministry. Let us keep to the front the mighty, supernatural baptism with the Holy Ghost accompanied by the signs that follow. Mark 16:17-18.

### Holiness Unto the Lord.

What ever be men's interpretations about the two works of grace, we purpose to honor the blood of Christ; to preach that it has power to cleanse from all sin; to expect men to be cleaned up and delivered from conformity to the world. It is not enough to profess our heart to have been cleansed, we must so trust God and His power to keep us that we will lead a life of holiness before God and man. So we preach and so we believe.

### Going on With God.

In some places where the Spirit has fallen, divisions have come in, saints have gotten their eyes off Christ and have lost ground. Some have thought that if they were once filled with the Holy Ghost and had oil in their vessels, they would get in to the marriage supper of the Lamb. But we believe that it is not a question of what we once had, but a question of having oil in our vessels at the moment the midnight cry is made. "Behold the Bridegroom Cometh." So we want to lend hope to every discouraged soul, to cry aloud until the sleepy ones all wake up and go on with God. Beloved, don't strive, don't look at mistakes and errors, don't stop to find fault, don't get your eyes off Jesus, but look unto Him. Get down, pray and go on with the Lord. Be not weary in well doing for the night is almost passed. The day is at hand. It will be blessed to be among those who are faithful to the end who will hear, "Well done good and faithful servant, enter thou into the joys of thy Lord."

### Bringing in the Lost.

We believe that any movement that gets so taken up with fads and theories that it ceases to preach Christ Jesus as a living present Savior to the lost is doomed soon to die, and it ought to die and give place to something else that can glorify God. The supreme commission to the Church of God is to bring the glad tidings of this great salvation in and thru Jesus and His blood to every lost soul in the world. We realize that not only in foreign lands, but also in our home land, millions are groping in spiritual night and know not God. Oh, let the trumpet call of God again

be heard every where; with fresh zeal and new faith let us go forth to the lost. Let every soldier of God, while millions in war are fighting in the flesh with carnal weapons buckle on their swords and go forth to win souls ere it is too late—souls to be stars in our Master's crown.

We purpose then to stand by the true missionaries in the foreign field, with all our might. We purpose also to encourage the spirit of a mighty evangelism every where in the homeland. This is the only thing worth while. Let us lay aside every hindrance and go in for and after souls. The last call is going forth and soon, very soon, it will be too late. Let us now go and tell them of this love, this power to save to the uttermost. God is giving a big salvation now, so rich and blessed and full. It is the best time in the history of the world to get saved.

### No Sectarianism.

Every now and then people ask us if we do not dis fellowship other children of God over mere doctrines, theories, works of grace, etc. No, beloved, we recognize and fellowship every clean, sweet, teachable child of God on the earth, it matters not what his name is. If you have the blood of Jesus on your soul, you are our brother. We are opposed to all factions, all disobedience to God and contrary divisions, strife about words to no profit and to all sectarianism everywhere.

### Toleration and Love.

In things not sinful we believe in long suffering and great toleration. We do not believe in compromising with sin and uncleanness under a false plea for toleration. While God is merciful and gracious to the weak, to the ignorant and the erring, yet He will not tolerate rebellion and wilful sin, and He does not want us to give place to the devil. But even in dealing with sin and sinners, we should act in tenderness and love. Especially among the brethren does the word exhort us to let brotherly love continue. Let us do it; God expects us to.

### Mighty in the Spirit.

We believe high heaven is grieved over strife and division among God's people. We pray for peace among all who belong to the Lord, especially all Spirit filled people. It is a disgrace to God's holy name and to our high profession and the blessed baptism in the one Spirit for any Pentecostal saint to fight and dis fellowship another. It must be a great grief to the ever blessed God that all Pentecostal people are not fully one. Our Lord prayed for this and is praying for it still. When will we let His prayer be answered! So far as in us lieth, we answer, **Now Lord**. Even now dear Lord, make us all one in Thee.

We may not yet be able to all see alike, but we can love each other, we can refuse to break the unity of the Spirit over non-essentials, over men's notions, theories and interpretations. Many a blessed revival has been killed by some petty disagreement. Many a powerful assembly or mission has lost the power to save souls thru a little strife that grieves God's Spirit. O, thou divider, thou breaker of the unity of the Spirit in the midst, hast thou realized that the blood of many souls will be laid upon thee at the judgment! Darest thou! Nay, let us not join with the forces of hell to break the unity among our brethren to help Satan cause souls to stumble into perdition.

### Conservation.

The way our young workers have gone into new fields and prayed down a revival and got souls thru to the blood and to the baptism in the Holy Ghost has been blessed. But the lack of wisdom shown in many places in failing to care for the work thus planted has caused great grief. We have rushed forward with out much plan of cooperation with the base behind, and failed to keep in touch with one another and in cooperation such as is needful to keep up these fields. Now our purpose and prayer is for God to so help us to cooperate as to conserve the work in good order and efficiency behind us when we press on to new fields. God help us to this end.

### Liberty and Freedom.

We stand for liberty in the Holy Ghost, but not anarchy and fanaticism. We stand for freedom from formalism and unscriptural ties; but do not stand for license to tear down God's work which other faithful men have built up. We honor the ties of love and fellowship in the Holy Ghost. We stand for building up instead of breaking up. No freedom is of God that rejects New Testament order and violates the word of God. Christ is our Lord and we are under obligation to obey Him whether we will recognize it or not. Though not under the law of Moses, we are not without law unto Christ. He is our supreme head. God help us to walk before Him well pleasing in all things.

Much more might be said to His glory, but with these hints we forbear at present.—E. N. Bell.

### FROM BROTHER CAROTHERS.

My own acceptance of the appointment to the Presbytery is necessarily conditioned on my being able to dispose of my business so as to disentangle me from the "affairs of this life." I was never so impressed with the priceless value of "The promise of the Father" as in the meetings of the Presbytery where the opportunity was afforded me to observe in an unusual degree the work of men "filled with wisdom and with the Holy Ghost." I never so much felt my need of a personal refreshing and renewal as there and resolved not to come short of God's best, but to place it above everything else and tarry for it, before launching into so great a work as lies before us.—W. F. Carothers, Houston, Texas.

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### A SISTER'S VISION.

I wish to relate one of my latest visions. It came to me one Thursday—a cold, snowy day—when just a few were at the church. But God met us in a mighty way. As I was agonizing in prayer the great powers of darkness seemed to come down. Only by locking up could I see a little light. I could even feel the darkness on my hands and body. The Spirit spoke to me saying, "This is the gross darkness that is covering the earth." Then He said, "Cast your eyes to heaven and look upon the earth beneath. So I did with my spiritual eye. As I held on to God I saw a straight white path that led from earth to heaven. Nothing on earth could compare with the straightness of this path, and in it appeared people with white robes, and some were bent with sorrow, and crying mightily to God. Some were praying as if they were receiving bountifully from Him. At the end of the path I saw two white gates standing ajar, just enough for one to enter at a time. As I looked, the Spirit began to speak, saying, "These are they who will come up through great tribulation, and have washed their robes in the blood of the lamb." Then he said, "I cannot use you for you try too hard to understand with your natural mind, how I work, and my ways are too far above your ways and they are past finding out. Yield yourselves unto Me and be willing to suffer."

O, if we can get small enough and rest try so hard with our natural minds to comprehend the works of God, He would be able to accomplish His will more readily.—Mrs J. F. Greer, Essex, Mo.

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### DELIGHTED WITH HER BIBLE.

I received my Bible some time ago and was more than glad to see what a beautiful one it is for the money. I would gladly have paid \$5.00 for it if I had seen it before I bought it. It can't be purchased here for less than \$5.00. I am very proud of it.—Mrs Ruby Reeves, Denton, Texas.

### SAN ANTONIO TEXAS.

God's blessing is continuing among us and His grace is upon us all. We have moved to a permanent location down in the city, 424 1-2 Dolorosa St. (upstairs), Military Plaza. Any of God's true laborers will always find a hearty welcome in His dear Name. Pray on for this locality.—F. Eiting.

## ARE THERE THREE BAPTISMS?

Three New Testament Doctrines Briefly Examined in the Light of Scripture, with an Analysis of Their Administrators, Candidates and Elements.

### B. F. Lawrence.

There has been a good deal preached and written on the subject of baptisms in the last few months, especially among Pentecostal people. Perhaps I may be forgiven if I add my mite to the volume. I do not propose to be dictatorial in the matter, rather do I desire to present some scriptures to you for your examination. If, after examination you do not arrive at the same conclusion that I do, let us continue to love one another and pray for each other.

Perhaps the title of this article has already aroused a question in the minds of some regarding the scripture in Eph. 4:5, "one Lord, one faith, one baptism," and perhaps you are wondering how any one can be so foolish as to believe in three baptisms when the scripture says "one."

Well, look at the following, please: Heb. 6:2, "the doctrine of baptisms," more than one. Again, we all know that Jesus, after His resurrection from the dead positively commanded His apostles to baptize in the name of the Father, Son and Holy Ghost. It is evident that no one, no matter how high his position in the church, has the power to baptize in the Holy Spirit. That right is reserved to Jesus Himself. Matt. 3:11. Hence the baptism here spoken of is water baptism.

John Baptist said, on the other hand, that "He who cometh after me is mightier than I, \*\*\* He shall baptize you in the Holy Ghost and fire.

Here are two baptisms, and yet the scripture does not contradict itself. The Apostle may have meant that there was one accepted mode of baptism, or he may have been speaking of the one that would naturally go with the "one Lord, one faith," but whatever he did mean, he did not contradict his own behaviour at Ephesus where he baptized twelve men in water and then laid his hands on them that they might receive the gift of the Holy Spirit which Jesus and John both called a baptism.

Now for the first one. 1 Cor. 12:13. By one Spirit are we all baptized into one body. This is a good start for our consideration of the first baptism. Notice that in this baptism the Spirit is the Administrator, the whole people of God, both Jew and Gentile, who were in the body, had been the candidates when they desired admission to this body, and the body is the element.

Some other passages go with this text. Gal. 3:27 is one of them. "As many of you as have been baptized into Christ, have put on Christ." This did not happen to me when I was baptized in water. Neither did it happen when the Holy Spirit came upon me in Pentecostal power. It happened when I was made a new creature in Christ; when I was made a partaker of the divine nature. I partook of that divine nature by becoming a child of God; therefore when I was born again. Indeed this language, "by one Spirit are we all baptized" sound like, "born of water and the Spirit." The same work by the same person, only differently expressed.

Romans 6:3-7 belongs to the same class of texts. The experience here described is identical with the new birth. It gives victory over sin. Carefully examine 2 Cor. 5:17, 1 John 5:4, 2 Pet 1:4, and others. It is this baptism of which water baptism is symbolical.

Second, Matt. 28:19, spoken after the cross, and therefore not nailed to it, proves that water baptism had a part in the plan of Jesus. The invariable practice of the apostles gives support to this. This is no place for a lengthy discussion of certain controverted texts on the subject of baptism, but I do desire to say this: baptism is not the creation of a good conscience toward God, but the answer of one already had in possession by faith in Jesus. 1 Pet. 3:21, 22. In apostolic times it generally came between the profession of faith and the baptism in the Holy Spirit. I certainly do not believe in baptismal regeneration, but I do believe that it is proper to obey God. Perhaps if some who have been tarrying for the baptism in the Holy Spirit would obey

the command of Jesus and be baptized they could testify with Peter that "the Holy Ghost, whom God hath given to them that obey Him." Acts 5:32.

It is almost needless to recapitulate the many promises of the baptism in the Holy Ghost that are written in the New Testament. See Matt. 3:11, John 14:26, 15:26, 16:7-15, Acts 2:4-8, 2:38. And the promise fulfilled, Acts 2:1-13, 8:14-17, 9:17-18, 10:44-48, 19:1-7.

The following observations will perhaps help us to see the light. In the first baptism, the Holy Spirit is the Administrator, the penitent, believing seeker the candidate and the body of Christ the element. See Ept. 5:30. In the second baptism the minister of Christ is the administrator, the saved man the candidate and the water the element. In the third baptism the saved man is the candidate, the Lord Jesus the administrator and the Holy Spirit the element. Matt. 3:11.

It seems to be a fact that people receive about as much and in the way that they have been taught to receive. They cannot receive that in which they do not believe; they cannot believe in that of which they have never heard. Faith comes by hearing and hearing by the word of God. How can they hear without a preacher? We need to realize the enormous responsibility that rests on us as the people of God and then tell people all the truth. This, I believe, that God only put those things in the scripture which are necessary to us, therefore, none of them are to be neglected.

I have heard more from some preachers about the bride of Christ in an hour, than the Bible says from cover to cover. Let us teach all that the scripture teaches and in the same degree that the scripture does. Stress the thing the scripture stresses, mention the thing that the scripture mentions. God knew the relative importance of each thing.

It cannot be denied that this subject of baptism in its various phases and aspect is very prominent in the New Testament. We must therefore be correct in our teaching in these matters. We claim so much that we invite attack on many points, and we need every point in our armor closed and safe. If we are mistaken in a few points, it produces a doubt in the minds of many regarding the other points of the doctrine.

### THE NEW POPE, BENEDICT XV.

The new pope, who ascended the supposed chair of Peter during the awful start of the war is described as a clever man. It is said that his natural bent is diplomacy. He is a constructive statesman of power. There appeared recently in the *Westminster Gazette* a glowing tribute to this man. We quote the final paragraph:

"Many who have watched the career of Benedict XV. are convinced that he will not remain a silent or idle spectator of the drenched and stricken field of blood-stained Europe. And all who ardently desire the conclusion of peace will join in the wish that it may be restored. There is one more point. Englishmen, without distinction of creed or party, have a warm place in their hearts for the Italian kingdom and nation whose prosperity and progress they earnestly strive to promote. Is it too much to hope that a reconciliation may be effected between Italy and Papacy, and a way found of terminating the unfortunate policy which interns the Pope within his palace and forbids him to enjoy the country villa at Frascati or to visit his old home near Genoa?"

These statements are significant. What if this pope by his diplomacy should succeed in bringing about peace in Europe?—Our Hope.

God dwells in the hearts of simple folks, but that is no sign that God is simple. He dwells also with men of weakness, but by it He does not lose any of His power. A man who some day will die may have the Lord of all Life make of his heart a home; and here lies glory; God, in His association with men does not degenerate, but man in his associations with God puts on Godlikeness.



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**EDITORIALS**

**AFTER JANUARY 1st, 1915 ALL MAIL FOR THE GOSPEL PUBLISHING HOUSE SHOULD BE DIRECTED TO 2829 WASHINGTON AVE., ST. LOUIS, MO.**

We move to St. Louis, Mo., on January 1st, 1915. The Executive Presbytery of the General Council of the Assemblies of God in session at Chicago, Ill., decided that as soon as satisfactory quarters could be secured in St. Louis, Mo., for the establishing of a publishing plant for the Pentecostal Movement, that the publishing plant be moved from Findlay, Ohio, to St. Louis, Mo. Brother Bell our Managing Editor proceeded to St. Louis at once after the close of the General Council to look for a location and we are now directed to move the plant to St. Louis as soon as possible, which we trust will be after the first of January. Our new home will be located at 2829 Washington Ave., St. Louis, Mo., where we expect the publishing house to double up and greatly increase its usefulness during the coming year.

Our stay in Findlay, Ohio, has been very pleasant in which God has greatly blessed in the development of the work. Missionary offerings have increased about double during the past few months over the corresponding months of the preceding year and the usefulness of the papers has been greatly increased.

When we moved to Findlay, a contract was made with Brother Leonard whereby we were given the entire use of the west half of his building for publishing purposes until such time as we could secure a better building. As his school increased in size, the publishing house was crowded and cramped until it became apparent that some other quarters would have to be secured in order to carry on the publishing work, and we now welcome the change that is about to be made.

However, it is going to cost the publishing house quite a sum to move its machinery and office fixtures to its new location and we particularly urge all our subscribers whose subscription are in arrears in any degree to promptly renew so that we can have sufficient funds to meet the great expense of moving. This may be but a small thing with you but it is a big thing with us and much will depend on our subscribers whether we can move at all or not. So please renew at once and help the Publishing House in this time of need. Offerings for this purpose, will also be gladly received.

Do not forget that our new quarters after January 1st will be 2829 Washington Ave., St. Louis, Mo.

**A LETTER TO THE PENTECOSTAL MOVEMENT FROM A FRIEND.**  
NO. 2.

(Some weeks ago we published a letter to the Pentecostal Movement from a friend which contained some good advice. We are in receipt of a second letter which we publish herewith and to which it will be well for us to take heed.)

In D'Aubigne's History of the Reformation, Vol. 1, page 273, we find this: "They shall revile you and persecute you and say all manner of evil against you falsely for my sake." This recompense of the world is in no age withheld from decided disciples of the Gospel, and on page 274,—"But what above all strengthened his (Luther's) heart, in the midst of this general hostility was the deep conviction that his cause was the cause of truth, "Do not wonder," he wrote to Spalatin in the beginning of 1518, "that they revile me so unsparingly. I hear their revilings with joy. If they did not curse me, we could not be so firmly assured that the cause I have undertaken is the cause of God Himself."

As I read on in the life of this great man, raised up of God for a definite work, I cannot refrain for the moment from adding a word to a very apparent need in the work now known and recognized by many as the outpouring of the Spirit in Pentecostal power, with the gifts of the Spirit and signs following. The enemy, failing to comprehend or see any good, or need for such a work, naturally makes it an occasion of attack through the ignorance and folly of would-be-leaders who, forcing themselves to the front, have obtained a conspicuous place in the work that God has not allotted to them, while the modest, refined and thoughtful, have been content to wait on the Lord for His opening. A conspicuous example of this has been brought out in the more recent conferences where there has been a wedding of the more conservative who are now evidently coming into their own, or rather, God's own, as a conserving force. This is not brought about by an assertive or dogmatic spirit, but patience has wrought out its perfect work of conciliation through love, in the Spirit and bonds of the Gospel.

When we consider what has been brought about by such a trial of patience well may we say, "What hath God wrought?" Heady and high-minded spiritual leaders, who had the qualifications, have gone by this movement heedless, when it was suffering for the help they could bring to it. It was just here that incompetence and ignorance assumed to lead, and all this extravagance developed that has given the enemy such a handle. This was endured through patience of those who were waiting on God until His own time came to bring order and force out of chaos. To Him be all the glory! There were some writers especially who were at first joyously wrought on, but evidently withdrew their support upon the first appearance of displeasure, and it seems now that God wanted to develop through trial, patience and humiliation a leadership that He could trust. In other words, to forestall any possibility of headiness or pride, there had to be developed from within a force that could hang on through trial and shame, that something like stability and permanence might avail.

And now that brings forth another danger that success in any great work is open to. To illustrate,—consolidation with other religious bodies—a kind of "get-together" movement. A leader in one of these bodies said recently, "We have not got ahead from fighting this movement. If they could come back a step (meaning the Pentecostal people) and we could go ahead a step, we could get together. The fatality of such a suggestion is apparent on its face. God has not penetrated the darkness to bring forth such a movement to be juggled with by man. The very fact that He has owned the work until it could stand but indicates that He wants to use it separate and apart for His glory.

We must not conclude that because order in the work is coming, its expansion can be planned and operated by man. It only implies a closer, humbler walk with God, a steadfast dependence on Him for wisdom and guidance to go on as a factor in God's great world problem of evangelizing. He has so auspiciously begun through it.

Another matter I desire to mention in closing. There has been a hindering blight on the work, and the saddest part is that it has been fostered by people of the best intention, while some encourage it through illiteracy and ignorance. It is this, where there has been a genuine and deep work of the Spirit and the manifestations have been great in prostrations, baptisms and speaking in tongues, there have been in such centers or missions many soulless people who have revealed in these to the exclusion of everything else, and therefore, when the tide goes out and everything seems left high and dry, they at once inveigh against the leaders, saying they have lost their power, that God has deserted and gone elsewhere where these manifestations are still extant.

The real facts are that the spirit of prayer and intercession is doing its work among these quiet souls that

would not otherwise take hold of God for the furtherance of His work, while, on the other hand, a continuous revelling in the manifestations without further spiritual deepening, fails to impart the quickening of these things that are beyond the personal or individual gratification in the emotions. We need a balance here that only God can give, and if these truths were generally pressed home to the people it would mean more unction and greater wisdom in prosecuting the Lord's work.

C. E. REYNOLDS,  
Indianapolis, Ind.

**REQUESTS FOR PRAYER**

Please pray much for us here in Lola, Kentucky, that the work may be built up and God may be glorified.—Edith Moore.

An anxious mother requests the saints of God throughout Christendom to pray most earnestly for the healing of her little girl, very sick of fever. Please pray that Jesus will lay His hand on her and heal her.

Please pray for me that Jesus may speedily baptize me with the blessed Holy Ghost. I feel my need of it.—Joseph Haines.

I desire all the saints to pray for me that God will baptize me with the Holy Ghost, according to Acts 2:4. My wife has the baptism and I want to enjoy this experience with her.—W. M. Fleming.

**ALBERT NORTON.**  
India.

In addition to the afflictions, which India already had, has now come the war in Europe, which has brought hard times upon many in India, stopping mills and other industrial enterprises, and throwing many poor people out of work, and among these are some of our Indian Christians, to whom we are extending a helping hand as God enables us. Everything seems to be bristling with panic and alarm. Day after day troop trains have been passing through Dhond, on their way to Bombay, whence more than 100,000 soldiers (70,000 of them being Indians) have sailed from Bombay for the seat of war in France. All this war and war-talk does not help the poor people of India, but increases difficulties and adds to their sufferings. And we can only pray—"Come Lord Jesus, come quickly." In the meantime we are seeking to get as many as possible ready for death and the judgment, scattering marked Gospels and Gospel booklets and books among the soldiers and others, and publishing the Gospel by preachers and others in the native languages.

I ask you to pray definitely for this work and for me personally that God may give me strength of mind and body and wisdom, so that we may make the most of the present opportunities, for pushing the battle to the gates, in the name of the Lord Jesus, to win as many souls for Him as possible, in these closing days of the dispensation, before He comes.

**HOLCOMB, MO.**

God is still working. I came to Dunklin County about a week ago and began to give out the word to the people who soon saw their need of salvation. Two have been saved and one baptized in the Holy Ghost with Bible evidence. The sinners are under great conviction, having dreams of Christ's soon coming. Pray for us and for this place that the power of God may fall upon this place.—R. W. Skelton.

**SOUTH BEND, INDIANA.**

The Lord has a work started here now in the Swedish Baptist Church, originally. Some have received the baptism of the Holy Ghost. Four were saved (believed with true repentance toward God) last Lord's Day, and God was wonderfully with us. Glory to His Holy Name forever! Pray for blessing and prosperity on the work here for there is great need. We have been able to hold street meetings and God has blessed the work done. A captain of the Salvation Army has received the baptism of the Holy Ghost and is preaching the Gospel. He was turned out of the Army for preaching a doctrine that they did not teach, which was according to Acts 2:4.—F. Donnelly.

**KENNETT, MO.**

We have had a great meeting here. Several were saved and some were seeking the baptism but would not pay the price. There have been a good many manifestations in our work but they are easily handled in a right way. Pray for us.—Joseph Snyder.

It is God's will that every believer without exception, whatever be his position in life, gives himself wholly to live and work for God.—Andrew Murray.

**Pentecostal Notes on International Sunday School Lesson**

By MRS. A. R. FLOWER

Dec. 27, 1914.

**JESUS THE WORLD'S SAVIOUR AND KING. (Review)**

Reading Lesson—2 Cor. 5:14-21.

Golden Text—Far be it from me to glory, save in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, Gal. 6:14.

**Lesson 1. Christ Anointed for Burial.** Mark 14:1-11. G. T. Mark 14:8. The poured-out life for Jesus typified by Mary's act of service. Truest service is ever preceded by a waiting, worshipful spirit. Love stops at no cost or sacrifice.

**Lesson 2. The Last Supper.** Mk. 14:12-25. G. T.—1 Cor. 11:26. The Passover feast of the old dispensation is replaced by the Sacrament of the new dispensation. Its observance points back to the world's sacrifice for sin, and forward to the time of our Lord's return; and blessings, spiritual and physical come to us thereby. Jno. 6:35-58.

**Lesson 3. In the Garden of Gethsemane.** Mk. 14:32-42. G. T.—Matt. 26:41. A pattern of perfect submission to the will of God, in prayer. Such prayer brings perfect victory.

**Lesson 4. Jesus and Judas.** Matt. 26:14-25, 47-50; 27:3-10. G. T.—Matt. 26:24. An awful illustration of indulged self-seeking and worldly ambition. "The wages of sin is death." How may we escape an end like that of Judas? Eph. 6:11.

**Lesson 5. Arrest and Trial of Jesus.** Matt. 26:47-68. G. T.—Isa. 53:7. Read in connection with this Isa. 53. Verily He hath left us an example, that we should follow in His steps. I Pet. 2:20-23.

**Lesson 6. Temperance Lesson.** Gal. 6:1-10. G. T.—Gal. 6:7. Seed-time and harvest. Our choice in the one determines the outcome of the

other. How essential that we sow to the Spirit! Gal. 6:8. (Last clause.)

**Lesson 7. Jesus and Peter.** Mk. 14:27-31, 53, 54, 66-72. G. T.—1 Cor. 10:12. No place for boastful confidence on our part; our sufficiency is of God, and we must watch and pray lest we enter into temptation.

**Lesson 8. Jesus and Peter.** Matt. 27:11-31; Lu. 23:1-25. G. T.—Matt. 27:22. A very weak governor and a very strong prisoner. Fear of the people and love of popularity causes the final overthrow of many a soul. "What shall I do then with Jesus which is called Christ?"

**Lesson 9. Christ Crucified.** Mark 15:21-41; Lu. 23:1-25. G. T.—Isa. 53:4. Are we fully enjoying the freedom for body, soul and spirit that His death hath purchased for us? Do we live in daily appreciation of that mighty sacrifice?

**Lesson 10. Christ Risen From the Dead.** Mk. 16:1-8; Matt. 28:11-15. G. T.—Lu. 24:5, 6. Read Acts 2:22-32. Hallelujah for the resurrected Saviour! "Because I live ye shall live also." Now is perfectly accomplished His victory over sin and death.

**Lesson 11. The Great Commission.** Matt. 28:16-20; Lu. 24:36-49. G. T.—Matt. 28:20. Here is the great missionary charter. Obedience to His command grants us the fulfillment of His gracious promise, "Lo I am with you always."

**Lesson 12. The Ascension.** Lu. 24:50-53; Acts 1:1-11. G. T.—Acts 1:9. "If I depart I will send him (the Comforter) unto you." Jno. 16:7. This is Christ's ascension gift to us, whereby we are made witnesses unto Him. His fulfillment of this promise assures us a like fulfillment of the promise in v. 11. "Looking for and hastening unto the coming of the Lord."

**PENTECOSTAL CONVENTIONS**

**PENTECOSTAL CONVENTION, HUNTINGTON, N. Y.**

A ten day convention will commence Jan. 1, 1915. Services three times each day. F. O. Price of Findlay, Ohio, and D. H. McDowell, R. Brown and J. A. Hart, of New York, and other Pentecostal speakers are expected to be present. For further information address Mrs. Eugene Ireland, Huntington, L. I., N. Y.

**PENTECOSTAL CONVENTION IN TEXAS.**

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Will commence at the Full Gospel Assembly Hall, 314 Lisgar St., Ottawa, Canada, New Year's Eve with a watch night service at 9:00 o'clock, continuing to Jan. 4th, 1915. The Convention will be followed with special evangelistic services nightly for two weeks or longer. Brother and Sister Baker and Evangelist H. Prentiss (colored) are expected to be present. Address R. E. McAlister, Pastor, 312 Lisgar St., Ottawa, Canada.

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All the Pentecostal ministers and a representative from every local Assembly or Pentecostal mission in Indiana, Ohio and Michigan are urged to be present as important ministerial, ordination, school and missionary business will be considered.

Ministers and representatives should notify us early to insure entertainment, etc. Write T. K. Leonard, Findlay, Ohio.

**BERLIN, ONT., CONVENTION.**

There will be a Pentecostal Convention and Council of the Assemblies of God in Berlin, Ont., Can., from Jan. 14th to Jan. 24th, 1915. We heartily invite and trust that many of our Canadian friends will avail themselves of this privilege and come.

We would be glad if every mission would bear the expense, and send its pastor as a delegate to this convention. The Lord willing, we shall devote Tuesday and Wednesday in considering the advisability of establishing a Council in Ontario in harmony with the General Council of the Assemblies of God in the United States. We expect Elder T. K. Leonard, of Findlay, Ohio, to be with us.

For information write Elder G. A. Chambers, 15 Scott St., Berlin, Ont., Can.

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# The Choice One

Songs of Solomon 1:5 and 6:9.

Much has been written in the past on the "Bride", and much speculation made as to who will be caught up in the rapture. It seems that as we are drawing to the close of this age and nearing the time when the event is about to take place, we are getting clearer light on this as well as other important lines of Bible teaching. The past three years have been the richest and best of my life. I so often feel to thank God that He ever let me live to see these closing days, and that He helped me to know the "time of our visitation," and that I did accept the baptism of the Holy Ghost, accompanied with the speaking in other tongues.

The normal baptism with the Spirit has helped me as never in my life before, to receive illumination on the precious Word. I am sure that neither I nor any in this movement are infallible or have the full revelation of the "common Faith"—Tit. 1:4, and which Jude calls the "common salvation", 1:3, but we are coming into it fast.

I am impressed of late to see so many of our prominent leaders agreeing that the normal New Testament experience is the Baptism with the Holy Ghost. To my mind, this leads us one step farther—that the normal New Testament church is a Baptized church, yea, a Spirit-filled one.

## Then, Who Is the Bride?

My answer is,—this Spirit-filled church, providing it goes on and does not fail God. In Eph. 5, from verse 22 down, we have some strong admonitions as to how husbands should treat their wives. Then He compares the Lord and the Church to husband and wife, Jesus representing the man and the Church the woman. Then the church, in Paul's mind, is the bride. In verse 27 Weymouth translates the word "Church" as identical with the Bride. Then in Eph. 1:22, 23 he says that the Church is His body. Then in I Cor. 12 we have an elaborate account of this mystical body of Christ. Verses 12-27. And in verse 13 he tells us how we got into this body.—(Baptized into it by one spirit). Christ is its authoritative Head; as man is the head of the wife even so is Christ the Head of the church, Eph. 5:23.

When Christ returns He is coming for His wife. She is being chosen out now from among the nations.—Acts 15:14. This work has been going on ever since the beginning. The wedding has not yet taken place. Simply the invitation is being given out now, Luke 14:15-24. The actual wedding is soon to take place in the air. Christ will actually be joined to His long-looked-for Bride, Rev. 19:6-9. This bride is also eagerly longing to go to meet Him, Titus 2:13, Heb. 9:28, Rev. 22:20. Then it looks as if we shall return from this wedding, with our Lord, Luke 12:36. Then will come the grand wedding-supper, in which Jesus will participate, Matt. 26:29. The Patriarchs will be there to sit down, Matt. 8:11. John, the Baptist, will be there as the Friend of the Bridegroom, John 3:29. At this supper, during these Coronation days, will also be virgins, (the Bride's companions), Psa. 45:14. Besides these, virgins will go out to meet them, as they are coming from the wedding, Matt. 25:1-13. There will also be Queens and Concubines, S. of S. 6:8.

You say, "And who are these?" I answer that I do not feel like speculating too much, but the important thing is to be the Bride. She is the one who, with her Bridegroom, will be the center of all attraction. There will then be a beautiful "Honey-moon" for one thousand years. We will sit with Him in His throne, Rev. 3:21. We will also follow the Lamb "whithersoever He goeth", Rev. 14:4. We may "fly as a cloud and as doves to their windows," Isa. 60:8. We will not be earthbound creatures then. Say, there is a wonderful time coming.

Then, after this Honey-moon, we will have all eternity to fall at His feet, with the angels, and the story repeat and the lovers adore. Yes, we may have a higher place of Heavenly employment and enjoyment than they.

Let us now take a closer view of the Bride.

1st, She is but One. More than that, she is the Only One. Yes still more than that, she is the "Choice One", S. of S. 6:8-9.

The normal New Testament Church Bride is a class of people saved during this age, and it means much to enter this Body and go through victoriously amid persecution. Few compared to the many who try to enter, ever go through.—See Luke 13:23-24. She is said to be "black but comely", S. of S. 1:5. Black indicates that she has an appearance on the external that is repulsive to the sons and daughters of men, and she, like her

Master, was not appreciated, but rejected. Because we are black to the blinded eyes of the world, they separate us from their company and reproach us and cast out our name as ev. Luke 6:22. They call us all manner of names that bring reproach, and for this reason the multitude comes up to where they see we are "black" and come to the conclusion that the way is too strait and narrow. Many are compromising and falling back because of this very thing. But while the world sees us to be "black", our Lover sees us to be "comely", S. of S. 6:4. And when we get on the inside we see one another as comely and we feel comely. The meaning of this word is—suitable, pleasing, proper, agreeable (Webster).

She is also an Overcomer, Rev. 3:21, John 4:4. She is not only said to be "fair as the Moon, clear as the Sun, looking forth as the morning," but "terrible as an army with banners," S. of S. 6:10. The normal church was a conquering one and fear was upon them all, Acts 5:11, 13. God help us to not compromise. I say now that it means something to be among the Bride, which is the Body, which is the Church that Jesus is coming soon to catch away. It is possible that all who died in Christ victoriously in the past will come up in the first resurrection and have their place as well as all who are now conscientiously walking in the light, even without the Baptism of the Holy Ghost, but as they get the Light on these deep things, they will have to walk in the Light or forfeit their place to some place under the Church privilege, and maybe go through the Great Tribulation, and then, possibly, fall in those awful days and be lost. For me, I choose to take the "Way of the Cross" for it "leads Home".—Harry Morse.

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### BUCK, TEXAS.

God gave us a glorious two weeks meeting here. Some were saved. About six were baptized with the Holy Spirit and magnified God in other tongues (Acts 2:4). Five were baptized in water.—W. M. Harrison and John Die.

### COLUMBUS, GA.

The Lord is working at N. Highlands in Columbus. Bro. J. E. Wood has done most of the preaching but God did everything through the workers, and perhaps more was accomplished through prayer. Many have been healed of divers diseases, saved, reclaimed and baptized with water and the Holy Ghost. Notwithstanding cold weather, large crowds came. On Sundays about a thousand were present. I am glad that the signs follow them that believe in His name. We much desire prayer for our work. I am keeping up well for one over 82 years of age. I feel like a beginner.—Chas. A. Hobson.

### OMAHA, NEB.

We have moved our mission from 123 N. 12th St. to 2208 Cummings St., Omaha. Please pray with us for the work here. God has been blessedly working and we have every prospect for a strong established work here. Bro. Mills from Seattle is with me at present and we expect to push the battle this winter.—Fred E. Poole.

### OAKLAND, CAL.

God is blessing here. Brother Wigglesworth, of England, has been with us, holding services in Sister Montgomery's place. Some twenty or twenty-five have been baptized in the Spirit in three days, and some have been healed and some saved.—M. M. Pinson.

### COLEMAN, COLO.

We have just closed our meeting at Coleman, Colo., with good results. A good work was done. The work is moving on nicely and I need a good Spirit-filled young man who can lead the singing and take care of the street work,—someone who means business. No other kind need apply.—J. W. W. Jones, P. O. Box 377, Greeley, Colo.

### SWINTON, MO.

Our Brother Wm. Clary desires that we correct the number given in the former report from Swinton, the same to read 17 instead of 71 persons who received the baptism of the Holy Ghost.—Ed.

### NEWLIN, LA.

The Lord is pouring out His Spirit in the State of Louisiana, and it is truly ripe for the harvest. We need more laborers. Pray God to send out more. God is saving and baptizing as in Acts 2:4. Pray for us.—J. H. Cook.

## AN EXHORTATION.

2nd Pet. 3:1 Jude 3.

Wherefore the Lord said, "Forasmuch as this people draw near me with their mouth and with their lips do honor me, but have removed their heart far from me and their fear toward me is taught by the precept of men:

Therefore, behold I will proceed to do a marvelous work among this people, even a marvelous work and a wonder:

For the wisdom of their wise men shall perish and the understanding of their prudent men shall be hid. Isa 29:13-14.

There are so many valuable lessons and examples in Paul's writings for which we ought to be thankful. He says, "And I brethren, when I came to you came not with excellency of speech or of wisdom declaring unto you the testimony of God. For I determined not to know anything among you save Jesus Christ and Him crucified. And my speech and my preaching was not with enticing words of man's wisdom, but in demonstration of the Spirit and power. That your faith should not stand in the wisdom of men but in the power of God." 1 Cor. 2:1-5. "The natural man receiveth not the things of the Spirit of God, for they are foolishness unto Him; neither can He know them, because they are spiritually discerned." 1 Cor. 2:14. Nicodemus said, "How can these things be?" Jesus answered and said, "Art thou a Master of Israel and knowest not these things?" How similar it is in our days. "For the wisdom of their wise men shall perish, and the understanding of their prudent men shall be hid."

If you go to the scholar today he will pull out his books and if he cannot find an answer therein he is at a loss to know what to say, and he will turn down any truth that does not line up with his opinion and with his own wisdom. He will declare that some of God's doings we see today belong only to the ages past. But God has chosen the "foolish things of the world to confound the mighty; and things which are despised hath God chosen, and things which were not to bring to naught things that are; that no flesh should glory in His presence, 1 Cor. 1:26-29. Surely "that which is highly esteemed among men is abomination in the sight of God," Luke 16:15.

In these last days when God, according to His Word is pouring out His Spirit upon all flesh, all nations and people without respect to person or nation, He is filling many with the Holy Ghost, though they may be despised of men. May God help us to say with Peter, "What was I that I should withstand God," Acts 11:17.

God is calling His ministers and all saints to simplicity. Paul told Timothy, "Preach the Word." "Study to show thyself approved unto God." Jesus said, "How can ye believe which receive honor one of another and seek not the honor that cometh from God only," John 5:44.

"Meditate upon these things, give thyself wholly to them," "take heed unto thyself and unto the doctrine, continue in them, for in so doing thou shalt save thyself and them that hear thee," 2 Tim. 4:2; 2:15.

Can every preacher say with Jesus, "My doctrine is not mine but His that sent me?" (John 7:16). "For the time will come when they will not endure sound doctrine; but after their own lusts shall they heap to themselves teachers having itching ears, and they shall turn away their ears from the truth, and shall be turned unto fables," 2 Tim. 4:3-5.

You can seldom find people today who will talk the Word of God with you. They will tell you what they believe and what they don't believe, and what their pastor says, and what they have read in books, papers, etc., etc., without end. But Jesus never commanded to preach opinions or experiences of men. This may be all right in the proper time, but there are too many who have "turned their ears from the truth unto fables." The command of the Lord was and is now, "Teaching thee to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you, and lo I am with you even unto the end of the world," Amen! Matt. 28:19, 20. "And he that believeth \* \* \* shall be saved and these signs shall follow them that believe; in My name shall they cast out devils; they shall speak with new tongues; they shall take up serpents; and if they drink any deadly thing it shall not hurt them; they shall lay hands on the sick and they shall recover," Mark 16:15-20.

After God called me to preach His Word, having had some testings and trials in active service, I was told by a minister about some good school which I could attend for training. I had written to him for the information and while waiting for his answer I prayed earnestly for God to tell me what to do. His letter came and it read something like this, "If you know

you are called to preach the Gospel, I could not recommend any school to you. There is a Methodist Seminary here and you could go there and spend several years learning to be a preacher \* \* \* The best way I know for you to do is to lay your Bible before you and pray that God will give you the interpretation and the message to the people." No one but God knows what a rebuke it was to my spirit, but it came from God. I at once began to study the Word more prayerfully, realizing my call and locking to God alone to equip me for His calling given to me. I found where it was written, "I said Days should speak and the multitude of years should speak wisdom." (Certainly this was in my heart as I was looking to those of years to teach me what I did not know). "But there is a spirit in man, and the inspiration of the Almighty giveth them understanding." Now, I read God's answer,—"Great men are not always wise, neither do the aged understand judgment," Job 32:7-9. The Spirit of God filled me and melted my spirit, and in the midst of tears of joy, I saw what God wanted me to see and understand. I know men filled with the Holy Ghost preaching in the power of the Spirit who have had their lives renewed as the eagles. God continued dealing with me, and I read, "in much wisdom is much grief, and he that increaseth knowledge increaseth sorrow," following with, "bodily exercise profiteth little, but Godliness is profitable in all things," Eccl. 1:18; 1 Tim. 4:8. "It is the Spirit that quickeneth, the flesh profiteth nothing," John 6:62.

The right kind of study is good and we need to study the Word much. It is written in the Prophets, "And they shall all be taught of God," John 6:45. "I will put my laws into their hearts and in their minds will I write them," Heb. 10:16.

Let us keep free from contaminated literature for it gets into the heart and Jesus said, "Out of the abundance of the heart the mouth speaketh." Even after the Holy Spirit has come, if we read everything that floats around it will certainly defile. Let all of us young workers beware "lest any spoil you through philosophy and vain deceit, after the rudiments of the world and not after Christ." "If any man teach otherwise and consent not unto wholesome words, even the words of our Lord Jesus Christ, and to the doctrine which is after Godliness, he is proud, knowing nothing but doting about questions and strife of words, supposing gain is Godliness; from such withdraw thyself," 1 Tim. 3:6. "And the servant of the Lord must not strive, but be gentle unto all men, apt to teach, patient, in meekness instructing those that oppose themselves; if God peradventure will give them repentance to the acknowledging of the truth, and that they may recover themselves out of the snare of the devil who are taken captive at his will," 2 Tim. 2:24-26. I am longing to be like Him and see Him as He is.—F. Eiting, San Antonio, Texas.

### CORNING, ARK.

Can still report victory here. The revival still goes on. The altar fills every night. Souls are being saved and baptized in the Spirit in nearly every service. One hundred and thirty have been baptized in the Spirit; 195 baptized in water and we are building a tabernacle 40 by 60. We earnestly request the prayers of the saints that the Lord will ever keep us in a humble attitude where He can ever use us to His glory.—H. E. Reed.

## A TESTIMONY.

I am sixty years old. One year ago this last September the Lord baptized me with the Holy Ghost and with fire. It was several days before I knew how completely I was blessed and when I realized it everything looked like gold. The world, my children and everything were completely surrendered when I received the baptism. I have had many trials and tribulations and I have a cross to bear. I want all to pray for me that I may be faithful to the end. Pray for my children that the Lord might show them the better way.—Mrs. N. C. Echols, Pon-totoc, Okla.

### INDIANAPOLIS, IND.

We are having blessed meetings. The power falls and many are being saved and filled with the Spirit. Forty-seven within the last six weeks have received the Holy Spirit.—L. V. Roberts, Oak Hill Assembly.

### SUMMERFIELD, LOUISIANA.

Brother Adams and I are holding meetings here now and may work in this section of the country for quite a while.—S. C. McClain.

### COLUMBUS, GEORGIA.

The Lord has given us a wonderful meeting. The Lord has poured out His power in healing, saving and baptizing with the Holy Ghost. About seventeen received the Holy Ghost according to Acts 2:4 and many others are seeking. One woman was completely delivered of the morphine habit of fourteen years standing. There have been several cases of healing of pelagra after the doctor had said they could not live. The Lord opened the ears and loosened the tongue of one deaf and dumb woman. God is still working and we want the prayers of all of the saints the world around.—J. E. Wood.

### PINE BLUFF, ARK.

I feel that we are taking on new life here in old Pine Bluff. The few of us here are in perfect love and fellowship so that our unity is perfect, and I feel we are in better condition than we have been in since I came here over a year ago. We have opened up in our new hall on Second Avenue, holding services morning and night. Our congregations were not very large but we had fine services at both hours.—A. E. Wilson, Pastor.

### FRANKLIN, MO.

We just recently closed a wonderful meeting at Franklin, Mo. By the help of the Lord, we "set in order" an assembly here of about 25 members,—seven with the baptism, some saved and some sanctified. So far as I know, there is no Pentecostal Assembly nearer than those at St. Louis, Springfield and Kansas City. They need the help and prayers of all who are in favor with the Lord. If you can visit them and help a while, do that. After much persecution from mobs and church members, through all of which God kept us sweet in our souls, we completed the work and returned to our homes in West Plains, Mo., where we have been Pastor of the Assembly for the last year or two. We expect to go from here to Gainesville, Ark., for a meeting in a few days. Please pray for our success.—W. V. Kneisley.

That man's nature is greatly depraved, appears in at least two things, viz: his proneness to idolatry, and a general, great disregard of eternal things.—J. Edwards.

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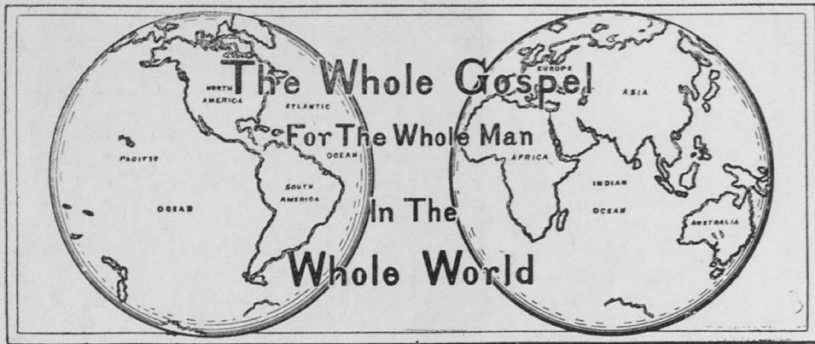
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Japan.

We are still rejoicing in the Lord, praising His Holy name for He is working with us and for us. Our mission is increasing more and more. Some are being saved and some are hungry for the baptism of the Holy Ghost. Please pray for them that they may receive the Holy Spirit. We have opened a new station five miles from our place. Have a good Sunday-School class here. We go out every afternoon visiting the poor and the sick. Some receive healing through our prayers. As we visit sometimes from house to house many tell us they never heard of Jesus. They are hungry for the Gospel. We love them and want to stay among them. If we do not see immediate fruit let us believe His promise "I will pour out My spirit upon all flesh." This includes Japan and we are looking for it. We know it will come in His own time.

Please pray for a lady here who has given her heart to Jesus and who is blind. Pray that she may have her eyesight restored and that He may have the glory. Please remember us at the throne of Grace. Greetings to all the saints.

P. S. We wish to lay upon the hearts of the saints in the home land our need for the Gospel work here. We have been here fourteen months and only received a little. We praise and thank God for it with all our hearts. Please, dear ones, will you stand by us as we need your prayers much—for His honor and glory and for lost souls and for the sake of the Gospel. We want to be faithful to Him here. Our expense is about \$60.00 a month, including interpreter and all other things. Have received for July, August and September \$10 each and for October, \$11.00. So our own little amount of money is about spent. We know He will fulfill His promise. Please remember us in prayer.

**UNSETTLED CONDITIONS IN SOUTH AFRICA.**

**H. M. TURNER.**

We cannot indeed speak of even half of the glorious acts of the Lord, but we can in a measure show forth some of them. We have seen some wonderful scenes in our meetings. Over and over almost the whole congregation bowed before the Lord while broken confessions of sin have been poured out, changing, after a time, in many cases, to praise and thanksgiving. Many are seeking to be baptized in the Spirit and we are expecting great things in the near future.

From our other mission stations good reports are coming in and our evangelists appear to be encouraged in their labors. The mission at Premier Mines has been closed for the present as the mines have ceased work as a consequence of the European war. Pray for us, please, and remember we are in especially difficult circumstances just now. South Africa is much disturbed by the war conditions and by the opening of hostilities against German So. W. Africa. There is also, very naturally, a certain amount of restlessness amongst the natives. Pray for the work and ask for a mighty revival to pass over this dark land.

**C. W. DONEY,**  
Egypt.

War is now going on between Russia, Great Britain and Turkey. All communication is now cut off from Palestine. Bro. Randall and some other missionaries are there. I do not know if it is possible for them to get out of the country.

Egypt is also under martial law and we don't know what a day or a night may bring forth. However, we are still able to continue our meetings, which are good. The power of God is with us. Hallelujah!

One brother from Fayum, Egypt informed me that nearly all foreign houses were guarded by English soldiers, including Americans. Also the native Christians are very fearful that there will be a Mohammedan uprising and all the Christians will be slaughtered.

Bro. and Sister Smith from Egypt are here on their way to Assiout to take Bro. Hicks' place in the work. They are true and faithful and worthy of support from the homeland. Bro. and Sister Post have labored most faithfully and are worn out and need a rest very much, but have decided with ourselves to remain in Egypt as long as possible. Sister Post is very sick.

**B. S. MOORE.**  
Japan.

We received your papers and devoured the good news. We appreciate any visit from our old native land. Souls are saved and blessed of God; Some healed. Some are under the anointing of God as they tarry for the Spirit as in Acts 2:4.

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**W. K. NORTON.**  
India.

Our long hot season has now drawn to a close. The nights are beginning to be chilly and we are making preparations to take a band of Christian workers out in the neglected villages to be cut as much as possible during the coming months, telling the old sweet story of Jesus to the heathen. Kindly remember us in your prayers that the Spirit may have right of way in every life.

**LILLIAN DENNEY.**  
India.

A native preacher has received a wonderful baptism of the Holy Spirit and is going on so well. He prays and sings so in the Spirit and is going out daily to the villages to preach the Gospel. He has always been humble and hungry for more of God and it has been such a privilege and a pleasure to lead him on into the deeper teaching. He is a good singer and plays beautifully on an instrument a little like our guitar. Both he and his wife know English. She is a great help to us in visiting Zenana homes, and is fitted for a greater work. Pray for us.

**S. SMIT**  
South Africa.

God has been good to us and answered prayer in behalf of the sick. Some time ago we were asked to pray for a sick woman in the hospital who had to undergo an operation in a short time—a very serious one. But the same night she was prayed for she was completely healed and the next day, when examined, the doctor told her that an operation would not be necessary, and a little while afterwards she left the hospital for her home in East London. Her husband, before leaving, came and thanked me very much for praying for his wife, saying it was only in answer to prayer that she was healed. His wife is fully convinced of the truth. Pray for them that they may accept and walk in the truth.

There is a part here called "Tembuland" where there are thousands of hungry natives desiring the full Gospel, and no mission amongst them. Pray that God may supply the means to open a Pentecostal mission right amongst them.

**FARMLAND, INDIANA.**

Brother and Sister Ulrich are holding meetings on full Gospel lines in our little mission here. Two have received the baptism and several were marvellously healed and the saints have been deepened in God.—Mrs. Anna McIntire.

**READY FOR SERVICE.**

We would be glad to hear from any mission looking forward to evangelistic services and who are in need of workers. We will pray over the situation and do as the Lord leads. Address us at 2422 Gratiot Ave., Detroit, Mich.—Carl and Lucia Stroth.

**CLYDE, KANSAS.**

We are having a big meeting here at Brantford, Kansas. The people like our way. The most interested are the Holiness people, some of whom have found out what we believe. We have explained the Pentecostal experience to them. This whole county has not a place in it where the Pentecostal blessing has been preached.—Evang. Walter J. Nelson.

**LILLIAN DENNEY.**  
India.

We have been having special meetings for over three weeks with our Indian preachers and their wives, and God did most wonderfully pour out His Spirit and bless us all and you will be glad to hear that God has answered prayers and baptized a native preacher. Oh, how he prays in the Spirit. I wish you could hear him. It is blessed. God also baptized another preacher's wife. Some who have been nominal Christians were saved. We were sorry to have to close the meetings before all came through, but other duties were pressing upon us and it was very hot weather. Pray that they all may go on and receive. We have had good rains this season and good crops all through the north and now plenty of work so this will end the famine for this time. Praise God for His abundance of love and mercy, for answering prayer and sparing the poor people of India from another year of famine. I want now to get our preachers out touring as soon as possible. We have no small tents for them to sleep under but we trust they will come before the extremely cold weather sets in, I believe. Pray to this end. Our God answers prayer. Praise Him forever.

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**MUSCOTAH, KANSAS.**

After some time and hard work, in company with Brothers Wykoff, Nelson and White, the light has shone in. God gave us some precious souls that told of His saving power. One woman was baptized in the Spirit, with the Bible evidence. Some grand victories in healing. Am praising God for Pentecostal results and signs that follow them that believe.—J. L. Davis

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**DRY CREEK, LA.**

Our four weeks meeting closed last Monday night at Kinder with good interest. We left several seeking the Lord and there was a great shout of victory. About 70 prayed through to victory and received the baptism of the Holy Ghost. Among the number was a minister who later went to another place a few days and there the Lord baptized about 25. Among that number was an evangelist who is going on spreading the good news. There are two of the leading evangelists in this community who have wide influence and they are both on fire telling the good news. A colored minister is also on fire for God. This has been a neglected field but this seems to be God's time to bless. Have been here four days. Nine have received the baptism and others are very near receiving. Pray for me.—Robert Lafleur.

**McLAIN, OKLA.**

We have just closed a three weeks meeting at Elm Grove School House. The Lord wonderfully blessed. Nine were baptized with the Holy Ghost, and eight baptized in water.—W. R. Brock and wife, Sister Nora Gurney.

**FT. WORTH, TEXAS.**

The Lord has called us to Ft. Worth, Texas, and we have obeyed His loving voice. We want to win souls for Him and we earnestly desire the prayers of God's dear children that we may stay in the center of His will and may be faithful to His calling—J. H. Pearce and wife.

**BELTON, TEXAS.**

God is blessing and saving souls and baptizing them. About 15 have come to God in the last month. I expect to winter here. Please pray for us.—Ealy McCaslin.

**HORNBECK, LA.**

We came here from Doucette Texas, where we had some wonderful healings and the power of God was manifested. After coming here there was not much interest taken for the first week but we continued in much prayer and fasting and waiting upon the Lord. On the last Sunday there was great victory. The tabernacle was filled. 150 gave their hands for prayer and several seekers were at the altar. Monday night two were wonderfully converted. Three saw visions of our Lord Jesus. One man, a sinner, saw Jesus coming in the clouds just over our heads. The man hurried out and went to his home, wakening his wife and sister-in-law and telling them Jesus was coming. Then went to his father's house and told him to get up and pray, Jesus was coming. He returned to the tabernacle and told the vision and last night the number of seekers at the altar was increased.—Geo. G. Harrison and wife.

**COFFEE SPRINGS, ALABAMA.**

Have held seven days meeting seven miles from Coffee Springs, and the Lord has been with us in power. Everybody was melted down on Thanksgiving morning before the Lord and God has manifested His power in a wonderful way. A number are seeking Him. Some are being saved.—Christine Johnson.

**KENNETT, MO.**

We just closed a great meeting at Halladay, Ark. Came here last Saturday night. House is crowded. Some are getting right with God, and the saints are getting straightened up with their neighbors and each other. We need preachers here who will preach Christ in the place of doctrine.—Joseph Snyder.

**NEWCASTLE, TEXAS.**

The work in general throughout this part of West Texas is in good condition. The meeting here still goes on when weather permits and souls are being blessed. About thirty have been baptized in the Holy Spirit in this meeting during the last two months. The interest is still good and the meetings may continue until after Christmas.—W. H. Lyon.

**HIRAM, MO.**

Brother and Sister Wm. E. Giles, of Hiram, Mo., request us to announce that there will be a Christmas meeting at Hiram, beginning December 19th to January 1st, and they are looking to the Lord to send in help.

**LANDING, MISS.**

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