"And this Gospel of the Kingdom shall be preached (published, Mark 13:10) in all the world for a witness unto all nations; and then shall the end come." Matt. 24:14.

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#### CRICHTON, ALABAMA.

We had blessed unity and sweet fellowship in the convention. God in a mighty way melted hearts together. Then victory came. It was a time of seeking God for deeper things. Several were saved and healed of different diseases. Seven received the baptism of the Holy Ghost. It is sweet to see the love the brethren have for each other, and the confidence in each other. Praise God!—George H. Hicks.

# POWER FELL AT CLOSE OF SERVICE. Ozark, Ala.

God was with us Sunday P. M., in our Sunday-school. The teacher was dismissing the crowd and the power fell from on high and two received the baptism of the Holy Ghost and spoke in other tongues and the signs are following. We are erecting a church and we want the prayers of all the saints for our success in Christ. We want souls to be saved.—Donie Spencer.

# MANY BAPTIZED. Ladonia, Texas.

We have had a great meeting. Praise the Lord! Between 50 and 60 have received the baptism of the Holy Ghost as in Acts 2:4. Bros. Van and Bob Merrill were the preachers.—G. E. Anthony, R. 2.

#### MEMPHIS, TENN.

We praise God for helping to get into His work in this place (where we can hold up a clean Gospel) by giving us a mission in North Memphis at 554 N. Second St. We feel the approval of God and the rage of the devil, so we praise God and take courage. Bro. Roy Cotnam and wife are holding revival meetings at present and souls are seeking. Pray for us.—IMiss C. Wright.

### OSBORNE, KANSAS.

Our recent revival resulted in about 50 conversions or baptisms, and others have been praying through since. Our crowds continue good and quite a number are seeking God. Pray for them.—Thos. J. O'Neal.

# REVIVAL SPIRIT AT GREELEY, COLO.

Our hall is too small for the crowd. Several were turned away yesterday. We are praying for a tent for the summer work. A. U. S. Marshal followed a man into our hall one night and was convinced of the truth and continued to come to our meetings. On the night of April 4th he was saved and has a mighty testimony for God.

I have been here in Greeley nine months and 63 have been saved and several baptized with the Holy Ghost, for which we praise God. The Lord is bringing His people to see what it means to be ready when He comes. May the Lord help us to see our place in the body, as described in 1 Cor.

To those whom the Lord may send this way the address of our hall is 719 8th St. Our residence 401 12th St.—Pastor J. W. W. Jones and band.

# SARATOGA, TEXAS.

Glory to God for what He is doing in these last days. Our tent meeting ended the night of the 11th, with several conversions and five received the Holy Ghost Six were baptized in water, as in Romans 6:4. Everyone is looking to God for a revival. We need a tent to hold meetings in. I am out for God, to do business for the King. Let me know my mail and if God leads I will come. Pray for me. R. L. Blankenship. Box 144 Saratoga, Texas.

# TWENTY-FIVE BAPTIZED. Lonoke, Ark.

We are still rraising God for victory. The Lord is good to us. Just closed a revival and twenty-five received the baptism of the Spirit. M ny were saved, most of them being young men. Three have been called to preach. It is wonderful how God is working. We have an assembly of about 50 and we ask the saints to pray for us that God will keep us on the Bible line.—J. ?. Neal, Pastor.

# TO ACT IN THE NAME OF ANOTHER

# What Does the Bible Mean By It?

In these days of confusion and battle, when there is much contention about words, against which the Apostle warned Christ's ministers (1 Tim. 6:4) it will be well quietly to study God's meaning of the phrases so much used. "In the name of Jesus Christ" is assumed by some to be a fixed formula of words to be pronounced as a certain act is being performed, while others insist that it means nothing of the kind.

#### What Does it Mean?

It is not enough to satisfy thoughtful, prayerful, conscientious children of God, that Mr. So and So says it means only thus. It is not enough for others to deny merely. Let us study its usage in the Word of God itself and find out for ourselves what such phrases mean in the Bible.

### In the Name of David.

In the book of Samuel it is said of certain servants of David that they "spake to Nabal according to all these words "IN THE NAME OF DAVID," 1 Sam. 2:5-9. What does it mean? The context shows the message they gave was not their own, but was sent by David—David's message. They simply carried the message and told Nabal David was the author and authority for it. So. here. "In the Name of David" simply means they spoke as sent by David and on his authority.

#### In God's Name.

In Ezra. 5:1, it is said two prophets prophesied "IN THE NAME OF THE GOD OF ISRAEL." What does this mean? Simply that God was the author of their message.

### Rejoice in Thy Name.

In Psa. 89:12 it is said to God that Tabor and Hermon "REJOICE IN THY NAME." Here it means that God and His name are the source of their joy; that His name makes them rejoice.

# Walk in the Name.

Micah 4:5 says, "All the people walk every one in the name of his god; and we will walk in the name of Jehovah our God." Now walking is not a saying of the mouth at all, and could not be confined to any words spoken. It means their dependence is upon Gcd and His name; that their strength comes from the true God Jehovah and not from the false heathen gods.

# Many Such not a Formula.

There are other such expressions in the old scriptures and not one so far examined seems to imply a formula for some invocation to be pronounced every time the act is performed. Let us now turn to

# The New Testament.

We shall be still more interested to learn what Christ and the Apostles mean by such phrases. Remember we are quoting from the American Standard Bible translation as published by Thos. Nelson and Sons,—a regular translation endorsed by nearly all scholars of the whole world from among all Christians. This gives a more accurate translation of phrases and prepositions than the King James version. So look up these quotations in a Thos. Nelson American Standard version, and you will find them there exactly as here printed.

# Three Names

Jesus said to the Apostles whom He was sending, "He that receiveth you receiveth Me. He that receiveth a prophet in the name of a prophet shall receive a prophet's reward: and he that receiveth a righteous man in the name of a righteous man shall receive a righteous man's reward. And whosoever shall give to drink unto one of these little ones (who believed on Jesus) a cup of cold water only, in the name of a disciple, verily I say unto you he shall in no wise lose his reward," Matt. 10:40-42.

Note first that those who received the Apostles received Christ. Yet the Apostles were not Christ Jesus. Christ sent them. The authority and message they had came from Christ. To receive Christ's heralds meant to recognize Christ's authority and to receive His message. Christ was behind those He sent and backed up His message.

sage through them. As this message offered Christ as a Savior, Why, of course, those who received it got Christ Himself. Yet the distinct personality of Christ is not obscured nor amalgamated with or lost in the Apostle whom to receive was to receive Christ.

Note second the passage speaks of THREE NAMES—that of a prophet, that of a righteous man and that of a disciple. What did it mean to receive in these names? In order to bring out the meaning the passage may be paraphrased as follows:

"He that receiveth a prophet as a prophet shall receive a prophet's reward. He that receiveth a righteous man as a righteous man shall receive a righteous man's reward. He that giveth a cup of cold water to a disciple of Christ as a disciple of Christ shall in no wise lose his reward." It simply means to recognize the prophet as a real and true prophet and to receive him and his message as of God. It means to recognize the righteous man as a true man of God and receive him as such, etc. Hence THE NAME here in each case stands for the person in his true character and mission and the receiving of him as such. Of course, one who does this in his heart will receive his reward for it: though there is no hint that he had to go around pronouncing certain phrases in order to get his reward. It was simply the act performed with heart reception of the prophet, the righteous man or the disciple. Is this not plain and true?

Note: Since writing the above I have been gratified to find that Weymouth renders the above passage in different phraseology but to mean exactly as I see it. He renders Matt. 10:41-42 thus:

"Every one who receives a prophet, Be-CAUSE HE IS A PROPHET, will receive a prophet's reward, and everyone who receives a righteous man, BECAUSE HE IS A RIGHTEOUS MAN, will receive a righteous man's reward. And whosoever gives one of these little ones even a cup of cold water to drink BECAUSE HE IS A DISCIPLE, I solemnly tell you that he will not lose his reward." The corresponding passage in Mark 9:41 explains it to mean, "Because ye belong to Christ."

# In the Name and not in the Name.

Jesus said, "Many will say to me in that day, Lord, Lord have we not prophesied in thy name and in thy name cast out many devils (demons)? And in Thy name done many wonderful works (wrought miracles)?" But Jesus says, "Then I will profess unto them, I NEVER KNEW YOU; depart from me, ye that work iniquity." Matt. 7:22-23.

Note that these actually "SAY," so it is possible that they made a great profession of working "in the name of the Lord," but did they REALLY work in His name? Jesus Himself introduced this case in the verse before by a contrast between those who SAY and those who DO. He said, "Not every one that Saith unto me, Lord, Lord, shall enter into the Kingdom of heaven, but he that doeth the will of My Father." To call Jesus, Lord, Lord, was to profess to own him as Lord and to obey Him as such. To profess to prophesy in His name and work in His name meant they claimed acquaintance with Him, to know Him and to have received a commission from Him and to be working under His authority or in His power. Were these claims true? Not one of them, for Jesus will say, "I NEVER KNEW YOU." Christ denies that they knew Him, denies their claim of commission from or of any authority whatsoever from Him or that they really worked in His name. So while such will dare to face the Son of God Himself with the profession "In Thy Name" upon their lips or back of their works they were not really in Christ, not in His name, not working under His authority, and so not working in reality in His name.

This case shows it takes something more than mere SAYING, than a mere profession in order really to do a thing in His name; that it requires a personal knowledge of Christ, a real commission from

Christ that actually gives them authority to represent Christ and really TO PERFORM the works which they merely claimed power from Him to do. Has not Jesus said of them 'I NEVER KNEW YOU?" But every one who knows Christ and has a commission from Him and is working under His real authority and so makes known, is working in Jesus' name whether he ever uses these special phrases or not. As we have seen, one may profess it is in His name and yet this he false, and if he really works in His authority he works in His name.

#### For His Sake.

Jesus says, "Whoso shall receive one such little child in My name receiveth me," Matt. 18:5. Weymouth renders this, "And whosoever FOR MY SAKE receives one young child SUCH AS THIS, receives me." The words "FOR MY SAKE" are merely another translation of the phrase "IN MY NAME." The phrase "CHILD SUCH AS THIS" is explained in the next verse to be "One of these little ones THAT BELIEVE ON ME." Hence these "little ones" to be received for His sake are children who are disciples of Jesus, who BELIEVE ON HIM.

#### Gathered in My Name.

In Matt. 18:20 Jesus says, "For where two or three are gathered together in My name, there am I in the midst "of them." Is there any history or scripture that says as disciples were coming together they had to say the phrase "I am gathering in Jesus" name?" None! Or that in opening the meeting the leader had to say. "In the name of Jesus we assemble; in the name of Jesus I open this meeting," in order to realize the presence of Jesus in the meeting No such scripture and no such history of Apostolic gatherings. If you find such in history, it will be in baskslidden Rome where the power and presence of Christ was absent, and where they had to repeat phrases and formulas to keep up the empty show of authority. Every saint who has felt Christ's presence in a meeting not so formally opened, every one filled with the Holy Ghost in a meeting not so opened is a living witness to the truth that such formality is not demanded by Christ in order to realize His blessed presence. Christ looks on the intent of the heart rather than on outward form and ceremony; yet if Christ really gives a form which He means to be performed as such let us do it, only be sure that it must be of the heart and by the Spirit that the blessing comes. The writer is strictly for the actual and full observance literally of every form given by Christ to be observed as a form, but he does not believe Jesus meant he wanted us every time we met to say formally, "In the name of Jesus we meet," or any such similar form. It is not necessary to repeat such phrases to make the gathering really in His name. The Apostles nowhere act or talk like they so understood Christ. Saintly Bible interpretation never has leaned to such a view, and the experience of all Spirit-filled saints corroborates the Apostolic examples and teaching that the repeating of the phrase "In His name" is not necessary in order to realize the presence of Christ in a meeting; yet said they are gathered in His name.

# To Be The Person.

Again Jesus said, "Many shall come IN MY NAME, saying, I am THE CHRIST; and shall lead many astray." Matt. 24:5. Here again the phrase "In My name" is not a formula to be repeated. Jesus interprets what He means by this phrase, namely, that the false person will wear the name "Christ," will claim to be the Christ. (We have a man in St. Louis now doing this very thing. Ed.) So we are finding in the Word of God quite a wide range and usage in meaning of what it means to act in the name of another.

# Through His Power.

In Mark 16:17-18 five different things Jesus says believers shall do in His name, as followers: "In My name they shall cast out demons, they shall speak with new tongues, they shall take up serpents, and if they drink any deadly thing it shall in no wise hurt them; they shall lay hands on the sick and they shall recover."

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#### TO ACT IN THE NAME OF ANOTHER. What Does the Bible Mean By It?

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Now let us see the actual fulfillment of most of these in Apostolic days. We shall find the phrase, "In the name of Christ" sometimes used; but in most cases not, showing the mere phrase is not the essential thing, but to be acting under the power of Christ and the anointing of the Holy Ghost is or at least should be the keeping power of Christ. Let us take them up in the order Christ spoke them. Note first, however, the GENERAL statement of the fulfilment in Mark 16:20, which reads, "And they went forth and preached everywhere, the Lord working with them and confirming the word by the signs that followed. Amen." Note that these signs were done through "THE LORD WORK-ING with them, and that is was the PREACHING or WORD that the Lord was by His workings thus "confirming."

Without a word from Christ the woman who in faith touched the hem of Christ's coat drew healing power from Christ. The Syrophoenician woman got the devil or demon cast out of her daughter without Christ or any of the apostles being present in person to speak to or deal with the girl. In Jerusalem after Pentecost the healing presence of Christ so mightily worked through Peter that people believed the mere shadow of Peter would heal them. The next verse says among these sick folks were those "vexed with unclean spirits, and they were healed every one," Acts 5:16. But this, to our mind, represents the exception rather than the rule. Personal dealing both in the days of the apostles and now seems to have been and the least of it. to be the most effective way.

# Fortune Telling Demon Cast Out.

In Acts 16:16-18 Paul met a slave girl who was possessed with a spirit of divination (the Greek has "A spirit, Python"), that is a girl possessed with a spirit that inspired the girl with more than natural insight to tell fortunes for money for her masters. This demon in her (just as before they were the first to recognize in Christ the Son of God) recognized at once that Paul and Silas were the "servants of the Most High God." But just as Jesus rejected testimony from demons, so did Paul and Silas. Her testimony "sore troubled" them. Paul turned on her and said to this spirit in her "I charge thee in the name of Jesus Christ to come out of her," and he obeyed.

Here the phrase "In the name of Jesus Christ" was used, and means that by the authority and power of Christ he commanded the demon to go. He acted in behalf of Christ as representing His authority and power, and Christ confirmed the words of His agent Paul who thus spoke for Him. So whatever we may find about the lack of necessity always to use these specific words in order to work miracles, the name was most certainly at times so used.

Paul met a similar character in the

"sorcerer, a FALSE PROPHET," named Bar-Jesus (Son of Jesus), Acts 13:6-11. This sorcerer greatly hindered the Gospel until finally the Spirit of God in fresh power for this very purpose filled Paul and he spoke with the authority of Christ yet not saying "in the name of Christ." Paul said to Bar-Jesus "Behold the hand of the Lord is upon thee and thou shalt be blind." The effect was just as immediate as when the name of Jesus Christ was invoked, for immediately darkness fell upon him.

#### Sign of Tongues.

The next sign Jesus said should occur in His name was the new tongues. So far as the record gces, no one invoked the name of Jesus on the day of Pentecost when they first occurred; yet Jesus had commanded them to wait and so it was while waiting in obedience to His authority or in His name that the tongues came through the power of the Spirit. Moreover, Peter said that God had exalted Christ at His right hand and "having received of the Father the promise of the Holy Spirit He (Christ) hath poured forth this which ye see and hear." Acts 2:33.

The tongues occurred again at the house of Cornelius, again at Ephesus, again in Paul, and at Corinth and other places, and while in Jesus' name, in the sense of by His authority through the Spirit, yet it is never once necessary in a special formula to invoke the name of Jesus Christ in order for one filled with and under the power of the Spirit to speak in these supernatural tongues. The same is universally true to-day among Pentecestal baptized saints, -a little prayer to the Father or a little praise to Jesus serving just as well to make them break forth to speaking with other tongues, as any special invoking of any particular name ever could do.

#### Taking up Serpents.

Acts 27 and 28 tell of Paul's shipwreck. They all got to shore wet and cold, and it was raining. The barbarians built a fire for them. Paul took up a viper, got bitten and suffered no harm, exactly as Jesus promised. Paul did not take up the viper by special invocation, saying in "the name of Jesus I take you up," but incidentally while in the common duty of gathering an armful of sticks to put on the fire. The fire stirred the cold, stiff snake in an ordinary way into activity and he got busy on the apostle for putting him into the fire. Praise God. when in our ordinary activities of a life hid with Christ in God, we may be sure Christ will just as surely keep His promise as when we are on our knees or repeating some scriptural phrase, or even the blessed name of Jesus. I recall no special case in the New Testament of drinking the deadly poison, so cannot illustrate by this.

# Hands on the Sick to Recover.

In Acts 28:8, while on the same island Paul laid hands on the sick father of the Governor of the island, and "HEALED HIM." It is stated that it was after prayer but not stated that Paul said "I lay hands on you in the name of Jesus." Yet it was done just as truly in Jesus' name, for Paul's whole ministry was in the Lord. He had the commission of an apostle direct from the Lord, and this commission was for every form and variety of service enjoined on the Christian ministry, to say

# Yet Other Phases.

There are many other passages which we propose, by the help of the Lord, to bring forth in this series of studies: but this is all we have room for here. We trust to continue this in the next issue of the paper. God willing.

This study hopes to be an impartial study of the Word of God itself to bring out the scriptural meaning of acting in the name of another. We cannot change God's Word to please our friends or to satisfy our enemies if we have any. We do not yet know ourselves all the conclusions this study may lead to, but by the help of the Lord, we propose to follow God's Word in whatsoever it teaches. We have no theories to defend, and just as soon the study shall put us on one side of the fence as the other. The will of God is good enough for me, and ought to be the only object sought by any child of God or minister of Jesus Christ. Let us all let the Word of God mean what it wants to. We did not make it and are not responsible for what God says. He knows what is best for us. It is our business only to find out what He wants and obey it.

I suppose it is not necessary for the writer to say he alone is responsible for what is said in this series. He is not

# Sunday School

May 9, 1915. FRIENDSHIP OF DAVID AND JONA-THAN.

Lesson Text-1 Sam. 20:32-42.

Golden Text-"A friend loveth at all times. Prov. 17:17.

Leading Thought-'Love one another with a pure heart fervently." 1 Pet. 1:22.

1. The test of their friendship. vs. 32:40. Trace carefully through the foregoing chapters (1 Sam. 18, 19) the details of their friendship. It is without a parallel save in the life and love of the Lord Jesus Christ for the world. A holy love which sprang from pure fervent hearts, it was supernatural, unselfish, intimate and tender. It appeared to be but a natural attachment in the beginning but each test each trial made it deeper, more pure, more sincere. In this it revealed more than human love and without God it could not exist. Both young men lost sight of selfish ambitions in their love for each other. The one was natural successor to the throne the other was the God-chosen successortheir interests were directly opposed. So, was their love and attachment divine. Certain it is that envy, jealousy, desire for spiritual pre-eminence over one another, is eating the very heart of divine love out of many of God's people. Love is the heart of Pentecost. "And the multitude of them that believed were of one heart and of one soul." Acts 4:32. Love has been the controlling motive in the plan of salvation. Spiritual ceremonies and attainments which do not develop the love-life with God and our fellowmen avail little. It is the "more excellent way" today just as truly as when Paul wrote that "matchless portrait of charity," 1 Cor. 13. May we "follow after charity, and desire spiritual gifts!" Rom 13:10; Matt. 5:44-48; Rev. 2:4. Read prayerfully 1, 2, 3, John. There are surely some deep spiritual lessons for us all in this story. May God quicken our understanding! In this connection read Gen. 45. For the last time Jonathan seeks to win over his father to kindness toward David. The resultant insult and attempted murder of himself does not distress him as much as the injuries to his friend, the innocent David. vs. 34. For this he was in "fierce anger." It was this very faithfulness that brought the animosity of his father. vs. 30, 31. What a terrible exhibition of the depth to which men may descend from whom God's spirit has departed! The last days of his life are so dark we almost forget the time when God was with him. A bright beginning, a sad ending-all because he rejected the word of the Lord. ch. 15:23.

And now Jonathan communicates with David. First, by signs: then in their last words of parting. Jonathan has here in "the little lad" such a faithful one as was his armour-bearer. Ready, obedient-free from all self-consciousness and self-glory just as God would undoubtedly have us be about His service. There was another such lad in Jno. 6:8, 9, and a little maid in 2 Kings 5:2-4. God is looking for just such "little ones" today.

2. Their parting, vs. 40-42. We see the humility of David in his greeting v. 41; Rom. 12:10: 13:7. The David was the real king he showed a Christlike courtesy -an example for us. Col. 4:6; Jas. 3:17; 1 Pet 3.8 From Jonathan's side the friendship hnd held largely the element of sacrifice. To begin with he "stripped himself" (ch. 18:4), for David and now was his heart torn as they came to their farewell. David's faith was implicit in the steadfastness of Jonathan's love. It failed not to the very end. 2 Sam. 1:26. God was thrusting David out. It would throw him on God in a new way. Matters had gone very smoothly with him since he left the sheep-fold up until the present difficulty with Saul. Before God could exalt him more he must humble him, sober him (Prov. 15:33)-bring him to a place of deeper dependence on God. Solemn and binding was that parting covenant, reaching to their posterity. How faithfully it was kept is beautifully illustrated in David's care for Mephibosheth. 2 Sam. 9. The strength of the covenant came from the fact it was made "in the name of the

speaking for any body of men or for any Council. His articles are not dictated by any one nor his conclusions based on anybody's theory-based only on the Word itself.-E. N. Bell.

# ECAMP MEETINGS

### WATCH FOR CAMP-MEETING NOTICE.

Let all of the saints in East Texas and West Louisiana watch the Word and Witness and the Weekly Evangel for camp-meeting notices. Be sure to bring your small family tent, bedding and toilet articles. Don't forget your camp-meeting pocket-book. We are expecting a large band of singers; also some leading preachers to be with us in these camps.—Wm. Morwood, Houston, Tex., Harvey Shearer, Marble Falls, Texas.

#### ANNOUNCEMENT.

The Sixth Union Camp-Meeting will be held at Homestead Park near Pittsburgh, June 25th until July 12th inclusive, under the direction of the Gospel Chapel of Wilkinsburgh, Thomas E. Float, Pastor,—in conjunction with Union Gospel Mission of Turtle Creek, Pa., Frank J. Casley, Pastor. For further information write to John A. Donald, Secretary, No. 7 Beatty Street, Wilkinsburg, Pa.

#### THE FOURTH ANNUAL CAMP-MEETING.

Preparations are being made for the Big Camp-meeting which begins here August 14th. The tabernacle near the Church is large enough to accommodate hundreds of people, and a grand and glorious time is expected. Come and bring your, family and let us unite togather once a year.—Respectfully Yours, Jessen Coff Cordwell Mo. gather once a year.—Res

# SEVENTH ANNUAL CONVENTION AT THE STONE CHURCH.

Chicago, III., May 16-30.

In past years these gatherings have been the scene of mighty outpourings of the Spirit. Our hope and expectation is for an even greater blessing and manifestation of power in the saving of souls, in healings, and in the baptismal experiences. Address all communications to the pastor, Andrew L. Fraser, 3748 Forest Ave., Chicago, III.

#### CAMP MEETING.

The second international Camp-meeting, Beulah Heights, Atlanta, Ga.

Beulah Heights Camp-meeting will begin August 10, D. V. and continue ten days or longer as the Lord may lead.

Beulah Heights is two miles from the center of the city and within easy walking distance from the car line.

Begin to make your plans to attend, and let us hear from you in ample time.

Address Paul T. Barth, 78 North Broad St., Atlanta, Ga.

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#### NEBRASKA STATE CAMP.

We are preparing for the Nebraska State Camp to be held here about the middle of June. Further particulars later.—Pastor Fred E. Poole, Omaha, Nebraska.

#### JACKSONVILLE, FLA. CAMP-MEETING.

There will be a Pentecostal Camp-Meeting held in Jacksonville Florida. D. V. beginning April 29th and continuing indefinitely thereafter. We trust Bro. R. E. McAllister of Ottowa, Canada. will be with us. All other Pentecostal workers cordially invited to attend. Pray much and come expecting a time of refreshing from the presence of the Lord. Those desiring to camp on the grounds should notify us at once. For further information address: Mrs. Fanny. M. Hebeler, Secretary, No. 4 Hogan St., Jacksonville, Florida.

# GREAT CAMPAIGN FOR GOD IN CHICAGO.

Beginning May 2nd, 1915, at the Tabernacle, a red stone church on the corner of Ashland Blvd, and Monroe St. Services every night at 7:30—Sunday 10:30 a. m. and 3 and 8 p. m. For further information address the pastor, L. C. Hall, 613 Marshfield Ave., Chicago, Ill.

# REEDLEY, CALIF.

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The Lord is opening the way for a glorious camp-meeting the first of May. The mission at Sanger (15 miles distant) and also the saints at Selma will unite with us for this occasion. This will be the first event of the kind this country has ever known. This is a wonderful field for Gospel work. We are looking to God to send just the help we need.—Bro. and Sister W. S. Lovejoy.

#### TWO PENTECOSTAL LATTER BAIN CAMP MEETINGS.

Montwait, Framingham, Mass.
The first meeting will commence in June and last over the Fourth of July.
The second meeting will follow the Chauta-uqua meetings in July. Full particulars will be given later. S. G. Otis, Supt., Montwait, Framingham, Mass.

#### MRS. WOODWORTH-ETTER IN CHICAGO, ILL.

Mrs. Etter will begin a meeting in Chicago, Ill., May 22nd, 1915. at The Tabernacle, corner Ashland Blvd, Monroe Street and Ozden Ave., to continue one month or longer; services every day 10 a. m., 2:30 and 7:30 p. m.

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#### CHRIST IS HEALING STILL TODAY. By Florence L. Burpee.

I love to think of Jesus, How He conquered death and sin, How He bore His cross and suffered, Your soul and mine to win. His love so strong and tender Is my help in life's long way; For I know He is my Savior, And He loves us all today.

I often think of Jesus Of His wondrous power and might, How He stilled the mighty tempest On the sea one dark, sad night: And when waves of doubt and trouble Sweep o'er me I will obey, Casting on Him my ev'ry burden, For His power is the same today.

. I often think of Jesus, How he healed them, every one, Without respect to wealth or station, All who unto Him would come; Helpless, sin-sick, weak and faltering, Not one soul He turned away; And we have this blest assurance: He is healing still today

For the sin-sick there is mercy, For the heavy laden, rest: For the prisoner there is freedom, Comfort for the sore distressed. Only trust Him-He will heal you; Come for there is naught to pay, You and I may touch His garment, For He's healing still today.

Seek-and ye shall surely find Him; No good thing will He deny, For His ear is ever open To each earnest, humble cry I'm so thankful for His promise, Lo, I am with you alway, Yes, I'm glad He lives and loves us. And He is healing still today. -Bridegrooms Messenger.

#### THE LORD WONDERFULLY HEALS. Santa Rosa, Cal.

We are praising God for the victory He is giving in the mighty name of Jesus. Some have been saved and healed and baptized in the Holy Spirit since we came here. One woman had severe heart trouble. Her doctor gave her up to die and her friends gathered in to see her as they did not expect her to last much longer. Her brother asked us to pray for her and we did. God gleriously healed her. She ate three meals a day and walked a number of blocks to see her friends and rejoiced over the things God had wrought in her life. Later she was taken with pneumonia and the same doctor was called again. He had heard how God healed her and after a thorough examination could find nothing wrong with her heart and said she did not have any heart trouble.

A little girl who had tuberculosis, according to the physician's statement, was brought by her mother to the meeting for prayer. The child had a high fever when we laid hands on her and God heard prayer and His mighty healing power went through that little body and she was made whole. The fever left and great drops of perspiration came out and she has no more fever and is well.

We are having meetings in a neighboring town every Friday evening and the Lord is blessing. Three in one family have received the baptism in the Holy Spirit and others are earnestly seeking.

I thank God for this wonderful salvation that keeps every day in the year. Nine years ago yesterday I, with eight others, received the precious Holy Spirit while riding on a fast train going to Houston, Texas. Glory! How I praise Him for His saving and keeping power .- P. M. Stokeley and wife.

# A TESTIMONY.

# God's Healing Power.

On the 10th day of April, 1915, at my home in Corydon, Iowa, I was taken suddenly ill. I was confined before time. The embryo had been dead two weeks and had partly decayed. The uterus refused to open and my pains all went to my head and my temperature was 102. I lay in a critical condition. Friends thought I would go into convulsions, if relief did not come soon. The doctor, after using the hypodermic needle three times and giving medicine for eight hours, said, "I've done all I can do," and went back and sat down saying, "I never saw such a case." I knew death was facing me and God whispered to me "If you will take me for the Great Physician I will deliver you." I called my sister to my bed-side and asked her to pray with me and in less than one hour God de-

# IS THE WORLD GROWING BETTER OR WORSE?

Is is growing better? We emphatically reply 'No." In spite of all efforts put forth by press and pulpit, it is growing worse every day and we have no hope of anything better until our Lord's return. For as the days were before the flood, so they are now. They were eating and drinking, mar ying and giving in marriage, until the day Noah entered into the ark. False religions are rapidly increasing, both in number and strength. 'Christian Science" alone claims one million followers, its members being among the wealthy and influential class, to a large extent. Its principles are false to the core, denving a personal God or a personal devil-actually declaring there is no such thing as sin, death or sickness, denying the power of Jesus blood in the reconciling act on the cross, as the only way of salvation. "Mind Science" also denies a personal God and it has many followers. "Millenial Dawnism" is spreading its seed with alarming rapidity, scattering its deadly poison not only in cities and towns but in little rural districts throughout the country. Its books on the subject are so cheap that almost anyone can purchase them. It claims Christ has already come in the earth; that everybody will have a second chance during the Millenium to turn to God. There is so much truth mixed up with the error that many are accepting its dangerous teachings. Several people at the present time are actually claiming and preaching that they are "Christ," fulfilling the words of Jesus to the letter,-"There shall arise false Christs and prophets." The "New Thought" theory stretches out its hands and thoughts inclined to keep souls from turning to Jesus Christ, suffering and shedding His blood on the Cross as the only hope of salvation.

Anarchy now has teachers who boldly stand in the streets boasting of the time when churches will be done away with and preachers hung by the neck. The Bible Societies claim an increase in their work of distributing and selling Bibles and Testaments, but missionaries and others who visit many homes can testify that the sensational, exaggerating newspapers are ripidly taking the place of the Bible in many Christian homes. Often the Bible is not read during the entire week, while the daily paper is carefully read not only by worldly people but those who claim to know Christ. The family altar is done away with to a great extent also. In John Wesley's time Christian families carried on their door-posts the "signs of the blood." To-day the question "Are you a Christian" may be asked many who claim to know God, and if the answer is "Yes" it fails to satisfy the inquirer, for "By their fruits ye shall know them."

# Suicides and Murder On Increase.

In 1910, in the United States alone there were 12,608 suicides and nearly as many cases of murder,—being an increase of nearly 2,000 over the preceding year. Divorces in the United States have increased three times as fast as the population,-on

an average of 250 per day, or 70,000 a year. America, with all her Christian influences, exceeds all other countries in this respect. One paper in Cleveland, Ohio, said that in some sections in 1897 there was one divorce to every four marriages. Mrs Ballington Booth estimated, on the basis of abundant information, that there were in this country 230,000 professional prostitutes spreading their deadly and polluting diseases to men and ruined girls. causing more than 50,000 deaths each year. There are organized societies for the purpose of ensnaring young girls for immoral purposes. Women are sold for \$15 to \$500 and the average life in this terrible employment is only five years, while the income from this trade is over \$1,000,000 a

#### Criminal Extravagance.

A tract by G. D. Williams reads: "This country spends for needless and harmful indulgences the following amounts approximately: - Diamonds, \$30,000,000; for hat feathers \$4,000,000; for theatres, \$350,000,000; for tobacco \$800,000,000; for intoxicating liquors \$1,200,000,000, which is over \$15 per head for every man, woman and child."

Other foolish and sinful wastes one may notice frequently from the daily papers, such as \$20,000 willed by a wealthy man to the support of his dog after his death. Of course the dog soon died from too high living. There are many illustrations of the criminal way in which Americans are squandering their stewardship while the mission-fields are badly neglected.

Considering all these facts, however, it seems instead of giving or helping in the conversion of the heathen we had better call them in to 'Come over and help us." In Maine during the last thirty years 226 churches became vacant while the wealth has increased \$125,000,000 and crime increased more than 200 per cent during the same period.

#### The Falling Away.

One of the signs of the last days is the "falling away" of those who claim to know God. Christians find it hard in these days to persuade the unconverted to turn to Christ for our Master's words have come true, "They are eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage until the day that Noah entered into the ark, and knew not until the flood came and took them all away. So shall also the coming of the Son of Man be." We cannot expect better times until Jesus comes. As God stood by Noah and he was saved with his house, so God will stand by every honest soul who is determined to overcome, at whatever cost. The sad state of affairs in the world and church is a sure sign of the Lord's near appearing. Sinner, you cannot afford longer to halt between two opinions. Not only death stands before you, but Jesus may come at any moment, and "how can we escape if we neglect so great a salvation?"

Saints, lift up your heads and rejoice for your redemption draweth nigh .--Florence L. Burpee. Houston, Texas.

His name forever! Two days later the and, praise God, He healed me and I did Doctor called again and said he feared blood poisoning or fever. My bowels were in bad condition and the symptoms were serious. On the 12th of April between five and six o'clock P. M. I asked my sister to pray with me again that I might be completely healed. God heard and healed me instantly. Not even a symptom was left. The Doctor came again without being called, and he said, "Why, you are a well woman." I told him Jesus had healed me. I did not take his medicine and on the 9th day I went 32 miles in an automobile and feel better than I ever did. I owe it all to God. There were several witnesses to this miraculous case of healing. God says "Where two or three are gathered together in My name, there am I in the midst."-Mrs. Ruth Jared, Corydon, Iowa.

# A TESTIMONY.

I was a backslider-a member of the Baptist Church two years when I first heard this glorious Gospel. I had been sick for two years from the worst form of female trouble. The Doctor said I would have to undergo an operation. I lived at Blaine, Okla. Just before the time for the operation God sent Bob Smith and wife to my home. They told me God could heal my body and save my soul. I went to the

livered me and bore my suffering. Praise meeting and they prayed for me one night not have the operation. That was three years ago and I am a well woman today and still praising God. He saved both my husband and myself and gave us the Holy Ghost. Praise His sweet name! About two weeks ago we came to Saluskin (our P. O. Wapato), a new field where the Gospel has not been heard. We would be glad to meet any good preacher who feels led in this direction, and will be glad to have him preach for us. We are alone in the Lord's service, my husband and his sister and myself. Pray for us.-Mrs. Gertie Shores, Wapato, Wash.

# MY DREAM.

# Jennie Spaulding.

I had been burdened for several different Assemblies because they were at differences with each other, and I was wondering if anything but the fires of persecution would ever unite them.

One night I dreamed I saw these Assemblies going through different stages of experiences that seemed to be fitting them to become the Bride of Christ. After a while I was taken to a large school-room where these Pentecostal people were, and they were hoping to be graduated from that final stage to meet the coming Bridegroom that day. I knew many of them personally, and most of them passed the examination and sat looking upward with the glory on their faces. They were much changed from the way I had previously known them, in that they seemed to have lost their sharpness and hardness, and were very gentle and loving.

But just then my attention was drawn to others, many of whom I also knew, and I gazed on them with astonishment; for, though they were people forty, fifty, sixty and even seventy years old, their faces alone showed their ages. Their arms and legs were short and they were otherwise undeveloped physically, being very short

As my guide saw my wonder, he directed me to look at something that each person seemed to be holding up in front of themselves, and he said "The e people have been holding some personal grievance or some fault or failing of other people up in front of them for so long a time that it has hidden the face of Christ, and as they ceased to look at Him they became spiritually dwarfed, until now you see, them in their present unhappy condition. They cannot be graduated to meet the Bridegroom because they are imma-

This dream made such an impression on me that I felt others must see it as it had been shown to me-Word and Work.

#### A TESTIMONY.

I want to testify to the saving grace of God. My wife and I are saved and are seeking the baptism of the Spirit. There are only three here who have the baptism. We believe God's Word and have just read Sister Etter's book of her life which is wonderful. We would like to see a band of God's workers come and wake up this place, and are praying for this. We desire the saints to pray that we may receive the Baptism as in Acts 2:4. Pray that God will send some workers here.-H. O. Hogan.

#### REQUESTS FOR PRAYER.

Please pray for our healing. We are both afflicted in body. -F. M. and E. J. Martin, Kirk. Colo.

Please pray for Golden City that God will send someone this way, as the Full Gospel has never been preached here .-Mrs. James Walters, R 3, Golden City, Mo.

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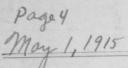
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We left Rosario last July and came up into the interior some 1000 miles, near the border of Bolivia. We have been out five years now and keep going further inland. Thank God we have no desire to return home yet.

Jujury is a pretty little city some 4000 feet above sea level among the mountains. We are now in the hot, rainy season and malaria abounds, but we are both well, thank God.

There is no established mission work in this city, which is the capital of a province by the same name. Mother and I are here alone in a town full of Catholic churches and other institutions, and in the midst of fanaticism. Some six miles from the city is a famous miracle working (?) image of the Virgin Mary! Pilgrimages are often made, bare-footed, to this sacred spot to pray for rain or for peace in Europe, etc. The pilgrims are granted indulgences.

So far we have had no persecution whatever as we go from house to house, to the station or market, and we often encounter priests. They avoid us so we have full liberty to give out God's precious word to the many who are truly hungry for the Word of life. We have many blessed experiences and our souls are watered as we water others. Please pray for us and the few believers whom we found here, that many may be saved and ready to meet our Lord.

# W. THERON.

# So. Africa.

We opened here (Douglas) a few months ago and God has been blessing us exceeding abundantly in saving souls. We are standing on full Gospel lines for body, soul and spirit, and God is honoring us. We had a baptismal service in a river last Sunday and had a number of the people there. Sinners wondered at such unusual proceedings and God gave us power to witness for Him. Our ranks are swelling for God is for us and who can be against us. Pray for us that God will pour out His Spirit in a deluge, to His glory. We are being persecuted for the Gospel's sake but we praise Jesus for it.

Thus far we have baptized 35 in water. Remember us in prayer.

#### NIELS C. SORENSEN. South America.

I left Sister Wood in Gualeguaychu the 7th of December for the northern part of this Republic, as I had a call to the Indians. My wife (formerly Annina Kejlstrup) and I are with an English brother, and we believe it to be God's will that we stay here for a time. We are happy in our work among the Indians and God is blessing us. It often touches my heart to see tears flow down their brown cheeks when listening to the old, old story about Jesus. God bless and save many of them. Please pray for us.

# ROBERT F. COOK.

# India.

In the months of November and December were not able to do much, as we were having long, heavy rains and the roads to the villages were very bad. Nevertheless the Lord gave us some precious times. The last of December we had some clear days and the roads were somewhat dried up. I took advantage of it and went to a station six miles away, where they had begged me to come. Found many suffering from fever and wanted prayer. Praise God! they were healed and a few weeks afterward came to our New Years' Eve meeting. We had an all night watch-meeting that night, with over 140 present. They came from surrounding villages and banded themselves together on the outskirts of

our village and marched through the village to our place beating drums, playing their pipes and singing spiritual songs. We had the place lighted by candles. It was a blessed night. We sang many songs. I spoke to them and we had testimonies and then we waited on God to bless and baptize in the Holy Spirit. Many earnest requests went up from the people to God. The Lord has permitted us to return to Bangalore again as we now have much healthier and better quarters. We can also cut down expenses. Only God knows what we have suffered from the intense heat and the uncomfortable and unhealthy quarters.

D. V. We will leave India for America the last of March. God has wonderously provided for our passage. We had not a cent in December but we earnestly prayed and God answered in a marvelous way. It is blessed to trust in Him. I will put the work in the hands of our Indian brother Chas. Cumine, a blessed man of God, full of the Holy Spirit and well able to carry on the work until my return. We need your prayers.

#### WM. E. BOOTH-CLIBBORN REPORTS. From Shawnee, Okla.

Have just departed from Tulsa where, co-jointly for a time, with Bro. Willard Pope, I have held a meeting, three daily at times. During the four weeks the Lord has been gracious and has invariably and abundantly blessed. About fifty souls have been seeking God for salvation. Yes! many more, but about that number have gotten an assurance. I trust they will go on with the Lord. The meetings have been better attended than any before in that building, which is new and spacious. The last Sunday fully 800 attended. Special attention was given the children from the age of 6 to 20, and for three weeks we had an average attendance of 45 at five o'clock every week day. Over a score found the Lord and many were filled with the Spirit of God, speaking in heavenly languages. Twice we went out to a suburb of the city on Saturday afternoon for a Pentecostal Sunday-school outing, taking our lunches with us. God richly blessed us in His fresh air and the day starting with a prayer-meeting was enjoyed by all present. We should, in this movement, give special attention to the young element. I have seen wonderful works of God among them if they are given a fair opportunity.

Bro. Gaston, the Pastor of the Tulsa Assembly, is much used of God in praying for the sick, and has helped to establish a good, sound work.

I visited Broken Arrow where the saints are numerous but laboring under a heavy burden, many having grown cold toward God and having grieved the Spirit. I found Bro. Rocelli and wife full of faith and prayer and trusting God for a Pentecostal shower.

I ask prayer for the meeting going on now in Shawnee. We have a good building and expect a real moving of God's Spirit. We will labor for an old-time Pentecostal fresh wind of revival. This is sorely needed in many of our Assemblies where the human touch is more noticeable than the sweeping power of God. We have hundreds of young men ready to break up a new field but so few able and competent enough to teach and get the saints grounded and rooted in God.

# THE NEWARK CONVENTION.

The Convention was fine. The missionary offering was over \$9,100.00 in cash and checks—no pledges. Waves of glory filled the Chapel again and again. The volumn of intercessory prayer that went up for sculs was wonderful indeed. The Spirit plunged many of the dear ones (myself included) into scul travail where the English vocabulary was altogther inadequate, so that groanings which cannot be uttered were brought forth. Many were saved, healed and filled with the Spirit. Brother Bosworth was the special worker, and his simple, direct messages, especially on the subjects of prayer, revivals, and

the will of God, greatly encouraged and enthused everyone present. — Edward Armstrong.

#### EARL W. CLARK IN WASHINGTON, D. C.

We are holding special revival services in the Central Union Mission. The Pentecostal brethren are helping us and the Lord is giving us many souls. The Hall and gallery seats 1000 people. Please pray for our meeting here. The people are coming out well.

We are asking the Lord for an average of ten souls a day this year. My Booze Message, which brought the biggest liquor dealer in Hillsboro, will be given next Friday night. Pray that God will work.—Earl W. Clark.

#### HIRAM, MO.

We praise God for the victory here. The Lord has saved and baptized about one hundred as in Acts 2:4, and the fire is burning. We request the prayers of all the saints that God will have His way. Bro. Giles is going to new fields of labor.—Walter Higgins and wife.

#### BIG CREEK, ARK.

The Lord has been wonderfully manifesting His mighty power at Big Creek. We were up there Saturday the 10th. Bro. Mack had been preaching two weeks and baptized 13 in water on Sunday. 14 had been baptized in the Holy Ghost. My fourteen year old daughter who was saved last summer, whom the Lord healed of broken collar-bone, received the wonderful baptism in the precious Holy Ghost Saturday night. She spoke and sang in tongues and was under the mighty power of God for more than an hour. I trust all the saints will pray for me that I may receive this outpouring.—W. D. Smith, R. 1, Leola, Ark.

#### VIDETTE, ARK.

God is wonderfully blessing here. A number have been saved and 75 or more have received the baptism with the Holy Spirit, with the Bible evidence. Several are seeking and many are under conviction. Bro. W. C. McKim is in charge of the place at present.—John W. Sappington.

# BAPTIST PREACHER BAPTIZED. Pipe Creek, Texas.

We are bound to give thanks to God for the way He has so wonderfully been meeting with us as His saints, in this place. A number have been saved and baptized in the Spirit, among whom was a young Baptist preacher and his wife, who are now workers with us in this faith.—R. F. Baker.

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