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The Power of the Blood

GOD hates sin. Sin is repellant, is separation. God hides His face from sin. And yet the whole world was lying in the lap of the wicked one. Sin rampant on earth. And it repented the Lord that He had made man. "The soul that sinneth it shall die" (Ezek. 18:4).

Death was rampant on earth as well as sin. "God so loved the world (though He so hated sin) that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life." He gave the sinless One to deal with sin, to overcome sin, so as to make a way for God's love to come to the world. Great was the barrier of sin between God and man. But greater was the power of love to break the barrier.

The veil in the temple made separation, it closed in and separated the most holy place from the rest of the temple. But through the sacrifice of Calvary the veil of separation was rent from top to bottom. Great as is the power of sin, great as is the power of separation, still greater is the love of God in Christ Jesus. It breaks down that separation. How? It tore the veil as He (Christ) had been torn. The broken body was followed by the broken veil. Rent from head to foot. A crown of thorns upon the head, nails in the feet. Correspondingly the veil was rent from top to bottom. So the most intellectual can get into the Holy of Holies, and the humblest can also come in through the rent veil.

God's love and Christ's sacrifice are greater than the greatest sin in the world. He (Christ) put away sin by the sacrifice of Himself. God does not see sin when He sees the sacrifice of His Son.

"When I see the blood I will pass over you." Are you a passed-over one? You can be, by having the blood sprinkled by your Elder Brother, by the Prophet, by Jesus Christ. There may have been a large supply upon the lintel, or there may have been a very meager supply. But whether a large amount or a small amount, it was blood. It was the quality, not the quantity that was necessary. Even one drop would have availed.

"When I see the blood, I will pass over you." We are redeemed with the precious blood of Christ. Are the drops precious to you? Yes, the drops are precious, but there is an abundance. There is a fountain opened in the heart of God. Don't be afraid of the supply. A mountain of sin was raised up between God and man. But the mountains are cast into the depths of the sea through what was done on Mount Calvary.

The blood speaks even if you are silent. The blood works even when you are unconscious of it, provided you have faith in it.

The blood of Jesus Christ is God's remedy. The blood of Calvary is equal to, is beyond the world's sin, and what that is only God knows.

Grace is flowing freely and makes the blood available in these last days of grace. Therefore, you can pray confidently for salvation, for healing, for godliness, for all things needed in this time. Amen.

THE OFFICE OF ELEAZAR

Pastor J. Narver Gortner at the Cleveland Assembly

You will find the text in Num. 4:16, "And to the office of Eleazar the son of Aaron the priest pertaineth the oil for the light, and the sweet incense, and the daily meat-offering, and the anointing oil, and the oversight of all the tabernacle, and of all that therein is, in the sanctuary, and in the vessels thereof."

Eleazar was the third son of Aaron. The Holy Spirit is the third Person of the Trinity. Aaron was a type of Christ. Eleazar, in the performance of the duties assigned unto him in the text, may be regarded as a type of the Holy Spirit. The tabernacle in the wilderness was a type of the Church, "the true tabernacle, which the Lord pitched, and not man" (Heb. 8:2). To the Holy Spirit has been committed the work of overseeing the Church during this Church age. Jesus is the Head of the Church, but He is "on the right hand of the throne of the Majesty in the heavens" (Heb. 8:1), and the Holy Spirit is here with us and is the Executive of the Godhead.

We may then, in studying the office of Eleazar in connection with the tabernacle in the wilderness, find out something concerning the office of the Holy Spirit in connection with the work of the Church during this Church Age in which we are privileged to live.

I. To the office of Eleazar pertained the oil for the "light," literally, as in the margin of the Newberry Bible, "light-giver or luminary." In the tabernacle there was a candlestick, and the candlestick had seven lamps, and the lamps were designed to give light where there was need of light, and in order that they might give light it was necessary that they be kept burning; and that they might be kept burning it was necessary that they be supplied with oil. In Ex. 25:31-37 we read the directions that were given to Moses in the mount concerning the candlestick which he was commanded to make. The candlestick was to be of pure gold, and, while there were to be seven lamps, it was distinctly stipulated that "it shall be one beaten work of pure gold." The Church is one, not two, three or seven, but one! There is only one Church, and there can be no other. The gold out of which the candlestick was made was designed to denote the excellence of the Church and its preciousness in the sight of God, the seven lamps its completeness in Jesus Christ — "Ye are complete in him, which is the head of all principality and power" (Col. 2:10) — and the oil by which they were fed was an appropriate symbol of the Holy Spirit dwelling in His people and causing them to shine for God.

The tabernacle as a whole was a type of the Church, and everything in it and out of which it was made was typical in its nature.

The world is a world of darkness. Light was needed and is needed. Christ came. "In him was life and the life was the light of men." Jesus said, "I am the light of the world: he that followeth me shall not walk in darkness, but shall have the light of life" (John 8:12). He said, moreover, "As long as I am in the world, I am the Light of the world" (John 9:5). He could not stay here always. In order that He might carry out His plan it was necessary that He return to His Father. So He made a luminary of His

Church. He said to His disciples, "Ye are the light of the world." He commanded them to let their light shine, and to let it shine in such a way that others, seeing their good works, would glorify their Father in heaven.

The children of Israel were commanded to "bring pure olive beaten for the light to cause the lamp to burn always," and to Moses God said, "In the tabernacle of the congregation without the vail, which is before the testimony, Aaron and his sons shall order it from evening to morning before the Lord" (Ex. 27:21).

Now the Church at the present time is "without the vail." Jesus has entered "within the vail" (Heb. 6:19, 20), and "from evening to morning before the Lord" each of us should keep his lamp burning. From evening until the morning! Thank God, the morning will come! "Unto you that fear my name shall the Sun of Righteousness arise with healing in his wings" (Mal. 4:2). We have "a more sure word of prophecy; whereunto ye do well that ye take heed, as unto a light that shineth in a dark place, until the day dawn, and the day star arise in your hearts" (2 Peter 1:19). This long night of sin and sickness and sorrow, this long night of war and woe and wretchedness, will come to an end, and the morning will break. Methinks that now I can see the light breaking in the east. Jesus will come soon! Is your heart sad? Cheer up! Put off thy garments of mourning and put on thy bridal robes! The King is coming! He will soon be here! I can almost hear the rustling of His royal robes! How my heart longs to see Him! "The Bridegroom cometh! Go ye out to meet Him!"

Is your light burning? It will not burn unless there is a supply of oil. It is the oil that causes it to burn, and "to the office of Eleazar pertaineth the oil for the light." The Holy Spirit must supply the oil. Let Him come in and possess you, and there will be a constant supply of oil, and your lamp will burn with a steady and vigorous light.

II. To the office of Eleazar pertained the incense that was burned upon the golden altar before the vail (Ex. 30:6), the golden altar typifying Christ as our Intercessor, our great High Priest, and the incense typifying His priestly intercession on our behalf. A reference to Rev. 8:2-7 will show us how our great High Priest takes the prayers of the saints and mixes them with His own that they may be made acceptable unto God.

It seems to me that the faultless character of Jesus can be seen in this sweet incense. Of each of the spices it was stipulated that there should be a like weight, and they were to be "tempered, pure and holy." The character of Jesus was symmetrical. No one virtue predominated. All the virtues were there and they were present in equal proportions. He is the same today, without sin and without infirmity. This is what makes His intercession efficacious. Oh, that we might be like Him!

You will notice that this incense was to be beaten very small. The beating of it was what brought the sweet fragrance out. The fragrance was there, and the beating of it caused the fragrance to be emitted.

Stripes were laid upon Jesus; He was wounded; He was bruised, but He sinned not. "He did no sin; neither was guile found in his mouth; when he was reviled he reviled not again; when he suffered he threatened not, but committed himself to him that judgeth righteously." If He had complained, if He had murmured, if in any way He had failed God, His offering would not have been "an offering of a sweet smelling savor." Sin of any kind is a stench in the nostrils of God, and He abhors it. Oh, that the fragrance that was in Jesus may be in us as we are made partakers of His nature! If the fragrance is there, the "much tribulation" through which we are called to enter into the kingdom of God, will cause it to be emitted. Some one has written:

"The good are better made by ill,
And odors crushed are sweeter still."

III. To the office of Eleazar pertained the daily meat-offering. Read Ex. 29:38-43. In all the offerings which the children of Israel were commanded to offer we see Jesus. Each was designed to be a type of Him who in "the fulness of time" was to appear among men and offer up Himself as a sacrifice unto God. Each of the offerings, the burnt-offering, the sin-offering, the trespass-offering, the peace-offering, and the meat-offering, set forth some phase or aspect of the offering of Him who "offered himself without spot unto God," that an atonement might be made for us and that we might be justified in the sight of God and cleansed and made fit to associate with Him who is "of purer eyes than to behold iniquity."

To the office of Eleazar pertained the daily meat-offering, and it was through the Holy Spirit that Christ offered Himself (Heb. 9:14), and it is the Holy Spirit who makes the offering of value and efficacy to us today. Apart from the offering there is no salvation for us, and apart from the Holy Spirit the offering avails not.

IV. To the office of Eleazar pertained the anointing oil. Read Ex. 30:22-33. With this anointing oil Aaron and his sons and all the furniture of the tabernacle were to be anointed. It was to be an holy anointing oil. It was designed to symbolize the anointing of the Holy Ghost. Aaron and his sons were to be anointed. In Aaron we see a type of Jesus, and in his sons who ministered with him we see types of those who during this Church Age are associated with Jesus Christ in ministering in the tabernacle which the Lord has pitched. Jesus needed the anointing of the Spirit in order that He might do His work effectively. In Acts 10:38, we read, "God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Ghost and with power, who went about doing good, and healing all that were oppressed of the devil; for God was with Him." If Jesus needed the anointing of the Spirit, we surely need it. And, thank God, we can have it. It is for us. We need it that we may pray. The preacher needs it that he may preach, the teacher that he may teach, the missionary that his message to darkened minds and benighted souls may not be delivered in vain. We all need it that we may be overcomers and that we may fill the place God has called us to fill and do the work God has appointed us to do.

The holy anointing oil was not to be poured upon man's flesh, neither were the children of Israel to "make any other like it, after the composition of it." God has not provided the anointing of the Holy Ghost

for the natural man, and God cannot brook any imitation of that anointing which He has provided and for which there can be no human substitute. Paul wrote, "They that are in the flesh cannot please God. But ye are not in the flesh, but in the Spirit, if so be that the Spirit of God dwell in you" (Rom. 8:8,9).

V. To the office of Eleazar pertained the oversight of all the tabernacle and of all that therein was. To the Holy Spirit has been committed the oversight of the Church and of all who are in it.

In Acts 13:2 we read, "As they ministered to the Lord and fasted, the Holy Ghost said, Separate me Barnabas and Saul for the work whereunto I have called them." The Holy Spirit had called them to be missionaries, and then the Holy Spirit spoke to the leaders of the church in Antioch and told them to set them apart for that particular work. It is evident that if God's people would walk softly before the Lord and do His will and expect Him to speak and make known His plans and purposes concerning the manner in which He would have the work of the Church carried on, all the ministers and missionaries would be chosen by Him, and, living in divine order, the Church would grow and believers would be multiplied. Paul said to the elders of the church in Ephesus, "Take heed to yourselves and to all the flock over the which the Holy Ghost hath made you overseers." Paul had not selected the elders of that church; the Holy Spirit had done it. Oh, that all our ministers and missionaries, and all others who hold office among us, were Spirit-filled and Spirit-chosen!

The Holy Ghost came to take charge of the Church when the day of Pentecost was fully come, and He has been here ever since, and He will remain here until the work of this Church Age shall have been completed. Jesus Christ is the active Head of the Church, but Jesus Christ is doing the work of an Intercessor, our great High Priest, within the veil, and the Holy Spirit is overseeing the operations of the Church here upon earth.

It is important that we recognize the Holy Spirit and that we give to Him His proper place, and that we yield unto Him so that He can work out in us, through us, and by us, the purposes of the great Head of the Church, Jesus Christ, our adorable Lord and Master.

If you would have your light burning when Jesus comes you must have a supply of oil. It is important that you have oil in your vessel as well as in your lamp.

There is a strong tendency in these Laodicean days to ignore or make light of the work of the Holy Spirit and of the Holy Spirit Himself. Some things that are being said by certain preachers savor of blasphemy. Many teachers these days are "blind leaders of the blind," and our Lord has well declared that "if the blind lead the blind both shall fall into the ditch."

Recognize the Holy Spirit. Let Him come into your heart and fill you. I think the prophet, Zechariah, was prophesying of these days in which the Spirit is being outpoured, when he said, "Corn shall make the young men cheerful, and new wine the maids" (Zech. 9:17). Thank God for the new wine! It tastes good. Of those filled with the Holy Spirit on the day of Pentecost it was said that they were full of new wine. It is a good thing to be full of new wine as they were full, filled with the new wine of the kingdom.

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PRAYER FOR A NEW OUTPOURING OF THE SPIRIT

A Suggestion to Observe May 19 and 20 as Days of Prayer

Having had it brought to my attention that at this particular time, the Jewish and the Christian calendars both coincide to the day, by the fact that our Easter and the Jewish Passover both fall upon the same date, it has occurred to me that it would be appropriate for us of the Pentecostal faith to observe the real anniversary of the Day of Pentecost, which will be the fiftieth day after the one on which our Saviour was crucified, which according to both calendars would be on Sunday May 20.

I would suggest that all Pentecostal assemblies, and all other devout, and sincere believers be notified of this, and requested to observe that day as one especially set aside for concerted PRAYER that the Holy Ghost may again be poured out and manifested in a mighty and powerful manner as on that first great day of Pentecost.

Would it also be too much to suggest that the day preceding, Saturday, May 19, be set aside especially as a day of fasting and earnest meditation and secret prayer as much as is humanly possible, and that we, too, as those of the apostolic days, might be assembled together with one accord, be expecting great and mighty things from our God and Father, that Christ Jesus, God's only begotten Son, might have all the honor and glory.

E. F. Barry.

Why not set apart the ten days preceding and be all ready for a repetition of the day of Pentecost?

A LAST-TIME MESSAGE FOR THE LAST DAYS

"I know thy works, that thou art neither cold nor hot: I would that thou wert cold or hot. So then because thou art lukewarm, and neither cold nor hot, I will spue thee out of my mouth" (Rev. 3:15, 16). Here we have a serious indictment against the church by the Head of the church, the One who had a right to know, the only One who could pronounce a right judgment.

The Laodicean church was blind, self-centered and correspondingly weak. The members of the church had increased in material things and lacked nothing; and they set the material standard as the index of the spiritual standard. Rich in goods and gold, they thought they were rich in spiritual goods.

They were not apostate. They were not absolutely dead—there was warmth—life was not extinct. It was a case of suspended animation. Their condition was a result of the reflex action of the activities of the week—the business of the week; and the residue of the strength only was given to the Lord. Increas-

ing with goods was the main business, but as for the service of the King, that was second place. Christ sees the standard and sees the condition. He says, "I counsel you to buy of me gold and raiment. Your gold that you are clamoring after, your raiment, the latest spring and fall fashions, cannot satisfy; your gold will not purchase the things of the kingdom, nor your raiment satisfy Him who is the Head of the church. Receive the tried gold, tried in the fire, that has stood the test—transmuted gold—and have the raiment which will cover, effectively cover. And anoint thine eyes with eyesalve that thou mayest see. Satan hath blinded, the cares of this life obscure the vision, things are seen in the wrong perspective, but the eyesalve is available."

Mercy has not entirely gone. To correct them was to show them that they were worth correcting. To be left alone were worse calamity than to be corrected.

"Behold, I stand at the door, and knock; if any man hear my voice, and open the door, I will come in to him, and will sup with him and he with me." The most loving invitation to the most backslidden church! The Shekinah glory that Ezekiel saw was loth to leave the temple. It was ever ready and willing to be invited back. Christ in the church, and in the individual, is a remedy against all backsliding or lukewarmness. The fire of the Holy Ghost makes lukewarmness impossible. The consciousness of failure, of lukewarmness, should bring the cry for fire.

"To him that overcometh will I grant to sit with me in my throne, even as I also overcame, and am set down with my Father in his throne." There will be some Laodicean overcomers. Enthroned Laodiceans will be a triumph of grace. Saints are inclined to point the finger of scorn at the Laodiceans. Christ, however, points to the throne, the possible throne. The throne is possible, overcoming is possible, because Christ Himself has overcome and the fact that He has sat down is a proof that He has overcome.

"He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches." Don't let the noise of commercialism, the whirl of the traffic, the siren notes of the radio, the invisible notes, stop your ears from listening to what the Spirit says. There is a babel in the counting house, in the street and in the air. He that hath ears to hear, let him hear what the Spirit says. People are busy tuning up to get the wireless messages through the air. How many are tuning up to hear what the Spirit says to the churches? A last-time message for the last days for the last stages of the church of Christ.

Few radios will get the message, "Surely, I come quickly;" but it is the last message in the Word—a wireless message from the throne. "Surely I come quickly!" If you are tuned up you will send back to His "Surely I come quickly; Amen," "Even so, come, Lord Jesus." Amen.

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DIVINE HEALING IN THE BOOK OF PROVERBS

By Lilian B. Yeomans, M.D.

The book of Proverbs is an inspired manual of rules for daily living, just as the Psalms are an inspired manual of devotion, prayer, praise, worship, and adoration. Here we have God-given instructions, adapted to all times, countries, and individuals, and embracing all the practical details of our daily lives. If the Psalms guide our thoughts, the Proverbs are intended to direct our actions. As has been said, in this book "wisdom" is religion, and "folly" is irreligion.

We are therefore not surprised to find here many passages showing clearly the close relation that exists between our walk and our physical condition. Also the most definite instructions are vouchsafed us as to how we must govern ourselves, by the grace of God, so that we may enjoy perfect immunity from disease.

It is very significant that there is not in this practical treatise any intimation that, in the event of sickness overtaking us, we are to resort to the physicians and apothecaries for aid. This is the more noteworthy in view of the fact that in the non-canonical (uninspired) "Wisdom Books," notably the Book of Wisdom, probably written between 217 B. C. and 40 A. D., and Ecclesiasticus, which was likely originated during the same period (which are accepted as canonical by the Roman Church, though they do not form part of the Hebrew canon of Scripture, and which, while we do not recognize them as scriptural, or inspired, are nevertheless valuable from an historical standpoint as showing what was actually taught and received amongst the Jews living at that time) we find people directed to resort to the physician in case of illness.

The author of the Book of Wisdom, speaking of the deliverance of the children of Israel at and after the Exodus, says: "For it was neither herb, nor mollifying plaster that healed them, but thy word, O Lord, which healeth all things" (Book of Wisdom 16:12), but he nevertheless goes on to teach the descendants of these very people who had been healed by the power of God and by that power alone, to resort to physicians in their illness, evidently because, owing to their apostasy and spiritual degeneracy, due in part to their long sojourn amongst heathen, to whom they were subject and with whom they intermarried, they had no longer faith in the true and living God as the Lord, their Healer.

The author of the book called Ecclesiasticus goes even further in this direction and says in part: "Honour the physician for the need thou hast of him . . . (chap. 38, verse 6). The Most High hath created medicines out of the earth, and a wise man will not abhor them. Was not bitter water made sweet with wood? The virtue of these things is come to the knowledge of men, and the Most High hath given knowledge to men that he may be honoured in his wonders. By these he shall cure and shall allay their pains, and of these the apothecary shall make sweet confections, and shall make up ointments of health, and of his works (the apothecary's) there shall be no end. Give a sweet savour, and a memorial of fine flour, and make a fat-offering, and then give place to the physician. For the Lord created him: and let him not depart from thee, for his works are necessary. For there is a time when thou must fall into their hands. He that sinneth in the sight of his Maker shall fall into the hands of the physician."

Compare these utterances with the Word of God

in the Book of Proverbs. For instance in the 4th chapter, verses 20 to 23, where we are commanded to keep the words of God before our eyes and ears, and hid away in our hearts—as David says, "Thy Word have I hid in my heart, that I might not sin against thee" (Psalm 119:11)—and promised that if we do this, it, the Word, will be health to all our flesh. Not much need for a doctor in that event, when every cell and tissue from the marrow of our bones to the scales of our epidermis is perfectly sound and healthy, is there?

What more excellent counsel could we find than that in Prov. 3:5-8, "Trust in the Lord with all thy heart; and lean not unto thine own understanding. In all thy ways acknowledge him, and he shall direct thy paths. Be not wise in thine own eyes: fear the Lord and depart from evil. It shall be health to thy navel, and marrow to thy bones."

Again, in Prov. 19:23, "The fear of the Lord tendeth to life; and he that hath it shall abide satisfied; he shall not be visited with evil."

But if these instructions found in the Apocryphal books are not in accordance with the Word of God, which plainly states that we were healed of all our diseases by the One Sacrifice of Himself which Jesus consummated for us on Calvary, in virtue of which God is, for all ages, the Healer of His people, how exactly they correspond to much of the teaching which is heard from the modern pulpit on the subject of sickness: "Sickness will come, flesh is heir to a thousand ills, but God in His goodness has given us doctors to cope with it, and we should employ them and thank God for them. 'Is any sick among you, let him call for the best doctor in town, and take whatever drug he prescribes, submit to whatever operative procedure he may suggest,'—you may, if you like call up your pastor on the phone and ask him to ask God to bless the means—and if you don't die you will recover."

Is that the way the Bible reads? No. "Is any sick among you? let him call for the elders of the church; and let them pray over him, anointing him with oil, in the name of the Lord, and the prayer of faith shall save the sick, and the Lord shall raise him up" (James 5:14). That's God's way, and it is as far above the human way with all its medical science, Pharmacopœias, X-rays, and all the rest, as the heavens are above the earth.

ADVERTISING THE GOSPEL

In China, an ignominious form of punishment is to fasten upon the criminal a heavy plank in which a hole has been cut to admit the head. Upon this plank a description of the crime is printed in large letters. The offender is turned into the street to wander in the presence of a jeering, hooting mob. Recently in one of the villages a man was seen walking slowly up and down the street bearing upon his neck this badge of shame. The curious crowds that pushed forward to learn his crime were silent through astonishment. Instead of reading upon the board the record of broken law, they saw sentences like this: "God is love." "Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and thou shalt be saved." This man was not ashamed of the Gospel. Longing to share with his countrymen the good news of salvation, he chose to wear the criminal's collar that the thronging crowds that should gaze upon it might thus read a message from the true God.—From the Foreign Field.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

Conducted by E. N. BELL

2065. "In that day, he which shall be upon the housetop . . . let him not come down, . . . he that is in the field, let him likewise not return back. . . . But woe to them that are with child." What do these mean?

About such language as you refer to is used in Luke 21:20-24. Jesus in this passage in Luke refers to the destruction of Jerusalem by the Roman General Titus in A. D. 70. The Christians in the city at that time took advantage of a brief cessation of hostilities, as directed by Christ, and fled out of the city to the mountains, and not one Christian perished in the overthrow of Jerusalem, as did the unbelieving Jews. The woe to the woman in a delicate condition is not a spiritual woe, but purely a physical matter. One in that condition would suffer great hardships in having to flee to the mountains without any of the comforts of civilization, and especially so to flee on foot to the mountains in winter time.

But in Matt. 24:16-26, and Luke 17:22-31, the final siege of Jerusalem in the Tribulation just before the coming of Christ is described. Because the same perils as were enacted in A. D. 70 are to be repeated with increased force in the last days, similar warnings are given. One in those days, in order to save his life, must lose it; that is, he must lose all the things in his house, his clothing and his goods dear to the flesh, and flee in order to save his bare life itself. The woe again to the woman is simply physical discomfort due to hardships. God always honors motherhood, and never pronounces any spiritual woe upon the true mother. But no matter how good mothers may be in that day in Israel, there will be physical woe unto them.

2066. Jesus said to Peter, "When thou art converted, strengthen thy brethren." When did Peter begin to strengthen his brethren?

He began to do this on the day of Pentecost, and continued it as long as he lived. The word "converted" simply means when Peter had "turned" from his denial of Christ. It is doubtful if Peter's faith ever completely failed, for Jesus said to him, "I have prayed for thee that thy faith fail not." His conduct badly failed, but he turned from this bad conduct to become a devout soldier of the cross. When the cock crew and Jesus looked at him, he went out at once and began to weep and repent. After the resurrection Jesus sent Peter a special message still recognizing him, though Peter had for a moment denied Him; and when the seven were fishing on the sea of Galilee and dined with the resurrected Christ on the seashore, Jesus restored him to his apostleship by telling him to "feed my sheep, feed my lambs." He was ready to start in on the job as soon as the Spirit of power and of testimony fell.

2067. In John 3:5, 6, speaking of the new birth, what Spirit does Jesus mean? Is it the Holy Spirit? I suppose there is only one Spirit, yet Rom. 8:9 speaks of the Spirit of God and the Spirit of Christ.

It is the Holy Spirit of which we are born, and this Spirit is called both the Spirit of God and the Spirit of Christ. There is, Paul says, "one Spirit" (Eph. 4:4), and this is the Holy Spirit, which, after all, is

a sevenfold Spirit, and in this sense is sometimes referred to as "the seven Spirits, the seven lamps of Fire burning before the throne, the seven eyes of the Lamb," etc. See Rev. 1:4; 4:5; 5:6. But where the spirit of Christ simply means a spirit of humility, etc., then this does not mean the personal Holy Spirit, but a transformation in the spirit of man wrought by the Holy Spirit, conforming the human spirit to Christ's nature.

2068. Please explain John 1:8 and John 20:23.

John 1:8 simply means that John the Baptizer was not the Light, not Christ, but that God simply sent the Baptizer to bear witness to Jesus as the Christ or the Son of God.

John 20:23 simply means that Christ gave the apostles discernment and authority through the Holy Ghost to be received on the day of Pentecost to discern who was "in the gall of bitterness and the bond of iniquity" (as they did in Acts 8:20-23; 13:8-10), and to retain the sins of such, to pronounce in the name and by the authority of the Lord that they are unforgiven, unpardoned, or even to be punished (as was the case in Acts 5:1-11 and 13:11), and to discern when there was true repentance, and faith and in such cases in the name of the Lord to declare such were forgiven of all their sins. This could be only as in the Spirit they got the mind of the Lord and acted not in human strength, but in the power of the Holy Spirit. Note the same power is granted to any Holy Ghost filled assembly or church which will act only in the Spirit of God. See Matt. 18:15-18. What a shame that in dealing with sinning members some assemblies get so out of the Spirit that they fail God, and, when such is the case, their decision is not the real decision of God. But when it is the real decision of God, then God backs it up from heaven.

2069. What is meant by, "Ye have not yet resisted unto blood" in Heb. 12:4?

It simply means ye have not resisted sin in the service of God to a point where sinners have retaliated on you by shedding your blood, or killing you, as they did Christ.

2070. What does "Peres" mean in Dan. 5:28? Is it an addition to the words on the wall as given before, or does it mean the same as "Upharsin"?

The words on the wall were all in the Chaldaic language. "Mene" means "numbered;" "tekel" means "weighed;" and "upharsin" means "and they divide." The "U" means "and," so "pharsin" is "they divide." Now "peres" is simply another form of the verb "pharsin." "Peres" means "divided." It is not an addition, simply a change of form and tense. But Daniel was not simply translating the words, he was interpreting their meaning as applied to Belshazzar. So "numbered" applied means "God hath numbered thy kingdom and finished it;" "weighed" becomes "Thou art weighed in the balances, and art found wanting;" while "divided" applied means, "Thy kingdom is divided, and given to the Medes and Persians." It is likely that the other wise men knew the literal meaning of the words, but could not interpret their application, could not tell to whom and what they applied, could not tell who was weighed or what was divided. It took the Spirit of God to explain to whom God meant them applied, and to tell what God had divided and what He was going to do with the pieces of the kingdom. Daniel was the only wise man that could get the mind of God through the Holy Spirit.

DEMONSTRATION

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In one of the revivals not long ago God was marvelously pouring down His Spirit. They had divine healing services every few days, and many had left the place "leaping and shouting and praising God." One young lad came into the tabernacle with a very woe-filled, downhearted appearance. As he saw many receiving glory and power, he began to edge his way to the platform where they anointed with oil and prayed over the sick. He mounted the steps and sat on a chair. They approached him and asked him his ailment, to which he replied, "I have a sick heart, and I want to be made happy, like those people." They prayed and God filled him with the Holy Spirit. Being a Roman Catholic, he went the next day to the priest and confessed all that had happened to him during the past twenty-four hours. The priest severely berated the lad for doing such a thing, and ended by saying, "That's all foolishness, don't ever go there again." "Well," came the reply, "It may be foolishness, but it's so good I'm going again."

Today there is a need for another Pentecost as never before! None can tell the number of hungry hearts that are anxiously longing for God to demonstrate His power these days. How many prayer rooms are filled with the groans, and wet with the tears of those who are praying for Him to come forth! There are Christians all over this land, who, when once they catch a glimpse of the real thing of Pentecost, will not mind being called "silly" or "foolish" as long as they get in touch with the Fountainhead of blessings. They, like Jesus, will despise the shame, and endure the cross, when they catch a glimpse of the One who made the way easy. Beloved, be clean, empty channels for the Spirit's use, so that outsiders will see Jesus only,—not you,—and be drawn into the most blessed experience in all this world—Pentecost—being filled with all the fullness of God.—A Friend from Calgary.

THE WILL OF GOD

When you begin to eat the words of God that tongue of yours is going to speak differently. It is going to express the words of Jesus Christ. Yes, it is going to be still when God says, "Be still." And when the Lord wants you to go and speak a word of encouragement to some lost soul it will be a ready tongue. To do God's will is to have His law in the midst of your bowels until you live the teachings of Jesus Christ. That is God's will concerning you, so we are without excuse.

Paul says in Eph. 1:9 that God hath "made known unto us the mystery of His will." And it is up to you to search His Word until you find what His will is. There is not a thing that comes up in your life but you can settle by the word of God. When you come to a place where you do not know what to do read the commandments of Jesus through and find out if you would break any of them by doing it.

We read in Acts 22:14 concerning Paul, "The God of our fathers hath chosen thee, that thou shouldest know his will." We are commanded in Eph. 5:17 to understand "what the will of the Lord is." The will of God has been revealed in His Word, consequently it is up to you to search the Word till you find it.

In Rom. 12:2 Paul tells us to "be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect will of God." And in 1 Thess. 4:3 we are told, "This is the will of God, even your sanctification, that ye should abstain from fornication."

Find what the will of the Lord is, get the words and eat them, as we are told in the Old Testament: "Thy words were found, and I did eat them" (Jer. 15:16).

The least thing that is God's will is more important for you to do than anything else. If it was God's will for you to stand in the middle of the street for an hour it would be more important for you to do that than for you to earn a million dollars. You will find you will never advance one inch with God till you do the thing that God has commanded you.

We must put God's will before money, before business, before our family, before our very life. People are putting this thing off and wondering why they do not get anywhere with God. If you have light that it is God's will for you to be filled with the Spirit, you will never advance with God till you obey His will. Some of you have light on water baptism and have been putting that off. Obey what God has told you.

The great secret of victory is taking delight in God's will. What is God's will for you? Is it for you to humble yourself, and repent? Is it God's will for you to be filled with the Holy Ghost? Is it to make restitution and ask somebody to forgive you? Whatever is the will of God for you, you ought to do it instead of shrinking from it.

Sinner, see the blessedness, and victory, and joy, and glory there is in doing the will of God. "I delight to do thy will, O my God: yea, thy law is in the midst of my bowels."

What victory and power it gave the Son of God to do the Father's will. And it will give you like victory and power.—Evangelist J. S. McConnell.

THE OFFICE OF ELEAZAR

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When I was a Methodist preacher God baptized me in the Holy Ghost, and when I was preaching to the people God began to work and some of the dear Methodists were laid out under the power. Somebody called me on the phone and wanted to know if we were running a blind pig at the church. She wanted to know what kind of booze we had that the people were getting drunk on. I said, "We have the new wine of the kingdom! Better come and have a drink!"

Jesus was evidently speaking of this dispensation when He said, "No man putteth new wine into old bottles; else the new wine will burst the bottles, and be spilled, and the bottles shall perish. But new wine must be put into new bottles; and both are preserved."

If you would be filled with the new wine you must first be made a new creature in Christ Jesus. If you are a new creature, a new creation, the Holy Spirit will give you both the wine and the oil; the wine to make you glad, to cause you to rejoice, and the oil to make your face shine, to illuminate your whole being, that the dark world in which you move may be illuminated by your presence and that men and women may be led by your life to glorify God.

FROM THE PENTECOSTAL VIEWPOINT

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Decadence and Declension Two weeks ago there appeared in the Evangel an article on declension by "A Pentecostal Observer." It was not calculated to make any of us shout, but rather to make us hang our heads with shame. It was written by a returned Pentecostal missionary, one of the most spiritual men we know, who for months has been writing to the editor of this paper expressing his sadness of heart at the condition of things that he sees, and at last, after being much in prayer, he wrote the article that we published. There are some that want smooth things prophesied to them. The serpent is smooth and we do not want things akin to him. We have no desire to see the sword of the Spirit wielded with its sheath on, or to put pads on the hammer of God's Word. We may be pricked to the heart by the sword, and brought to a real brokenness by the hammer, but a deep heart-searching and a fresh humbling will not do any harm. Or as an old saint put it, "Humble pie is very good fare for saints."

The Blessed Unoffended We are persuaded better things of our Pentecostal people than to believe that they will complain when a modern Jeremiah gives forth a Spirit-given lamentation that is on his heart. God has called us to be an unoffended as well as an inoffensive people, taking no offense at what is said to us and giving no offense by any fighting back spirit. "Give me sermons that make me squirm, and cause me to move to the altar to seek more of God," says one brother. "Don't give us what we want in the Evangel, give us what we need," writes another. And surely there is one thing we all need—to realize the necessity of our continually humbling ourselves under the hand of God. We are learning to welcome everything that aids us to a humbler condition of heart.

Conditions, Promises and Purposes We were living in a city at one time where there was a conference of preachers. Dr. J. H.

Jowett was to address them and he gave three messages that we will ever remember. His first talk was on "God's thought for His church." He ran through Christ's promises in the gospels, showed how the power of God was in manifestation in the Acts, and opened up the epistles to set forth what was God's present equipment for His church. "I find He has provided all kinds of wonderful things for His church," said the preacher. "Why, here is the speaking in unknown tongues and many other miraculous gifts." As he quoted the promise, "Verily, verily, I say unto you, he that believeth on Me, the works that I do shall he do also; and greater works than

these shall he do; because I go unto My Father," there was a grim silence and the atmosphere seemed dense with unbelief.

Man's Failure and Falsity On the second day the preacher talked on the present condition of the church. Our "Pentecostal Observer" had not a tenth part as doleful a picture as the one this prominent preacher portrayed. An objection was raised that the article in the Evangel did not show Pentecostal movement in a very good light and that as a result some might think less of us. But every honest person knows that things are far worse outside the Pentecostal movement. In many churches today there is not one hundredth part of one per cent of pure gospel preached; and as for worldliness, the dance, the card party and the weekly visit to the movies to get a lesson in practical sensuality from the devil's lewdest advocates of vice, are taken as a matter of course. Most modern churches have become mere social institutions and as Billy Sunday tersely puts it, "The less religion they have, the more oyster soup it takes to float it."

Stagnation and Sterility In Holiness circles, to judge from a new book from the pen of one of their most outspoken men—Arthur C. Zepp in *Modern Theses*—things are no better. He writes, "The leaders of Holiness churches and movements have cried loudly for the reformation of all other churches but the amazing thing is that they do not see their own deep need of reformation." And again, "Our reproach is spiritual barrenness."

The condition of the church of Christ today is sad indeed. Jowett, in his own eloquent way, pictured modern decadence and it was a wonder to us that every preacher who heard him did not prostrate himself in the dust and groan for very shame. Yes, it is very dark.

The Way Up and Out The third day Jowett preached on the remedy. His main suggestion was a return to Pentecostal experience, to a personal Baptism in the Holy Spirit. But instead of getting down and weeping and beseeching God for a return of Pentecost, that crowd of preachers went off to a big banquet and entertainment provided by the mayor of the city in honor of their visit. And some of us Pentecostal people who heard those mighty messages, and had a hard time to keep from shouting in a great, big respectable Congregational church, were left to meditate on the fine preaching and the little, if any, results therefrom. It was as a lovely song, and the song was drowned in the laughter of the banquet and in the applause given to the unsaved entertainers who entertained the preachers. And the preachers went home very much as they came.

Our Personal Responsibility But we dare not compare ourselves with others. We remember that when David was passing judgment on another the prophet pointed his finger at the guilty king and said, "Thou art the man." He whose eyes are as a flame of fire, who searches the reins and hearts, is dealing with us, and what are we going to do? Ezekiel saw the judgment of the sanctuary, and the man clothed in linen with the writer's inkhorn by his side, who at the instruction of the Lord went through the midst of Jerusalem and set a mark on the foreheads of those who sighed and cried for the abominations that were done in the midst thereof. And the judgment began, and the six men with slaughter weapons were instructed, "Go ye through the city and smite; let not your eye spare, neither have ye pity: slay utterly . . . but come not near any man upon whom is the mark; and begin at my sanctuary." And surely judgment is beginning at the house of God today. Here is a pointed question that each one of us should answer to our God, "Am I one of those who are singing and crying because of existing conditions of lukewarmness, apathy, sin and selfishness, or am I so taken up with that which is outward and external, and valueless in the light of eternity, that I am missing the real inwardness of the Lord's thought for His saints at this hour?"

Prayer Changes Things The promises are bright and, bless Him, there is no decadence in the faithfulness of our God. But just as Daniel fasted and prayed and inquired of God for the fulfilling of the Word in which he had been caused to hope, so must we in like manner humble ourselves and beseech our God for a fresh outpouring. We are sure that He would be inquired of to do this thing for us. One of the conditions spoken of in connection with the outpouring in Joel 2 is this, "Let the priests, the ministers of the Lord, weep between the porch and the altar, and let them say, spare Thy people, Oh Lord, and give not Thine inheritance to reproach." In another part of this issue is a suggestion for a day, or two days, of fasting and prayer. Let us pray believingly, trustingly, for the removal of the things that hinder and for the pouring out of God's Spirit upon all flesh. We do not have to wait until the two days suggested arrive, nor do we have to stop praying after they are over. The watchmen upon the walls should never hold their peace day nor night and those who make mention of the Lord should not keep silence but give Him no rest, till He establish and till He make Jerusalem—His heavenly Jerusalem—a praise in the earth.—S. H. F.

The most awful, living, reverend frame I ever felt or beheld, I must say, was his prayer. And truly it was a testimony. He knew and lived nearer to the Lord than other men; for they that know Him most WILL SEE MOST REASON TO APPROACH HIM WITH REVERENCE AND FEAR.—William Penn of George Fox.

HEALED OF DECAYED VERTEBRA

I had a decayed vertebra. After I had suffered a little over a week, such pain that I could hardly stand it, I was taken to the hospital, and remained there 11 weeks and 3 days. Sometimes there were five doctors in to see me, and none of them gave me any hope. I was completely paralyzed—could not get my hands to my face or move a finger. The only relief I could get was from having a 7½ pound weight hanging from my head, pulling the vertebrae apart. We had two specialists from Sioux City. They did not even turn me over; but they said that I could not live longer than two weeks. One of them has gone into eternity. He did not live long enough to see what God has done for me. After I had been in the hospital for a few weeks, three large sores came on my back, which the doctors called paralytic sores. One was so large and deep that the doctor said it would be necessary to graft skin on it. But I knew that the Lord could do it and trusted Him for new flesh. Praise His name, the sores are all healed up now.

After the doctors gave my wife no hope of my ever walking again, we obeyed James 5:14, 15, and had the Pentecostal people from Sioux City come and pray for me.

My bowels were paralyzed for five months, so that I had to have an enema every day. We went to Sister Etter's meeting at Ottumwa, and when she prayed for me the bowels were healed that night and have been ever since.

When I went to the hospital an X-ray picture of my neck was taken. It showed the decayed vertebra. A few months ago another picture was taken. The doctors said that it shows all new bone. I now am able to walk and carry two pails of water.

The doctor said this is about the sixth case of its kind in the United States that he knew of. We are giving God all the glory.—Fred H. Attrill, Akron, Iowa.

HEALED OF ASTHMA

My dear Saviour healed me of a severe case of asthma, after four or five months of intense suffering. About the first of the year my wife and son thought it best to call a physician, who diagnosed the disease to be asthma, and, of course prescribed a course of medical treatment, which I took for about one week. It did me no good whatever; in fact I really got worse instead of better. I concluded to throw away the medicine, pay the doctor off, and dispense with his services, and trust Jesus for the healing of my body. I wish to say however, in this connection, that since I had become identified with the Pentecostal people four years ago, I have been teaching and talking divine healing for the body, as well as the soul, through the shed blood of our Lord Jesus Christ. Thus it was most inconsistent for me to resort to the arm of flesh for healing. And then, too, it was as much as to say I did not believe the Bible, nor what I tried to make others believe. But praise the Lord, when I discovered my real self (after hav-

ing been right at death's door a number of times), then it was that I promised my heavenly Father, live or die, I would stand on the promises of Jesus for my restoration to health. Praise the Lord forever, for healing me so miraculously; for it really was a miracle in my case.

Many times the devil would bring upon my body symptoms—excruciating pains—that were worse than the disease; and at other times he would picture to my mind's eye that I would not stand it much longer and live without taking medicine, if I really expected to get well. But, bless the Lord, who forgiveth all our iniquities and healeth our diseases, I stood squarely on the promises of God which never yet have failed, and am now fully restored to my normal health again. I cannot preach the gospel, and believing my testimony might strengthen the faith of some one else for their healing by trusting in the Great Physician, Jesus, I take this way of testifying to the world what the Lord will do for those who will fully trust Him for all things.—Geo. D. Canon, Seattle, Wash.

A MARVEL OF GOD'S HEALING POWER

I was a nervous wreck, when Brother and Sister Clark came to Sherburne, to conduct a revival meeting, and had been given up as hopeless by many prominent physicians and pronounced incurable. I was unable to go about alone for fear of a nervous spell coming on me. Sometimes in these attacks it would take seven or eight people to hold me in bed.

For more than five years I had suffered with an inward goiter, which choked me almost constantly, night and day. I went to different physicians in various cities but to no avail. They told me I had more than twelve different diseases, some of which were nervousness, spinal trouble, and kidney, heart, liver, ovarian and stomach trouble, the worst they had ever treated, also displacement and inflammation of the womb. Indeed I was sick at the stomach almost continually.

Some testimonies of divine healing in the Clark meetings were put into my hand before they came, and I began to get faith for my healing, although this was entirely new to me. I fasted and prayed all day, Friday, which is Divine Healing Day in the Clark meetings, and was anointed and prayed for that night by Brother and Sister Clark, and God certainly did the work for me. My goiter, which before would draw in a painful manner, now does not bother me at all; it is gone; as I have no symptoms of it. My nervousness is gone and I am a new person; can work now; and before I was not able to do anything. Before I could not sleep; now I sleep, and am normal in other ways, where before I was not. Indeed, I am well and happy in the Lord, and saved, which is the best of all. My sins are all under the blood! Now I just want to do something for God who has done so much for me, and if the Lord opens the way for me I want to go to Bible School and train for His work.—Anna Lee Jackson.

HEALED OF VARICOSE VEINS

Up to about 2 years ago I never had been inside a Pentecostal Mission and had heard little about Divine healing, because I was not interested in it. But the Lord has a wonderful way of drawing His children and He opened my eyes.

At that time I was a resident of Dallas, Texas, and a Baptist. One evening I heard about Sister McPherson's being in Dallas holding meetings and of wonderful healings taking place. My mother-in-law went to hear her and saw that the Lord was healing in a wonderful way. So, as I was suffering with a complaint known as varicose veins, I was interested and determined to trust in the Lord for my healing too.

I had been told by my physician that my case was bad. I had to wear elastic stockings and had been wearing them 8 months and he said I would have to wear them 3 years or more and that he couldn't say if it would be safe to go without them even then.

The night before I went to hear Sister McPherson, I went alone and prayed asking the Lord to heal me and give me more faith. Well, praise His name, He healed me right there as soon as I took off the elastic stockings and promised to never put them on. He healed me without going to be prayed for.

I went to the meeting, walking about 5 blocks, and stood 2½ hours listening to the services and never had a pain in my limbs.

Before that time I couldn't walk across the room without pain. That was nearly 2 years ago and I am still well. I give him all the praise. But the best of all His wonders to me was the outpouring of His Holy Spirit in my life a few months ago. It was over a year after my healing that I went to hear my first Pentecostal sermon but God softened my heart and I went to His altar for forgiveness, and 3 months later He baptized me in the Holy Spirit and I am still pressing on and determined to live for Him until He calls me home.—Mrs. Stolz, 111 Clark St., Yoakum, Texas.

HEALED OF TUBERCULOSIS

I suffered for 13 years, being unable to do my work much of the time. I had several doctors, all of whom failed to do me any good. Finally the disease developed into tuberculosis, and the doctor told me that he could not cure me; that I could not be well again; that everything was against me. I told him that I was going to trust the Lord for my healing. He said that was all right if I could do it. I told him that I could do it; and, praise His name, in a short time He did heal me. Also, soon after that, He baptized me in the Holy Spirit. Since then He has given me wonderful visions and has shown me wonderful things in the Spirit. One vision was of His coming. I realized vividly what it will mean not to be ready when He comes. I am trying to do all I can to tell the people to get ready to meet Jesus. I ask for prayer that I may grow stronger so that I can do more for Jesus in this world of sin and help souls to find Him before it is too late.—Mrs. Maggie Pratt, Plainview, Ark.

REPORTS FROM THE FIELD

DAWES, W. VA.—Just closed a 16-days meeting at Pickshin, W. Va. The power of God was manifested in every service. Six were saved; 8 were baptized in water; 2 were healed; many are seeking the precious Holy Spirit. Great conviction on the people. Please pray for these hungry souls.—Evang. W. H. Sloan.

FESTUS, MO.—We are in a meeting here at Festus. No great stir yet, but there are some good folks here in the assembly, and the future looks more encouraging for the saints. They have a new house built. "The Church of God in Christ" have them a house also. And this Catholic city has two Pentecostal factors to reckon with from now on. Pray for us.—W. V. Kneisley.

HOLLY, COLO.—We are leaving this place after having been here five months. Thirty-nine have been saved, twenty-one have received the Holy Spirit and twenty have been baptized in water. A Sunday school has been organized and there is a nice band of Spirit-filled saints. Ministers of Colorado are invited to stop and help keep the good work going. All pray for this place, that God will send His shepherds by.—Evang. Ora. D. Hurley.

LINEVILLE, IOWA—Thank God we are still living in the days of the outpouring of the Holy Spirit. In Lineville, Acts 3:19 is being proven true. Souls are getting saved and filled with the Spirit; both in our afternoon and evening meetings. One night the power fell so mightily that the "priests could not minister." Pray for us. "He is the same, yesterday, today, and forever.—A. A. Eisele.

DAVENPORT, OKLA.—We just closed a five-weeks meeting in which the saints were blessed by hearing some of the most wonderful sermons on the coming of the Antichrist and the signs of his coming which has put new zeal into our lives and interest for souls—those that are unsaved as well as for each other. Brother W. H. Hurley was the one through whom God spoke to us. There were some wonderful appeals made to men and women to repent and get right with God by both Brother Hurley and also Brother Alonzo Horn. While there were none saved, yet there has been much good seed sown which may spring up later to the glory of God. It was just the kind of seed we need much. We are truly glad Brother Hurley came this way. We need a pastor greatly. We are praying God will open the way that we may be able to support one. We have a church house on which we owe some and as we are all poor, financially, we are really not able to support a pastor alone; but if God sends us evangelists or pastor to preach to us, we will do all we can to support and help to spread Pentecost.—F. W. Pryor, Box 74.

POTEAU, OKLA.—(Polk Creek Assembly)—The last ten days have been times of real refreshing. Pastor F. Romines has been with us. There was much interest shown. We are sure the Word preached has found its way into good ground and will bring forth fruit. The Word was preached with much earnestness and under the anointing of the Spirit. The Assembly was greatly blessed by this visit and we are determined to press the battle till Jesus comes. Pray for us.—Robert Coggins.

EDOM, TEXAS—We have just closed a week's meeting here with the approval of God upon it. It was wonderful to see them coming to the altar crying out to God. Some were reclaimed, and some received the Baptism according to Acts. The Lord blessed the Word as Brother Sharp brought it forth. There is perfect unity and love in the assembly, for which we are glad. The meeting closed with several in the altar. I would be glad to hear from some evangelist soon for the meeting in the summer. We welcome all who are in line with the Council to stop off with us.—Pastor J. W. Gary.

MORRISTOWN, N. J.—April 12 to 15 we held special meetings in commemoration of our second anniversary in this hall. And every night God gave us souls. One day we had an all-day meeting. One sister was saved in the afternoon and at the evening meeting five young men were seeking the Lord. Our Brother Olsen, who has been with us some time stirred the people with his singing and playing on the guitar. Brother Starner, who came along to help, delivered a wonderful message which touched the hearts of the five young men. They tell me that the days of miracles are past; but I know that Jesus is the same, yesterday, today, and forever.—Wm. Ross Struble, treasurer of the assembly.

GRANITE CITY, ILL.—At the close of their great meeting at Alton, the Argue evangelistic trio, of Winnipeg, Canada came down and held a revival for us which lasted one week. This is their third revival with us in the last eighteen months. The crowds were so great that there was not standing room at some of the services. Old-time Pentecostal power rested upon us from the first service. About 12 souls were baptized in the Spirit and more than that number were saved. Also the souls of the saints were refreshed from the presence of the Lord in a very precious way. The music rendered by Watson and Zelma was a blessed feature of the meetings, and left a good impression upon the people generally. The last night of the meetings, we made an urgent appeal to them to return for a longer campaign next October.—C. M. O'Guinn, Pastor.

A. L. STROTHKAMP WITH THE LORD

The Springfield papers for April 16 contained an item of special interest to Pentecostal readers. It is reported that Brother A. L. Strothkamp, pastor of the Assembly of God at Bourbon, Mo., while passing over the Frisco Railroad in a truck, was struck by a fast train and hurled twenty yards to his death. This will be a great shock to the many who knew Brother Strothkamp. He was a very humble, sweet-spirited man of God, and has been used of the Lord to do quite a work in the neighborhood of Eminence, Mo. He was of the rugged pioneer type of preacher and did not hesitate to endure hardship in his zeal to carry the Gospel into new fields. He was located at Bourbon endeavouring to open a work there for the Lord. He leaves a wife and nine children. Inasmuch as the work at Bourbon is just in its infancy, we do not believe that his family were well provided for, and possibly there are some who would like to communicate with the widow. She can be addressed as follows: Mrs. A. L. Strothkamp, Bourbon, Mo.

BROOKLYN, N. Y.—The saints at Lighthouse Assembly, 1244 Myrtle Ave., are magnifying the Lord for another touch of His healing hand in our midst. For two weeks the child of Mr. and Mrs. A. Abrams of Lynbrook, L. I. had been ailing. In order to know what was the trouble, they consulted a physician, who pronounced it an abscess on the neck. From feeling it appeared to be about the size of an egg. He was anointed and prayed for by the pastor and elders and the following morning was healed. The mother arose in the service the following Sunday and told how she looked at him the next morning, and the abscess had broken and the lump entirely disappeared. She told, too, that he had gained two pounds in weight that week, which was a further evidence of his healing, as he had not been doing so well before. The doctor who had made the examination arose in the same service and testified to the fact that it was clearly the work of God as, from a medical standpoint, the abscess would not have broken for two weeks. In these days of pressure we might well take heed to the further part of the mother's testimony—Before ever she had given her heart to Jesus she said that if ever she did go in for God, she would do so with her whole heart and go all the way, there would be no half way with her. The trials have been many but she, with her husband, stands wholly on the promises of God and He has been their Healer for the whole family, six in all. Truly He faileth never. They that put their trust in Him shall not be confounded. Praise His name. At our last business meeting the Board had the pleasure of extending their hearty congratulations to their pastor Brother V. G. Gortner, upon his marriage to Miss Alice Hagstrom of Glen Cove. The Lord bless this union, and make them a blessing as they minister in our midst.—S. Schloss.

EASTER CAMPAIGN, WOOD-WORTH-ETTER TABERNACLE, INDIANAPOLIS

Our Easter Campaign, held from March 24 to April 9, has just closed, and we praise God for good weather and the blessings we received at each meeting. Brother Peterson, of Chicago, was with us and assisted in the meetings. He delivered some powerful messages in the Spirit, and many souls came forward and gave their hearts to God. His teaching of the Word was a great blessing to the saints.

The power of God fell in every meeting and many messages were given in the Spirit concerning the near coming of the Lord. Surely these are the days when God is pouring out His Spirit as in Joel 3:28.

Mrs. Etter prayed for many, and many were healed. One young lady testified to being healed of St. Vitus' dance in the first meeting. A young man was healed of mental trouble and other afflictions that he received during the world-war. A woman of Strang, Okla. was healed of paralysis of arm one night when the power of God came down in the meeting. A young woman of 24 years of age, possessed of an evil spirit from childhood, causing her to be nearly insane, was delivered, saved and was seeking the Baptism when she left for her home in Chicago. A woman was cured of gall-stones, and a minister had his voice restored. These are but a few of the wonderful things the Lord did in these meetings. Mrs. Etter was present in most of the meetings and in addition to ministering to the sick and the afflicted, gave some interesting talks. Her next meeting will be in Cincinnati, Ohio, from May 5 to 20. Sept. 1 to 20 she is to hold meetings in Elbridge, Tenn. During July we expect to hold meetings in a tent pitched near Tabernacle, the date of which will be given later. We are looking forward to a mighty revival.—Helen V. Gorton, Sec'y.

SHERBURN, MINN.—God sent Brother Willard H. Pope to us last fall and when the people of this town heard he intended to hold a revival meeting, everybody made light of it and said it was an impossibility to have a revival in Sherburn, for it had been tried so many times and failed. We rented the Methodist church building that had been empty for over two years. It will hold about 400 people. Many times that building has been filled to overflowing. We had 8 weeks of revival and over 100 converts. At the end of the revival Brother Pope organized a church—The Assembly of God. He now is our pastor and we now have a live strong Assembly. Several of the business men were converted and joined with us. Also the editor of our local paper, is now with us, a very earnest worker. Oh the hungry hearts, how they flock in to hear the full gospel, and they are still coming for miles around.

We have nine towns surrounding Sherburn, not any over 15 miles from Sherburn. Doors are open in each one of these towns, and they are calling for

Brother Pope to come and give them a meeting. By the aid of Miss Baldwin of Minneapolis as choir leader, we have a fine choir of about twenty-five, and with this choir Brother Pope expects to make some one of these towns every Sunday afternoon and one night out of each week. He has already been to some of these places and they are calling for him to come back.—Mrs. C. S. Pirrine.

GRACEMONT, OKLA.—Just closed a meeting 3 miles southeast of town in which 26 received the Holy Spirit Baptism as in Acts 2:4. I don't know the exact number that were saved, but it was a large number, and among them the school teacher, one of the nicest young ladies in the county. We surely praise God for her, with the many others. She also spake in tongues as in Acts 2:4; and 10:44-47. The entire Free Methodist church with the exception of 5 or 6 received the Baptism and spoke in other tongues, including the pastor's wife and one son. This makes an addition of over a hundred in all to the assembly. Pentecost is fast winning the people for God in this part. I conducted chapel for the High School this morning. The principal and teachers all seemed to be highly pleased and wanted me to come back. The text used was Eph. 6:1-3, "Children, obey your parents in the Lord; for this is right. Honor thy father and mother which is the first commandment with promise." Here is the promise, "That it may be well with thee, and thou mayest live long on the earth."

We have also just completed a large new church, one of the nicest in town. The business men all donated freely to the building. God surely is in our midst. Many wonderful cases of sickness God has healed. We stand strictly for the Council and its teaching. Will have the state camp 9 miles from here at the county seat, Anardko. Brother Bell has promised to be with us. Notice the Evangel for the announcement. Any one intending to visit the assembly, first write the pastor in charge, and wait for reply; otherwise you may get disappointed.—Pastor J. G. Chamless, Gracemont, Okla.

NEW BOOKLET

We wish to announce the publication of our new Campaign Booklet, containing pictures and stories of our evangelistic campaigns throughout Canada and the United States: "What Meaneth This?" By Z. E. A. Personal Experiences and Campaigns of the ARGUE EVANGELISTIC TRIO. Price 50 cents. By mail 55 cents. The Argue Evangelistic Trio, Address 2616 Walnut St., Alton, Ill. Mark envelope, "For Booklet."

HEALED WHILE READING THE EVANGEL

I was healed of a very bad kidney trouble through reading in the Evangel a piece on divine healing. I shall never cease to give God the honor and glory for it.—A sister in Christ Jesus. (Our sister sent her full name and address but prefers to be anonymous.)

A GOOD EVANGELISTIC REPORT

SOUTH CANESTO, N. Y.—We praise God for the way He worked here in the M. E. church. We held a two-weeks meeting with the pastor and his people, and more than 40 souls were saved. The whole church came to the altar with their pastor to definitely seek the Baptism in the Holy Spirit on the last Sunday of the campaign.

HORNELL, N. Y.—God has a precious company of saints here where Brother Spencer is pastor. We held a short campaign with this assembly which resulted in several being baptized in the Spirit and others saved. We held parlor meetings among the Baptist people during this campaign and believe the Lord blessed the seed sown.

BINGHAMTON, N. Y.—Brother Kellner is pastor of this assembly and God has greatly blessed his efforts in this city. We were with him for two weeks and the Lord worked in His own wonderful way. The papers gave much space and publicity to the meetings. We received letters from many people who lived in distant parts and were unable to get to the services, but God blessed the printed message to their souls.

SPRINGFIELD, MO.—We closed a three-weeks campaign here on the 18 of March. Brother Peirce with his choir from the Central Bible school were of great help through the entire campaign. We held two cottage prayer meetings a day during the campaign and several received the Baptism in the Spirit at these services. God blessed in the salvation of souls and quickening of believers. God has a precious company of earnest saints here and the work is going.

Mae Eleanor Frey.

ROCKY FORD, COLO.—We are moving on to certain victory. Praise the Lord! Brother Clark, who re-opened the work here last fall, gave a report of the revival at the time we accepted the pastorate. Since taking the oversight of the Rocky Ford work in February, 13 have been saved and 9 have received the Baptism in the Holy Spirit at our regular meetings. Many have asked for prayer. We have seated the hall with nice new seats and enlarged the platform to seat 40 singers. Our service Sunday morning was a glorious victory. The Lord's Supper, then feet-washing, was observed amid shouting and songs of praise. Then a divine healing service, during which many were prayed for. Then came the dedication service for infants and little children,—many weeping for joy as the long line of waiting children were blessed and consecrated to God. Maxie A. X. Clark is with us for a few days and we are looking to God for greater things. We are planning for a big camp meeting this summer for southern Colorado and surrounding states. Fuller details will be given later. Good singers, musicians and evangelists who are interested might write us in advance.—W. R. Nichols, pastor.

MISSIONARY DEPARTMENT

All offerings for Foreign Missions and for expense of conducting the Missionary Department, should be sent by Check, Draft, Express or Postal Money Order, made payable to J. Roswell Flower, Treasurer, 336 West Pacific Street, Springfield, Mo., U. S. A.

PROVING THE LORD FOR MAY

This month we have a good opportunity to prove the Lord to see what He will do with our missionary offerings. The records of the Missionary Treasurer show that for the past four years, when the month of May rolled around, many of us seemed to have forgotten the missionaries and there has been a consequent decrease in offerings of from one thousand to six thousand dollars. The six thousand dollar drop came in May of 1921.

But we do not want to see a drop in missionary giving this year in the month of May or any other month, and so we are praying much and asking all the Evangel readers to pray with us that missionary giving will hold up and even increase. Will you join with us to this end? We will look to the Lord together and will see what He will do for us.

J. Roswell Flower, Treas.

LATEST WORD FROM THE CONGO

Brother Joseph K. Blakeney writes: "We are all well at this writing and as busy as ever. God is working and we are still praying for a real wave of power to fall upon these poor people. We are in great need of workers. We need missionaries, carpenters, masons, bricklayers, farmers and teachers. In fact we will be glad for any who are led to come and who are endorsed by the Council.

"Our hearts ache when we realize that there are about 200,000 people within easy reach and there is no one to give them the Word. They are of different tribes than the ones we are working in, and hence have different languages. We are doing our best, but three languages, Bangalla, French and Mamvu, are taking up our time so that we are unable to reach others only in an indirect way. Pray with us for more workers.

"We need missionary helpers. I also need a stenographer, either a brother or sister, as I get so little time to do the necessary official correspondence, and I have many unanswered letters for I simply cannot get the time to write. Please ask the dear saints to forgive my seeming neglect and get them to pray for more workers."

A REQUEST FOR PRAYER

Fred and Lillian Merian write from Lakhimpur, India. "At present Brother Cox is out on tour and reports that God is working in the distant villages. We were in hopes of being on tour with the others, but we were unable to buy tents and so had to remain here for the cold season. Brother and Sister Mahaffey have been with us for a few weeks and God has blessed us here. Most every

day some new faces are seen in our Hindustani meeting as our house is on the road which travelers must take from distant villages into this town. Many have heard and some have said, 'This is a happy house.' They love to hear the 'Bhajans' (song in Hindustani melody). Pray that the Spirit will make the Word life to those that hear. I am glad to report that my wife and little daughter Hope and I are all well."

DIVINE HEALING MEETINGS AT MANKAPUR

Walter H. Clifford writes from Mankapur, India, "You will be glad to know that we are enjoying the Lord's blessing and presence in the work here and souls are being helped and are coming to a knowledge of their need of a Saviour. The attendance at the Divine Healing service is on the increase, people coming over twenty miles to attend service. We have had two precious meetings at Gonda, among the railway people there (Anglo-Indians) this month, a number coming forward to the altar at the close of each service, some for healing and for a deeper life of consecration. Will you not pray that as we give out the Word in this place some will be willing to go all the way with Jesus?"

SEVERAL RECEIVE BAPTISM IN ALASKA

C. C. Personous and family have returned home for a furlough from Alaska. Enroute, they wrote us as follows: "We were in Juneau a little over a week and had a precious time with the saints. Mrs. Krogh, who is in charge of the mission, received her Baptism about three weeks ago in her own home. She was putting away her dishes when she was attacked with lumbago and could hardly straighten up. So she sent for the saints to pray for her. Then she took her Bible and said to the Lord, 'In the days of the apostles they prayed over handkerchiefs and laid them on the sick and they were healed.' Then she laid her Bible on her back and began to praise the Lord, and then began to speak in other tongues. Praise the Lord! There have been four Baptisms since the meeting last Fall and the Lord is blessing in a wonderful way. The young people have started meetings of their own with a young lady who has just received the Baptism and call to India taking the leadership."

Christian Beckdahl and wife announce their safe arrival in New York City. Their address at present is in care of Miss Marcussen, 324 West 87th St., New York City.

A CHINESE FUNERAL

Miss Anna Ziese writes from China: "Since Christmas I have been to the outstations and have seen and heard of so much sorrow that my heart still aches, and a greater burden for lost souls has rolled upon me. One day we went into the home of a very rich family. Although the husband had died over a year ago he had not been buried. He was lying in a most beautiful coffin which had cost two hundred Chinese dollars, and before this coffin were standing four servants made out of paper, placed there to serve him. There was also a table set with good things to eat, even wine. As I stood there and looked upon all this and saw the widow who was so very sad I thought of the soul who had died in darkness and misery and a feeling came over me which is hard to describe. A cry went up that many of these poor souls may accept Jesus and find pardon in Him.

"I might say here that these expensive coffins are made so that no odor can escape and some of the rich people keep their dead for two or three years, but the poorest classes bury their dead in a few days. The little babies are not buried at all, but are thrown out into the fields where the dogs and cats can eat them. It is believed that in this way their souls will soon come back again.

"The Chinese have been celebrating the New Year, and the streets were crowded with people. We took the opportunity to sell Gospels and on one day sold over 50, the next 78, the third 120, and the fourth 271 Gospels. In addition we gave out a lot of tracts. We came home rejoicing and praising the Lord for the opportunity of sowing the seed, and we have the promise that His Word shall not return to Him void. Please pray much for us as the pressure is great at times."

THE BUBONIC PLAGUE IN INDIA

Miss Bessie D. Gager writes from Basti, India: "I want to tell you that the message of life is being given out daily to weary sin-sick souls in this District. But it is a very sad time among the people for the Bubonic plague is very bad this year and in Basti alone 374 deaths have been reported and no doubt there have been many which have not been reported. I am glad these days that it is 'under His shadow that we live among the heathen.' His promise that 'no plague shall come nigh thy dwelling' means much with awful plagues of small pox and Bubonic at our very doors in nearby villages."

Miss Bella Militscher writes from South China. "A week ago nine of our Christians followed the Lord in baptism. We need to pray that God will use them in His service. Just recently we had two weeks of special meetings and the Lord gave us some souls and enriched our own souls. I believe only eternity will tell of what was accomplished. The Lord is also blessing in the Sunday school. I have a large class to teach and am believing God to save each one of my children."

THE GIRL'S SCHOOL AT BETTIAH, INDIA

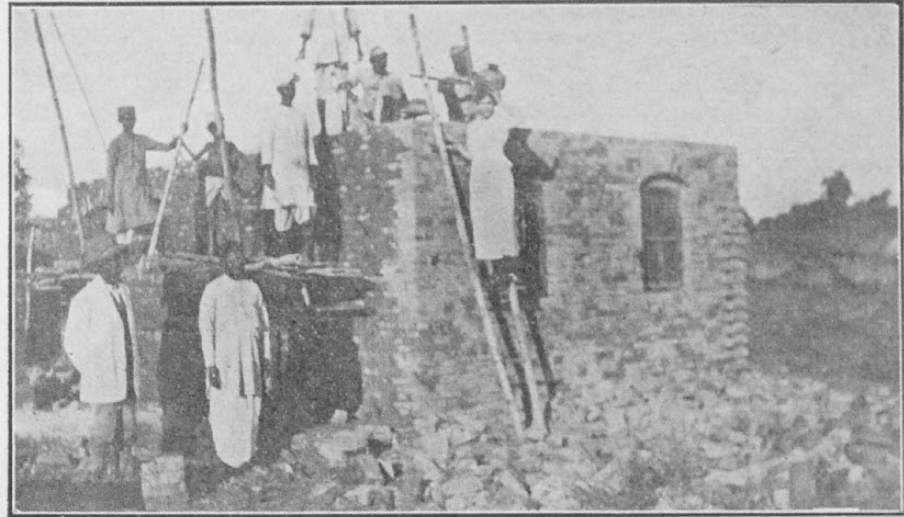
For some time the missionaries in India have keenly realized their solemn duty toward the boys and girls entrusted to them. Because we had no Pentecostal schools these boys and girls have been sent to denominational schools for training, and sometimes results have been disastrous. The influence in these schools was all contrary to Pentecostal teaching, and when many of the boys and girls came back from school it was found that they were spoiled for the work for which they had been trained. The need of a school for boys and also for girls where they may be taught the sound doctrines of the Word of God and trained for Jesus in the hope that many of them will become our future Pentecostal Bible women and evangelists was imperative. Something must be done, and so the missionaries decided to make every possible sacrifice in order to have schools for their Indian children.

The missionaries finally agreed that they would ask Miss Jennie Kirkland and her co-workers at Bettiah to take the responsibility of building the school for girls. Miss Kirkland and Miss Flint, after much prayer to ascertain the will of God, finally agreed to undertake the task. The school for girls seemed to be the most pressing need and so it was decided to build this school first and later on to build the school for boys.

A large plot of land has been purchased by the missionaries at Bettiah which is held for God by the North India District Council of the Assemblies of God. Some of the buildings needed for the school have already been completed and two others are now under construction. The accompanying photograph shows Miss Jennie Kirkland overseeing the erection of one of these buildings. The missionaries are leaving their own houses until the last. They also need a seven room house for the older girls, a house for the teachers, a cook house, and a well. They also need a native chapel which will serve for a school as well as church. These buildings are all a necessity before the orphans and children of Christian parents can be placed under deeper spiritual training.

There is a strong desire on the part of all the missionaries in India that the school shall be opened not later than October of this year. This will necessitate the erection of all buildings and the covering of same with tin roofs before the Monsoons (rainy season) which break about the middle of June. The buildings can be completed during the rains and the school can be opened by October first.

Perhaps you know a little of what a girl's life is without Christ in India. Can you close your eyes and imagine for a moment your own girl born in dark India and living outside of a Christian home influence? India's blighted womanhood has long touched hearts in every Christian land, and as we come in vital touch with its realities we feel even more keenly the need of a place to protect those who are snatched from Satan's strongholds.



Miss Kirkland superintending the construction of one of the buildings for the Girls' School, India

The work is large and the need is great. The women who are struggling with the building of the school are frail, but they are valiantly sacrificing all for God. We must help them all we can. The missionary Treasurer has already forwarded some funds but they are entirely inadequate to meet the need. He will be more than glad to forward on to India any offerings which may be sent for the erection of the school building. Above all pray much for these sisters who have this work in hand.

GEORGE KELLEY LEAVES FOR HOME

Geo. M. Kelley writes from South China, "The Lord willing we will be leaving here April 19 for Seattle, Wash. Our leaving is causing many changes to be made here in the work in South China. The native workers are all being changed, and the work in general is being affected. The need is so very great that we trust you will have the time to make special mention to the Lord of this work in your prayers.

"Among the nine converts we baptized on March 10th was a young man who had been a hard drinker. He drank about six pounds of wine a day. Since his conversion he has been saved from smoking and drinking. He is a business man who works in a store with three other business men. The Lord is blessing the men in the store. Their motto is 'Every clerk a Christian and every Christian a teetotalist and antitobacconist.' There is only one more of the prominent men to be converted, and he has already expressed himself as being convinced of the truth. This is the biggest business of its kind in the city, where these men are Christian. This speaks well for the managers of the business. It is the first Christian business of any worth in this city and we do praise God for it. In this store they have religious services which are conducted after the order of the services in the Chapel. Thank the Lord for what He is doing in Sainam."

LOCATES AT RUPAIDIHA

Miss Hattie Hacker writes from India: "I was at the convention in Bahraich when your letter came. The Lord was with us and while, in the forepart of the business session, there were some stormy scenes, the Lord did bless and the last day, Sunday, was a wonderful day long to be remembered by all who are there. There is a real unity, I believe, prevailing among the majority of missionaries, and I do praise the Lord for it, and ask that you may all pray that the Lord will continue to have His way and unite us more and more until He can send us a revival among the Indians which our hearts so long to see.

"The Lord has spoken to me to go back to Rupaidiha. It would have been much easier to have gone to some other place, but I am asking the Lord for His sweet will for I cannot afford to be out of His will. Oh, how I do need your prayers."

THE MISSIONARY CONFERENCE IN SPRINGFIELD, MO.

At the time of this issue of the Evangel going to press the Missionary Conference in Springfield is in full swing, and the blessing of God is resting upon every service.

The workers present are Brother D. W. Kerr, Presiding; Brother Ernest Williams, pastor Highway Mission Tabernacle, Philadelphia, evangelist; W. C. Peirce, chorus leader, Brother and Sister Shakley from Sierra Leone, West Africa; Miss Marguerite Flint, India; Miss Lavada R. Leonard, South China; Miss Myrtle Bailey, South China; Sister Juergensen and daughter Agnes, Japan; Brother and Sister Thorkildsen from the Yukon Territory and British Columbia. Each day is crammed full of good things, and best of all, the anointing of the Spirit is resting upon workers and people in a most precious way. Monday night, the saints had such blessing that they broke out in the heavenly chorus, followed by a message in tongues with interpretation. All agree that it is good to be here at the conference.

FRESNO'S GREAT REVIVAL

With one thought in mind, and that to glorify God and to encourage everyone who shall read these lines, I give a partial report of the wonderful work that God has done in Fresno, especially since the great McPherson campaign in this city in the month of January, 1922. I will quote this passage of Scripture so familiar to all, "A good report maketh the bones fat," and hope that hearts will be enriched as they read what God hath wrought.

Eight years previous to the campaign referred to above, the writer came to Fresno, unknown and uninvited. There was no work established in this city at that time, and only a very few saints. Cottage meetings were begun and a foundation laid, which foundation is prayer. In a few months time a tent was erected and kept up for twelve months in the same place. Some blessing attended this meeting in the salvation of a few souls and several miraculous healings. Our hearts were encouraged from time to time by some marvelous answer to prayer, but the great burden of our heart was for a mighty outpouring of the Spirit and a wonderful ingathering of souls. Weeks dragged into months and months into years before the real desire of our heart came. A good evangelist was out of the question as it was impossible for us, so few in number, to finance a campaign. Having nothing but a tent we did not invite anyone here. After three years in a tent, winter and summer, by a great sacrifice on the part of the few struggling saints enough money was raised to buy lots and erect a small building to seat two hundred people. We still kept on with our prayer meetings afternoons, evenings and at all times, almost praying without ceasing that God would send us a great revival. After five years of struggles known to but very few, our hearts were greatly encouraged one morning as we read a glowing report in the Evangel of a little woman, Mrs. McPherson, who was being used of the Lord in a marvelous way. We wrote to her and personally visited her, all to no avail in obtaining her for Fresno. We then resorted to the means that never fails and began to pray for God to send her to Fresno. Time passed rapidly on, when one day the report came that Mrs. McPherson would open a campaign in Fresno on January 7, 1922, in the City Auditorium.

Not knowing what the result would be, we made no preparation, but entered into the campaign to work for the glory of God and the salvation of souls. The days of the campaign sped quickly by and at last the lights were turned out and the doors were closed. What would the result be? was the great question in our mind. Of course we had been hoping that we might get forty or fifty souls from this campaign and thus pack our little church to its doors. But, on opening our revival services the next night after Mrs. McPherson left, we found our house would not begin to hold the crowds that came. We immediately proposed an enlargement. Quickly the money was raised in cash and pledges and in a few

days happy, willing hearts and busy hands were at work enlarging the building to seat 500. This was completed in a very short time, and, to our amazement, we found that it still would not hold the crowds that came.

All of this time that the building was going on, the revival was going on, night after night, week in and week out, month in and month out. Souls were being saved, healed and baptized with the Holy Spirit. Again the cry came, "More room is needed." The enlarging was commenced again and now this has been completed. Our fifth great baptismal service was the opening service on Easter Sunday for the great auditorium that now seats 900. Almost 800 witnessed 59 buried with the Lord in baptism. Since the great campaign in January, 1922, nearly 400 have been saved, 322 baptized in water, over 300 have received the Baptism in the Holy Spirit, and 608 have united with the church. There have been healings of all descriptions, including paralysis, consumption, pneumonia, kidney trouble and almost all maladies known to the human race. No evangelist has been here in the church since Sister McPherson's campaign, and the work still goes on, and the altar is crowded night after night in the regular services. Dear heart, this is just one of the great proofs that God hears and answers prayer. Our regular attendance now is over 600. Surely the Lord hath done great things for us whereof we are glad.—William E. Opie, pastor Bethel Church, Fresno, Calif.

DETROIT MICH.—The Lord is very graciously blessing the work at Berea Tabernacle, of which Elder J. R. Kline is pastor. Last Saturday evening the first baptismal service ever held in the new church took place. Fourteen happy converts obeyed their Lord, and were made to rejoice with joy unspeakable and full of glory as they were buried with Him in baptism and raised again to walk with Him in newness of life. "Ten dollar day" has become quite an institution at Berea the proceeds having been in the past used for the new building fund. It seemed good in the sight of God, however, that the April fifteenth "ten dollar" offering should go to foreign missionary work. Amid great rejoicing the sum of \$1014.81 was laid that day on the altar as the saints marched around the church singing His praises. Hallelujah! The writer is in the midst of a three-weeks special meeting at Berea, and is glad to report victory through the precious blood. Praise the Lord forever.—William Lambert Brant.

DAILY COMMUNION CALENDAR

Brother Walter H. Harris, 76 Broadway, Rochester, N. Y., has gotten out a "Daily Communion Calendar." This consists of 12 booklets, one to be published each month. There is a page for each day with helpful prayer suggestions. The price of the same is 10 cents per month or \$1.00 per year. Please order from Brother Harris and not from us.

PRESS FUND CLOSED

We want to thank all those who have so generously donated for the funds for our new press. The new press is now installed and the Evangel is printed on the same, and some are already expressing their appreciation of the change in the appearance of the paper. We have also our new linotype machine in operation and it is doing splendid work. Also a new folding machine that folds more tracts in an hour than a quick girl can fold in 16 hours. We praise the Lord that we have been enabled to pay for all this new equipment.

One of our greatest handicaps at this time is lack of room, but we are going ahead in faith and extending the Publishing House. The foundations are already dug for this addition.

The most important thing in sight at the present time is the building of the Bible School in Springfield and we desire to divert all funds to this building. So we are closing the press fund and will, with the consent of the donors, divert any offerings that might come in for the new equipment toward the building of the Bible School. We know that this Bible School will mean much for the Pentecostal movement and shall be glad if all our friends can take the same upon their hearts. Below we print a list of contributors for the new press and other equipment received from March 29 to April 20 inclusive.

Previously reported	\$6,829.26
\$10.00: S. M., Spokane; M. A. P., Truman.	
5.50: Mrs. H. L. C., Oakland.	
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Total	\$6,916.48

WETUMKA, OKLA.—The saints here wish to say that God is wonderfully blessing, convicting sinners, and baptizing in the Holy Ghost. We ask the prayers of God's children that we may stay in the center of His sweet will. We invite the saints to stop with us, when passing through this place.—C. H. Wells, Box 123.

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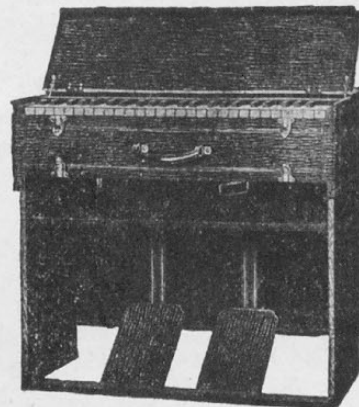
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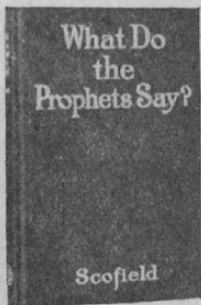
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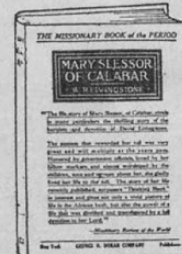
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