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The Power of the Blood



ND they overcame him (the devil) by the blood of the Lamb, and by the word of their testimony; and they loved not their lives unto the death" (Rev. 12:11). There is victory through the blood of the Lamb over all the power of the enemy. It is more than enough to insure victory over the very seat of Satan, the hotbed of hell, the hatching places of all the diabolical plots against God and His anointed. The Lord is able to bring the counsel of the wicked to nought. Why? Because He has spoiled the principalities and powers of darkness, and made a show of them openly, triumphing over them.

We know so little of the value of the blood of the Lamb. We speak of its value on the earth in the cleansing of man. But it goes further and beyond that: it undoes the very source of all evil. If the fountain-head, the source, is stopped, you may expect that soon the river will dry up.

The Son of man has had a mighty conflict with the forces of evil, so mighty that the enemy caused His blood to be shed—the very blood of the God-man, the Son of God—the blood of Him by whom all things were created and by whom all things consist. This very One, SLAIN by a power created by God, and who owes his creation to God! What has the attitude of the enemy ever been? "This is the heir: come, let us kill him, that the inheritance may be ours." There you have the enemy's plan. And he succeeded in killing the Heir. But he never got the inheritance. And by that act he lost his own.

The word of God's promise was, "I will put enmity between thee and the woman, and between thy seed and her seed; it shall bruise thy head, and thou shalt bruise his heel." We are living in the heel period, the time of the bruised heel. But it is the part of the body that has the least feeling. The Lord says to His own, "He that toucheth you toucheth the apple of His eye" (Zech. 2:8). And thus He protects His own. The enemy is limited where he can attack.

Yes, the enemy caused the blood of the Son of God, the Son of man, to be shed. And Satan thought he had finished the Son's work. "Roll on the stone! Put on the seal! Get a guard of soldiers! Make it as sure as you can! The heir is killed! The inheritance shall be ours!" That was the thought of the enemy, BUT HE DID NOT REALIZE THAT THE SHED BLOOD BROUGHT REDEMPTION TO MILLIONS UPON MILLIONS. And its power went beyond this earth; it cleansed the heavens. It shook the powers of the heavens, and it was by that means that Michael and his hosts became a match to defeat Satan and his hosts. And more than that, by that shed blood all the machinery of heaven was, is and can be put in motion for the final clearance of the heavens of the hosts that hitherto have resisted God. As proof of that, God raised Christ from the dead after the blood was shed. And He was not only raised, through the blood of the everlasting covenant, to stay on the earth, but God raised Him far above all principalities, powers, and dominions of darkness. The shed blood gave Him premier position, the place of command, in the heavens. And He shall reign till all authority and power is brought under His feet.

The blood is wonderful in its power in the salvation of the individual, in forgiving, in sanctifying and baptizing. All these come through the blood, and not through the merits of the individual. But its power goes further than that, it reaches to the very invisible world.

The case was so desperate on the earth that it required the counsel of God, and the Son undertook to carry out His Father's will and meet the desperate case. And the only remedy was for the Son of man and Son of God to lay down His life. And that remedy was sufficient and will be sufficient, and the blood will never lose its power. It will be effective to the end. It will keep the saint in perfect safety in the New Jerusalem throughout eternity, and forever bar the enemy from ever attempting further to despoil God's handiwork. And at that time shall the Son be subject to the Father that God may be all in all. Try to comprehend the value of the blood of the Lamb and place it where God would have it

Try to comprehend the value of the blood of the Lamb and place it where God would have it placed. It spells safety to the saint and defeat to the devil.

THE CAVE OF ADULLAM Pastor J. Calvert Jeays

"The Lord doth build up Jerusalem: He gathereth together the outcasts of Israel" (Psa. 147:2). If you will turn to 1 Sam. 22:1, 2, you will get an example of this in type. "David therefore departed thence, and escaped to the cave Adullam: and when his brethren and all his father's house heard it, they went down thither to him' (1 Sam. 22:1, 2). "And every one that was in distress, and every one that was in debt, and every one that was discontented, gathered themselves unto him; and he became a captain over them:" in other words, "he gathered together the outcasts of Israel."

David was in a very tight corner. He had fled away from the vengeance of Saul and had gone to Achish the king of Gath. But there was no rest for him in Gath. They began to say, "Is not this David the king of the land? Did they not sing one to another of him in the dances, saying, Saul hath slain his thousands, and David his ten thousands?" David heard it and knew that his life was in jeopardy, and determined to escape. David laid up these words of the men of Gath in his heart, and was sore afraid; so he changed his behaviour, and feigned himself mad in their hands, scrabbled on the doors of the gate, and let his spittle fall down upon his beard. Then the king said, "Ye see the man is mad: wherefore then have ye brought him to me?" This was just what David wanted him to think. He had to feign himself mad in order to escape from Achish.

"David therefore departed thence, and escaped to the cave of Adullam." It was not a beautiful palace or dwelling place, but just a cave.

When his brethren and father heard it they went down to him. And everyone that was in distress, and everyone that was in debt, and everyone that was discontented, gathered themselves unto him; and he became a captain over them. I wonder whether he wanted all that sort of people. Do you suppose he said to them, "I don't want this sort of people. I want some real good stuff"? The Word does not record that he turned away any, and I have come to the conclusion that he did not turn anyone away. If you are in distress my advice to you is, get away as quickly as you can to the cave of Adullam. These men were in debt, fleeing from creditors; civilization afforded them no refuge. David did not say, "Get off, I shall have to pay your debt if you come." No, he welcomed them all.

Everyone that was discontented. There are many discontented people today who say life is not worth living. In spite of all the efforts of the world to amuse them they are not satisfied. Try the cave! Try David! Everyone in distress or in debt. You do not know how much you owe, your debt is too big and too heavy to be reckoned, but the best thing you can do is to get to the cave of Adullam.

David became a captain over them and there were with him about four hundred men. It was what I should call a ragamuffin army. Here they came, some in rags, no money to buy clothes, deeply in debt (some had not a rag of righteousness left). I see great encouragement for others who are in that ragamuffin condition this morning, without a rag of righteousness or a cent of goodness in their pockets. There is a place of refuge in the cave.

There were about four hundred men, "a contemptible little army." I wonder why they came to David. Why did they not go to someone else? The answer of the Word of God is that there was not another like David in all the land of Israel. First of all there was none like him in character. God declares his character. He said, "I have found David the son of Jesse, a man after mine own heart." That is what God said about him; and when God speaks it is time for us to be silent about him.

Secondly, There was not another in all the coasts of Israel like David in achievement. There was a day when Israel and the Philistines were approaching to battle, and the two armies were upon two sections or rising ground facing each other. The father of David sent him to see how his brethren in the army were getting on. When David got to the battle front what did he find? He heard a stentorian voice ringing out from across the valley and he saw the men of Israel shrink at the sound of that voice. He asked, "What is this?" They replied that this was the giant Goliath that was come out to defy the armies of Israel. "And David spake to the men that stood by him, saying, What shall be done to the man that killeth this Philistine, and taketh away the reproach from Israel? for who is this uncircumcised Philistine that he should defy the armies of the living God?' "And he (David) took his staff in his hand, and chose five smooth stones out of the brook, and put them in a shepherd's bag which he had, even in a scrip; and his sling was in his hand: and he drew near to the Philistine." A Welshman once said to me, "Do you know what those stones are?" I said, "No." He said, "They are the Word of God. It hits every time." "So David prevailed over the giant with a sling and with a stone;" and there was a great victory that day. The reason these men came to David, therefore, was because there was not another like David in achievement in all the coasts of Israel.

But there is still a third reason why they came to David. It was because he was anointed to be king. "Then Samuel took the horn of oil, and anointed him in the midst of his brethren: and the Spirit of the Lord came upon David from that day forward." All Israel did not acknowledge him as the coming king, but some did.

We can see that David was a type of our greater David, the Lord Jesus Christ. First in his character. God said of His dear Son, "This is My beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased." Jesus is the perfect One. The Father is well pleased with Him. Second, in achievement there is not another like Jesus. Surely Goliath is a type of Satan, the prince of darkness and the leader of the host of the Philistines. Jesus the Son of God, the Lion of the tribe of Judah, met him single-handed at the cross of Calvary and wrought a mighty victory that day.

a mighty victory that day. Also Jesus as David is anointed to be King. Do we not sing of Him:

"Jesus shall reign where'er the sun Doth his successive journeys run; His kingdom spread from shore to shore, Till moons shall rise and wane no more."

And we sing because we believe He is the coming King. The world says, "No, we will have a king of our own choosing." God says, "Ye shall have a king of My choosing." When Jesus came up out of the Jordan He was anointed to be King. God anointed Him with the Holy Ghost and with power.

But what about the cave? What is a cave? First of all, it is a dwelling place "not made with hands." That is the safest place in which to be. I believe that cave is a type of the church of Jesus Christ. Firstly, it is God's building; secondly, it is a hidden place. The world does not know where it is. But everyone that is in debt, or in distress, or discontented, is looking to find out where the cave is; in fact, they search until they do find it. The cave is a place outside of civilization. When the great world war broke out I read many of the papers; and they contained such wails from the leading journalists of the day, who said, "Alas, alas, our fair civilization, that we have built up with so much pains, is falling to the ground." Why is it falling to the ground? Because God is not in it. The cave will not fall. Get into the cave as quickly as you can for there are many and terrible earthquakes coming. The safest place is the cave. The church, not made with hands, is the building of God. It is outside the pale of civilization. The cave is a secret, hidden place: "Your life is hid with Christ in God.'

It was not the hot and cold water arrangements in the cave that drew these men. It was not the luxurious features that drew them, nor the beautiful electric fixtures. It was David. What drew you into the church? It was Jesus, just Jesus. They came buzzing around David and there they stayed, and David became captain over them. The world can have all their fine palaces, the cave is all right for us and we mean to stay there.

"Where two or three are gathered together in My name, there am I in the midst of them." It may be a cave, a barn, a little cottage meeting, a great building; but where two or three are gathered together in His name, there He is in the midst.

In the eyes of men that four hundred was "a contemptible little army," a ragamuffin army. But they had David, and David began to put them through their drill. That little army was never beaten in battle. How did it happen that all these undesirables were turned into such a mighty army? It was David's training. They caught the spirit of their leader. What were we when we came to Jesus? I was no good to anybody. How were you? Jesus has put us through our paces. He knows how to do it. He knows how to square our shoulders, how to teach us to walk uprightly and to use our weapons. We would like it if we never had to use our sword and shield of faith; but Jesus has given us a blessed armor and He lets the powers of darkness come at us, to make us use our weapons that we may grow stronger.

So our great commander Jesus leads us forward and we follow. We, too, have caught His spirit. He said, "Tarry ye in the city of Jerusalem until ye be endued with power from on high." We waited in the cave and He fulfilled His Word. There were only one hundred and twenty in the upper room, "a contemptible little army," but before long men said, "These that have turned the world upside down are come hither also."

David had some mighty men, where did they come from? They came from his ragamuffin army, from the discontented, distressed ones. Among the thirty mighty ones there were three chiefs. It is remarkable that among His disciples Jesus had three special ones. Those men would do anything for David. "And David longed, and said, Oh that one would give me drink of the water of the well of Bethlehem, which is by the gate! And the three mighty men brake through the host of the Philistines, and drew water out of the well of Bethlehem, that was by the gate; and took it, and brought it to David: nevertheless he would not drink thereof, but poured it out unto the Lord." David's slightest wish was a command to them. They would not have done such a thing for anyone else, but they would do anything for David. Our missionaries have left home and loved ones and gone out at the peril of their lives, but they are glad to do it for Jesus.

What does this "breaking through the host of the Philistines" mean? Many a meeting is kept from liberty by the pressing down of unseen armies. There are men that can break through and bring down the living water. May God make us mighty in prayer that we may break through to the heavenly atmosphere that the cataracts of heavenly water may come down on our service for the Lord. There is a time to shout, that we may break through the invisible hosts of Philistines, and there is a time for holy stillness. May God teach us both.

"He gathereth together the outcasts of Israel." You know what happened to the man when Jesus opened his eyes, how his enemies gathered around and said, "How opened He thine eyes?" And when the man faithfully witnessed to what Jesus had done for him they put him out of the synagogue; but Jesus found him. As sure as you get thrown out because God has blessed you, Jesus will find you, because "He gathereth together the outcasts." After I received the Baptism in the Holy Ghost some of my ministerial brethren could not see me at a distance of two or three yards. But Jesus found me.

When David finally became king of Judah and then over all Israel, those men went with him and were the chief men in his kingdom. We can stand the cave down here for our David is there, but by and by we are going home to a palace. We shall not always live in a cave, we are going to the city of the great King where Jesus reigns and where the Lamb is the light forever and ever. Thank God for the cave, for Jesus lights it by His presence. We don't need any electric lights there for Jesus lights it up with the light of His countenance. "But now we see not yet all things put under Him. But we see Jesus, who was made a little lower than the angels for the suffering of death, crowned with glory and honor." "Let us go forth therefore unto Him without the camp, outside often of the professing church, to the cave of Adullam, and we shall find our David; Jesus of Nazareth will relieve our distress, pay our debts and remove our discontent by becoming our Captain and training us for the coming kingdom.

It is a mystery to some people that David, God's anointed, and a man of whom God testified, "I have found David . . . a man after mine own heart, who shall do all my will," should have had the humiliating experience of being compelled to act the part of a crazy man in order to extricate himself from the power of Achish. 1 Samuel 23:2, 4 indicates the rea-son. It is the first record of David **enquiring of the** Lord what he should do before he acted. He had learned to look to God for deliverance from outward trouble; but had not yet learned that he needed God quite as much to keep him out of trouble. David sings of preservation from trouble in Psalm 32:7. Then God tells him that He will do more for His child than that. God says to David, "I will instruct thee and teach thee in the way which thou shalt go: I will counsel thee with mine eye upon thee. Be ye not as the horse, or as the mule, which have no understanding."

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FAITH TRIUMPHANT Habakkuk's Vision

By Laura Radford, Jerusalem, Palestine

The meaning of the name Habakkuk, "a strong embrace," gives a true introduction to the deepest meaning of this prophetic book. It can refer either to the One who embraces, God, or the one embraced, the believer, and expresses the only relationship and attitude wherein the New Testament definition of faith can be realized, i. e., the "giving substance to things hoped for" (Heb. 11:1).

The book begins with a burden, "How long?" (1:2), and ends with a song, "I will rejoice in Jehovah" (3:18); and we see that faith, in such perplexity in chapter one, and patiently waiting in chapter two, has a revelation of the Lord reigning (2:20) which inspires a psalm of worship that ends in a peon of praise such as only faith can utter. The three chapters may be outlined as:

- I. Faith struggling; her burden.
- II. Faith resting; her vision.

III. Faith rejoicing; her song.

or

I. Faith embracing the God of holiness.

Faith embracing the God of promise. II.

III. Faith embracing the God of salvation.

or again

I. The God of holiness looking on in patience.

II. The God of truth speaking forth in promise.

III. The God of salvation riding forth in power. But whichever outline we follow, the conclusion is the same: When faith sings, the victory is won. Hallelujah!

And today, as did Habakkuk of old, man looks forth and sees around the powers of darkness prevailing on every hand, evils so gross, and unbelief so overwhelming that human reason can see no way out. There is seen no ray of light ahead for the believing heart, until a deaf ear is turned to the throbbing fears. Then is heard out of the thick darkness God's still small voice saying as He did to Habakkuk, "I am working a work in your days which ye will not believe though it be told you" (1:5). And faith worships Him as the Everlasting One, even Jehovah (1:12).

As the burden of perplexity is poured out before Him, faith takes her place on the watchtower (2:1), knowing that God answers the cry of the perplexed

heart, but that when God's answer comes there must be a response from faith. And this is the crux of the eye of faith today. What is to be faith's response to God? God's answer to the prophet's cry was a command to make plain the vision for others to read; not to keep it as a bit of personal comfort for his own soul. With this command came the reiterated promise, that the vision-the unveiling of the coming One-would surely come quickly. But it also included a personal message to the prophet-"Wait for it." And faith waits expectantly. God's fivefold woes are declared upon the workers of iniquity; but faith is immediately lifted above all these scenes of darkness to Jehovah Himself, and HE IS in His holy temple. He has taken care of the affairs of this world. Not one of all the myriad forces of evil at work in this world have been overlooked. His word hath gone forth concerning all of them. "The government is upon His shoulders."

Faith hath nothing to do with the scenes of impending evil. The revelation that the Lord is in His holy temple is a call to worship. When Isaiah saw the Lord in His temple, even the attending seraphim had their faces covered as they joined in the worship -"Holy, holy, holy, is the Lord of hosts" (Isa. 6:3). When the vision opens before Habakkuk he sees, not the glory of Jehovah filling the temple, but the Lord Himself, and the cry goes forth, "Let all the earth keep silence before Him" (2:20). Every human voice is hushed, and Faith takes up her song, at first so wavering, yet so soon utterly lost in the revelation given of His glory and power. No longer is faith trembling in perplexity, but in complete abandonment worships the Lord in Spirit and in truth.

Then the vision lifts and the prophet, undismayed, enumerates that part of the divine program that may be just before him (3:17), and with holy boldness joins faith in the song of triumph-"I will rejoice in Jehovah, I will joy in the God of my salvation" (3:18). Faith had worshiped in the presence of the Lord, "substance had been given to the things hoped for," and they are fearlessly declared. "The Lord IS my strength. He maketh my feet like hind's feet, and will make me to walk upon my high places" (3:19).

Faith's response to Jehovah was worship in His "And when he is come, he will reprove holy temple. the world of . . . righteousness, because I go to my Father" (John 16:8, 10). And we are in Him before the presence of the Father. Hallelujah! Let us therefore also worship in Spirit and in truth; and as we do, the things hoped for will become spiritual realities. Amen.

"Trial humbles the soul and enables it to bear the ripened blessing, and to carry a full cup with a steady hand. Faith is not discouraged, but holds on in patience, expecting the promised blessing in the fitting time.'

"In trial of faith, let us take heed to our spirit that we trust God without stint. The soul's repose in Him is His delight; and He will honor it. Jehovah sitteth King upon the floods, and Faith sits with Him."

"The chief excellency of faith is that it brings us into fellowship with God. Abel-the first spoken of in Hebrews 11 - is commended, not because of any great deed on man's account, but because he worshiped God acceptably. Nevertheless, if we trust God, there is no limit to the power of faith, whatever the thing to be done."

BIBLE DISEASES FROM THE STANDPOINT OF MODERN MEDICAL SCIENCE Lilian B. Yeomans M.D.

In reading the Bible accounts of the healing of diseases, we are apt to wonder whether the ills from which the patients suffered were identical with sicknesses which are prevalent in modern times. As the language in which some of the cases are described is rather unlike terms in common use among us today, we find it rather difficult to determine the exact nature of the diseases; so with the view of bringing them more into the realm of every-day thought, and so making them real to us and a greater inspiration to us in our physical testings, I think it advisable to give a little time to the study of Bible diseases.

Leprosy

True leprosy, the technical name for which is "elephantiasis Graecorum" (said to have been so called because it is as much bigger than other diseases as the elephant is larger than other animals), is probably identical with the incurable leprosy of the Bible. It is the most formidable and hopeless of all maladies. Although it still afflicts humanity in certain localities, especially the Sandwich Islands, India, Norway, the West Indies, and other places, no effective remedy has ever been discovered for it.

Symptoms—Skin eruptions, rotting and dropping off of parts of the body, such as the limbs, eyelids, etc. (such disfigurement that all trace of human resemblance is sometimes lost); "graveyard breath;" terrible dreams; despair, and hatred of life.

Nine cases of leprosy are mentioned in the Old Testament: Moses (Ex. 4:6), Miriam (Num. 12), Naaman (2 Kings 5:1), Gehazi (2 Kings 5:27), Uzziah (2 Chron. 26:19-21), and four unnamed persons (2 Kings 7:3). Job, also, is believed by many Bible scholars to have suffered from this disease. Note that he was afflicted with "sore boils" (Job 2:7), the same word as that translated "botch" in Deut. 28:35— "a sore botch that **cannot be healed."** Observe also the following symptoms which accompanied his disease: "awful dreams" (Job 7:3, 4, 13, 14), emaciation (16:8), foul breath (17:1), hatred of life (3:20-22), changed appearance—"knew him not" (2:12).

Twelve cases of leprosy are referred to in the New Testament: The single leper mentioned in Matt. 8: 1-4; Mark 1:40-45; and Luke 5:12-14; said by Luke to have been "full of leprosy" (Luke uses proper Greek medical terms in both the Gospel and the book of Acts), the ten lepers (Luke 17:12-19), and Simon the leper (Matt. 26:6)—believed to have been healed by Jesus.

In the instructions to the priests, in the 13th and 14th chapters of Leviticus, regarding lepers, it is evident that more than one form of the disease is referred to; while the leper-cleansing ceremony (Lev. 14:1-7)—with the bird slain in an earthen vessel, over running water, and the live bird dipped in blood and released—beautifully typifies Christ, taking upon Him our nature, and, through the Eternal Spirit, offering Himself without spot unto God for our redemption glorious liberation from all disabilities of spirit, soul, and body.

See Numbers 11:31-33; 14:37; 16:49; 25:9; 2 Sam. 24:12-17; 1 Kings 8:37; and others. Some of these visitations seem to have resembled, possibly were identical with, modern plagues, such as true Buboplague, Black Death, etc. There is nothing in the great mortality attending the Scripture instances at all unlike that which was seen in epidemics of the Bubo-plague. In the London epidemic of 1625 A. D.,

34,000 died; while the victims of the recent epidemics of Spanish Influenza have been estimated to have numbered millions. I have not by me figures which I consider reliable, but that the loss of life was colossal there is no doubt.

Boils and Blains

See Exodus 9:8-12. This was the sixth plague of Egypt. There have been various instances of epidemics of boils, or carbuncles, within the last few centuries. These have received special names from the countries visited, as the "Aleppo Boil," the "Bagdad Sore," etc. Some scientists believe that the sixth plague was identical with the modern disease known as "Anthrax," a carbuncle originating in cattle or sheep and communicated to man. The very earth in which the diseased animals are buried becomes infected, and the earthworms bring the germs to the surface, thus infecting living animals.

Fevers

See Deut. 28:22; Lev. 26:16 ("burning ague"). Febrile disorders are still very common, especially in the East.

Jehoram's case (2 Chron. 21:12-15, 18, 19) was undoubtedly a case of dysentery, with fever, attended by a sloughing away of parts of the intestines, which still occurs in aggravated cases of the disease.

Publius' father (Acts 28:8) also was a case of dysentery and fever.

Saul's Disease

(1 Sam. 16:14-23). This disease answers to what is now known as "Melancholia." It was caused by an evil spirit (v. 15). His failure to recognize David (1 Sam. 17:58) may well have been due to his mental / infirmities. His homicidal attacks on David (1 Sam. 18:10, 11; 19:10), "God's child, with the dew on his gracious, golden hair," as Browning describes him, may have been due to the disease, which often assumes a homicidal form and which also, as is well known, frequently terminates in suicide (1 Chron. 10:14). Nebuchadnezzar's Disease

(Dan. 4:28-37). This strange affliction was insanity, of a form which has been known in all ages. People have imagined themselves to be lords, dukes, kings, animals, roosters, wolves, or oxen, and have acted out the part perfectly while the delusion lasted. They often become violent and have to be separated from others, to whom they might do bodily injury; as, apparently, was the case with Nebuchadnezzar. In the case of "wild men," who, usually, are insane, the hair and nails have sometimes become almost like feathers and claws from long neglect and exposure. The Roman poet, Virgil, tells of some young girls who, becoming insane and imagining themselves to be cattle, ran out and lived in the fields, subsisting on grass, herbs, roots, etc. In the 15th century there was a sort of epidemic of this form of insanity among the peasants of Alsatia, the patients imagining that they were wolves, and running around on all fours, snarling, snapping and biting others.

Hezekiah's Disease

(2 Kings 20:1-11; 2 Chron. 32:24; Isaiah 38). This affliction was probably a carbuncle, which is often fatal, and which resembles a gigantic boil (2 Kings 20:7).

The Disease of Herod Agrippa

(Acts 12:20-23). The horrible death of Herod is most graphically described by the Jewish historian, Josephus. There seems to be no doubt that it was due to perforation of the bowels by intestinal worms. Such cases are on record in medical annals. It is an agonizing form of death.

Ophthalmic Diseases and Blindness

This is particularly common in the East and especially in Palestine.

Army struck blind (2 Kings 6:18). This is probably due to sudden paralysis of the optic nerve.

Paul's temporary blindness (Acts 9:8, 18) was due to the suspension of the function of the optic nerve as the result of the heavenly glory he beheld. "Scales" is apparently used in a metaphorical sense in verse 18 in connection with the removal of the darkness.

The **blind man** told about in John, chapter 9. This probably was a case of congenital cataract.

Paralysis and Palsy

These are terms often used interchangeably, although "palsy" is usually used to denote motor paralysis, that is, loss of the power of motion. The term used by Luke, the beloved physician, in telling of the healing of the man borne by four (Luke 5:17-26) is the correct technical term for pronounced paralysis from a diseased condition of the nervous system. Aeneas (Acts 9:33) is a similar case.

The Centurion's servant (Matt. 8:6; Luke 7:2) probably had a case of progressive paralysis attended , by muscular spasms ("grievously tormented").

The case at Bethesda (John 5:2-9) probably was locomotor ataxia.

Atrophy of the muscles and relaxation of the tissues (Luke 13:11-17).

Probably infantile paralysis (Matt. 12:9-13; Mark 3:1-5; Luke 6:6-11).

Jeroboam's disease (1 Kings 13:46)—paralysis caused by a clot on the brain.

The Shunamite's child (2 Kings 4:18-20)—meningitis, that is, inflammation of the membranes of the brain, from sunstroke.

It becomes more and more evident, as we search the Word, that most, if not all, of the cases of sickness in the Bible have their counterparts in our midst today, and that medical research, with all its tireless efforts, supported by generous endowments, after all has not very greatly altered conditions. True, some diseases seem to have been eliminated; but others have appeared in their places; and it certainly is significant that the toll of human life taken by the last epidemic far exceeds that of all previous epidemics. This need not surprise us, for, as we are aware from God's Word, back of disease lies a cause that no human remedy can reach; and that cause is sin. But we need not despair, for, if disease is the same, because the cause of disease is still operative, "the spirit that now worketh in the children of disobedience" (Eph. 2:2), then also the remedy, which has never failed all down the centuries, which healed leprosy, blindness, paralysis, and all manner of sickness-the power of God through the blood of the Cross-is also the same, and available this very moment, without money and without price to each one of us. "Jesus Christ, the same, yesterday, and today, and forever" (Heb. 13:8), stands ready to become our covenant of healing—"I will give thee for a covenant of the people" (Isa. 42:6). If we will keep all its terms in us and through us, and if we will but yield wholly to Him, then we can claim, and enjoy, immunity from sickness; for God has said, "If thou wilt diligently hearken to the voice of the Lord, thy God, and wilt do that which is right in His sight, and wilt give ear to His commandments, and keep all His statutes, I will put NONE of these diseases upon thee which I have brought upon the Egyptians: for I am the Lord that healeth thee" (Exodus 15:26).

MY SOUL THIRSTETH FOR GOD

(Psalm 42:2) Samuel Rutherford knew what this thirst was. When writing from the prison he said, "Oh, that Christ would come nearer, and stand still, and give me leave to look upon Him! I should have a king's life, if I had no other thing to do than for evermore to behold and eye my fair Lord Jesus: nay, suppose I were holden at heaven's fair entry, I should be happy for evermore to look through a hole in the door and see my dearest Lord's face. A long time out of His glorious presence is two deaths and two hells to me. We must meet. I **must** see Him, I am not able to do without Him. Hunger and longing for Him hath brought on such a necessity of enjoying Christ, that, **cost me what it will**, I will not do without Him."

> "I could not do without Thee, O Saviour of the lost, Whose precious blood redeemed me At such tremendous cost; Thy righteousness, Thy pardon, Thy precious blood must be My only hope and comfort, My glory and my plea.
> "I could not do without Thee, I cannot stand alone; I have no strength or goodness, No wisdom of my own; But Thou, beloved Saviour, Art all in all to me, And weakness will be power If leaning hard on Thee."

If leaning hard on Thee." "Prayer begets prayer. Prayer begets faith, and

faith will move God to move mountains, raise the dead, heal the sick. 'Lord, teach us to pray.' It is a fact that many neglect secret prayer and Bible study and then wonder why they have no power with God or souls. It is much easier to preach and write about prayer than to get down to business and pray through. Simply talking to the air is not prayer. Lung-straining noise is not prayer. A quarter minute's grace said over an hour's dinner is not prayer. Three minutes in a night-dress beside the bed and two hasty words before dressing in the morning is not prayer. No, sir! Real prayer is War! War! War! 'We wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities and powers.' 'Men ought always to pray and not to faint (cave in).' How our mind and flesh resist it. Hence the necessity of fasting to subdue the flesh."—Sel.

MEDITATION

Andrew Bonar tells of a simple Christian in a farm house who had "meditated the Bible through three times." This is precisely what the Psalmist had done; he "had shaken every tree in God's garden and gathered fruit therefrom." The idea of meditation is to "get into the middle of a thing." Meditation is to the mind what digestion is to the body. Unless the food be digested, the body receives no benefit; so unless the mind understands and the heart consents and receives, we derive no good from what we read or hear. This is spiritual digestion, known as meditation. If we would "buy the truth," we must pay the price which Paul intimated when he wrote to Timothy: "Meditate upon these things, give thyself wholly to them." David meditated in God's Word because he loved it, and he loved it because he meditated in it.—Selected.

DAILY PORTION FROM THE KING'S BOUNTY MRS. A. R. FLOWER

Sunday: "And now, Lord, what wait I for? My hope is in Thee. Deliver me from all my transgressions: make me not the reproach of the foolish" (Psa. 39:7, 8).

"You have prayed to be delivered from temper, or pride, or self-will. It is as if it is in vain. May it not be that you have had your own thoughts about the way or the extent of God's doing it, and have never waited on the God of glory, according to the riches of His glory, to do for you what hath not entered the heart of man to conceive? Learn to worship God as the God who doeth wonders, who wishes to prove in you that He can do something supernatural and divine. Bow before Him, wait upon Him, until your soul realizes that you are in the hands of a divine and almighty worker. Consent but to know what and how He will work; expect it to be something altogether godlike, something to be waited for in deep humility, and received only by His divine power. Let the 'And now, Lord what wait I for? My hope is in Thee' become the spirit of every longing and every prayer. He will in His time do His work."

Monday: "Speak unto the children of Israel, that they go forward" (Ex. 14: 15).

Wasn't it a great situation 10r ,them! There stood God's people on the seashore-from behind pressed torward the Egyptians with all the horses and chariots of Pharaoh, his horsemen and his army-a formidable host of pursuers indeed, and before them nothing but sea! Whoever heard of going forward with Yet this was God's only a sea ahead? command, and their salvation; and God's deliverance lay in their obedience. This may be God's word to you just now. Fear not to dip your toes, then boldly step into that fearsome prospect. Dis-obedience will only bring death, while God's commands have ever been His enablings. Hallelujah!

Tuesday: "Abstain from all appearance of evil" (1 Thes. 5:22).

Perhaps the most of us remember that homely tale of the westerner who was hiring a coachman. To the three applicants who stood before him he gave the question, "How near to the edge of a precipice can you drive without falling over?" The first answered, "About three inches, I believe;" the second, "I might make it all right with one tire nearly at the edge;" the last replied, "I would drive as far from the edge as I could and consider that near enough." Turning to the third applicant, the westerner said, "You are the coachman for me,' and he hired him on the spot. It is not how far we can make our conscience allow us to venture near the precipice of forbidden things in our walk with God, but rather how true can we keep our consecration to God by foregoing willingly those things which detract from His glory and the closeness of our walk and communion with Him.

Wednesday: "Let thy fountains be dispersed abroad, and rivers of waters in the streets" (Prov. 5: 16).

"Thou must be true thyself, if thou the truth wouldst teach,

Thy soul must overflow if thou another soul wouldst reach,

It needs the overflow of heart to give the lips full speech.

Think truly, and thy thoughts shall the world's famine feed,

Speak truly, and each word of thine shall be a fruitful seed,

Live truly, and thy life shall be a great and noble creed."

Thursday: "Pray ye THEREFORE" (Luke 10:2). "Go ye THEREFORE" (Matt. 28:19).

"Look at these two 'therefores.' The first gives the reason for one of our Master's sayings; the second for one of His commands. The Lord Jesus sent out the seventy: not to go where they liked; not to take their chance of lighting on the right place or persons. Not to begin His work where it might or might not be followed up. But He sent them before His face into every city and place whither He Himself would come. Unto Him should the gathering of the people be, and the coming presence of the Lord of the harvest proved that the harvest 'Therewas waiting for the reapers. fore He said unto them, The harvest truly is great but the laborers are few.' Is it not encouraging to think that He, in whose ways is continuance (Isa 64: 5), works in the same way now, and sends us, whether at home or abroad, into the places whither He, Himself, is coming?" What an honor to be one coming?" What an honor to be one of the 'few' forerunners of the King, the herald of a silent yet real and mighty advent of the Very God of Very God! Because the harvest is great and the laborers few, the Lord Jesus said, 'Pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest that He would send forth laborers into His harvest.' If the fact remains, the command remains. And the fact does indeed remain. And we have no excuse in not knowing it. We cannot say, 'Behold we knew it not.' The need is recognized and the Lord has put the supply within reach of the voice of praver and the hand of faith. He has told us what to do, and so now the responsibility rests upon us."

Friday: "Yet a little sleep, a little slumber, a little folding of the hands to sleep: so shall thy poverty come" (Prov. 6: 10, 11).

Rarely, if ever, does spiritual bankruptcy come instantaneously. You remember how with Peter there first came the self-confident boasting, then the slumber at a crisis hour, next the following afar off, and so on until he fell in a pitiable heap on the rocks of overwhelming failure. How our hearts have all been pained to see some supposed spiritual giant fail of God's best. Could we see as God sees, way back of the failure came perhaps a tiny step of self-indulgence, a neglect of prayer or the seeking of ease just when the call of the cross sounded loudest. May God guard us from these first steps to failure, so imperceptible we scarce realize only as we diligently watch and pray lest we enter thereupon.

Saturday: "Thy servant slew both the lion and the bear: and this uncircumcized Philistine shall be as one of them" (1 Sam. 17:36).

Seemingly it is but a small victory thou hast won. Thy faith hath prevailed for a need and God hath granted it thee, but how small it seems when compared to what others have wrought. Never mind —these victories are but the preparation for God's great opportunity, and when it comes thou, too, like David, wilt say, "I asked and God gave. I trusted and God wrought. I believed and God delivered. Surely the God whorn I trust is well able for this present mountain of difficulty."

ANOTHER YEAR IS PASSING

Another year is passing! Dear Master, let it be, In working and in waiting, Another year with Thee; Another year of leaning Upon Thy loving breast, Of ever-deep'ning trustfulness, Of quiet, happy rest; Another year of mercies, Of faithfulness and grace: Another year of gladness in The shining of Thy face; Thy face; Another year of progress; Another year of praise; Another year of proving Thy Presence "all the days;" Another year of service, Of witness to Thy love; Another year of training For holier work above. Another year is passing! Dear Master, let it be, On earth, or else in heaven, Another year for Thee! Alva Breneman. 322 Myrtle Ave.,

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WHAT GOD DID FOR BILLY HOLT

Little six-year-old Billy Holt had a very serious case of scarlet fever, which developed into Bright's Disease and bleeding kidneys. Very little hope was held out by the attending physicians for his recovery. He had absolutely no sense of feeling in his body. Even the head was terribly swollen. He did not sleep at all for two whole nights and one day. His ears ached intensely and it was difficult for him to swallow. He could take only a few drops of water or medicine. Almost every breath was an agonizing groan. While in this desperate condition, I called in the Pentecostal Assembly people of First and Washington Streets, Portland, Oregon, to pray for little Billy. He was anointed with oil in Jesus' Name, and, after prayer was offered, he stopped groaning and soon fell into a peaceful sleep, which lasted over two hours. Upon awakening he drank half a glass of water with no difficulty and said he had no pain at all. The next day the swelling left, slowly going down, and he commenced to gain strength. About a month or six weeks later the doctor pronounced him perfectly sound and well. Now he is a big, healthy, robust boy and is always ready to tell everyone that it was Jesus who healed him. Praise and glory be to our Lord. I took care of the little fellow during his illness and am glad to write this true testimony of what the Lord did for Billy Holt. Written by his grandmother, Mrs. K. K. Buchanan, Forest Grove, Oregon.

All sufferers are urged to put their case in Jesus' hands. Write us for anointed handkerchiefs or for prayers. Many are being definitely healed all the time. Kindly inclose stamp for reply.—Will C. Trotter, Pentecostal Assembly, 212 E. 30th St., Portland, Oregon.

HEALED MANY TIMES

When I was saved I was under a doctor's treatment. After I was saved and filled with the Holy Spirit I turned all over to the Lord and he healed me. Blessed be His name. My left arm became sore. I was stubborn and would not ask for prayer. My arm almost rotted. I asked for prayer and my arm got better. Praise the Lord.

I was taken with the appendicitis; was in very bad shape, and the Lord healed me. I had a terrible roaring in my head. I promised the Lord I would witness through the Evangel if he would heal me, and He has healed me. I have suffered from sick headache ever since I was 12 years old. I would have spells sometimes when everything looked dark and gloomy. The blessed Lord has wonderfully healed me of that awful headache. I give God all the honor and praise for His wonderful healing power. --Mary Cook, Quitman, Texas.

MIRACLES IN THE LIFE OF A CATHOLIC

Three years ago I was a Catholic and when I was told of a church where God heals as of old, I wanted to see the miracles; and, thank God, I did. The most surprising part was that they began to happen to me too; for when I heard the old-time religion preached I said to myself, "That's what I like; that just suits me;" and 2 weeks after I heard the gospel preached, I confessed to Jesus that I was a sinner; and then the miracles began to happen to me. The first thing was, I realized I was born of God, born of the Spirit, a child of the King and happy, because God has become real to me. Up to that time I had not been even sure that there was a God; though I was considered a pretty good Catholic and loved the Bible and the church in a way; but Jesus Christ I only thought I loved—the love was only in my head. Now I can say, "Oh, how I love Jesus;" and I am fairly starving for more of Him.

The next miracle was when, by prayer and laying on of hands, I was healed of chronic sore throat of years standing, which, praise God, I haven't had any more. I also left off wearing glasses after prayer healed my eyes of astigmatism. I have also had other healings. I also want to add how wonderful the Baptism in the Spirit is, speaking in other tongues as the Spirit gives utterance, according to Acts 2:4. Oh, words cannot tell what joys divine the Lord has bestowed upon me by and through His grace, free for the asking, not for any merits of my own, oh no." I found the Lord in the Pentécostal Church of Cleveland, Ohio .- Mrs. Anna Krezer, 2080 W. 45th St., Cleveland, Ohio.

WON BY DIVINE HEALING

It was divine healing that brought me into the Pentecostal faith. In March 1912 a fester came on the knuckle joint of the forefinger of my right hand. The place was pricked with a needle, after that it swelled up and pained me day and night. Had four or five doctors, some called it one thing and some another. I then went to Tyler, Texas, and was under the treatment of an osteopath. While there I learned what God was doing in Dallas. So Sept. 15, 1922, I came to Dallas but did not know how to grasp the faith, so it was after Christmas before I left off medicine. My fingers are not straight yet but the pains are gone. I am writing this with the same hand. I also praise God for raising me up from tuberculosis in 1918 when every one who saw me seemed to give me up for death. I was in bed six weeks. In December following I had the flu. Since that time the Lord has given me more grace than I ever had before. I am looking to H'm for complete healing .- Mrs. E. J. Godwin, 4331 Tuttle Ave., Dallas, Tex.

HEALED OF PARALYSIS

In 1922 we were living in Maryland. About the first of September of that year I had a stroke of paralysis. My right side became so helpless that I could not use my right limb or arm or hand. It also affected the right side of my face and the right eye and my hearing. I took no medicine but asked the saints in different places to pray for me, and, by the mighty power of God, I was raised up and am now able to do my housework, including washing and ironing. My husband and I both have the Baptism according to Acts 2:4. Pray for us.—Mrs. Haning, Uniontown, Pa.

I praise God for healing me of kidney trouble and a weak heart and for then baptizing me in His Holy Spirit and causing me to speak with tongues as the Spirit gave utterance. My wife also speaks in other tongues. Pray for me and my family.—John Gillis, Meadowbrook, W. Va.

I want to bear testimony to the Lord's Healing Power. My little girl had earache. I laid her on the Evangel paper and prayed for her, and she was healed at once. I give God all the glory.—Mrs. N. Lecomte, Superior, Colo.

A TESTIMONY

A year ago last Thanksgiving I went to Springfield, Mo., to see my dear old mother. That was the first time I came in touch with the Pentecostal people. I began to go to the altar to get the Holy Spirit but could not stay until I was thus blessed. But I kept praying when I came home and on January 9 of the same year I was blessed with the Holy Spirit and tongues like Acts 2:4. Praise be to His name. The same winter I was healed of a breaking out which I had had for five years. It began to come back this winter but God has healed me again. I ask the prayers of all that I may continue to trust in Jesus and also for my community that a Pentecostal revival may visit us. I am the only Pentecostal believer that I know of anywhere around here .- Mrs. Bill Milev, Lake Andes, S. Dak.

"FLESH AND SPIRIT"

We are living in the day when God is speaking to His children in dreams and visions (Joel 3:28). If they are heeded it means a deeper cleansing to make us ready for His appearing. God has given me a series of dreams, or, "visions in a dream," which have greatly edified the saints and I am sure have led many, as they have me, to go down before the Lord in prayer and deep heart-searchings and heart-longings. I feel led to pass them on to you that you may share them with others as the Lord leads.

In the first dream I was walking along a narrow pathway, alone, in the mountains, when suddenly I came to a wide open space, where I met face to face with an innumerable drove of horses driven by some men on horseback. I crouched down beside a boulder to get out of the way, for some were plunging toward me, snorting and jumping excitedly, others were running around in a circle, and some were even attempting to jump over immense boulders. They were black, brown, and gray in color and beautiful to look upon. I could not but admire them as I watched their ceaseless activity, running hither and thither and never seeming to get anywhere. It seemed hours that I waited for them to pass by, that I might continue my journey.

Others had come up in the meantime, and together we waited and rejoiced as we saw the horses become fewer and fewer in number. When I awoke, meditating upon this dream, and wondering what it all meant, for I knew it was from the Lord, the Holy Spirit spoke these words to me, "Horses are flesh and not spirit" (Isa. 31:3). I now had the key to my dream and the interpretation was very clear.

Our progress in the spiritual life is hindered through the flesh! The enemy, represented by the horsemen, would drive us to live in the activity of the flesh and would cause us to trust in the works of the flesh (Isa. 31:1). We struggle and strive to attain and yet we run around as it were in a circle, and accomplish nothing. The natural man is very active and although his works seem very beautiful to man (The horses were beautiful), yet they are only wood, hay, and stubble, which cannot stand the fire (1 Cor. 3:12, 13). We Christians must not enter into the spirit of the age, "Run-ning to and fro" and placing confidence in the flesh. Be silent, all flesh, before the Lord: for He is raised up out of His Holy habitation (Zech. 2:13). No flesh shall glory in His presence (1 Cor. 1:29). "They that are Christ's have crucified the flesh with its affections and lusts" (Gal. 5: 24). Can we not hear Him saying as He did to the Israelites of old, "In returning and rest shall ye be saved, in quietness and confidence shall be your strength" (Isa. 30:15)? Yet we have "fled upon horses" (V. 16), and barrenness has been the result (V. 17): but the Lord is waiting to be gracious unto us (V. 18). See also Ps. 33:17; 147:10; Zech.10:5; Hos. 1:7; Hag. 2:22; Zech. 9:10; Ps. 20:7; Jer. 17:5; 14th chapter of Hosea. "Walk in the Spirit and, ye shall not fufill the lusts of the flesh." "As many as are led by the Spirit of God, they are the sons of God" (Gal. 5:16; Rom. 8:14).

The study of the flesh throughout the Bible is very interesting and we find it manifested in its various phases in most of the Bible characters: fear, anger, jealousy, greed, pride, lust, etc. Self covers it all, so how necessary it is that the "I" be crucified. Amalek, which is a type of the flesh, can only be overcome by help from the "throne of grace"; and when we see the conflict in others (Gal. 5:17) we need to hold their hands up in prayer instead of criticising or condemning (Ex. 17:8-16), and our Joshua will win the victory. Hallelujah! Saul didn't obey the Lord and fully destroy the Amalekites. Even beautiful flesh must go to the cross (1 Sam. 15:9). When we have a vision of Him we will realize as Job did, that in us is no good thing and we will humble ourselves before Him that we may be adorned with His beauty. How I longed to truly enter into the walk in the Spirit after having this dream; and a few weeks later the Lord gave me another dream.

II

I saw a beautiful white horse. Mv heart was filled with awe as I beheld the perfect stillness of the horse. Not a movement of the muscles could I discern and yet the horse was going straight forward, calmly, silently, serenely, submissively, in obedience to the voice of an unseen ONE above; not looking to the right or to the left. It appeared to be drawing a vehicle, yet, to my amazement, I saw no harness, bit, or bridle on the horse. Looking carefully, I beheld a band of ivory encircling the horse and joined to the vehicle. It was studded with jewels; and the Spirit said, "In the center of the will of God; all flesh subdued.

Then I beheld a linen mantle fall from above over the horse, completely covering it, head and all. The Spirit whispered, "And to her was granted that she should be arrayed in fine linen, clean and white, for the fine linen is the righteousness of the saints" (Rev. 19:8). The horse was hearkening to that unseen One and was occupied in obeying His commands. This One led through hard places but the horse did not hesitate or rebel. In quiet submission it went onward and my heart ached in sympathy. But majestically it went forward, without a sound, even up the steps of my home and in the front door !! It went across the room and slowly knelt. I went over and lifted the mantel from the head and behold a human face lost in worship and adoration, saying, "Glory, hallelujah to The very atmosphere about Tesus." spoke of holiness to the Lord. The Holy Spirit said, "This is what it means to walk in the Spirit."

How wonderful to follow Him into the crucified life; all flesh brought into subjection to God, yielding to His will every step of the way, whatever the cost! A horse must be held in by bit and bridle (Ps. 32:9). Are we going to be as the horse? The horse of my dream needed no bit because the flesh had been subdued. The walk in the Spirit leads to the prayer life and the life of true worship.

III

Again, several nights later, I dreamed, and, behold, a dark horse harnessed and tied to a hitching post by the side of the road. A man approached with a big ax and lifting it high in the air, he brought it down on the horse's head cutting deep into the flesh. Again he used the ax, always on the head. Finally, striking its throat from beneath, the head was severed from the body and the horse fell dead.⁴ It seemed a slow process, but in my dream it took place

quickly. I can never forget the look of patient endurance on that horse's face; the quiet submission to the blows. There was no attempt to run away; no kicking, no murmuring. He never once opened his mouth (Isa. 53:7) as the work was done. On awakening, the Holy Spirit gave the interpretation: "This is the process of entering into the Spirit-led walk.' Are we willing to yield in quiet submission to every cross, every testing, every trial, without murmuring or complaining or attempting to run away from any instrument God sees fit to use for our perfection? Will we enter into the crucified life, not living to please self in any way? It costs something. I knew that horse was suffering but he was willing to let the Master hand wield the axe until the work was done. When the head is severed from the body we are dead. We can go no longer according to our own thoughts or desires. The "high places" must be destroyed. Our human reasoning must be laid aside (Prov. 3:5; Isa. 55:8, 9); every thought brought into captivity (2 Cor. 10:4, 5). We must now have the mind of Christ. The flesh will thus be brought into subjection. When the head was severed, the rope that held the horse to the post fell off. We must be separated from all that ties down to this old earth for we are to be a heavenly people. And so our Lord deals with us to bring us into a separated walk with Him. "If we suffer with him we shall also reign with him" (2 Tim. 2:12). Hallelujah! "The sufferings of the present time are not worthy to be compared with the glory which shall be revealed in us" (Rom. 8:18).

IV

Again I dreamed, and I was sitting in a vehicle to which a dark horse was harnessed. He was facing a steep precipice and the command from the ONE above came, "Turn ye, turn ye, why will ye die?" (Ezek. 33:11). I expected the horse to turn around and start in the opposite direction, but to my horror he plunged forward down that precipice, every movement of his body seeming to say, "I will go my own way. I will have my own way." I saw far below deep chasms towards which the horse was plunging. I awoke with a start and I realized that God was again speaking to me, revealing the result of living after the flesh. It leads to destruction; it is a downward path (Prov. 16:25; Rom. 8:13; Gal. 6:8). The choice lies with us. Shall we yield to the work of the Holy Spirit in our lives and follow the Master who "humbled Himself, and became obedient unto death, even the death of the cross" (Phil. 2:8)? Or shall we go on in our own way living to please self and gratify the flesh? Horses are FLESH and not SPIRIT. May we become a SPIRIT-UAL people (Phil. 1:6). Let us press on into the fulness of our inheritance in Christ Jesus, and not be in the least discouraged if we still see much of the flesh in us. The severing of the head was not accomplished in a moment. In all humility and helplessness yield to God; and, in His faithfulness, "He will subdue ALL, THINGS unto Himself" (Phil. 3:21).

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ANOTHER PENTECOSTAL REVIVAL

From Miss Pauline Gleim in Taianfu comes this glowing report:

About a month and a half ago there was a humbling of the missionaries before the Lord. As we searched our hearts and the Lord began to deal with us, without any special effort on our behalf (no, I must write it was God-sent), a spirit of conviction for sins swept over the Chinese. A few children began to repent and confess their sins and then multitudes came. It has been more wonderful than I can write. The children who repented had really turned to the Lord and their lives have shown a great change. They have been so much in prayer and have a deep desire to follow the Lord. Several weeks ago one hundred and two were baptized in water. It was a glorious sight. They came up out of the water with uplifted hands, shining faces, and praising the Lord. Since then a great many more have repented and Brother Anglin expects to have another baptismal service before long. We have been praying that a great revival would sweep the Home and continue till Jesus comes. It started and is still in progress. Praise Jesus! Night before last a great gathering of children had gone to two of the school rooms to pray all night. They were hungry for the Baptism in the Holy Spirit, and as they prayed the Spirit was poured out upon them. Several spoke in tongues. One little girl was especially lost in the Lord. She seemed to be preaching; and on several occasions she praised Jesus in the English tongue and also in the Norwegian. In less than twenty-four hours more than thirty received the Baptism in the Spirit. About three more yesterday praised the Lord in the English tongue and one child said, "Jesus is in my heart." Some would give messages in tongues and interpret; some would prophesy; and much of it was that the Lord is coming soon. There was much intercession for lost souls, and much pleading that all would draw near to the Lord. One girl in speaking said, "You don't know Me as you should." Another spoke a language that sounded like Hebrew. My desire is to live close to the Lord, be sound in doctrine and be found watching and waiting.

Brother and Sister G. C. Slager tell of God's blessing on the work in Chuchowfu, China: "On Christmas day our Chapel was filled with people. Most of them listened attentively. One hundred and four children were present at Sunday School last Sunday, but this was a little more than the usual attendance. A few more people are getting interested in the Gospel. May God hasten the time when many here will turn to the Lord. Please continue to pray for us."

CHICAGO MISSIONARY REST HOME

From the Chicago Missionary Rest Home comes this report:

We praise and thank God tor all His goodness and blessing during the past year for it has been the best year for the Home. We have entertained fifty missionaries during the year and many others have found a place in the Home. One sister was here last summer and, realizing that our quarters were too small, she sent one hundred dollars to have the attic finished. As a result of her kindness we are having that work done, but we find that it will cost three hundred dollars instead of one hundred. Our trust is in Him for the remaining two hundred dollars. How we praise God and thank all those who have given so liberally of their substance for the support of the Rest Home. Our prayer is that God will reward them abundantly.

MISS MARY DROEGMILLER, Matron

Miss Grace Kenning, working in Shansi. North China, tells of the Spirit's convincing power on the natives: "I praise the Lord for the encouragement He gives us along the way that we may keep pressing on in this battle. The little showers of blessing as they fall refresh our souls; we are praying and believing for the floods; for we realize our need. We have had some good meetings lately; the Holy Spirit has been working in our midst. Last night in the meeting we had a fresh proof of the power of God by the confession of one of the school girls whom we are supporting. She has been a very, very proud girl, so, when she would do something wrong, it would take her a long time to be willing to say that she was wrong; and even then it was said only with the mouth-because she felt she had to say it-not from real heart repentance. The other day a small matter came up about which she had to be dealt with; but she only hardened and seemed very rebellious. I was about discouraged over her case and said to the Lord, 'Well, Lord, you know all man's ways of correcting a child have failed in this case, and there is no hope for her unless you undertake and convict her heart.' I had no thought that the Lord would so soon answer prayer; but that very night in prayer the Lord gave her a vision of herself, and she broke down before the Lord, and afterwards publicly confessed her wrong and asked forgiveness. It was a real proof to us of the power of God; for she was surely one whom man could not change. It brought to my mind the words of Paul in Corinthians in which he says that his speech and preaching had been . . . in demonstration of the Spirit and of power, that their faith might not be in man's wisdom but in the power of God. I am thankful that I know I am serving a powerful, wonder-working God, who is able. If I had to trust in man's wisdom or strength, I would not dare to be here with all the responsibility and burden that it means. I am here only as an empty vessel with faith in a mighty, working God.

FURLOUGH NEEDED

Brother and Sister J. R. Jamieson are much in need of a furlough. They are tired and worn, and their bodies crave for rest and recuperation. Please pray earnestly for them that their return fares may soon be forthcoming.

COMPLETELY HEALED

Miss Frances S. Harris, who, about three months ago, was compelled to return home from India on account of ill health, writes from Orlando, Fla.: "How I praise God for His divine healing power. As far as I can see I am a well girl. Those headaches and pressures are a thing of the past. My other symptoms of vomiting of blood, etc.—I have left weeks and weeks behind. I was prayed for for my ears and I have been almost completely restored in that line, and I am holding on for the perfect hearing." We rejoice with our sister in the work that the Lord has done in her.

Brother H. J. Mader, Chuchowfu, China writes: "Smallpox has been very bad all around us and many children have died of it. The Chinese here are very careless about diseases. Many have walked the streets with it after the fever was over, but they were full of scabs, and that is the time when it is catching. This is the way it has spread all over here. Several have died of it right around us. Our only protection is under the blood of Jesus. We are kept only as He keeps us. Praise God for His keeping power.

"The Word of God is going forth and we are looking to Him to water the seed and give the increase. Pray for us that we will be true to our trust."

Brother J. H. Chenoweth writes of blessing on the Bible School work in Kansu, China: "The fall term of the Bible School, which lasted three months, has just been closed. We had fifteen boys, and several of them have the making of real native workers if properly led on into God. Just now we are enjoying a three days' convention, after which they will return home or go to allotted places and work for the Lord until the spring term opens, sometime in February. This term will run right through until the return of Brother Simpson-sometime in May we hope-when we will open a Council and arrange for the summer and year's work.

"Not being a teacher, I found the going rather hard at times during this past term; but in the absence of any other capable man I did my best and learned some valuable lessons from which I believe I will profit next term. In the meanwhile it has been good for me because I have had to dig deep into the Word. It has been precious to be able to 'open the eyes of their understanding' and see them assimilate the precious. deep truths of the Word. All truths were made precious to them; but many, such as John 1:1-18, the second birth, the cleansing of the leper, and the woman of Samaria, etc., were made especially dear to their souls. We hope for a larger attendance the next term.'

THE PENTECOSTAL EVANGEL

IN A DRY AND THIRSTY LAND

Miss Laura Radford, who has recently taken up missionary work in Jerusalem, Palestine, writes: "All about us are 'souls in the dark, undone'-the orthodox Jew, the bigoted Moslem, the educated Syrian, the proud Arabian and Egyptian, the wandering, homeless Bedouin, all alike deeply religious, but how few with a 'living hope'. Bound by a spirit of fatalism that is as oppressive as idolatry, and as ignorant of the power and love of a living Christ as are the heathen in the heart of Africa, their lives are indeed hopeless. The great poverty and degradation throughout the land would greatly discourage were we not able to lead hungry men and women to a Christ 'in whom are hid all the riches of God, the God of an all-bountiful supply.'

"Down by the wailing wall (which is probably a part of the wall of Ezra's Temple) may be seen, daily, hundreds of Jewish people bemoaning the lost glory of their nation and of the Holy City; but uppermost in the mind of many is the remarkable conviction that some great thing is soon to come to pass that will restore their national glory and remove their present confusion of face. Reverently they kiss those cold stones of the wall, knowing that Jehovah sware unto their fathers saying, I have chosen Jerusalem that my name might be there.' But they are not yet willing to confess in their heart as well as with their lips, 'We have sinned, we have done perversely, we have dealt wickedly.' They have not yet turned unto Him with all their heart.

"But how different are the Jews who have accepted Christ, and 'whose hope is the Lord', for they have seen in Christ the One on whom Jehovah laid the iniquity of us all, and they now await the blessed hope of His appearing. Amongst the Moslems there is also a great unrest. Struggling in their blind desire to unite into one dominating force their political power and religious propaganda, at times the agitation within their own communities rises to near the breaking point. Among the Moslems we find occasionally a truly God-fearing man; but the majority are fatalists to such a degree that every result following from their own rash acts of passion, pride, or ignorance is hopelessly accepted as 'God's will.' In the last census there are about one hundred thousand persons registered as Christians of various beliefs, but a large per cent of them are best described as idolaters. Not able to read, and not understanding one word of the Latin or Greek in which the prayers in their Churches must be chanted, they have before them crucifixes, candles, and beads, and to them these things mean just what the idol means to the idol worshipper in India.

"But in the midst of all this darkness ness and superstition there re-echo the words, 'And the Spirit of God was brooding upon the face of the waters, and God said, Let there be light;' and men are hearing His voice and are turning to Him. To some His voice has come through the written Word, for the Scriptures have been faithfully given out in years past. Others have heard the Word through the children from the Sunday Schools, who have gone home and repeated the story of Jesus. Cottage meetings are being held in order to tell the neighbors of this wonderful salvation that saves to the uttermost; and in many homes may be heard daily the family prayers. A few are seeking the Baptism in the Holy Spirit, for they have long felt their own need and have believed that Christ's promise is for them, 'Ye shall be baptized in the Holy Ghost'; and they are seeking earnestly for the fulfillment of His Word. Surely the time has come for the latter rain to be poured out in Jerusalem. It is a dry and weary land, the hunger and thirst after righteousness, that can be met only by the floods being poured out from on High. Pray, oh pray that they may come soon."

CORRECTION IN ADDRESS

Miss Laura Radford writes that the number of her P. O. Box is 414 instead of 114 as printed on the cards she sent out before sailing. Friends take notice and make change.

GONE TO HIS REWARD

Word has just been received that our beloved brother Albert Norton has gone to be with the Lord. For the past few years he has been failng rapidly in health. Brother Norton consecrated and spent his life in India to preach Jesus as the light of the world in heathen darkness. His whole efforts were directed to this. His two sons, Albert and John, who survive him, are also missionaries to India. They have our sympathy and earnest prayers. With the apostle Paul our brother could fittingly say, 'I have fought the good fight, I have finished the course, I have kept the faith; henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness . . and not to me only, but also to all them that love His appearing.""

A RUMANIAN'S TESTIMONY

Please put my name in the Pentecostal Evangel. I am Roumanian nationality, and was a Roumanian Baptist Gospel minister 24 years. I visited some Pentecostal churches, and I was so strange when I heard preaching and confessing about Divine Healing and Baptism in the Holy Spirit and speaking in tongues. But bless be the Lord, that touch my heart, I had terrible headache about 8 months; my Lord healed me. I had gastric ulcer and doctor told me only the knife and operation will save me. Praise the Lord He healed me, and saved in my pocket \$500. Glory to His name! Also I had rheumatism in my feet 23 years, and my dear Doctor Jesus healed me. Hallelujah, I praise His Holy name.

Now Lord setting my feet in Pentecostal line, and I going on with a small bunch of my nationality, and we are Holy Spirit seekers. All the readers, pray for us, in special for me, may the Lord will use me in some corner of the battlefield. Hallelujah! Glory to God!

Yours in Christ co-worker —Theo. Selegean.

REPORTS FROM THE FIELD

TO THOSE WHO WRITE

Please write reports separate from other matters of business; write on one side of the sheet only; if typewriter is used, do not write lines close together; if possible, furnish copy which will not have to be rewritten before it goes to the printer. Extra work means extra expense to the publishing house as well as added burden to already overtaxed workers. Thank you.

HUNTER, LA.—We haven't any church but I know the Lord would provide some way for us to have a meeting if some one was to come here. Pray that the Lord will send some one to this place to preach to us. My heart aches for the lost and unconcerned.—Mrs. J. I. Simmons.

PAONIA, COLO.—W. H. Boyles held a meeting for two weeks which the Lord wonderfully blessed. Several were reclaimed. People were just getting real interested when the meetings closed; but, the Lord willing, he is coming back in the summer with other workers and expects to hold a meeting all summer in this valley.—Mrs. Sarah Jenkins.

SEDALIA, MO.—The Lord is blessing here. Evangelist A. B. Ellsworth of Joplin, Mo., and Robert Morrison of Galena, Kan., have been with us two weeks (Dec. 23 to Jan. 6). A good number were saved and some received the Holy Spirit. They go from here to Houstonia. Mo., to conduct a union meeting in the Christian Church, beginning Jan. 9. —R Elmer Baker, pastor.

TAMPA, FLA .- Pentecostal saints at Oak Park Holiness Church are rejoicing in the Lord for the blessings received at the special meetings held here for the past three weeks. Surely God was in our midst in saving, and baptizing, and healing power. Many rejoiced in finding Jesus as their Saviour, and others were filled with the blessed Holy Spirit as in Acts 2:4. To help in this revival God sent a precious young man along who was a blessing in our midst (Brother Otto Lunsford from Indiana). He is a talented musician and soloist, and a splendid preacher. His messages were inspiring. He is only a young man, but he has no other purpose in life than to see souls saved. He is loved by all the saints in Oak Park and has our prayers whereever he goes that God will bless him and make him a blessing. We praise God for the revival spirit that has been here since we came in the latter part of September, and for the faithful saints who are standing with us for the lost souls in this part of His vineyard. God is blessing also in the Sunday school. We have 104 on the roll and we often have one bundred per cent present, for which we praise God. We request the prayers of the Evangel family .-- Pastor I. J. Bolton and wife, Route 3, Ybor Sta., Tampa, Fla.

HOLLY, COLO.—Just closed a revival with victory. Praise God! Ten were saved and eleven received the Holy Spirit in the real old-time way. We are now in a revival at Coolidge, Kans. Do pray much for us and for this place.— Evang. Ora D. Hurley.

COEBURN, VA.—Our meeting closed January 23. The Lord wonderfully blessed. He revealed Himself in a powerful way to convince the sinners and others who did not see this way. There were 11 saved and 2 baptized in the Holy Spirit. It is wonderful how the Lord has overthrown the work of Satan and has brought His children together again and added others to His fold. We desire prayer that we may so abound in grace that the Lord may be able to do great things by His mighty power. We thank the Lord for the souls He has given us.—F. I. Peters.

TRINIDAD, COLO .- We have just closed a revival campaign here which began January 6, and continued until January 23. There was good interest in the meeting and a revival spirit prevailed. A goodly number were saved and seven or eight were filled with the Spirit. There were also some remarkable healings. Brother W. H. Hamilton of Colorado Springs did the preaching. Brother Hamilton is a big-hearted man and is firm in his convictions for the full gospel message. The assembly was much helped and the meeting closed with many seeking God. Our assembly is open to brethren of the Assemblies of God. Trinidad is on the main line of the A. T. and S. F. We will be glad to hear from some able evangelist to begin a meeting here about March 1.-Pastor J. Logan Stuart, 315 White Ave.,

HUMBOLDT, KANS.—God is working with us with signs following. Since the Lord sent us here in the last part of September about 50 souls have been saved and 24 have been baptized in the Holy Spirit according to Acts 2:4. Three boys and girls under the age of 15 have been saved and baptized in the Holy Spirit. Glory to God! One old man 80 years old was saved; and two women, one 70 and the other 77, have received the Holy Spirit (Acts 2:4).

Many sick folks have been healed and a number of demons have been cast out. All glory and praise be to the Lord, who giveth us power (Acts 1:8). We request the prayers of all God's people for this place as the devil surely is stirred up. Brother and Sister Yates have been helping us in a meeting for three weeks and a great work has been done. We have a large, fine tabernacle, that Brother Butler of Iola built and we are always ready to work with any one the Lord sends us, so come on if you are sent.—R. F. Ashworth, Acting pastor. ROCKY FORD, COLO.—We just closed a meeting here which God blessed in the saving of souls. The saints are again shouting the praises of God. Crowds are growing and people are hungry for the full gospel truth. We are expecting Evang. Geo. L. Rose and A. R. Livesy from Denver to carry on this work. Pray God will stretch forth His hand in the saving of many souls and in baptizing believers in the Holy Spirit.—Evang. Floyd C. Woodworth.

SOUTH SIOUX CITY, NEBR.—We have been plodding along here for a year and a half. God has blessed us ever since we came. Many souls have been saved and a number of them have received the Baptism in the Holy Spirit with the evidence according to Acts 2:4. At the present time a revival is springing up among the children. Everybody seems hungry for the Word. There have been some minor healings. Pray for us that God will have His way in our lives and in the work. We invite anyone of the Assembly of God that may be in this vicinity to come and help us.—Mr. & Mrs. W. H. Brown, Box 95.

CENTRAL PARK, LONG ISLAND. -Evangelist Bert Williams of Perry, New York, just closed a series of three weeks of revival meetings at the Cen-The tral Park Pentecostal Tabernacle. refreshing of the presence of the Lord was witnessed from the beginning. The services were well attended from the start, growing daily to a well filled house toward the last days of the campaign. A goodly number were definitely saved, two back-sliders taking a new hold, and many were encouraged to press on for the Holy Spirit Baptism as in Acts 2:4. We also sound a note of praise and thanksgiving for a visit from the Gideon Band of Brooklyn, a company of about twenty young men and women whose ministry in song and music is blessed of God and is a real spiritual up-lift to all that hear them. The distinctive Pentecostal testimony was sent abroad. All that heard the message of the hour were encouraged and strengthened in the Lord. We can say without suffusion that this convention closed with more tangible fruit than any we have had heretofore.

We are looking forward for the return of our Brother Williams some time in the near future for a more extended series of meetings.—Robert W. Schuman, pastor; Gotthold Dittes, Secretary.

PENTECOSTAL CONVENTION Framingham, Mass.

The meetings began Sunday Dec. 30 and continued through Sunday Jan. 20. Throughout the entire series it was a wonderful season of refreshing from the presence of the Lord. Pastor Albert Jenkins from Bridgeport, Conn. was with us for 10 days. His presence and preaching was a source of much blessing to the people. The Saturday night of January 5 was one long to be remembered by all present. Brother Jenkins was the preacher of the evening. Before he had finished his message, the seekers, one by one, came forward and knelt around the platform. The power of the Holy Spirit fell like rain and the slain of the Lord were on all sides of the altar. One minister romarked that he had not witnessed such a manifestation of the Power of God in years.

The song services, which were conducted by Roland Ritchie of Harpursville, N. Y., were a special feature of the meetings. On several occasions during the praise service, while the congregation were standing, seekers for the Baptism in the Spirit became so intoxicated with the heavenly wine that they were slain while standing.

Pastor James R. Hicks of Concord, N. H. was present one week. His ministry in the Word, especially his illustrated chart-talks on the feasts was very instructive and greatly enjoyed by the the saints. Other ministering brethren who contributed much to the success of the convention were Pastor R. H. Norton of Boston, Pastor George Philips of Cambridge, Mass., Pastor O. H. Thayer of Keene, N. H.

Quite a number received the Pentecostal Baptism, among whom were several of the children, some of whom were saved during the meetings. As a result of the anointing services several testified to definite healings.

According to the testimonies the convention was the best they had ever attended. It was surely a time of feasting with the Lord, with wine on the lees well refined. Rarely has the writer witnessed such cases of Divine intoxication among Pentecostal seekers. This gracious outpouring of the Holy Spirit is the result of a weekly meeting exclusively for prayer. A splendid spirit of cooperation and unity prevail throughout the convention.—T. Arthur Lewis, pastor.

EATON, OHIO .- God is blessing the work at Eaton, Ohio, and has raised up there an assembly of about 60 saints, working in fellowship with General Council principles. Many of these have been brought to the Lord within the past few months. Brother E. O. Lockwood is acting as elder and J. M. Marsh as treasurer. I have been ministering the Word to them every two weeks since June, wife sometimes going in my stead. In the last special service God was glorified in the midst. The meeting closed Sunday, January 20 and, although there was zero weather, 10 converts followed the Lord into the icy waters of the creek; and I have not felt better physically for many weeks than I have for days after coming out of the water. There is a good band of young people here who are hungry for the sincere milk of the Word. We are now taking up the work at Cambridge in connection with the Byesville Assembly, Brother C. N. Nash assisting. Brethren, pray for us.-J. Clark Soules, pastor.

Send twenty-five cents for sample package of tracts. Gospel Publishing House, Springfield, Mo.

"Praying Hyde."

The above is the title of a little book (to which this is a wholly unsolicited reference) published at 25 cents by The Sunday School Times Co., Philadelphia; a book which, carefully read, should revolutionize the prayer life of any Christian. John Hyde, the son of a Presbyterian minister, went to India as a missionary. How he received the fulness of the Spirit and became until his death one of the greatest of intercessors, and how under God revival fires were kindled in answer to his prayers—these and other things are related in simple, touching language. It is just such a testimony as the Christian world needs today. Let **multitudes** read it, and **manifold** will be the results.

Said a great editor recently: "Every city in America should maintain a noon-day prayer meeting to pray for revival." True, and should not also every Christian home and church become (as in 1858) recruiting centers of intercession, and every regenerated heart the throne-room of the interceding Spirit of God? Not alone at 12 o'clock, but "evening and morning and noon" let larger numbers of God's people "cry aloud" (Psa. 55:17); and let more churches have set seasons, weekly and monthly, to plead for revival, and to pray that God will put simultaneously upon His people everywhere a burden of prayer.

Can arguments vanquish Modernism? Can prayerlessness recover lost ground? Can lukewarmness evangelize the world?

One mighty breath from heaven will do it all. God will quickly "turn to flight the armies of the aliens" encamping in the midst of His people, when His people have by the "wrestling" of prayer put to flight the hosts of spiritual wickedness encamping above them; in other words, when the Church returns to the faithful observance of the apostolic order (Acts 6:4)—prevailing prayer first, and afterwards prevailing preaching—the former indispensably, the latter inevitably.

Missionary conventions? Bible conferences? Workers' gatherings? Good, all good! But when the good leaves little room for the best, what then? The calling of well-nigh prayerless assemblies God "cannot away with; it is iniquity, even the solemn meeting." Therefore Modernism grows apace in the Church! Strategic centers continue being captured! The enemy goes on gaining ground!

The devil loves controversy, but what effectual weapon has he wherewith to combat a Church upon its knees?

"How long, O Lord, how long?" Canst not Thou who art sovereign move "with one accord" upon the hearts of Thy praying people? Canst Thou not make this the day, the year, when Thou shalt summon heaven and earth to witness that the God of Elijah still lives—the God who condescends to answer mercifully the cry of His confessing children who day and night in behalf of the Church

PLEAD FOR REVIVAL!

OPEN FOR CALLS for Evangelistic Meetings. -Mrs. Dolly A. Simms, 13 Edgewood Park, Cairo, II.

OPEN FOR CALLS—For either pastoral or evangelistic work in Arkansas, Missouri, or Illinois.—H. T. Owens, Yellville, Ark.

MRS. H. M. BRACEY, Osyka, Miss., acknowledges hereby the receipt of many encouraging letters from different parts of the states and regrets very much that she cannot write each one a personal letter. She appreciates their words and offers/to hold meetings and has accepted the first offer received from a sister in Sharon, Tenn. She says, "Our doors are always open to the Lord's people. We live 9 miles from the I. C. railroad, east of Osyka on a graveled highway. I think that we could have a good meeting here in warm weather under the trees. Pray for us."-R. 1., No. 39.

AN OPEN DOOR.—There are but a few baptized saints in this place and no mission or assembly; but the Lord is blessing souls, and some who in former years fought this wonderful Holy Ghost Baptism as in Acts 2:4 have expressed their hunger and desire for this old-time power. With wife and me they are crying, "Come over and help us." The need is for someone who can preach and explain this old-time power in such a way as to create a hunger in the hearts of God's people for the deeper things of God. Our prayer is for someone to obey the call and say, "Here am I; Lord, send me."—George M. Bates, 406 Palm Ave., Shenandoah, Iowa. BARBER, IDAHO.—The work here is being built up by the help of God and our dear pastor, A. C. Saxton. Anyone holding credentials with, or in fellowship with, the Assemblies of God is welcome in this Assembly.

WYOMING NEEDS HOLY GHOST RELIG-ION.—I pray that God will lay it on the heart of some Spirit-filled servant of His to preach the Holy Ghost religion in Wyoming, as I understand that there is not an assembly in all that state; and that is where most of my children and grandchildren live.—Mrs. Abbie Brown, Mt. Ayr, Iowa.

EXPERIENCED PASTOR NEEDED.—Alta, Iowa, is a small assembly with some fine families. We have a church rented on Main Street which will hold 150. There is no other assembly for 60 miles. If we are to go forward in this work we must have a pastor and wife who will stay with the work. No one need apply unless an ordained minister in full fellowship with the General Council. We ask your prayers.—J. A. Penn, Alta, Iowa.

FRUIT FARM FOR SALE.—Forty-four acres two miles from Petosky, Mich., and one and onehalf miles from Bay View. There are twelve acres of orchard—apples, pears, plums, and cherries. A good eleven-room house with good cellar; running spring water to house and barn; a basement barn and other buildings; hot and cold water in the house. Also two horses, two jersey cows, and farming tools and household goods. Price, \$5,000; \$2,000 down and time on the balance. If the buyer should want more stock, there are 2 cows, 2 heifers, two years old; and 23 sheep. —Mrs. & Mr. C. W. Golden, Petosky, Mich.

Forthcoming Meetings

SEDALIA, MO., REVIVAL CAMPAIGN .--Evangelist A. Watson Argue and party will con-duct a revival campaign at the Assembly of God Tabernacle, from March 9 to 23 inclusive.—R. El-mer Baker, Pastor.

GRAND RAPIDS, MICH.-Evang. John H. Bostrom will conduct a revival campaign in the Upper Room Assembly, 253 Monroe Ave., begin-ning January 29, and continuing through the month of February. We are looking to the Lord for a feast of good things.-Rollin M. Severance, Pastor, Apt. 903, Y. M. C. A., Grand Rapids, Mich.

TULSA, OKLA.-Evangelists Earl W. and Beula O. Clark of Indianapolis, will open a revival cam-paign, Sunday, March 2, in the large Tulsa Taber-nacle, scating 6,500, with a choir of 400 voices and 90 personal workers and 60 ushers, where Ritchey conducted his two meetings in that city. The Clark's covet the prayers of the Evangel readers for this great campaign for lost souls. Plan to attend.

MC ALESTER, OKLA.—A big evangelistic cam-paign for lost souls, conducted by Evangelists Earl W. and Buela O. Clark and party, in the M. E. Church (seating 1200) in the center of the city, beginning January 25 and closing Feb-ruary 25. Saints in the surrounding community are urged to attend and help in the salvation of lost souls. Bring the sick. For further infor-mation address J. W. Hudson, Savannah, Okla.

MIDWINTER REVIVAL, at Philadelphia, Pa. Evangelist Bert Williams of Perry, N. Y., will hold special revival meetings at HIGHWAY MIS-SION TABERNACLE, Ridge Avenue and Ox-ford Streets, February 13 to 24. A time of spir-itual blessing and salvation is expected. Friends from neighboring communities are invited to share the benefits of these meetings with the local assembly.

BIBLE CONFERENCE, NEAR CALHOUN LA., beginning February 15, D. V., for ten days, at the Pleasant Valley Assembly. Brother W. J. Walthall, Chairman of the Arkansas District Council, will give the Bible lessons. There will be evangelistic services each night. We espe-cially urge the brethren of this part of the dis-trict to attend this conference. Trains will be met on the V. S. & P. railroad on the 14th, 15th and 16th, and the assembly at Pleasant Valley will arrange to take care of all who attend.-E. L. Tanner, Summerfield, La.

REVIVAL MEETING IN DETROIT

REVIVAL MEETING IN DETROIT Beginning Sunday, February 17, Evangelist A. H. Argue, who has been specially used in pray-ing for the sick, and his daughter Zelma E. Argue, evangelist and musician, will conduct a Revival Campaign in Berea Tabernacle, S. E. Corner of Fourth and Forrest Avenues, Detroit, Mich., to continue for several weeks or as long as God shall lead. We ask the prayers of the Evangel family for this campaign.—The Pentecostal As-sembly of Detroit, J. R. Kline, Pastor.

sembly of Detroit, J. R. Kline, Pastor. **KANSAS DISTRICT BIBLE CONFERENCE** February 15 to March 2, at the Assembly of God Church, 7th & Riverview, Kansas City Kans. Brother and Sister D. W. Kerr in charge of Bible conference, assisted by Brother and Sister W. C. Peirce and other workers. We expect all the Kansas District preachers and workers to come to this conference, that we may "study to shew ourselves approved unto God, workmen that need not to be ashamed." Let each assembly take an offering for the pastor's expenses. Entertain-ment will be furnished free to all ministers, and accredited workers. This Bible conference is for all the saints. We will have a list of rooms at reasonable rates. For further information write to Fred Vogler, Wakarusa, Kans., Chairman Kan-sas District.

EASTERN DISTRICT COUNCIL

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CONVENTION AT HORNELL, N. Y., Feb. 17 to 24. Meetings will be held at the Pente-costal Chapel, corner of Madison Avenue and Shelden Streets. Evangelistic Meetings will fol-low the Convention conti uing indefinitely. Mis-sionaries in fellowship with the General Council in this community are invited to the Convention. We are expecting workers as the Lord leads. Special prayer for the sick each evening. Come believing and expecting. Those wishing to come, write to Pastor G. D. Scott, 36 State St., Hornell, N. Y.

COLORADO MID-WINTER CONVENTIONTo be held in our Assembly Hall, 317 S. Victoria Ave, one-half block north of Union Depot, Pueblo, Golo, beginning Thursday evening, February 29, ing to begin a series of revival meetings February 19, Our State Evangelist, Brother Irl J. Walker, is a first-class evangelist, and has had some blessed and success-ful meetings in the west. The power is already and the spirit. We are praying for and expecting been saved and some hlessed and success-free things from God. It is our intention to begin a chain prayer one week before the meet-hour of the twenty-four and it will be kept up saints everywhere will join with us in this as ministers of this state and invite all who how for further information write Pastor N. K. Nich-be, further information write Pastor N. K. Nich-be, Sus Wan Buren St., Pueblo, Colo.-District.

TO THE MINISTERS AND ASSEMBLIES OF GOD OF SOUTHERN MISSOURI DISTRICT COUNCIL

We greet you in the name of Jesus Christ, our Lord and Master.

Lord and Master. The Tenth Annual District Council of the As-semblies of God in Southern Missouri will convene with the Assembly at Thayer, Mo., March 4, 1924. The date of this courcil was changed by the District Presbyters. Thayer is about 100 miles south of Springfield, Mo., on the main line of the Frisco. The Assembly at Thayer will fur-nish beds and meals free. For additional infor-mation write to Pastor Marvin Hartz, Thayer, Mo. We advise that all the ministers of this dis-

We advise that all the ministers of this dis-trict begin now to make their preparations to at-tend this council. We appeal to the Assemblies to elect and send delegates to this council, and see that your pastor's expense to and from this council is met.

Those expecting to be ordained or licensed at this council will please write to me for an appli-cation blank, and after filling it out have it en-dorsed by your pastor or assembly or some coun-cil minister and return it to me. Let the minis-ters announce this in their meetings. We advise that the licensed ministers of the

We advise that the licensed ministers of the district renew their Fellowship Certificate by the time the council meets or at the council. This does not apply to ordained ministers. Ordained ministers renew at Springfield, Mo., to Elder J. W. Welch; licensed ministers renew to their district chairman. chairman.

chairman. Beloved in the Lord, let us pray that the will of the Lord will be worked out in this district council, and that His wisdom will be given to guide us in every matter that may come before us, and above all things, that fervent love will cover and prevail over every difference that may arise, and that we may with one heart and voice show forth His glory and praise in the face of Jesus Christ, our blessed Lord and loving Master. Amen. Amen.

Don't forget the date of this council-March 4 to 9, 1924.

J. E. Spence, Chairman.

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