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Our Passport to The Kingdom



AND the blood shall be to you a token" (Ex. 12:13). The blood is God's token and man's passport. Men are eagerly seeking passports these days, but this is a God-ordained one, a passport from the kingdom of Satan to the kingdom of heaven.

Do you understand why the enemy hates the blood? Everyone under the token of the blood means a loss from his kingdom and a gain to the kingdom of heaven. Destroy the token, damage the passport, offer a substitute, anything to get rid of God's token! The ingenuity of Satan is brought into play to destroy and to minimize the power of the blood.

You can have a large variety of other passports, but no matter what they are, they will not pass you through. There is only one that avails, the God-ordained one, **the Blood of the Lamb.**

What did the blood mean to those people? It meant safety from death, deliverance from the oppressor, and the marching out to go to the promised land, a threefold purpose, everyone obnoxious to the enemy.

"Who is the Lord, that I should obey His voice to let Israel go?" said Pharaoh. And he defied the nine plagues. **But the blood was one too many for him.** "Rise up, and get you forth," cried Pharaoh, when all the firstborn of Egypt were slain, and he spued them out, as it were. Pharaoh cries out at midnight, "Get you forth," to get rid of them. Where the blood was shed the enemy was powerless to hold.

Even the new firstborn baby that was sheltered under the blood was safe from the destroyer and freed from Pharaoh. "Who is the Lord, that I should obey Him?" said the mighty Pharaoh. But when God provided the blood, even the innocent baby could not be kept back by Pharaoh. Pharaoh defies God, and the baby defies Pharaoh.

Even the cattle had to go with the Israelites. When God gives a salvation, He gives a complete salvation. He does not save a part of you

and let the enemy retain a part. "Not a hoof left behind!"

The enemy was frustrated, disappointed and foiled: he had gained nothing, and lost his army in the pursuit. "Even for this same purpose have I raised thee up, that I might shew my power in thee." Better for Pharaoh that he had never been raised up than to have had such a great fall. And so our God will treat the enemy of our souls.

Moses demanded a complete deliverance out of the hand of Pharaoh, and God saw that the request of Moses was granted. And our Moses demands for us a complete deliverance, and our God will see that He has His request. "I know that thou hearest me always," was the Son's statement to the Father. Yes, and our Moses has sealed His request, and paid the price, by shedding His own blood. "The blood shall be to you for a token," not only of the life taken, but of complete deliverance.

The children of Israel had little or no part in the matter, but to take the lamb, sprinkle the blood, pack up, stay indoors, and march out at the appointed time. Passive, quiet obedience; then activity at the right time. Meantime the fight was raging between Pharaoh and God, Moses and Pharaoh. Do not interfere with the battle. Let God and Christ tackle the enemy. Be quiet, confident, obedient, and active at the right time. And then the exodus will be easy and speedy.

The enemy will pursue, but the pillar of cloud and of fire will be in between. The enemy will not be able to catch up at any time; and if he is gaining, God will cripple him. He took off the chariot wheels of the Egyptians and the pillar of cloud and of fire was in between the crippled chariots and the children of Israel.

The children of Israel had to come out because of the foreordained plan of God. He had told Abraham about their four hundred years of affliction, darkness and bondage, and Jacob also

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--:-- THE MILLENNIAL REIGN OF CHRIST --:--

By Evangelist John Goben

Different theories are advanced about the kingdom of Christ. Some are teaching that the Lord Jesus is going to convert the world through the church, and that the Millennium will be brought about in that way. "Millennial Dawn" tells us that when Christ sets up His kingdom on the earth there will be no personal revelation of the Lord Jesus, but a gradual process of change, things getting better and better. But we believe that the Word of God teaches that Jesus Christ is coming back in person to set up a kingdom that will cover the whole earth, and He Himself will rule over all the earth.

As Jesus sat upon the Mount of Olives, His disciples asked Him, "When shall these things be? and what shall be the sign of thy coming, and of the end of the age?" In Matt. 24:15-30 we have the Lord's statement concerning His coming back to earth and of some things which will take place before He comes. And when we see these things coming to pass that God has spoken of in His Word, it is time to watch, to be ready. "Watch therefore, for ye know neither the day nor the hour wherein the Son of man cometh" (Matt. 25:13).

In Matt. 25:31 we read, "When the Son of man shall come in his glory, and all the holy angels with him, then shall he sit upon the throne of his glory: and before him shall be gathered all nations." Here we see Him coming to earth and gathering all nations before Him. He separates them as a shepherd divides the sheep from the goats. But you will notice that in this chapter there is no resurrection of the dead.

The Lord Jesus Christ is coming to make war. In Rev. 19:11 we read, "And I saw heaven opened, and behold a white horse; and he that sat upon him was called Faithful and True, and in righteousness he doth judge and make war." He will make war upon the devil and his subjects. Notice the description of Him and of the armies which followed Him, "And he was clothed with a vesture dipped in blood: and his name is called The Word of God. And the armies which were in heaven followed him upon white horses, clothed in fine linen, white and clean." These same people are spoken of in the seventh and eighth verses of this chapter, "Let us be glad and rejoice, and give honor to him: for the marriage of the Lamb is come, and his wife hath made herself ready. And to her was granted that she should be arrayed in fine linen, clean and white: for the fine linen is the righteousness of saints." These saints were raptured at the beginning of the great tribulation period. They have been taken from the earth and they are with Him at the marriage supper of the Lamb. Now they have come back with Him at the time of His coming back to earth to judge and make war and to set up His kingdom. They are clothed in fine linen, clean and white, and the fine linen is the righteousness of the saints.

The description of the world at His coming does not show a converted world. It is an apostate world, steeped in sin, ruled by the devil for at least seven years. The world is gathered together against the Lord Jesus at His coming. "And out of his mouth goeth a sharp sword, that with it he should smite the nations: and he shall rule them with a rod of

iron: and he treadeth the winepress of the fierceness and wrath of Almighty God" (Rev. 19:15). Notice that Christ is not coming to a converted world, but to a world that has been marshalled against Him, under the power of the antichrist of Rev. 13:1-3. This gathering will take place just outside Jerusalem. During the great world war we read many times about the battle of Armageddon being identical with that war. You might as well say that the battle of Bunker Hill was fought at Springfield as to try to make the battle of Armageddon over in Europe. Armageddon is outside of Jerusalem in the valley of Jehoshaphat.

We are living in a time when the churches are advocating no more war. I don't like war: but, my brother, there will be war as long as the devil is loose and rules in the hearts of men. The most terrible war of the whole world is still in the future, and is in preparation right now. Consider the regathering of the Jews to Palestine and read Jeremiah 30, and you will see that it is an indication of the last great conflict. When God gathers Israel back to Palestine the time of Jacob's trouble will begin. Israel will suffer greater persecutions and trials during the time of the reign of the antichrist than she has ever suffered in the history of the Jewish nation.

In Zech. 14:1 we read, "Behold, the day of the Lord cometh, and thy spoil shall be divided in the midst of thee. For I will gather all nations against Jerusalem to battle; and the city shall be taken, and the houses rifled, and the women ravished; and half of the city shall go forth into captivity, and the residue of the people shall not be cut off from the city." Now the "day of the Lord" is always spoken of in the Bible as the one thousand years when He shall reign upon the earth. "Then shall the Lord go forth, and fight against those nations, as when he fought in the day of battle" (Zech. 14:3). Here we have the same event as in Revelation 19.

"And his feet shall stand in that day upon the mount of Olives, which is before Jerusalem on the east, and the mount of Olives shall cleave in the midst thereof toward the east and toward the west, and there shall be a very great valley." Some ask, "Was not this prophecy fulfilled when Christ ascended from the mount of Olives?" No, it was not fulfilled, for the old mountain is as ever it was. This passage shows that He is coming back to earth, and His feet shall stand upon the mount of Olives.

When the Lord Jesus comes back it will not be to be spat upon and to suffer. He has fulfilled all that. He is coming again as the Lion of the tribe of Judah. In Revelation 5 and 6 we see the Lord Jesus as the Lamb of God; and also see Him as the Lion of the tribe of Judah. The Lord Jesus is the Lamb of God to every one who will receive Him and will be saved by His sacrifice. But when He comes back to earth again it is as a mighty Warrior, with conquering power, to deliver this world from the dominion of Satan and of sin and from the curse.

In Revelation 20 we read, "And I saw an angel come down from heaven, having the key of the bottomless pit and a great chain in his hand. And he laid hold on the dragon, that old serpent, which is

the Devil, and Satan, and bound him a thousand years, and cast him into the bottomless pit, and shut him up, and set a seal upon him, that he should deceive the nations no more, till the thousand years should be fulfilled: and after that he must be loosed a little season." Some claim that this has already taken place. But notice that the time is when the Lord Jesus comes from heaven, when He dethrones the antichrist and sets up His kingdom. Oh, the false doctrines that are going through the world today to disturb men's minds. Let us search the Word of God, let us know our Bibles. There are thousands today being led astray by the damnable doctrine of Russellism.

A friend said to me one day, "Mr. Goben, you are too severe on that doctrine, you don't understand it." I have studied it. The writer says that the dead are going to begin to rise about 1925, and that the wicked dead are going to be raised again and get another chance. There is not a place in God's Word that will substantiate that thing. The Word of God says the wicked dead will not rise for a thousand years after the righteous have been raised. The righteous will be raised and will live with Christ for a thousand years before the wicked are resurrected. In Rev. 20:5, we read, "But the rest of the dead lived not again until the thousand years were finished."

In Isa. 2:1-5 we have a description of the throne of the Son of God. Hills and mountains are spoken of in the Bible as kingdoms or governments; mountains as the great ones and hills as the smaller ones. "And it shall come to pass in the last days, that the mountain of the Lord's house shall be established in the top of the mountains, and shall be exalted above the hills; and all nations shall flow unto it. And many people shall go and say, Come ye, and let us go up to the mountain of the Lord, to the house of the God of Jacob; and he will teach us of his ways, and we will walk in his paths: for out of Zion shall go forth the law, and the word of the Lord from Jerusalem. And he shall judge among the nations, and shall rebuke many people: and they shall beat their swords into plowshares, and their spears into pruninghooks: nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more." When Christ comes again He is coming with all-conquering power, to dethrone the present world powers and to cast them down, and in their place set up the government of the kingdom of God. During that time righteousness will cover the earth as the waters cover the sea, for the Lord will be King over all the earth. You won't hear swearing as you hear it now, but all nations will go up to the house of the Lord to worship Him. There won't be any carnivals, nor picture shows, nor Sunday excursions. There will be a continual development in the things of the Lord. Why? Because all the powers of evil will be subdued under the Lord Jesus, who will be King over all the earth.

"For, behold, I create new heavens and a new earth: and the former shall not be remembered, nor come into mind. But be ye glad and rejoice for ever in that which I create: for, behold, I create Jerusalem a rejoicing, and her people a joy" (Isa. 65:17, 18). So many people say, "I don't see anything to praise the Lord for." That is because they are blind to God's plan, to what is promised them. God says for us to be glad and rejoice in that which He creates. It will then be as natural for people to rejoice as it is now natural for them to be sad.

"And I will rejoice in Jerusalem, and joy in my people: and the voice of weeping shall be no more heard in her, nor the voice of crying" (Isa. 65:19). It is wonderful to have a friend that takes an interest

in you and will rejoice in you. Thank God for the Lord Jesus who actually rejoices in us and joys in His people.

God has given us a description of this kingdom that reveals exactly what it is going to be like and where it is going to be and what is going to bring it to pass. There will be people here in their natural bodies and children will be born during that time, but there will be no sickness then. Won't that be wonderful? But there is going to be another class of people, those who went up in the rapture before the time of the great tribulation. They are the blood-washed overcomers; they will be in glorified bodies just like the Lord Jesus has. But there are thousands who will not be in the rapture. They are tied up with the world; they have no oil in their vessels. They are saved, but they are not going all the way with God. The ten virgins were all virgins, and they all arose and trimmed their lamps, and they were all looking and watching and expecting, but only five had oil in their vessels with their lamps. Hundreds of people come under conviction for sin and begin to trim this old body up. They quit this and that habit, and trim and trim. It is all right to trim, but you had better get some oil in your vessel. Oil, in the Word of God, is symbolic of the Holy Spirit.

What place will the raptured saints have during the millennial reign of Christ? In Matthew 25 we have the parable of the talents, in which the lord said to the faithful servant, "Well done, good and faithful servant; thou hast been faithful over a few things, I will make thee ruler over many things: enter thou into the joy of thy lord." The overcomers are going to be the ruling class in the earth. There will not be any politicians running round and electioneering for offices; the whole world will be under the dominion and power of Christ. You had better get busy if you wish to be a ruler in the reign of Christ.

"And they shall build houses, and inhabit them; and they shall plant vineyards, and eat the fruit of them" (Isa. 65:21). These people are here in their natural bodies and are the ones who did not receive the mark of the beast in their forehead or in their hand. They won't have to put a mortgage on their house in order to have enough money to build it.

The time will come again when men will live eight hundred and nine hundred years. During that time they will sit under their own vine and fig tree and will enjoy the works of their hands.

"The wolf and the lamb shall feed together, and the lion shall eat straw like the bullock: and dust shall be the serpent's meat. They shall not hurt nor destroy in all my holy mountain, saith the Lord" (Isa. 65:25). Praise the Lord, the curse shall be removed. Some people say that the millennial reign of Christ is already begun. Test it out and see for yourself. Put a lamb with a wolf and see how long it will last. During the age that the Bible speaks of, the lamb and the wolf shall feed together.

"Faith produces patience, calmness, and thoughtfulness; and where the habits of quiet thought are the deepest in the mind the character is ever most gentle, pure, and devout."

"The test of a miracle is its supernaturalness; the test of its source is the doctrine, end, or interest for which it is wrought. If in support of anything contrary to God and His revealed will and law, it is no less a miracle; but in that case it is the work of the devil; for God cannot contradict Himself."—Seiss. (See 1 John 4:1-3).

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RECEIVING GOD'S TRUTH AND WALKING HUMBLY

When Jesus came into the coasts of Caesarea Philippi, He asked His disciples, saying, "Whom do men say that I the Son of man am?" (Matt. 16:13).

The outsiders—the Jews—said that Christ was Elias, Jeremiah, or one of the prophets, or John the Baptist risen from the dead. It would have been interesting to hear the vehemence with which the contending factions argued that they were right. Christ never took the trouble to correct them. "But whom say ye"—the inner circle, who have a right to know—"whom say ye that I am?" There was no reply except from one—Peter. It was not an answer from his impetuous nature. Peter answered, "Thou art the Christ, the Son of the living God. And Jesus answered and said unto him, Blessed art thou, Simon Barjona; for flesh and blood hath not revealed it unto thee, but my Father which is in heaven." How did it come, this revelation? By what process? That does not concern us beyond the fact that Peter had a distinct revelation from God Himself.

Now, of course, Peter was right, all fixed up, doctrinally sound, with a divine revelation as to the Messiah, and corroboration from Christ Himself of the wonderful truth that Peter had brought forth. It was the rock upon which Christ was going to build His church.

"From that time forth began Jesus to show unto His disciples, how that He must go to Jerusalem, and suffer many things of the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and be raised again the third day. Then Peter took Him, and began to rebuke Him, saying, Be it far from thee, Lord: this shall not be unto thee." The orthodox Peter, the sound Peter, the Peter who had had a revelation from God Himself, as to who Christ was, that no one else had had, suddenly becomes very unsound. Peter began to rebuke Christ. The orthodox Peter rebuking Him who is the Pattern of all orthodoxy, because He is the Truth, the Son of the living God, the God of Truth!

"But He turned and said unto Peter, Get thee behind me, Satan: thou art an offense unto me: for thou savorest not the things that be of God, but those that be of men" (v. 23). Fancy the man who had had all this grace and revelation, being rebuked by Him who was full of grace and truth, who showed up in its true light his human weakness and frailty. "Get thee behind me, Satan: thou art an offense unto me."

The main line was all right, but the switch had been opened and this limited train was in danger of being wrecked. "Get thee behind me, Satan: . . . for thou

savorest not the things that be of God, but those that be of men." If anyone else had said that, save the Lord Jesus Christ, it never could or would have been accepted by Peter.

All the Peters are not dead. The man of revelation rebuking Him who gives the revelation! The consummation of audacity! Grace abused! They are puffed up by the revelation of grace instead of being humbled by God's condescension.

"Thou savorest not the things that be of God, but those that be of men." Man's opinions! Peter had had a revelation from God that this Man, the Christ, was the Son of the living God; and then, when Christ gives a further revelation, which was contrary to what he thought would be the ultimate end of the Messiah, he would not tolerate it. His orthodoxy had run riot. The Messiah crucified was contrary to his conception of the Messiah. And he was so vehement that he rebuked the Lord (vs. 22). He rebuked Him, saying that the suffering and death of which He had spoken should not happen to Him. By this attitude he unconsciously put himself into the hands of Satan, and he was carrying out, unconsciously, Satan's plans and purpose to thwart the crucifixion.

Peter had the partial revelation that Christ was the Messiah, and he was quite right in holding to it; but he put his interpretation on the revelation; and that was, that the Messiah should be a kingly one, but not a crucified one; and his resistance to the further revelation made him an offense unto Christ.

Loyalty to a partial revelation, and being very orthodox as to that partial revelation, and yet refusing further revelation, can make you an offense unto God.

The same holds good today of all who hold a perverted view or half truth, who take a truth away from its completeness. And those who hold that perverted view, in the nature of things, become an offense to God and very offensive to those who listen to their views. They are not above taking Christ in hand and rebuking Him; and if you don't see that outwardly, if you don't see them rebuking the Shepherd, you do see them handling the sheep pretty roughly. A man may have a revelation of truth and be very orthodox, but if he does not accept the full revelation, watch if he does not become an offense.

"Then said Jesus unto his disciples, If any man will come after me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross, and follow me. For whosoever will save his life shall lose it: and whosoever will love his life for my sake shall find it" (vss. 24, 25). Revelation of truth is not sufficient. There must be a practical handling of it, taking up the cross daily and following Him. No words of Christ were uttered by chance. Profound revelation of truth has to be followed by a humble walk.

"For what is a man profited, if he shall gain the whole world, and lose his own soul? Or what shall a man give in exchange for his soul? For the Son of man shall come in the glory of his Father with his angels; and then he shall reward every man according to his works" (vss. 26, 27). Here was encouragement: though He told them He was to be crucified, yet they were to see the Messiah come in the glory of His Father, and He was going to reward every one, not according to his orthodoxy, not according to his correct theology, not according to the depth of his revelation, but every one ACCORDING TO HIS WORKS.

Nothing but the consciousness of your own weakness can make you indulgent and pitiful to that of others.—Fenelon.

A CALL TO PRAYER

The Baptist Bible Union of North America in conference assembled in Chicago, Jan. 28, 1925, hereby expresses its deep conviction that the need of the hour is a great spiritual revival. We believe firmly that the Word of God clearly teaches that such a revival is still possible, and will be possible to the end of the present age. We have noted with deep gratitude that in all the denominations great companies of the Lord's people are being inspired, manifestly of the Holy Spirit, to pray for such a spiritual awakening. We recognize the spiritual darkness of the time, and . . . we believe that only the mighty power of God can turn back the tide.

We, therefore, hereby invite our fellow-believers of all denominations in general, and our fellow-Baptists everywhere in particular, to join with us in at least Three Days of Concerted Prayer for Revival. The dates we venture to name are: April first, second and third, with the further suggestion that, where possible, such prayer meetings should be continued on Saturday leading up to Sunday, April 5th, when earnest prayer should be offered that God would arise and plead His own cause, in the hope and expectation that the services of that day may be marked throughout the continent by the conversion of thousands of souls.

We suggest that churches, and mission halls, and other places where Christians assemble, be open for prayer during certain hours on all these days; and that in rural or other places where large meetings are impossible, prayer groups be formed; and that thus throughout this period of Concerted Prayer, there may be thousands of prayer meetings held all over the land. . . .

We respectfully and earnestly ask that the editor of every evangelical publication in America, and throughout the world, co-operate with us by printing this Call to Prayer. In many quarters we hear the sound of a going in the tops of the mulberry trees. The fact that in so many directions the desire for a spiritual revival is finding expression in earnest prayer is, itself, an evidence of the movement of the Spirit of God.

We suggest also that in anticipation of the dates named, all believers who read these words should privately, at the family altar, and in public, earnestly intercede that God may pour upon His people the Spirit of grace and of supplication, that there may be a widespread response to this invitation, in order that when the blessing shall come, as we believe it will, God may be everywhere glorified.

(We are sure that every Pentecostal saint will be heartily in sympathy with this call. Most of us feel, as Brother R. A. Brown expressed it at the last meeting of our General Presbytery, that the need of the hour is a new revival. We praise the Lord that others are realizing this same thing. Let us unite in fervent, constant, effectual prayer for the Spirit of God to be poured out upon all flesh. It will be an excellent thing for our Pentecostal assemblies to unite in special three-day prayer conferences on the days suggested in this call.—Ed.)

FALSE PROPHETS

For several days past the newspapers have been making lengthy comment on a false prophecy that the Lord would return to the earth on February 6, 1925. Our readers will remember that we printed a special warning against this false prophecy in April last. A brother reported that thousands of small handbills

were being dropped from an aeroplane over Southern California cities with these words upon them, "Thus saith the Lord . . . Jesus will return to the earth Feb. 6, 1925 . . ." God's own Word warns us, "Behold, I am against the prophets, saith the Lord, that use their tongues, and say, He saith. Behold I am against them that prophecy false dreams, saith the Lord, and do tell them, and cause my people to err by their lies" (Jer. 23:31, 32).

We repeat the word of warning that we printed in April last. "What does it all mean? It is just a trick of the enemy. Some may believe this foolish notice, and if the Lord tarries beyond Feb. 6, 1925, there will be a revulsion and reaction of feeling. Our attitude should be one of watching, but this sort of thing disgusts people and turns them away. Harm to the truth of the coming of the Lord has been caused by setting dates. The devil is still playing the same card; but we are not ignorant of his devices, or should not be."

Let us not cease to give heed to the Master's own warning: "Watch therefore, **for ye know not what hour your Lord cometh.** . . . Therefore, be ye also ready: **for in such an hour as ye think not,** the Son of man cometh" (Matt. 24:42, 44).

OUR PASSPORT TO THE KINGDOM

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had been told, and the people had the promise of deliverance. And we are redeemed by the blood of the Lamb slain before the foundation of the world, so the deliverance must take place for all those who are truly obedient, who remain under the blood, within the house.

Those who got through the Red Sea, for the most part turned back in their hearts to Egypt, and they perished. They did not perish at the hand of Pharaoh, but at the hand of God. What is the difference? Leave that to God.

To the fearful ones He says, "He shall gather the lambs in His arms, and carry them in His bosom." If you are fearful, if you doubt whether you will be able to outstrip the enemy, if you are despondent, if you have little faith, then you are a lamb, and that entitles you to be carried in His breast.

If you are strong and self-confident and big and can walk by yourself, you do not need the care of the Shepherd so much, but the lambs He carries in His bosom. Since He has provided, you have the token, the passport, **the blood**, and the destroyer shall not come nigh thee. The weakest could not be in a safer place, protected by the blood and carried by the Shepherd, and all the Pharaohs of Egypt and all the demons of the abyss cannot wrest the simple, confiding, trusting lamb from the bosom of the Shepherd. This is the heritage of God's people.

"He who sows courtesy reaps friendship, and he who plants kindness gathers love."

"We must overcome our enemies by gentleness, win them over by forbearance. Let them be punished by their own conscience, not by our wrath. Let us not at once wither the fig tree from which a more skillful gardener may entice fruit."

Alms may be done not only by money, but also by acts. For example, one may kindly stand by a person to succor and defend him, one may reach to him a helping hand; the service rendered by act has often done more good even than money.—S. Chrysostom.

JEWISH NOTES

Christmas in Jerusalem. Sister Laura Radford writes of a trip made to Bethlehem on Christmas day: "The afternoon service in the Church of the Nativity was over, and the streets very quiet, for the people were at home preparing for the excitement of the all-night celebration that would begin about nine o'clock. We were glad for the quietness as we entered the church and looked at the place where many thousands of pilgrims through the past centuries have knelt and worshipped. True, this is only a supposed site of the manger spoken of in the Scriptures, but it is another reminder to the world that the Christ did come; and the story of His coming as a weak, helpless babe causes the whole world to stop at this season of each year, and in one form or another to give expression to their knowledge of this fact. True, we feel that a large part of the present annual celebration in the Church of the Nativity is almost mockery, and that out in the world the Christmas celebration is but a commercialized event, yet through it all rings the message of the angels, God's message to men today, 'Peace on earth,' and through the noise and confusion of the life of today, humble hearts in all lands have caught this message and are seeking Him of whom the angels spoke."

Living Sacrifices in Jerusalem. Sister Radford continues, "As we looked across the shepherd's field, there were no flocks of lambs ready for the temple sacrifice on the morrow or on that first Christmas eve, but in our service on Christmas morning about sixty lives were presented in groups to the Lord for His service. First mothers brought their babies, then a group of girls and young women knelt at the altar presenting their lives a living sacrifice unto God, then a group of the oldest boys from the Sunday School, then six young men, then a group of the older women, mothers who wanted God to use them in their homes for His glory, and we pray that these surrendered lives may be through the coming days as a continual burnt offering unto Him."

Prison Work in Jerusalem. Sister Radford writes, "As the Wednesday before Christmas was the day for our regular meeting in the prison, I went with Miss Brown to help distribute the Christmas gifts to the prisoners, a handkerchief containing about four ounces of nuts and candies for each man. A prison officer accompanied us from cell to cell and saw that no man was overlooked. A brief word about Jesus, the Prince of Peace and our Saviour, was spoken to each group of men and was heartily received by some."

Encouraging Signs in Palestine. Arthur W. Payne, acting secretary of the Prayer Union for Israel, writes, "The

dry bones of the nation are certainly 'coming together' in the garden cities and palatial buildings that are being erected in some quarters, as well as in the numbers of dwellings, and even camps, where the new comers dwell, but one naturally longs to see 'life from the dead' in the hearts of the people. It is very encouraging to know that a large number of Jews in Jerusalem have confessed their faith in Christ by baptism in the rivers Jordan and Kishon, and that there is a readiness to read the New Testament, especially in the Hebrew Tongue. One has had a very sympathetic and kind reception among the Zionist colonists, who are the pioneers or scouts of the returning nation. We see the devotion and sacrifice which these young people, many of them students of law and music, art and engineering, are making. Already a number have laid down their lives in the heat of summer or cold of winter, for the great national idea, the 'Aretz Israel le an Israel'—the land of Israel for the people of Israel.

Bibles in Jewish Hotels.—Mr. S. B. Rohold writes in the Jewish Missionary Magazine of a certain interesting Jew calling at their reading room and buying a number of Hebrew Bibles, sending them to be put in Jewish hotels in the different rooms. He insisted that the Old and New Testaments should be bound together in one volume. Mr. Rohold went to the house of this Jew and found that he had a large flat of nine rooms and the largest room was a library. The best and latest of Christian theological books were there. This man spoke with a fire which only the ancient prophets could speak. He said, "Do you realize that we have here now in the land of our fathers, 25,000 young men, Zionist-Chalutzim, who have come with an ideal, but hardly know how to attain that ideal. The old Judaism is behind for them and they have no desire for it. They are spiritual at heart, but they have not found the way to attain the true spiritual. I have opened this house with a longing desire to reach and be of service to them spiritually, but I do not know if I am able to reach them." When asked why it was that the Jews had been exiled for 1900 years, this old man said, "Because we Jews have rejected and desired the death of the noblest and best of Israel, and when He was dying on the cross the high priests and elders said, 'His blood be upon us and upon our children.'!" When spoken to concerning the coming back of the Lord again and asked what his attitude would be, he said, as he lifted up his eyes to heaven, "Oh, I wish that the Lord would come at once." Mr. Rohold comments: "Such movements are visible everywhere. Who is there who has the cause of the Lord at heart, watching these movements, who fails to realize that these

movements among them are a direct result of the predicted plan of God?"

Archaeological work in Palestine. There is much exploration going on in the land of Palestine and the Jews are taking an active part themselves. In Psa. 102:13, 14, it is written, "Thou shalt arise and have mercy upon Zion: for the time to favor her, yea, the set time is come. For thy servants take pleasure in her stones, and favor the dust thereof." Mr. Arthur Payne points out, "The official document for the mandate for Palestine has a number of clauses in which archaeological relics in the holy land are especially considered. Two thousand, six hundred historical sites have been registered by the Antiquities Department of the present government. The discoveries that have been made by Professor McAlister are well known. One has seen the beginning of these explorations on Mount Zion, where what is known as the Jebusite city, the scene of the kingdom of Melchisedek as well as of David, has been brought to light. In Beisan, the ancient Bethshan, there has been discovered a stela of Rameses II, whom we have always believed to be the Pharaoh of the oppression, with an inscription containing these words, 'I made the Semites do hard service.' Another interesting stone has been found in the Aramaic language, the dialect which our Lord spoke when He used the words, 'Talitha cumi: I say unto thee arise.' On this stone it is said, 'An officer has given money towards the erection of a synagogue, for which we are very grateful, and we wish that others would follow his example.' This almost seems like an echo of the words of the Jews concerning a synagogue of which the ruins can still be seen in Capernaum, when they said, 'He loved our nation and has built us a synagogue.'"

Jerusalem University Opened. On December 22 last, Sir Herbert Samuel, the High Commissioner for Palestine, opened the institute for Jewish studies in connection with the Hebrew University. Research laboratories have already been at work, and now lectures in Jewish theology, law, history and literature are given in Hebrew. A dispatch to the New York Times states that there are 110 students enrolled. All instruction is free and there are no restrictions, but the lectures will be delivered only in Hebrew.

Further Developments in Palestine. In the February issue of Current History reference is made of the recent conference between the French High Commissioner for Syria and the British High Commissioner for Palestine. As a result there is the project of a railway from Haifa to Beirut, which might be extended in both directions so as to link up the entire Syrian-Palestine coast. This paper also reports the definite progress of the Department of Education of the Palestine government. There are now 711 schools in this country, with 2,373 teachers and 53,467 pupils. The government conducts 314 of these schools, with 672 teachers and 19,331 pupils. Boy Scout and Girl Guides are movements which are rapidly spreading. Athletics are being encouraged in the schools. The New Palestine reports the opening of King

George Avenue in Jerusalem on December 10, which was an occasion of a huge celebration by 10,000 inhabitants of the holy city. Sir Herbert Samuel in his opening speech, said, "The opening of this avenue is a symbol of Palestine becoming a progressive state. Jerusalem will soon have a population of one hundred thousand." On the following day, December 11, 624 Jewish immigrants entered Palestine. This is described as the greatest day in the history of the Jewish immigration.

The Land of Milk and Honey. The Jewish Missionary Magazine points out that 8,800 pounds of honey were exported from Palestine to England in 1923 at an average price of \$12.00 per hundred weight. The honey crop for 1924 from some 4,000 modern hives is estimated at about 133,000 pounds. Three grades of honey are produced, Orange Blossom honey, Wild Mountain honey and Field honey. During one week in November 3,500,000 oranges were shipped from Jaffa. New shipments of Palestinian preserved fruits, cocoa, chocolate and other confectionery, have arrived in this country and are being distributed by the Palestine Products Co. of New York.

The Jews in Russia. It is evident from recent dispatches from Russia that the Jew, Leon Trotsky, who until recently was the Minister of War in the Soviet government, is losing his power and another Jew, Zinoviev, is now described as the master spirit of Russia. This man is bitterly antagonistic to God and in a recent appeal said, "We will grapple with the Lord God in due season. We shall vanquish Him in the highest heaven, and wherever He seeks refuge; and we shall subdue Him forever" (London Times, Dec. 24, 1924). A terrible infidel movement is being begun among the children of Russia. The Christmas number of *Izvestia*, a government organ, reports the organization of a children's communist league which already embraces one million members; and another five million children, pupils in elementary schools, are being drawn into the movement. "We, the young godless ones," writes one of the leagues, the Khamovinki Club in Moscow, "are waging an active war against our religious parents; we will climb up into heaven and sweep away the gods." A Russian scholar visiting London recently said, "Picture to yourselves your own children, seeing year after year the most blasphemous caricatures of God, of Jesus Christ and His mother displayed on posters at every street corner, ribald stories and songs on religious subjects distributed in shoals to children in and out of school, anti-religious entertainments, lectures and debates which children are compelled to attend—and you will realize the terrible atmosphere in which the children of Russia are growing up, and the ideas which through mere force of habit they are bound to acquire (London Times, Jan 1, 1925). When we pray for the peace of Jerusalem we need to pray for the hundreds of thousands of Jewish children in Russia/who are being brought up in this atmosphere. We need to pray for Russia, that where sin is abounding so terribly grace may much more abound.

Encouraging News from Poland. Mr. Bregman, a Jewish missionary, writes very encouragingly of a recent visit to Poland. At a town called Piotrkow he and another worker distributed a number of hand bills in which they invited the Jews who were interested in the redemption of their people to meet them at their hotel. As a result of this invitation, the street leading to the hotel was crowded by Jews of all classes an hour before the meeting was timed to commence. As the only available room was capable of holding about fifty persons, it was necessary for the missionaries to speak for half an hour at a time to as many Jews as could fit in. This went on from three o'clock till seven p. m. and the missionaries were compelled, owing to physical limitations, to desist from further preaching. Scenes similar to this have been witnessed in many towns. "At Pabianice, the Moravian chapel was put at the disposal of the workers and a gathering of five hundred Jews was addressed. At Zdunskawola the use was obtained of a church holding 1,200 people. This was completely filled with an audience of Jews and Jewesses who attentively listened to expositions of the Messianic prophecies given by the missionaries. Well may Mr. Bregman say: "When I saw the extraordinary sight of 1,200 Jews and Jewesses gathered to listen to the gospel, I was reminded of the great gathering of the Jews on the Day of Pentecost!"

When nearly a century old Robert Chapman said, "As I look back over my long life, those dealings of God that were the bitterest at the time, are, in the remembrance and understanding of His dealings, the sweetest."

DO IT NOW

It is said of the sainted John Fletcher, the vicar of Madeley, that on one occasion, as he was marrying a young man, as soon as the service was ended and he was about to make the accustomed entry, he addressed the bridegroom thus: "Well, William, you have had your name entered on our register once before this?" The man answered, "Yes, sir, at my baptism." "And now your name will be entered a second time. You have no doubt thought much about your present step, and made good preparations for it in many different ways?" "Yes, sir!" "Recollect that a third entry of your name—the register of your burial—will sooner or later take place. Think, then, and make preparations for that." This little word, spoken in season, was the means of the man's conversion. Make your preparations now for eternity.

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THE WORD "YEAR" IN THE BOOK OF GENESIS

The Hebrew word for "Year" *Shanah*, occurs in Genesis 161 times, or 23 sevens.

Chapters 1-5 contain the story of man until Noah. This section closes with the first Genealogy: from Adam to Noah, and it contains the word "year" 49 times, or seven sevens. The number of years mentioned in this portion is 15,750 or $7 \times 2 \times 3 \times 3 \times 5 \times 5 \times 5$.

Chapters 6-11 contain the story of man from Noah to Abraham. This section also closes with the second genealogy: from Shem, Noah's son, to Abraham, and it contains the word "year" 35 times, or 5 sevens.

Chapters 12-24 contain the story of Abraham and Isaac until the bringing of Rebecca into Sara's tent. Isaac, the chosen seed, is thus assured of the descent from him not only of the promised Messiah, but also of the 12 tribes of Israel, the congregation of God. This section contains the word "year" 21 times, or 3 sevens.

Chapters 25-46 contain the story of Jacob from his birth to his arrival in Egypt, where Israel was to be in bondage for many years. This section also, like Chapters 1-5 and 6-11, closes with a genealogy of Jacob and his children; and it has the word "year" 42 times, or six sevens.

Chapters 47-50 contain the story of Jacob and his family until the death of Joseph, with whom the protection of the children of Israel against Egyptian Bondage ended. This section contains the word "year" 14 times, or 2 sevens.

The presence of these features of sevens in connection with "year" in Genesis is either design or accident. If accident, the chance for it is only in the tenth power of seven, or one in 282,475,249: less than one in about 300 millions. These sevens are therefore designed. But if so, this word alone thus shows that Genesis instead of being a mere collection of unconnected documents, Elohistic, Jehovistic, etc., is a numerical unit. The same fact could be established probably by every other word found in Genesis. And what is true of Genesis is true of every other of the 66 Bible books, and of the Bible as a whole. As no mere man or set of men could write 66 books thus, the numeric structure of the Bible proves it verbally inspired in every letter of the original text.—Ivan Panin in the Dawn.

CHRIST IN HEAVEN

I have heard of a man who won his fortune in California, and kept sending to his family precious gifts. Each year the gifts grew in value, but at last his wife wrote him saying:

"We are pleased to have your offerings, but oh, my husband, we long to see you."

And it is thus with Christ.

I feel like saying: "Oh, Thou blessed Christ of God, we want to behold Thee in all Thy beauty, and if a word will bring Thee back, we will speak it today. Come, come, come quickly!"—J. Wilbur Chapman.

YOUNG PEOPLE'S DEPARTMENT

ABRAHAM'S VICTORY

Genesis 14

The Flight of Lot. "They took Lot" (v. 4). Lot had lifted up his eyes and coveted the well-watered plain of Jordan, and, as a result, "pitched his tent toward Sodom." "But they that will be rich fall into temptation and a snare." There were other covetous eyes looking toward that fruitful vale. Chedorlaomer, with three kings with him, swept down upon it, and as a result of their victory over the king of Sodom and his allies, "they took all the goods of Sodom and Gomorrah. . . . and they took Lot, Abram's brother's son, who dwelt in Sodom, and his goods, and departed."

The Pilgrim to the Rescue. "One told Abram the Hebrew" (vs. 13). Abram had said to Lot, "We be brethren," and here we see him doing the brother's part, bearing his brother's burden, and so fulfilling the law of Christ. Paul was willing to travail for those in Galatia who were losing the vision, that Christ might be fully formed in them (Gal. 4:19).

The Faith of Abram. "He armed his trained servants" (v. 14). It was a great undertaking for Abram, with no military training, to go after four fully-armed, victorious kings, with just a handful of three hundred and eighteen servants and three neighbors, but he must have had faith that the Most High God would deliver these enemies into his hand (v. 19). And his faith was most wonderfully rewarded. Surely one with God can chase a thousand and two can put ten thousand to flight.

The First Recorded Sacrament. "Melchizedek king of Salem brought forth bread and wine" (v. 18). This was God's provision for the weary pilgrim as he returned from the slaughter of the kings. In like manner every pilgrim can be refreshed, partaking in faith of the body and blood of Christ as he receives these divinely appointed symbols. Our eternal Priest delights to meet and bless His weary pilgrims. We will surely gladly give Him a tenth of the spoils.

The Fresh Revelation of God. "Blessed be Abram of the Most High God, possessor of heaven and earth" (v. 19). To Abram there came continual revelations of God, and through this priest he learned that all in heaven and in earth is the possession of the Most High God. Lot might want an inheritance in the fruitful vale of Jordan, but Abram was satisfied with having the Lord, the possessor of heaven and earth, as his inheritance (Psa. 16:5).

The Request of the King of Sodom. "Give me the souls (margin), and take the goods to thyself" (vs. 21). How like Satan! he wants souls, he does not care how many goods people get, and people are yielding to his bait; they are seeking to get the whole world, but they lose their souls. This is all Satan wants.

The Refusal of Abram. "I have lifted up mine hand unto the Lord, the Most High God, the possessor of heaven and earth" (v. 22). What did one who was in fellowship and communion with the Creator and Owner of all want with a few trivial spoils! When we see things in the light of eternity, we do not want to accumulate in our pilgrimage things that are merely temporal. Our minds and hearts are set on things above, and not on things of the earth (Col. 3:2).

YOUNG PEOPLE'S MEETING

Subject—The Life of Faith

God has ordained that the righteous shall:

Live by faith (Rom. 1:17; Gal. 3:11).

Stand by faith (2 Cor. 1:24).

Walk by faith (2 Cor. 5:7).

Have Christ dwell in their hearts by faith (Eph. 3:17).

Fight the good fight of faith (1 Tim. 6:12).

Resist the devil by faith (4 Peter 5:9).

Overcome the world by faith (1 John 5:4).

Augustine has said, "Faith is to believe what we do not see, and the reward of this faith is to see what we believe."

Mr. Wesley once was engaged in a very important conference with some of his leading associates. The subject of discussion was faith. No one was able to furnish a definition satisfactory to himself or to any one present. In the midst of their perplexity Mr. Wesley said, "Let us call in Mrs. —," naming an individual of strong good sense and very deep piety. Mr. Wesley said, "She can tell us just what faith is, because she has consciously exercised it." When asked to tell what faith is, her reply was this, "It is taking God at His word." "That will do," exclaimed Mr. Wesley, "that is enough for us all."

When John G. Paton was translating the Bible into the language of the people of the Southern Seas, he found great difficulty because there was no word in the language that he could discover that would express faith. He made this a special matter of prayer. One day one of his native workers came into his room and lay down exhaustedly upon a couch. He said, "I am so very tired I want to rest my whole weight on this couch." Mr. Paton said, "Praise God, I have my word! 'God so loved the world that

He gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever rests his whole weight upon Him should not perish, but have everlasting life.'"

We sometimes hear people say, "I have no faith." We ask them, "In whom is it that you have no faith? Isn't the Lord worthy of your faith?" Never look upon faith as something in itself; it is faith in our all faithful God that is effective. Paul says, "I know **whom** I have believed." Faith, or trust, or simple confidence in the Lord, will always bring results. He will not suffer His faithfulness to fail. He has never yet failed any one who trusted in Him, and He never will.

Our faith may be weak, but it will grow as it is properly nourished by the Word of God which is the food of faith. Moody wrote, "I prayed for faith and thought that some day faith would come down and strike me like lightning. But faith did not seem to come. One day I read in the 10th of Romans, 'So then faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the word of God.' I had closed my Bible and prayed for faith. I now opened my Bible and began to study, and faith has been growing ever since."

During the Civil War a number of colored people were very despondent and uncertain as to their fate. One of their number approached General Grant and said, "How am t'ings goin', Ginral?" The general replied, "Everything is going right, Sir." The assuring words were passed round the camp of the colored people, changing their despondency to hope and joy. If we go to the Captain of our salvation, He will never fail to give us a word of encouragement. The Lord is on His throne, for His saints and "everything is going right." He is working all things together for good to them that love God.

The importance of faith is seen in the fact that "without faith it is impossible to please God." Judson put the question constantly to himself concerning everything, "Is this pleasing to God?" If he was assured of anything being pleasing to God he did the thing in faith. Do not do anything that is questionable, for you will find it is impossible to do the thing in faith, and whatsoever is not of faith is sin.

Dr. Yoakum, when introducing a new speaker on his platform would always give the subject of the speaker's address. He would say, "We have Brother So-and-so, to speak to us this afternoon, and his subject will be **Faith**." He would say this without consulting the speaker. He desired that faith should be the one theme always taught on his platform. He knew that if the faith of the people was quickened so that they believed God, they would be both saved and healed.

Dr. G. N. Eldridge, of Los Angeles, has a simple recipe for holy living. It is just this, "Think faith, talk faith, act faith, victory." A definite faith will always bring a definite experience and a definite utterance.

As an example of active faith we might quote, "In the year 1887, the China Inland Mission, under the leadership of J. Hudson Taylor, asked the Lord to send to China, under their auspices, at least

one hundred new missionaries. To meet the increased expenses they also asked for \$50,000.00 more money (and knowing that if it came in small sums it would necessitate a larger office force, they asked that it be sent to them in large payments. At a meeting for prayer held early in the year, these earnest workers poured out their hearts in petition to God for these special things. As they rose from their knees, and tarried a few moments before separating, Hudson Taylor said, 'Don't you think, before we go, it would be well to thank the Lord for sending these things? He has surely heard us, and we may not all be able to meet together for prayer again.' Once more they knelt, and this time offered up glad praise and thanksgiving to God for what He was going to do. Such sublime faith was abundantly rewarded, for, ere the close of 1887, one hundred new missionaries were on the field, and the necessary 50,000.00 was paid in, having been received in but eleven payments."

FAIR WARNING

On some docks in our great seaboard cities the sign may be seen, "Stowaways prosecuted on the other side." Two months imprisonment is the penalty. The stowaway is a man who has sneaked in and hidden himself to steal a passage across the water. Is it not true of all who unrepentant leave these mortal shores, that they shall be "prosecuted on the other side"?—S. S. Times.

WHEN THE NEEDY HELPED THE NEEDY

When two or three years ago the people of a vast province in China were starving, gifts were sent from practically every nation in Christendom. Perhaps the most touching of all offerings for the relief of Chinese famine sufferers was one of a comparatively small amount—\$7.00 or \$8.00 from the inmates of a leper colony in one of our southern states. They voluntarily deprived themselves of a portion of their daily allotment of food in order that the cost of their rice pudding might be spent on rice for the starving children of China.—From the Brooklyn Eagle.

ONLY PRAYED!

Newman Hall stood early one morning on the summit of Snowdon with a hundred and twenty others who had been attracted thither by the promise of an unusually grand sunrise. They were not disappointed. As they stood watching the sun tinge the mountain peaks with glory and sparkle in the thirty lakes, Dr. Hall was invited to preach. He was so overcome with emotion that he could not preach, but felt led to pour out his soul in prayer. As he supplicated the tears rolled down the faces of the people. A superhuman stillness possessed them. Quietly, with solemn awe, they descended the mountain and scattered. Afterwards visiting this region the doctor was informed that forty people had been converted that morning. "But," said he, "I did not say a word; I only prayed." "Yes, and more wonderful still, they did not know a word you said, for none of them can speak English, only Welsh."—From "Deliverance from Penalty and Power of Sin," by O. R. Palmer.

THE CHILDREN'S CORNER

A PATCH-WORK QUILT

Among the gifts sent to the front during the Great War by the Sanitary Commission was a patch-work quilt, with a note attached to it:—"I have made this Scripture quilt for one of the hospital beds, for I thought that while it would be a comfort to the poor body, it might speak a word of good to the precious soul. May it be blessed to the dear boys of the army, among whom I have a son."

A young lad was brought into the ward, and by a strange coincidence that quilt was thrown over his bed. "He had lain there, nearly senseless, for more than a week," wrote the nurse, "when I saw him kiss the patch-work."

As the nurse approached he looked up and asked her if she knew where the quilt came from. She could not tell him, but she brought the note that came with it. His hand trembled and his lips grew white when he saw the writing. "Please read it to me quite slowly," he said, returning it. She read it. "It is from my mother; shall you keep it?" "Yes," she answered. "I value it very much." He put his hands over his eyes, and she left him.

The next day he pointed out one of the texts to her: "Father, I have sinned against heaven and in Thy sight, and am no more worthy to be called Thy son." She put her finger on the next white square: "When he was yet a great way off . . ." A few days later, after he had grown much stronger, he held up to her the text she had shown him. "I was a great way off," he said, "but He has met me, and had compassion on me." "Shall I not write to your mother," she asked, "and tell her that her son—who was dead—?" And so one mother of the thousands who had boys at the war received tidings of great joy.

BETTER THAN A PRIZE

A poor boy, who was a very regular attendant at Sunday school, lost an attendance prize by one mark. He had only one more Sunday to attend, but to the surprise of his classmates and the superintendent, his place was vacant, though they knew he wasn't ill. The following Sunday the superintendent questioned him about his absence. "Didn't you want that prize?" he asked. "I should think I did, sir!" was the quick reply. "Then why were you absent?" "My grandmother is very ill, sir," said the lad, "and she asked me to go and read to her last Sunday afternoon." It is easy to give up something we do not want; but to give up what we earnestly desire, to help another, is true self-sacrifice.

"Satan selects his disciples when they are idle—but our Lord Jesus selects His when they are busy."

HOW SHE CAME TO LOVE JESUS

A little girl in London once came to Mark Guy Pearse, and said to him, "Mr. Pearse, I don't love Jesus. I wish you would tell me how to love Jesus." He said, "Little girl, as you go away from here today, keep saying to yourself, 'Jesus loves me! Jesus loves me!' and I believe you will come back next Sunday saying, 'I love Jesus!'" The next Sunday the little girl came to Mark Guy Pearse, and said, "Oh, Mr. Pearse, I love Jesus! As I went away from here last Sunday I kept saying to myself, as you told me, 'Jesus loves me! Jesus loves me! Jesus loves me!' and then I saw Him hanging upon the cross, and dying in awful agony for me, and my heart began to grow warm, and very soon my heart was full of love for Jesus!"

THE WRONG BUTTON

"Dear me," said little Janet, "I buttoned just one button wrong, and now that makes all the rest wrong," and she tugged and fretted as if the button was at fault for her trouble.

"Patience, patience, my dear," said mamma, coming to the rescue. "The next time look out for the first wrong button, then you will keep all the rest right." "And," added mamma, "look out for the first wrong deed of any kind; another and another is sure to follow."

Janet thought for a moment, then she remembered how one day, not long ago, she struck Baby Alice. That was the first wrong deed. Then she denied having done it. That was another. Then she was unhappy and cross all day because she had told a lie. What a long list of buttons fastened wrong just because one was wrong!

THE KIND GOOSE

Did you ever hear of a goose being kind and unselfish! Then let me tell you about a little goose that lived in France. It had its home with an old blind woman who could not see to walk to church, yet how she did long to go to worship God. On Sunday she would call the goose to her and it would take hold of her skirt with its beak. Then the goose would waddle gently along the road to the door of the church, leading the dear, old, blind woman. When she was gone inside the goose would spend the time in strolling about the churchyard, but when service was over it was always waiting at the door for her. Step by step it would lead her safely home, with its beak tugging on her skirt to show her the way.

I wonder if all boys and girls are as kind and unselfish as that little goose. Jesus said, "Be ye kind one to another."—Sister Beulah.

OUR MISSIONS AND MISSIONARIES

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

THE JANUARY MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS

There has been good cause for rejoicing over the large missionary offering which was received during the month of January by the Treasurer. A total of \$18,560.82 was received for all purposes. This is the largest offering ever handled by the Missionary Treasurer for any one month during the history of the Department. A large portion of the offering was received for special purposes, including the return of the Blakeney family, return fare of John D. James and children, the buildings being erected in I dia by Brother Cox and Brother Merian, and the rebuilding of the church which had been wrecked during the hurricane in Montserrat, B. W. I. These special designations helped to swell the total received for the month, but did not help very much in the general distribution for the allowances of nearly 300 missionaries. These missionaries still received only an average of \$30.00 each for the month, and so there is a great need of maintaining the high standard in giving set in January for the succeeding months of the year, with more undesignated money left free for the general distribution to the missionaries.

We regret, however, that it is necessary to report that while there was a good missionary offering, the offerings sent in for expenses of the Missionary Department was not so good. Only sixteen out of every hundred included anything extra for expenses of the Foreign Missions Department, and eighty-four out of the hundred allowed nothing else whatever for expenses, not even for postage and stationery. The total offerings received were 926 and 727 of these offerings included not one penny for the expense fund.

We should face this matter squarely. The Treasurer is not free to deduct a percentage from missionary offerings to cover his office expenses; he must depend upon special offerings to meet this need. For the month of January, the expenses of the office were \$300.00 greater than the offerings made for that purpose. This deficit must be made up in some way. The office is constantly being hindered because it is unable to employ the proper help to care for the work. There are a multitude of duties pressing us on every hand, but it is impossible to give any of our responsibilities proper attention without employing more office help, and to employ more office help means that we must have more funds available for this need.

The Treasurer respectfully asks the prayers of all the Evangel Missionary family in this time of need.—J. Roswell Flower, Treas.

REVIVAL ON IN SOUTH CHINA

Brother J. R. Spence who plans to return to America very shortly has written a glowing report of the work in South China. A portion of his letter follows:

"As regards the mission in Canton, we had a baptismal service there on the 21st of December and five were added to the church. The little mission was crowded, so much so that the room at the back of the pulpit and the living quarters on the second floor were also full. The man who gave the message that morning had been wonderfully healed from tuberculosis when in a dying condition through the prayers of the Bible woman. He spoke with power on the Living Christ and the resurrection. He is a wealthy Baptist and, since the Lord healed him at our little mission, hundreds have come for prayer and real miracles have been wrought in the Name of the Lord. Even the local Y. M. C. A. paper had an article about it and the crowd was so great that we must have a larger place. One hundred and ten partook of the Lord's supper recently, and what rejoiced our hearts is that the Chinese themselves are doing it all. In fact, I have not been near at all only to baptize and to attend the Lord's supper.

"Please pray definitely at this time, as I feel we have an open door in Canton and the possibilities are staggering. We cannot have special meetings in the mission, for it is far too small for these Christians alone who come, and we have no money to rent a larger place, as rents are very high in Canton.

"This last year one hundred and thirty-three have been added to the church, 13,000 Gospels have been sold and I have been on the road itinerating, holding special meetings, etc., 129 days out of the year. Praise God that in all of my travels through the haunts of thieves and pirates He has kept me."

A SUNDAY WITH THE TIBETANS

One of the most interesting Sundays that I can remember was spent in Darjeeling among the Tibetans, who are living in this famous city so snugly nestled among the mountains on the extreme north of the Bengal province, near the Tibetan border. The city is admirably located both for health and picturesque scenery, the grandeur of which makes it very enchanting, to say the least. Here many of the missionaries come for a time of rest from the excessive and oppressive heat of the plains.

The Tibetans know no Sunday as a day of rest and worship but give themselves wholly to work and business. Sunday is the great market day of the week. To the public market, a large square, the people come with their wares and

produce of every description, displaying them on the open square. They use no stands, but all sit in oriental fashion with their goods on the ground. Hither come all the folks to purchase their vegetables, grain, flour, meal, etc. Boys and girls galore may be found on the square with huge baskets, waiting for an opportunity to carry your purchases to your home for a reasonable tip.

Just off the square is the hall where the meetings for the Tibetans are held. At ten o'clock there is a service for children. They gladly come for instruction and to receive Sunday school cards. It did my soul good just to hear them sing so joyfully. To teach these children takes much patience and love, for they are not always neat and clean, but Jesus died to save them too.

At eleven o'clock the regular services for the adults began. At this time personal workers are busy on the market square inviting the people to the meetings. The singing also attracts others. By the end of the song service there is a goodly number present to hear the message. It was a privilege to speak to them, even through an interpreter, telling them the simple story of Jesus. They listened with great eagerness, so much so, that one's heart went out in pity for them.

The Tibetans are a simple-minded people, and under favorable circumstances, appear happy, rollickingly good-natured, and optimistic. An interesting sight is to see a raw Tibetan just from over the border. They are dressed in apparel of all shapes, sizes, thickness and color.

In the afternoon at three o'clock we met again in the Mission Hall for another service. A similar body of people was present. We preached again to them on Salvation and the Baptism in the Holy Spirit. The Lord was present to help in the message and the people responded very heartily. A blessed time of prayer followed and all went away very happy.

There was something about the attitude of the people that made the day very enjoyable. They have no caste system and this makes the work more easy than among the Indians. You can pull them into the meetings and they rather enjoy it. Their simpleness, happiness and freedom from anxiety and natural good nature rather draws one to them and makes the work a real enjoyment. God bless the Tibetans and those who are privileged to work among them.

Brother and Sister Kelly have charge of the work and are assisted by two sisters. The outlook is good for large results. Pray much for these workers and the Tibetans.—William M. Faux, Missionary Secretary.

Miss Anna Helmbrecht writes under date of January 7th that she has finally moved to Fyzabad and is now undertaking work there. Her present address is Civil Lines, Fyzabad, U. P., India.

Miss Laura Gardner writes from India: "I have never in my twenty-one years in India seen the people so open to the Gospel, and all I ask is that I may be let alone to tell the good news to these hungry hearted ones who are all about us."

AT THE BABY NURSERY

Miss Olga Jean Aston who is in charge of the Baby Christian Nursery at Bara Banki, India, writes of the special way in which the Lord touched her body sometime ago.

"I haven't been very well lately and on Sunday I had to keep to my bed. About ten o'clock in the morning I heard the door between the little bedroom and the Nursery opened and in came about fifteen of the larger babies and announced that they had come to pray for me until I got up. You should have heard them pray and the Lord did touch me and I got up. Several times before this the Lord has told them to stand in prayer with me.

"The babies in the Christian Nursery are receiving precious lessons of faith which will be of great help to them as they mature, and those babies will some day be Christian workers in India."

NORTH BERGEN, N. J.

Pastor Harold H. Moss reports, "We have just closed a successful series of evangelistic services at the Beulah Heights Bible School, North Bergen, N. J. The services were conducted by Evangelist Ben Hardin of Gary, Indiana. Brother Ben Hardin was made a great blessing and has won a large place in our hearts. Brother Frank Nicodem and wife, graduates of Beulah, returned from India, spoke at the Missionary service. The services were well attended by local people particularly from the surrounding denominational churches. Many of the saints from New York, Newark, Paterson and other neighboring Pentecostal Assemblies attended and we deeply appreciate their co-operation. God was pleased to bless in the saving of souls, baptizing of believers and the healing of the sick. One case in particular was a Roman Catholic woman who came to the altar for salvation. God blessedly saved her and instantly healed her of goiter. The goiter had completely disappeared before she left the church. God surely was in the midst of His people. Brother Ben Hardin has gone to Lancaster, Pa. to hold services for Brother L. A. Hill. Brother and Sister Nicodem will speak at Beulah Sunday, February 22."

DISTRIBUTION OF JANUARY, 1925, MISSIONARY FUNDS

All the offerings for the month of January, amounting to \$18,560.82, were disposed of according to the report which follows. The designated offerings amounted to 65 per cent of the whole, the highest percentage of designated offerings we have received for a long time. After sending out the designated offerings exactly as designated, the remaining funds were divided up between the missionaries for whom little or nothing had been provided, giving them an allowance of \$30.00 each for the month.

Congo Belge Field	
Allowances of Missionaries	\$ 301.76
Missionaries on furlough	50.00
Transportation from field	1989.22
Egyptian Field	
Allowances of Missionaries	120.00
Missionaries on furlough	50.00
Mission Station—Minieh	100.00
Egyptian work and workers	100.00
*School children (Doney)	40.00
*Assiout Orphanage	362.50
French Sudan Field	
Allowances of missionaries	162.15
*Missionaries on furlough	100.00
*Sudan work	150.00
Liberia and Sierra Leone Fields	
Allowances of missionaries	268.50
Missionaries on furlough	33.00

Missionaries on furlough	35.00
*Liberia workers	35.00
Liberian work	105.00
South African Field	
Allowances of missionaries	425.60
*Native workers	20.00
*Prospective missionary	5.00
Total distribution for Africa	449.73
North China Field	
Allowances of Missionaries	1120.46
Missionaries on furlough	35.00
Mission station expense	85.00
*Native work and workers	39.00
*Home of Onesiphorus (orphanage)	352.74
South China Field	
Allowances of missionaries	512.22
Missionaries on furlough	197.70
Mission station expense	220.00
*Native workers and work	72.00
*Chinese Girl	12.00
Canton church	700.00
Western China & Tibet Fields	
Allowances of missionaries	205.00
Missionaries on furlough	70.00
Native work and workers	108.00
Southwestern China Field	
Allowances of missionaries	70.60
Central China—Miscellaneous	
Allowances of missionaries	240.00
Missionaries on furlough	130.00
Mission station expense	100.00
Total distribution for China	4269.72
North India Field	
Allowances of missionaries	1961.62
Missionaries on furlough	205.00
Mission station expense	163.92
*Native workers	18.50
*Building (Cox & Merian)	829.16
*Vacation in Hills	60.00
*Outstation (Sharannagar)	26.08
*Aston Baby Nursery	200.00
*Boyce work and orphanage	85.00
Bettiah Girls' School	100.00
*Orphan	2.00
*Flood Sufferers	16.37
*Leper work	22.78
Foreign Missions Secretary—deputation	100.00
South India Field	
Allowances of missionaries	35.00
Missionaries on furlough	100.00
*Native workers	25.00
*Flood sufferers	13.50
Total distribution for India	3963.93
Japan Field	
Allowances of missionaries	517.50
Missionaries on furlough	25.00
*Native worker	30.00
Mission station expense	50.00
*Orphans' and children's work	46.00
Palestine and Syria Fields	
Allowances of missionaries	152.00
*Ford car for Palestine	40.00
*Jerusalem work	65.00
Porto Rican Field	
Allowances of missionaries	240.00
*Missionary on furlough	75.00
Porto Rico work and workers	150.00
South American Fields	
Allowances of missionaries	332.00
Missionaries on furlough	75.00
Native worker	10.00
Transportation from field	156.50
West Indian Field	
Allowances of missionaries	160.00
West Indian work and workers	150.00
*Relief work Montserrat	431.78
Mexico and Mexican Border Fields	
Allowances of missionaries	325.00
Workers in Mexico	175.00
Workers on American side	137.32
*Literature	1.00
*Printing equipment (Mexican press)	17.70
La Luz Apostolica (Spanish Newspaper)	20.00
Miscellaneous Fields	
Alaska (allowances)	90.00
Hawaii (allowance)	30.00
*Persia (allowances)	156.00
Poland (allowances)	155.00
Russia (allowance)	50.00
*Return Fare fund	67.00
*Building mission station fund	63.13
Chicago Missionary Rest Home	25.00
*Non-Council missionaries	1249.51
Expansion or Emergency Fund	650.00
Total distribution for January	\$18,560.82
*Indicates entire amount designated.	

FOREIGN MISSIONS CONTRIBUTIONS

February 1 to 5 Inclusive
This does not include offerings given for the expense of the Missionary Department.

\$1.00: J M E Lamesa Tex; Mr A M H Hincley Minn; J D J Noma Fla; Polk Creek Assembly Poteau Okla; Miss M T Austin Tex; Mrs M E W Boswell Pa; Prayer Band Yellowville Ark; Mrs D A J Bessemer City N C; H J S Englewood N J; L W E Chester Mont; 1.37 Assembly of God S S Haskell Tex; 1.40 W C A Timpson Tex; 1.50 Wright City S S Wright City Okla; 1.72 Little Sunbeams Sedalia Mo; 1.83 Assembly of God S S Paris Ill; 1.86 Assembly of God Church Illmo Mo
2.00: Children's offering Red Cloud Nebr; J D I Ontario Can; Mrs M W Highland Ill; Mrs R M C San Leandro Calif; M B Reedley Calif;

Pentecostal Assembly Siloam Springs Ark; Assembly of God Oswego Kans; L K Madison Ill; H A Oswego Kans; J A C Picher Okla; 2.05 Couch S S Birthday offerings Couch Mo; 2.25 W S C Three Spgs Pa; 2.30 S S Frankston Tex; Whistler S S Whistler Ala; 2.50 J F S Tallapoosa Mo; 2.70 Assembly West Plains Mo; 2.72 S S Seadrift Tex
3.00: A Friend El Paso Tex; W E T Savannah Ga; Fruitdale Church Fruitdale Ala; P B League Jasonville Ind; S A R Grafton Ill; Mrs R L R Etna Pa; Berean S S Class Ewing Mo; Mrs E W Coffee Springs Ala; Mrs R D & Mrs E M C Hillsdale Mich; 3.06 J K Sharon W Va; 3.20 Assembly of God S S Chester Ill; 3.33 Mrs M S M Wilson Okla; 3.50 Assembly Chickasha Okla; 3.72 Assembly of God S S Bridgeport Texas; 3.97 Pent'l Tabernacle Madera Calif
4.00: W S M & wife Earle Ark; Bethesda Home West Rumney N H; Assembly Essex Mo; 4.90 Fostepco Heights S S Ft Worth Tex; 4.20 Mrs A J W Glendale Ariz; Mizpah Harrisburg Pa; 4.38 Meeting held in Deer Ridge Mo; 4.55 Grafton S S Grafton Ill; 4.75 Holly Assembly Holly Colo; 4.80 S E H Angleton Texas
5.00: Mrs M J S Front Royal Va; Assembly of God Perry Iowa; Barton's Chapel Assembly Murchison Texas; R E I Hagerstown Md; F O B Johnson City Texas; S J B Topeka Kans; F G C' & Wife Monroe Iowa; Assembly of God S S Oswego Kans; Assembly of God S S Pittsburg Kans; Mr & Mrs H N Petrel N Dak; Mr & Mrs C S A Shawnee Okla; Neals Mill Assembly Ethelsville Ala; H S Methuen Mass; Mrs C G K Wellston Okla; C H B Oswego Ill; Rev. & Mrs F H H Cloverdale Mich; E B Talala Okla; Mrs A E F Joliet Ill; Mrs G J Chesterhill Ohio; 5.02 Assembly of God S S Illmo Mo; 5.05 Brick Church Rosebud Mo; 5.11 S S Bellwood Ala; 5.15 Overton Tabernacle S S Overton Texas; 5.28 Assembly of God Gracemont Okla; 5.30 Mr L A J Lamesa Texas; 5.32 Cedar Hill Assembly Lockney Tex; 5.33 S S Sedalia Mo
6.15: J D Z Kansas City Mo; 6.18 37th St Church Austin Texas; 6.25 Earle Assembly Earle Ark; 6.50 Calvary Pent'l Assembly Saginaw Mich; 6.87 Assembly North Little Rock Ark
7.00: Pentecostal Assembly Eldorado Springs Mo; 7.06 Assembly of God S S Gooding Idaho; 7.30 Assembly & S S Hill City Kans; 7.50 The Christian Assembly Sioux City Iowa; 7.83 R A W Winchester Texas; 7.85 Assembly of God S S Massillon Ohio
8.00: W B F Woodward Iowa; W S Y Minden Nev; J S Granite City Ill; 8.18 Magnolia Park Assembly of God S S Houston Texas; 8.22 Sedalia Mo; 8.30 Assembly Monroe Iowa; 8.50 Assembly Creston Iowa; 9.00 J H D Dansville N Y; 9.50 Full Gospel Mission Michigan City Ind
10.00: A V H Pierce W Va; C H & C W S Houston Heights Texas; Mrs G B Youngstown Ohio; S S El Dorado Ark; Mrs T E I Arno Mo; Vancouver Assembly Vancouver B C; J H S Turlock Calif; Miss M C R Allegany N Y; E E R Brooklyn N Y; Mrs W W Larson N Dak; 10.65 Norris Chapel Mannsville Okla; 10.70 S S Picher Okla
11.00: Mrs A S Rochester N Y; 11.10 Girard Assembly Ashland Kans; 12.00 Assembly & S S Fuxico Mo; 12.46 Assembly Cortland N Y; 13.37 Assembly of God Mission Miami Okla; 13.40 Assembly of God Church Ewing Mo; 14.00 Young People of Full Gospel Tabernacle Granite City Ill; 14.42 R W C Cheshire Eng
15.00: A Friend Corry Pa; Pentecostal Assembly Corry Pa; F S Alta Canada; M R Freeport N Y; The Saints of Ironton & Crosby Ironton Minn; Witherbee Pent'l Assembly Witherbee N Y; P Y P Society Lancaster Pa; Ludlow Assembly of God Ludlow Colo
16.00: M M L N Lima Ohio; 19.00 Mrs J W S Floyd Knobs Ind; 19.46 Full Gospel Assembly Springfield Ill; 19.68 Assembly of God Kansas City Kans
20.00: Assembly Union City Ind; G S S Wells-2 Me; Assembly Fredonia N Y; 21.10 Assembly of God Sioux City Iowa; 21.50 C P Sidney Iowa; 23.00 B B B Orange N J; 24.05 S S Springfield Mo; 24.25 P L L London Eng; 25.00 Assembly Tottenville S I N Y; 25.00 G U Great Bend Kans; 27.00 Strain Assembly Elmont Mo
30.00: A N H Madison Wis; 35.00 Full Gospel Church Asbury Park N J; 40.00 Mr R B M N Lima Ohio; 41.00 Pentecostal Gospel Mission Millvale Pa; 43.20 Assembly Hartford Ala; 49.80 Bethel Tabernacle Canton Ohio; 50.00 Pentecostal Assembly Dallas Texas; 52.30 Union Meeting Wichita Falls Texas; 60.00 Mr A W V New York N Y
113.00: Bethel Temple Cincinnati Ohio; 115.00 Northwest Texas Local Convention Electra Tex; 127.00 Gravity Pentecostal Assembly Ariel Pa; 127.79 Ferry St Assembly Buffalo N Y; 131.81 Assembly of God Springfield Mo; 199.05 The Maryland & W Va District Hagerstown Md; 514.00 Pentecostal Church Cleveland Ohio
Total amount minus 170.00 given direct \$2,833.00

HOME MISSIONS CONTRIBUTIONS

February 1 to 5 Inclusive

\$.45: Fostepco Heights S S Ft Worth Texas; 1.00 Polk Creek Assembly Poteau Okla; 1.85 Assembly of God Church Illmo Mo; 4.00 E T Elizabeth N J; 5.00 Pentecostal Assembly Dallas Tex
Total amount reported Feb. 1 to 5, inclusive, \$12.30

THE WORK AND WORKERS

EVERTON, ARK.—Evangelist W. J. Blasingame sounds a note of praise for the splendid meeting they had when six children came weeping to the altar and all were saved.

ROHNERVILLE, CALIF.—Pastor J. D. Wells writes, "The assembly moved into their new church Jan. 18, 1925. The dedication sermon was preached by S. H. Patterson of Kansas. The church will seat about 400, with 132 present at the first meeting. This is a remarkable victory, as Rohnerville is a small place of about 125 population. The surrounding country is being stirred."

DEXTER, MO.—Pastor P. Huffman reports a short revival in which a few were saved. He says, "Brother Shoemaker of Sikeston did some of the preaching. Brother Slankard of Essex and a number of the saints came over for some of the services and we certainly did appreciate their presence. Our services continue to be a success. At nearly every service some one gets to God and some receive the Holy Spirit. We covet the prayers of the Evangel Family."

SEDALIA, MO.—Brother W. H. Lutgen writes that they have called Brother J. E. Spence as pastor and Sister Spence as assistant pastor and pianist. Since the new pastor and his wife have been in their midst 3 have accepted Christ and 2 have been reclaimed, and many are being healed. Beginning Feb. 1st they are entering upon a revival campaign and are expecting Brother and Sister W. J. George to be with them.

MOULTON, IOWA.—Brother Roy Henderson and wife tell of a 4-week revival with Brother James and Sister Nellie Cox. One was saved, three received the Baptism (Acts 2:4) and seed was sown that will be reaped later.

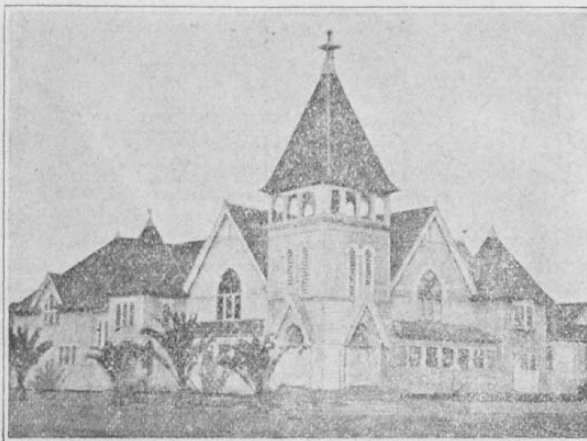
MULHALL, OKLA.—Evangelist Thornberry reports a 4-week meeting at Marena in which 24 were saved and some were healed. Others are coming into the light of the Baptism in the Holy Spirit. Some wonderful healings. One man was taken sick on the road to church and kept getting worse. He was instantly healed when anointed and prayed with.

NEW ATHENS, ILL.—Brother A. F. Fought writes, "Revival is on here in a store building. Brother W. G. Schell is the evangelist. Six came to the altar last night and one spoke in tongues. Meetings every night as long as the Lord leads. This is almost a heathen town, 6 saloons and a brewery. Pray that the town may be swept for God."

BARTLESVILLE, OKLA.—Pastor J. M. Kerr writes, "I am just home from Sand Springs, where I continued a meeting begun by Brother Jones, the Chairman of the State, and party. Some were saved and baptized in the Spirit. I was with our Brother Jonathan Perkins at Tulsa Sunday morning, the Lord was truly with us in power. Two received the Baptism following the message. Brother Perkins was with us at Sand Springs one night and was used of the Lord with a good message on the Baptism in the Holy Spirit. Our work here continues to grow. Brethren come by and see us."

LONG BEACH ASSEMBLY PURCHASES TABERNACLE

As a result of Evangelist Harvey McAlister's Tent Revival Campaign, held at



Home of Pentecostal Assembly, 10th and California Sts., Long Beach, Calif. Harvey McAlister, Pastor.

the conclusion, and on the same ground, as the Raymond T. Richey Revival Tent Campaign, which so mightily stirred the City of Long Beach last summer, the Pentecostal Assembly of Long Beach more than tripled its membership. Ever since Brother McAlister's campaign the assembly has been compelled to hold its larger services in the auditorium of the Luther Burbank School, having completely outgrown its own mission hall located at 338 East Third Street.

At the conclusion of the tent campaigns of Brother Richey and Brother McAlister, Brother W. R. Potter resigned as pastor of the Pentecostal Assembly of Long Beach and Brother Harvey McAlister was unanimously elected as pastor of the assembly.

On January 16 the Pentecostal Assembly purchased the Central Methodist Episcopal Church and on January 18 the church was re-named Central Gospel Tabernacle and re-dedicated for the proclamation of the Full Gospel Message. The property is located at Tenth Street and

California Avenue, the geographical center of the city of Long Beach. It has a seating capacity of about 1,200 people. It comes into the possession of the Pentecostal Assembly of Long Beach fully equipped for a large Sunday School and aggressive work for God, for the sum of \$42,500.00, which is considered a very reasonable figure, considering the central location, etc. In fact the land alone, is practically worth the figure the property was obtained for, apart from the large, commodious church building and furnishings included.

Every branch of this great work is developing and growing. A strong Young Peoples' work, also fine orchestra and choir is being formed. A prayer tower is being fitted up on one of the tower rooms, from which prayers will ascend day and night. A Womens' Prayer and Service League has been organized, under the leadership of Sister McAlister.

It has been my privilege to be present the first week and to minister in the assembly twice daily. The power of God has been falling mightily, souls coming through into the Spirit-filled life each service, as many as seven in one day. A blessed spirit of unity and prayer rests upon the assembly. Last week Brother J. S. Norvell spoke twice daily. The pastor plans an all-winter campaign—two services daily, except Monday and Saturday with new speakers each week.—Arthur W. Frodsham.

GALESBURG, ILL.—Brother P. C. Nelson writes, "The meeting here is now in its seventeenth week, and is increasing in power. I have baptized 86 in water, and the Lord has baptized more than fifty in the Spirit, and has healed many. He has enabled us to pay out all we owe on the tabernacle and we are now figuring on enlarging and improving it, and trust we may be able to build a broadcasting station here."

PLEASANT CITY, OHIO.—Brother David Wilson writes of the blessing of the Lord on the people. He says, I have just closed a 4-week revival in which 25 were saved and 34 received the Baptism as in Acts 2:4. One mother 65 years old received her Baptism while the Word was being spoken. Some were healed of goiter and one of asthma. They that were healed were too many to mention. I told the new ones that were saved and baptized what a help the Pentecostal Evangel would be to them when the meetings were over. I received 13 subscriptions for one year apiece. I believe all evangelists should work for the Evangel, as it is food for the saints after you have gone. I am in full fellowship with the General Council and am open for calls in evangelistic work and would accept a place as pastor. Anyone wishing my services can get in touch with me by writing to Mr. David Wilson, 226 Spruce St., Byesville, Ohio.

Put off . . . filthy communications out of your mouth (Col. 3:8).

SPLENDORA, TEXAS.—Brother J. E. Clark sends a report of an 18-day meeting in which 8 were saved and 5 received the Baptism, while 2 were buried with Jesus in water baptism. The meeting was conducted by Brother F. D. Davis and wife.

HUMBOLDT, KANS.—Brother Oscar Davidson reports a revival which began the first of January, in which 24 came forward to accept Christ and several are seeking the Baptism. Their Sunday School has grown from an attendance of 10 to one of 68.

MUSKEGON, MICH.—Pastor G. W. Bergstrom writes, "We have just closed a blessed revival campaign here, having the Ashcroft Evangelistic party in charge. A real revival spirit was in every service and the messages in song as well as in truth brought conviction to the people so that many ran to the altar seeking God even before the altar call or invitation was given. These found salvation and the Baptism in the Holy Spirit as the disciples did on that great Pentecostal day. This has been the best campaign that Muskegon has had for some time."

ELECTRA, TEXAS.—Brother Lonnie Whitworth writes: "God gave us a glorious outpouring to begin this year with, and the feast still continues. First a spontaneous outpouring came upon the Sunday School pupils, with more than a score swept into the kingdom. Brother Clark then came for a few days, giving us some Bible lessons, which were a blessing to all, and then our North West Texas Convention, bringing even greater things, until the real shout of victory is heard on every hand. On account of bad weather only about 12 ministers were present. Under the ministry of our State Chairman, Brother Hugh Cadwalder, a wonderful enthusiasm was raised. The missionary question was, especially emphasized and resulted in an offering of \$500.00 in cash and pledges. The ministry of Sister Cadwalder was an inspiration to all present in the evening meetings."

FROM BROTHER KNEISLEY

Brother W. V. Kneisley, Birch Tree, Mo. wishes to thank his brothers and sisters in Christ for their assistance during the "dark and cloudy days" through which he has been passing. Brother Kneisley's wife fell asleep in Jesus on January 18th and leaves three children behind. He writes, "You know a Pentecostal preacher's income is not very big even when he is on the field, and it is less when he has to stay at home." Now that Brother Kneisley has to take the part of both father and mother he is kept at home considerably. He has a complete set of Clark's Commentary, leather binding, six volumes, that he will sell for \$15.00. He is also in need of a housekeeper. Some Pentecostal sister who needs a home might feel led to write him concerning this.

Send 25c for large sample packet of tracts.

The Message Of The Cross

A society was established some years ago to distribute tracts by post to people in the higher circles. One of their tracts entitled, "Prepare to meet thy God," was enclosed in an envelope and sent by post to a gentleman well known for his ungodly life and his reckless impiety. He was in his study when he read this letter among others. "What's that?" said he. "Prepare to meet thy God! Who has had the impudence to send me this cant?" And with an imprecation on his unknown correspondent, he arose to put the paper in the fire. "No; I won't do that," he said to himself; "on second thought, I know what I will do. I'll send it to my friend B——: it will be a good

joke to hear what he'll say about it." So saying, he enclosed that tract in a fresh cover, and, in a feigned hand, directed it to his boon companion. Mr. B—— was a man of his own stamp, and received the tract, as his friend had done, with an oath at the humbug, his first impulse was to tear it in pieces. "I'll not tear it either," said he to himself. "Prepare to meet thy God" at once arrested his attention, and smote his conscience. The arrow of conviction entered his heart as he read and he was converted. Almost his first thought was for his ungodly associates. "Have I received such blessed light and truth, and shall I not strive to communicate it to others?" He again folded the tract, and enclosed and directed it to one of his companions in sin. Wonderful to say, the little arrow hit the mark. His friend read. He also was converted; and both are now walking as the Lord's redeemed ones.



In J——, some years ago lived an infidel, who was so bitter in his enmity to religion, that no one dared mention the subject to him; but the heart of a poor woman, who kept a small grocery, yearned for his conversion; and she prayed constantly that God would in some way bring him to himself. One day, the man sent a boy to her for some soap. With a silent prayer to God for His blessing she wrapped the soap in the tract "Prepare to meet thy God," and sent it to him. After a time, he presented himself for admission to the church. He said, when he first saw the tract, he was very angry; but the words. "Prepare to meet thy God," sounded in his ears wherever he went; and he found no rest until he found it in Jesus.

Gospel Publishing House, Springfield, Mo.

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"I Am the Lord That Healeth Thee"

HEALED OF CANCER

I want to sound a note of praise to the Lord for healing me of cancer about a year ago. A small cancer had been on my face for twelve years, but finally it became very bad and upon the advice of my doctor I consulted a specialist who said it would take fifty treatments at \$6.00 a treatment. I decided to go to San Francisco and take radium treatments. I had 4 shots and 2 injections, costing me about \$400.00, but grew steadily worse and my face was twice as large as natural. But in two weeks after being prayed for it was completely healed. Glory to His name.—John M. Loewen, Rohnerville, Calif. Pastor J. D. Wells adds a note to this testimony, "You can hardly see the scar now."

CHRIST'S POWER TO HEAL

My husband, our three boys, and myself were sitting by the fire when suddenly my youngest son, Robert, who was ten years old, became sick with a high fever. I found he had a large lump on his neck, just back of his ear, and he began to cry with pain. I hesitated to pray for fear the rest of the family would laugh at me, but something overcame that feeling and I knelt down and prayed for God to heal him. I had not prayed long until he began to laugh, and said, "Oh, mamma, it is gone." I looked, and the lump, fever, and all had vanished right before those whom I had feared would laugh. It is just like Jesus!

That was my first experience. Soon afterward my oldest son had a bad headache and high fever and wanted some aspirin tablets. I started to pray, but he insisted on aspirin. I went out and closed the door and prayed that the Lord would touch him and take out all pain. When I went back in he was dressing, said he was all right and was going out to play.

After that, when any one was sick, I felt I wanted to pray and see the power of our precious Lord to heal. In 1921 I dreamed that if I would pray and lay hands on my afflicted brother, who had an open sore on his leg for many years, that the Lord would heal him. The Lord always has His time, if we only wait on Him and pray. One year after this dream I was at my brother's home and found him unable to walk or attend to his business. He had his sore foot resting on a chair in front of him. His foot had turned a reddish purple. I told him how the Lord had dealt with me and asked if I might pray for him. He said yes, and I knelt right there. The Lord came with wonderful power and his leg was perfectly healed. That was more than two years ago and he is still well, has no trace of the sore.

Not long after that a lady sent for me to visit her. She was paralyzed in both

hands and had tuberculosis. Her husband had already engaged a room at the sanitarium for her and she was to go the next day. But in answer to our prayers she recovered. The Lord has never failed me.—Mrs. Annie Gray, 2115 Garland Ave., Louisville, Ky.

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Dear Mr. Lohmann:

I just want to tell everybody what God in His goodness did for my dear little boy through your prayers.

Last summer, August, 1924, my little boy, four years old, was stricken with a very severe attack of inflammation of the bowels. The doctors exhausted all their resources. After taking the case to God in earnest prayer, I was led to call your telephone number, though I had never seen you. After prayer, and anointing by you and your good wife, my boy immediately started to mend, and although he was so weak he had to remain in bed for several weeks, his life was saved, by the grace of God. He is with us now, in good health, and I can never be thankful enough for your expedition in answering my telephone call and the interest in me ever since.—(Signed) Mrs. F. J. Greve.

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ROCHESTER, N. Y.—Dr. Chas. A. Shreve and party will conduct a series of meetings beginning February 15 and extending to March 1, in Elim Tabernacle on William St., near East Ave.

CHICAGO, ILL.—Humbolt Park Pentecostal Church, corner Cortland and Nebraska Avenues. Meetings held every night until March 8th in charge of the Ashcroft Evangelistic Party. C. M. Hanson, pastor.

ILLINOIS STATE COUNCIL.—The Third Annual Session of the Illinois State Council will be held from March 3 to 8, at Marion, Ill., in the church of which Brother Clyde Bailey is pastor. Regular business pertaining to Council matters will be transacted. Ministers residing in the state cordially invited.—C. M. O'Guin, Chairman.

SPECIAL REVIVAL CAMPAIGN, SHERBURN, MINN.—From February 14 to March 1 or longer, Brother Fred Lohmann of St. Louis, Mo., will be with us for this special meeting. A great time in the Lord is expected. Those who are hungry for God for body or soul, are invited to come. The hotel accommodations are very reasonable. We will be glad to arrange to entertain all that we can among our folks. Write Willard H. Pope, Pastor-Evangelist.

CHICAGO, ILL.—Evangelist James Salter, the son-in-law of Evangelist Smith Wigglesworth, will conduct a series of special meetings at Sunnyside Church, 2120 Sunnyside Ave., from Wednesday, February 25 until March 1 inclusive. Do not fail to hear this precious evangelist and missionary. His ministry has been much blessed to our assembly in the past. Praying for the sick, gospel and missionary addresses, will form a part of the program. Further information may be obtained from Pastor S. A. Jamieson, 2120 Sunnyside Ave., Chicago, Ill.

SOUTHERN MISSOURI DISTRICT COUNCIL

The Eleventh District Council of Southern Missouri will convene with the Assembly of God at Puxico, Mo., March 24-28, 1925. The Assembly will provide food and bedding free. Let all the ministers and delegates be there at the beginning of the Council. The second day of the Council will be spent in behalf of Foreign Missions. We are expecting Elder D. H. McDowell, of Springfield, Mo., Assistant Chairman General Council, and one or two missionaries to be with us. The District Presbyters will be there and will examine applicants for license and ordination. Let those expecting to come for License and Ordination write to the Chairman for an Application Blank. Let all the Licensed ministers of this district send in their fellowship certificate for renewal by April 1. This does not apply to ordained ministers who renew at Springfield, Mo. Licensed ministers renew to the District Chairman. For further information write to Pastor A. A. Wilson, Puxico, Mo.—J. E. Spence, Chairman, Box 116, Sedalia, Mo.

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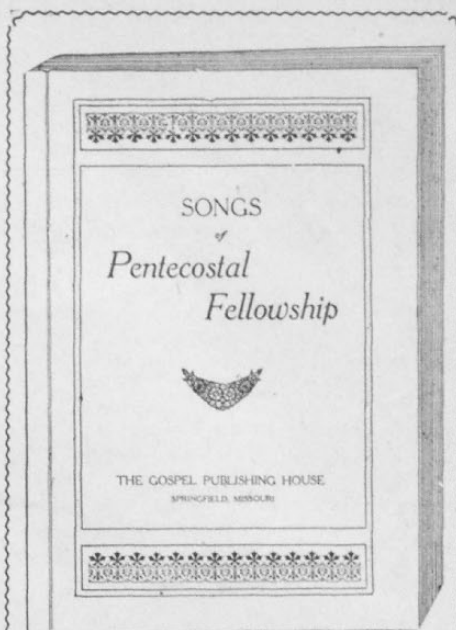
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