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Victory Over Sin

A Word to Believers



SIN shall not have dominion over you: for ye are not under the law, but under grace" (Rom. 6:14). Satan always perverts the Word of God. He says you are not under grace, but under law, and the majority of people believe the statement.

The word of God, that sin shall not have dominion over you, is against nature, is against experience, is against the majority of teachings of the church—reinforced and backed by Satan, the enemy of souls. Yet in spite of all, the Word of God says, "Sin shall not have dominion over you." Because you are in the kingdom, the One who is the Head of the kingdom will and must have dominion over His own people.

He who reigns in the kingdom of darkness has no right, power, authority or dominion over those who are in this kingdom, the kingdom of light.

"Sin shall not have dominion over you." Sin is an intruder in the realm, in the kingdom to which you belong. A grain of sand in your eye has no right there. It is an irritant. It causes weeping. A constant washing of the tears of the eye will expel the grain of sand, the intruder. And so sin in the heart and life of a true believer is an irritant. Praise God, grace operates and removes the intruding element. The contrite weeping, the washing of the Word, the purifying of the blood, cleanses the eye—the soul—from foreign substance.

Sin ever seeks to intrude and grace ever seeks to exclude. There is a constant warfare. But the Word of God says that sin is not going to reign, that it shall not have dominion over you. God in His grace will not allow it to do so; and more than that, the Word says that ye are not under the law but under grace. Law opens the door to sin, not deliberately, but because it is weak through the flesh and sin is strong. But what the law could not do in that it was weak through the flesh, God sending His own Son, in the likeness of sinful flesh and for sin, condemned sin in the flesh.

As the law opens the door to sin (Rom. 7:7,8), grace erects a barrier outside, so that sin is powerless and helpless.

"Wherefore, my brethren, ye also are become dead to the law by the body of Christ; that ye should be married to another, even to Him that is raised from the dead, that we should bring forth fruit unto God" (Rom. 7:4).

--:-- GLEANINGS FROM THE BOOK OF RUTH --:--

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For the benefit of any who might wish to make a careful study of the entire book, we suggest the following outline: the first chapter, Ruth Deciding; the second, Ruth Gleaning; the third, Ruth Resting, and the fourth, Ruth Rewarded.

The book begins with the words, "Now it came to pass in the days when the judges ruled," but the judges ruled for about 450 years; therefore, the time of the story is indefinite. However, this is not a meaningless expression, for in the closing words of the last chapter of the Book of Judges we read: "In those days there was no king in Israel; every man did that which was right in his own eyes." That was the only Democratic party in the history of Israel. President Wilson made himself famous by giving expression to the slogan, "Let us make the world safe for democracy"—just as though democracy were the ideal form of government. God never did believe in democracy and never will. He never will be satisfied until a theocracy is established wherein David's greater Son will become King of both Jew and Gentile.

There were some folk living in the land of Bethlehem-Judah; namely, Elimelech and Naomi. Elimelech means "My mighty God is King." Naomi means "Pleasant," suggesting faith. Bethlehem-Judah means "In the land of plenty or bread." With such wonderful names there was no cause for their being alarmed when a time of famine came, but instead of holding steady, waiting for God to prove Himself, they went down to Moab in direct disobedience to His command. How could they act so? Ah, their backsliding had not taken place all at once. The names of their two sons were Mahlon and Chilion. Mahlon means "a sick person;" Chilion, "Wasting away." For people who were trusting (?) God, what fine names to give to their children. Evidently they had been backsliding for some time, and so they gave in and went to Moab.

After a time Elimelech died, and Naomi and her two sons were left. Going down to the land of Moab to escape the famine, these boys married women of Moab. This also was contrary to God's will. Finally adversity came again and the two sons also died. I do not wonder that they died. When you are out of God's will you are likely to get into all kinds of trouble. After this calamity, Naomi decided she had better go back to Bethlehem, for she had heard that "the Lord had visited his people in giving them bread." When God begins to visit a country again, Bethlehem-Judah will be the first place He will bless; so, instead of running to Moab, stand still and eventually you will see the salvation of the Lord. Now Naomi had made the way hard for herself. She had obliged the Almighty to adopt measures that He had not intended to use in His original plan for her life. People today force God to use plans that He had never thought of in the beginning but in His infinite love has adopted in order to bring them to the place where they are willing to arise and strike out for Bethlehem-Judah again.

So Naomi went forth and her two daughters-in-law with her, but they had not gone very far until

Naomi stopped and gave them this word of advice, "I do not see any reason for you to go over with me to Bethlehem-Judah. I think the best thing for you to do is to go back to Moab." This is the language of the backslider. Naomi knew better. She knew that she had not fared very well in Moab, and that if there was any place where there would be a chance for them, it would be in Bethlehem. Orpah followed her advice and returned to her home, but Ruth took a very decided stand and said: "I have settled the matter: I have counted the cost: I have made up my mind what I am going to do. I am going over with you to Bethlehem. Where thou goest, I will go; and where thou lodgest, I will lodge; thy people shall be my people, and thy God my God; where thou diest, will I die, and there will I be buried; the Lord do so to me, and more also, if ought but death part thee and me." Right there she passed what the old colored brother called the "Go-back corner." It pays to get by the "Go-back corner" and have the thing settled once and forever.

They went on together, Naomi and Ruth, and finally they reached Bethlehem-Judah. They must have arrived about midday for "all the city was moved about them and they said, 'Is this Naomi?'" Unfortunately the sympathy they had that day was of the galvanized kind. We fell **so sorry** for people who are destitute and yet we can eat a good meal and sleep as soundly as we have ever slept before. A merchant failed in London, England, some time ago and a number of the merchants came together and were expressing their sympathy. Finally one man said, "I feel five hundred pounds (about \$2,350 for that man)." That was practical sympathy.

Now in the land of Bethlehem-Judah, Naomi had a near kinsman by the name of Boaz. Boaz means "a man of wealth." Naomi and Ruth returned in the beginning of barley harvest. Was this by accident? Ruth went forth one morning to glean after the reapers, and "her hap was to light on a part of a field belonging to Boaz." We talk so much about things that happen. Here is something that happened that never would have happened if she had not happened to be in Bethlehem-Judah. She could have been in Moab until her hair turned gray, without this happening. So things are happening to us that never would happen if we did not happen to be in God's will.

Boaz came down through the fields to see how his reapers were working. Did he say to them, "I am displeased with you; you are not doing enough work?" Oh, no. He greeted them, "The Lord be with you." And they answered him, "The Lord bless thee." Here is once, perhaps the only time in the Word of God, when capital and labor were in perfect harmony. When Boaz learns the identity of Ruth he speaks kindly to her and tells her not to glean elsewhere. Ruth then says, "Why have I found grace in thine eyes?" Did you ever wonder why you had found grace in the eyes of the great heavenly Boaz? I have never been able to understand why I have found favor with God. It was but yesterday that I was out in the open field, lying in my own blood, with no eye to pity and no arm to save (Ezek. 16:5,6), but He came my

way and said, "Live," and with that word came power and life and I began to live in a moment's time. My heavenly Boaz did something which will be a miracle forever; how He did it, I cannot tell; and how I ever found favor in His sight, I do not know.

A little later Boaz remarked, "At meal time turn in and have something to eat." This was a surprise that Boaz sprung on Ruth that day. When she started in the morning it never occurred to her that she was going to be asked out for dinner. The Lord loves to spring surprises on people who are trusting Him. There are plenty of us who never dreamed we were going to have such a delightful time in the Lord's service. When I yielded my life to God I felt I would be glad enough to get through to glory on a coal-train, but, instead, I have been riding in the finest Pullman with a diner and an observation car attached, and the whole journey is proving delightful. O, our heavenly Boaz loves to spring surprises on His saints. "Meal time; come in and have something to eat." If He had asked her to lunch she would have been satisfied with that. I believe there are lots of Christians who live on lunches instead of meals. May I ask when you last had a full-course meal? You may reply, "Lately we have been practicing economy." God bless you, you don't need to do that. It is your privilege to put your feet under Father's mahogany table, sink them deep into the carpet of His promises, then recline in your easy chair (Phil. 4:19), and order all you want. If you do not know what to order, just sit still and let the waiter come along and present what he has.

"He reached her some parched corn." If you will sit down and wait long enough He will serve you some parched corn—corn grown in the rain belt and properly matured in the warm rays of the Sun of Righteousness, and touched with the fire of Pentecost. Why be content with old mildewed corn, shriveled up and nothing to it, when you can have the best that God provides? "Pentecost satisfies me. I tarried for fire and got my desire. Pentecost satisfies me."

In the fifteenth verse of the second chapter we find Boaz saying to his reapers, "Let her glean even among the sheaves, and reproach her not; and let fall also some of the handfuls of purpose for her, and leave them, that she may glean them, and rebuke her not." Things are getting better for Ruth right along, and that is the way in the fields of our heavenly Boaz—things get better all the time. He is forever having handfuls on purpose dropped for His trusting children.

"She gleaned in the field until evening." Is it not remarkable that nothing is said in this story as to the appearance of Ruth; whether she had blue or brown eyes, dark or light hair? The Bible intimates only that she was a woman of good common sense. Where does it say that? It says, "She gleaned in the field until evening." If we had been there we would have said after an hour or so of gleaning, "We will go over into the next field; we are sick of this field anyway." This is a generation of novelty hunters and we have carried our quest over into the religious world, forever looking for new things, things strange and fantastic. Some people say it is time to write the next chapter in the book of Acts. The idea is to get something new and thus draw attention to themselves. It is not time for any such thing. Settle down in God. He does not want us running out to another field. Of course that does not mean if we discover we are in a cold, formal place we should settle down there, for that is not the wheat field of Boaz. Personally I would rather be in the smallest Pentecostal incubator

in the country than in the largest refrigerator any denomination could provide for me.

Ruth not only gleaned in the field until even, but she also beat out what she had gleaned. Did you ever see people go out to a Pentecostal meeting with loads of straw on their shoulders? Have you not heard them say, "That was a wonderful sermon, and the preacher, my, he is a born orator." But when you asked them what particular part of the message applied to them, they became impatient with you and replied, "That is not what we mean. Wasn't he a great preacher?" What difference does it make what the preacher was like? The only thing that counts is wheat. When the preacher does not bring wheat to you, no matter how much straw he brings, it is hardly worth your while coming out to hear him. It is Christ we need, friends. When are we going to discontinue this practice in which we have indulged for so many years, making fools out of some people whom God might use if we would let them alone? Someone has said that power is the most bewitching passion that moves in the heart of man, and that just a little bit of it turns the humblest walk into a proud strut. If the preacher is a man of God he will not appreciate your praises.

To illustrate: While walking down a country road on a hot summer day I pass a farmyard and observe in the yard a pump with a cup attached. Being thirsty, I open the gate and, walking up the lane, remove the cup from its place and, holding it under the spout, I operate the handle of the pump until there is a flow of sparkling water. I lift the cup to my lips and slake my thirst. Then, replacing the cup, I walk out and pass down the road. I have not gone very far when I overtake a stranger, who remarks: "I observed you were in that farmyard. What did you think of that cup?" "The cup? Why, I must confess I did not notice it." Then to my surprise he tells me that it was the most wonderful cup from which he ever drank. I say, "Friend, I cannot tell you anything about the cup; I do not know whether it was a gold cup, a silver cup, a wooden cup, or an old tin cup with the handle broken, but I do think that I never drank such water as flowed from that well." Oh, we are a generation of cup-worshippers. What matters the kind of cup we drink from? It is the water that counts most. Christ is the One who meets our need.

"There is no virtue in the law,
Hold Him up, hold Him up.
He, the Son of Man, will draw,
If He be lifted up.
Get yourself clear out of sight,
Hold Him up, hold Him up.
Let the cross be your delight,
While He is lifted up."

In conclusion, let us see how fully Ruth was rewarded for her day's toil. We read that the amount gleaned was an ephah of barley. Just one-tenth of an ephah was coming to her, but she happened to be in the fields of Boaz; she happened to get ten times more than her due. And if you will move over into the fields of Boaz and let God have unbounded liberty in your life and say one eternal "Yes" to the perfect will of the infinite God, He will see to it that you get ten times more than your portion.

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DENYING SELF

Or, "I Do Not Know the Man"

Working among young and old Christians for many years I have found the majority of them understand very little of what denying self consists, and how constant victory may be maintained in our daily life.

They know they have been born again, and believe the blood of Jesus cleanseth from all sin, but get discouraged as they are overcome by various temptations. They hear much teaching on sanctification, death to self, and the victorious life, but when it comes to the daily working out in their lives they fail.

In Matt. 10:39; 16:24, 25; Mark 8:34; Luke 9:24; 17:33; John 12:25, our Lord Jesus speaks of denying ourselves and losing our lives if we are to follow Him. What does it mean to deny ourselves? Let me pass on an illustration that has helped numbers of people. A child of God was so troubled as to what denying self meant, that she said, "O Lord, won't you please show me what it means." He said, "It means just what Peter said when he denied Me—'I do not know the man'" (Matt. 26:72). As I heard this, years ago, I saw how it would work in our lives if we would take the same attitude towards our carnal or earthly nature.

To illustrate: we have been born again, we are a new creation, we have passed from death unto life, we are dead indeed unto sin and alive unto God through Jesus Christ our Lord. We dare to believe all that God says about us; not because we always feel it, but because God says so and tells us to reckon it so (Rom. 6:11). Now it is Satan's business to try to undo all that the Holy Spirit has done in our lives, and as he knows all our weakest points he will tempt us at these. What would mean failure in one life would not touch another. The old nature, which was nailed to the cross with your sins, does not belong to you now, but it will constantly try to assert itself and be recognized.

Suppose you have been accused wrongfully and are being misunderstood. The Holy Spirit is telling you, "All things work together for good, because you love God." Satan is constantly nagging at you trying to get you to brood over the wrong, to justify yourself, to "stand up for the truth," give them a piece of your mind, etc. Now is your opportunity to deny yourself. You definitely by an act of faith refuse all Satan's temptations and say, "I do not know the man, this old self-life that wants to assert itself, this carnal nature does not belong to me now. I am a new creation, I have risen with Christ, that old self-life was crucified with Christ." This is fighting the good fight

of faith and laying hold on eternal life. Oh yes, it hurts, it is painful, it is death; but it is also life. By constantly taking this attitude to all the temptations to sin that Satan brings along, we shall find the life of Jesus is made manifest in our mortal bodies, not only for healing, but for victory over the self-life also. We shall find as we will to pray for those who have caused us the trouble that there will be quicker victory.

Just now I am reminded of a dear woman who had received the Baptism of the Holy Ghost. Her husband, being a very prominent business man, was extremely annoyed at her being mixed up with those Pentecostal people, and he made life very hard for her. Finally he locked up all her out-of-door dresses, but did not forbid her to go to the meetings. This left her with only an evening dress, which had short sleeves and a train which at that time was being worn on the dresses. Her heart was so hungry for fellowship that she wore the dress to the meeting, and God mightily blessed her. Some people severely criticized her for her worldliness, etc. Her heart was crushed when I went to see her. She had been able to keep sweet and had continual victory in her home life with her husband's opposition, but for the saints to show such a spirit towards her was so hard and so unexpected.

As we talked together she realized that God had allowed it, and wanted her to take sides against herself and Satan. She had been sorely tempted never to go to the meeting again; but now she saw that this was Satan tempting her, trying to keep her away from the assembling together of the saints, and that yielding to the temptation would mean failure. She chose to go the hard way, denied herself, and God ultimately vindicated her entirely, and has made her a blessing to others who were being misunderstood and could not understand why. God also spoke by His Spirit to those who had criticized her, making very real to them that verse in 1 Cor. 4:5, "Therefore, form no premature judgments, but wait until the Lord returns, He will both bring to light the secret things of darkness, and will openly disclose the **motives** that have been in people's hearts, and then the praise which each man deserves will come to him from God" (Weymouth).

As we go on yielding up our self-life which is, naturally speaking, our life, we shall more and more recognize what depths there are of self in our nature, and we shall have more intense desire to take sides against everything that is not of God in our lives. We shall find it is the most restful and blessed life, and there will be a daily growing in grace and in the knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, and His heart will rejoice over us. The time is not very far away when He will be able to present us without fault before the presence of His glory with exceeding joy.

May we all be kept in the daily attitude of, "I know not the man," and thus realize we are more than conquerors through Him who loved us.—Alice Rowlands Frodsham.

"We must be very humble, and when others thwart and oppose us, and deny our sincerity or orthodoxy, no spirit of unlove or root of bitterness must come in; no holier-than-thou feeling must be entertained for a moment—or our victory is broken. We are certain to be misunderstood, and our greatest opponents will be not the world, but the Church."—From "How to Live the Victorious Life."

FAITH IN THE INVISIBLE

Or, The Molding of Moses

"Now the man Moses was very meek, above all the men that were upon the face of the earth." Was this always so? Ah, no. It took the Refiner's fire to make it so.

Housed in a basket of bulrushes, watched by a little sister, an infant was placed by the waters of the great and sacred Nile. A prayerful mother put him there because of an edict which determined all Israelitish male children should die.

The daughter of Pharaoh coming to bathe in the sacred stream, hearing the infant's cry, freed the babe from his little prison and took him for her own. Thus the child of a Hebrew slave was made heir to the regal throne. Another miracle? Yes, but the fruit of faith. "By faith Moses, when he was born was hid three months of his parents, because they saw he was a proper child; and they were not afraid of the king's commandment." What an incentive to godly parents to trust their little ones to the care of God.

The child lived as the son of the princess who named him Moses because she had drawn him out from the waters. For forty years he enjoyed the pleasures of Egypt and was taught its learning and ways. Then he faced a decision—a decision which should determine his destiny. What an hour is this when Jehovah speaks and an answer is enjoined! With Egypt were pleasures of sin for a season; with Israel were afflictions and reproach, but the recompense of the reward in the future. The crucial hour had come. How should he decide? He weighed the present and weighed the future, then made the choice of faith. "By faith Moses, when he was come to years, refused to be called the son of Pharaoh's daughter; choosing rather to suffer affliction with the people of God, than to enjoy the pleasures of sin for a season; esteeming the reproach of Christ greater riches than the treasures in Egypt: for he had respect unto the recompense of the reward." Holy courage! Happy choice!

But decisions made are not decisions tested. Moses had a real experience. He definitely, and forever, separated from Egypt. He also must have had an intimation that he was to become the deliverer of his people, but he was not ripe for this sacred calling. How active is self! He slew an Egyptian, and meddled with discord among the brethren. He had not learned that "the weapons of our warfare are not carnal," neither had he learned, "that ye study to be quiet and to mind your own business." Rebuffed by one of those whose sorrows he had come to share, and his life sought by the king, he fled into Midian, where he engaged to shepherd sheep, which occupation he followed for forty years.

One day, leading his flocks to the desert of Sinai, a strange sight met his eye, a bush burned with fire and the bush was not consumed. He watched, then said, I will turn aside, and see this great sight, why the bush is not burnt." But as he approached a voice was heard. It was the voice of the angel of the Lord: "Moses, Moses, draw not nigh hither: put off thy shoes from off thy feet, for the place whereon thou standest is holy ground." Holy ground? Was it not parched and dry? During forty years had it not been ground of bitter conflict? Had not Satan piqued him with the thought of Egypt and what he might have been? Do not think the Sinai desert was a pleasure place for the man whom God would honor. Quite the contrary; it was a place of testing, where he was tried until every fiber felt the fire. But tried, now proved,

the ground was hallowed by the feet of the white-haired man who had never altered his decision, who, when he gave up Egypt, gave it up forever. One would not detract from the sacred thought that the presence of Him who is a consuming fire hallowed the spot where His voice should be heard; but had it not been hallowed before by conflicts won, it would not be hallowed now by the Master of the conflicts.

"I have seen. I have seen the affliction of my people which are in Egypt, and I have heard their groanings, and am come down to deliver them. And now come, I will send thee into Egypt." He who years before began in human strength to deliver his fellow-men, now wavered and quailed at the thought that he should be sent for their deliverance. Human conceit and prowess were gone; temptations severe had done no harm; the fires of the desert had completed their work; unknown to the shepherd, he was freed from dross, a fitting tool for the service of God to the palace of kings or the hovel of slaves.

Tested faith, purified from dross, knows no barrier now. The servant of God moves not in self, but in the power of the Lord, and carries his message to the royal court and has it confirmed by power divine. There are plagues on Egypt, on man and beast, the Red Sea rolls back its billows and cleaves a path. How he is honored by the God of heaven! He lifts his hands and the Amalekites are smitten; prostrates himself beseeching mercy for those incorrigible and wrath is tempered. Sitting to judge the people, or going to the tent of worship, his life is enveloped in a radiant glory.

But better than life is death to such a consistent career. With eye undimmed and physical force unabated, this servant of God, this great law-giver and leader to Israel, was called to ascend unto the mountain of Nebo, to the top of Pisgah. There the Lord showed him all the land of Gilead, unto Dan; yea, all the land of Promise; after which his spirit was kissed away to realms of eternal bliss. He had endured as seeing Him who is invisible; he now enjoys the eternal presence of the Invisible One.

And, reader, we need more of the mellowed spirit of Moses. How evident is the unsubdued self-life in some. Strong human spirits often minister discord and death rather than peace and life. And even zeal for God must be brought under the guidance of the Holy Ghost. How beautifully Paul knew the vanity of all of self, and said, "Those things which were gain to me I have counted loss for Christ, yea doubtless and I count all things but loss for the excellency of the knowledge of Christ Jesus my Lord, for whom I have suffered the loss of all things, and do count them but dung, that I may win Christ." The self-pride of ancestry, of religious zeal, of unblemished reputation, of scholarship and place, were all refuse to the man who caught the vision of a life hid with Christ in God. Then could he say, "I am crucified with Christ, nevertheless I live, yet not I, but Christ liveth in me, and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by the faith of the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me." May our adorning be that of a meek and quiet spirit which is in the sight of God of great price, and we be so yielded, that it will be God, and not self, which worketh in us, to will and to do of His own good pleasure. Amen.—Ernest S. Williams.

"The man that is not yet perfectly dead to himself is quickly tempted and overcome in small and trifling things."

GOD'S JUDGMENT IN JAPAN

Miss Jessie Wengler at the Springfield Assembly

On September 1, 1923, as you all remember, there was a terrible calamity in the little island empire of Japan. Anyone having passed through that time of terror, seeing the destruction on every hand, would surely know that the judgments of God are very literal, not figurative in any sense at all.

It was a beautiful, clear, sunshiny day, at two minutes of twelve, when this earthquake occurred. Japan is a land of earthquakes, they are common there; yet this earthquake was something uncommon. At that time thousands and thousands of people were ushered into eternity like the snap of a finger. The first awful quake shook down the city of Yokohama, and practically every house in that city of six hundred thousand inhabitants was destroyed. You know a Japanese dwelling is not a very secure building. They do not dig foundations but put their houses up on four pegs. Thousands of people were caught under these fallen structures. Some people rushed out but were caught as the roof fell on them. Perhaps just their head would be protruding out of the building and the rest of their body would be under the building.

In practically every house they were using a little Japanese stove as it was just the noon hour. A Japanese stove is a hard thing to describe to an American as there is nothing like it over here. It is a clay box, in the middle of which they put ashes, and in the ashes they have burning charcoal. This makes a very hot fire. This little charcoal fire was burning in practically every house when the quake occurred. Almost simultaneously with the collapse of the house the fire broke out, and the people caught underneath the houses suffered an awful fate.

Just at twelve o'clock the large steamship, The Empress of Austria, was leaving the pier. She was slowly pushing away from the pier when the quake occurred. At that time about fifteen hundred people had gathered to bid good-bye to folks. Many carriages and automobiles were on the pier and it was a very busy time. That pier collapsed, and all the people standing on it went into the water and were drowned—automobiles, horses and people all were thrown into the sea.

A Salvation Army man told me that he too had been standing on the pier. It was his business to go to every boat and interview the people and collect for the Salvation Army. This day he felt impressed to go into a little room on one end of the pier, where they sold sandwiches, etc. He had never before gone into that little room, but something impressed him to go quickly. He had just entered when the quake came and the part of the pier where he had been standing just before went down into the water. He was enabled to climb out through the roof and run to a place of safety. Surely God cares

for His own and protects them in time of calamity if they are walking close to Him.

This Salvation Army man went through the city of Yokohama while it was burning, and to use his own expression it was a living hell. From every side came shrieks, people calling for help but there was none to help. Many times he tried to rescue people, but the fire would become so intense that to save his own life he had to run away and leave them.

A large silk-weaving factory, where about fourteen hundred girls were employed, collapsed with the first quake, and not one of the girls escaped. They were caught under the building and the fire soon came and burned them to death. The streets of Japan are very narrow and the people know they must run for an open space where there are no buildings to fall on them. Through a certain part of the city there was a little stream of water running. It was a very narrow little stream, more like a canal. Thousands of girls who escaped from the falling houses in that section, ran for this little stream and jumped into the water to escape the flames. But the water got so hot that they perished in the water, and when their bodies were found their flesh was literally boiled. The official count was that twenty-eight hundred bodies had been found in the water in that one district.

Thousands of people ran for a large city park, an open space of about twenty acres. About thirty-three thousand people gathered there and thought they were safe from the fire. The park was across the river from the place where the fire was burning, but during the night the wind blew at a terrific rate and the flames were carried with supernatural fury from all four directions, and there was no escape. That thirty-three thousand people burned to death. Afterwards, when gathering bodies from that place, they found two or three hundred people who had been buried underneath that great mass of people in such a way that they had been protected from the fire, and they lived to tell the tale.

In the city where I lived the quake was very severe, although we did not have the destruction that was in other places. The roof of the house next door fell over on mine but none of us were killed, though some of the people next door were killed. All the pictures fell from the wall and the plaster fell down. The doors were twisted round and the windows fell out. I called on the Lord with all my might, pleading the blood of Jesus. We stayed in an open field all night. The whole city seemed to be terror stricken; great masses of people were surging through the streets just wild. They did not know but that the streets would open up and swallow them.

During the night I saw the cities of Yokohama and Tokio burning. Hachioji, where I live, was about thirty miles from Yokohama and practically thirty miles from Tokio in another direction. The sky was red for miles and miles and we knew something terrible had happened. As I sat there in the dark, with the Japanese people all around me, I saw something in the clouds. I do not know whether it was a vision or not. I saw the form of a cherub; in the hand of the cherub was a vial, and he was pouring that vial upon the earth. That scripture which tells of the wrath of God being poured out on the earth came to my mind. At that time I did not know what was going on in the cities of Yokohama and Tokio, I did not know that hundreds of thousands were being burned to death right then. As I looked, this cherub seemed to change, and it was Jesus Himself. He was standing with His hands outstretched, and I cannot describe the awful agony on His face. It seemed as though He was pleading with the people. When I afterwards learned of the awfulness of that calamity, I knew that God had shown me that He was moving in the earth, and I believe that that calamity was one of the signs of the time in which we are living. Of all the missionaries of the many denominations that were on the field, only one was killed. God protected His people at that time.

Just the night before the earthquake, Mr. and Mrs. B. S. Moore had been on the streets preaching to the people, and in every instance they preached judgment that was to come. Their party separated into three sections and went to three different corners. They had never before in their history had such crowds. Without any agreement beforehand as to what they should talk about, each one preached about the judgment that was to come to the earth. A little Japanese girl about eighteen years old seemed to have a prophetic spirit. She pointed at the people with her finger and said that now was the accepted time, that judgment was coming on Japan and they should turn away from idols and repent. She said, "We do not know when this judgment may come. It may be tonight and it may be on the morrow." And it came on the morrow. Those people had had their last opportunity. After the earthquake many people came to Mr. and Mrs. Moore and said, "We heard you preach about this before it came. We believe your God is the true God." Some of their hearts were made tender at that time; and yet afterwards, in the majority of cases, their hearts were hardened.

Families were separated. Children would escape and the mother and father would be killed. We had one such instance among the Christians of Yokohama. The pastor of the church there, his wife and little boy were all killed. Three children were left—a girl fourteen, a boy three, and a baby four months old. I went to the city of Yokohama after the earthquake and I had to hunt all over the city to find these Christians, but finally I found them and took them back with me. The children did look very hungry.

A third of the city of Tokio was destroyed (it was possibly the size of Chi-

cago), and several smaller places were totally destroyed. In many instances the streets opened up in such a way that the people fell in and could not get out. In Yokohama the cement pavement melted and people were caught in it, and the flames overtook them. It was a time of terror. For months afterwards there was an awful feeling of death in the air and you could smell the odor of burning flesh. It was months and months before they could gather together all the dead bodies.

Japan is not the only country that will be visited with judgment from God. I believe that everywhere in these last days the judgment of God will come forth, and we need to be ready. It means much to know our wonderful Saviour, Jesus, and

to let Him have His way with us. Even though calamity come, He will care for and protect us. I do not want to ever again pass through such an experience, but if it be God's will when I go back to take me through another, I know that He is able to keep me. If He takes me by way of an earthquake, I am sure that my heart will say amen to Him. If only a few Japanese can be brought to the Lord and have their names written on the Lamb's book of life, it is well worth while.

I would like to ask that you will pray for me as I return to Japan. Pray that God will move upon their hearts and many be made ready for Him when He shall come.

"I Am the Lord That Healeth Thee"

DEAD CHILD COMES TO LIFE

The following remarkable story is taken from *Miracles of Healing*, a Divine Healing Magazine published in India by Brother Walter H. Clifford, one of our General Council missionaries. Brother Clifford is at the present in Great Britain and gives his unqualified endorsement to this remarkable testimony. He personally knows the pastor the Lord used in this miracle. This account first appeared in "The Express," a secular paper printed in Wales, and we print it just as the reporter tells the story:

A striking contrast to other meetings held in the halls in the villages around was seen at the Cwmaman Public Hall on Sunday evening, November 16th. A great meeting was organized under the auspices of the Pentecostal Mission so as to show the wonderful works of God in these days. The hall was packed. Mr. Richard Cook, the resident missionary of the Pentecostal Church, Cwmaman, introduced the meeting by reading Mark 16. Commenting upon the reading, he stated that these words were the credentials of the Pentecostal believers. Much writing and speaking against their movement had been done both in the press and on the platform, but the signs and wonders which followed their missions were sufficient evidence that they were the servants and followers of a live Jesus Christ. A most wonderful testimony would be given at the meeting—one that could only be regarded as miraculous. "By their fruits ye shall know them." They were not going to make assertions, but would bring actual proofs which would speak for themselves. A little girl who had been suffering from epileptic fits from birth, and who had been given up on one occasion as dead, had been marvelously resurrected through the power of the living Christ. He would welcome any critic present who would have any doubts of the authenticity of the statements to question the father, child or

pastor at the close of the meeting. He would conclude his remarks by stating "If Baal is god, then follow him, but if the Lord God Jehovah was God then let the people follow Him."

Mr. W. Cook (senior) briefly pointed out that they were not there to relate what had occurred in days of old, but what had actually happened in the present day—what the eyes of some people present had seen and their ears had heard. They would testify, and he could not conceive a fairer test than that.

Pastor W. Davis, of Caerau, in introducing Mr. Evans, the father of the child, said that he was a witness of the marvellous cure of Evelyn Evans. He was prepared to meet any criticism as to the truth of the testimony which the father would give by supplying the doubters with any evidence that they may desire; but at the outset he wished it to be distinctly understood that what had occurred was not his work but the work of Him who had promised His followers the signs and wonders which were related in the chapter that had been read.

Mr. Evans, the father of the child, spoke at length, giving an interesting survey of his life's history. He had been brought up in a religious atmosphere, but had felt very much the restraint so that he resolved at an early age to kick over the traces. His father was considered the strongest man in the country and could place bars of iron across his shoulders and bend them easily. He, too, had inherited that quality from his father and became an athlete of distinction; physical culture became his god. He performed great feats on the running track, lifted heavy weights, and was an able exponent of boxing. He left home when young and travelled in many lands, meeting with strange and varied experiences, which he related. He took part in the Great War. The devils which had possessed him from youth were with him there, as he resorted to many tricks and

devices whilst in France in order to get back to England.

After the war he returned home, but later resumed his wandering life. Travelling through these parts he worked at six collieries within six months, whilst in the gambling line nothing was too good for him to undertake. He gained fame also as a swearer and blasphemer. Eventually he came to live in the valley in which Caerau formed a part thereof, and although he did not think much of it he decided to temporarily settle down there. He was the father of eight children, and although with such heavy responsibilities, the demons still troubled him. His secondary education had given him a certain amount of knowledge which he used oftentimes to deride and ridicule religion. He was conversant with Tom Paine's "Age of Reason," and similar works. He looked upon the Bible as a book of fairy tales and nursery rhymes.

He had related these things so that the audience could form an opinion what kind of a man he had been. He wished to point out that one of his children had been an invalid from birth, suffering severely from epileptic fits. Many were the times when he and his wife, after seeing the child falling down the stairs, into the fire, etc., had expressed the wish that she should be taken away. Despite their wishes, the child continued to suffer horribly, and up to 14 years of age was a pain for anyone to see. As a proof of the environment in which the child lived, he would like to point out that whilst he himself was indulging in gambling of every description, his wife was also known as one of the cleverest fortune-tellers in South Wales—people coming from Newport, Cardiff, Pontypridd, etc., to consult her. Being persuaded by some neighbors to attend a Pentecostal meeting she was converted. During one of the child's attacks she stated her intention of sending for the pastor to pray for the child. When she informed him of her intention he told her that if one of those insects came into his house he would go out. His wife persisted, with the result that when the pastor came in through the front door he went out through the back door.

His intention was to go to a certain resort to forget his troubles, but he had reached only the bottom of the garden when some mysterious power prevented him from going further. Previous to this he feared no man, no foe, but here fear took hold of him for the first time in his life. He trembled like a child. He returned to the house, where he found the pastor engaged in prayer, and after anointing a large lump which had developed on the child's stomach, the pastor again prayed and, lo and behold, the lump entirely disappeared. Observing that the pastor used the name of Jesus Christ in his work, he himself thereupon resolved to back this Christ all the way. One day later his little one was sitting by him, and she said, "Daddy, can you see Him coming?" He answered, "Who?" She answered, "Why, Jesus;" and with that she exclaimed, "Yes, Jesus, I am coming," and immediately the child, who had been

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YOUNG PEOPLE'S DEPARTMENT

ETERNAL PUNISHMENT

Prov. 29:1; Dan. 12:2.

Introduction. The instinctive sense of justice in everyone makes us feel that there must be a future retribution, and that "whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap" (Gal. 6:7).

Presentation. (1) Those who reject Jesus Christ as their Saviour will die in their sins, and cannot go where He is (John 8:21, 24). (2) Those that have done evil shall be raised unto condemnation (John 5:28, 29). (3) The disobedient shall inherit wrath (Rom. 2:5-9). (4) Those who know not God and obey not the Gospel will suffer eternal destruction (2 Thess. 1:8, 9). (5) All whose names are not written in the Book of Life will be cast into the Lake of Fire (Rev. 20:15). (6) Those who neglect Christ will go into everlasting punishment (Matt. 25:46). (7) The fearful, unbelieving, evildoers and all liars will fall into the Lake of Fire (Rev. 21:8).

The word **fire** is used many times to signify a horrible torment. Matt. 7:19; 13:30, 31, 32, 47-50; John 15:6; Isa. 66:24; Heb. 6:8; 10:26, 27; Rev. 20:15; 21:8.

The word **death** does not mean cessation of existence, but an existence in a wrong way, separated from God (1 Tim. 5:6; 6:19; Eph. 2:1; Rev. 21:8). The words **destruction** and **perdition** also do not mean ceasing to exist, but rather a total ruin of anything, so that it no longer serves the purpose for which it was created (Matt. 9:17; 26:28; Rev. 17:8, 11; 19:20; 20:10). From these references we see that **destruction** must mean the condition of conscious being in a place of unending torment (Rev. 14:10, 11; Mark 9:43-50; Heb. 9:27; Luke 16:26; Rom. 2:12, 16; 3:19-22).

Application. Are you rejecting Jesus who is offered you today? Are you still laden with the burden of your sins, disobeying God, ignorant of His life, not having your names written in the Book of Life? Come to Jesus with true repentance and simple faith, and He will save you today.

Culmination. Hasten to flee from the wrath to come, before it is too late and the door of mercy is closed forever.

(This is one of the many excellent Bible readings from Miss A. E. Luce's new book, "The Messenger and His Message, a copy of which should be in the hands of every Pentecostal person. The price is only 50 cents postpaid. Send today to the Gospel Publishing House, Springfield, Mo., for a copy).

YOUNG PEOPLE'S MEETING

Subject:—Guidance

People everywhere need divine guidance. How may it be obtained?

First, acknowledge your inability to guide yourself. Jeremiah said, "I know that the way of man is not in himself;

it is not in man that walketh to direct his steps" (Jer. 10:23).

Definitely pray for guidance. The Psalmist prayed, "Teach me thy way, O Lord, and lead me in a plain path" (Psa. 27:11).

Seek the mind of the Lord through His Word. God's counsel is found in His Word. (Psa. 73:24). When God's Word is in our heart none of our steps shall slide (Psa. 37:34). God's Word is the expression of His will.

Seek to have a right attitude of heart, for "the meek will he guide in judgment, the meek will he teach his way" (Psa. 25:9).

Acknowledge the Lord in all your ways and "He shall direct thy paths" (Prov. 3:6).

Rely on God's promises for guidance (Psa. 32:8).

Have faith in the Lord that He will guide you as He has guided others (Psa. 78:52 and 2 Chron. 32:22).

Look to the Lord Jesus Christ to be your perfect Guide (Gen. 24:27 and Prov. 16:9). A pilgrim had to make a long journey over a rugged and rocky mountain, and knew not the way. He asked a traveler for information and was pointed out the road, was told of the various precipices that he must avoid. He was given a map directing the way exactly. But as the pilgrim journeyed the rocks grew steeper and the way seemed to lose itself in lonely, dreary ravines. His courage failed in him and he cried, "It is impossible for me to ascend so steep a path and to climb these rugged rocks." He turned, thinking to return by the same way he had come, when he heard a voice saying, "Take courage and follow me." He looked around and beheld the man who had pointed out the way to him. As he saw him walk steadily between the ravines and precipices he was inspired with new confidence and followed vigorously. Before nightfall they had descended the mountain into a lovely valley. God has given us a chart, but there are times when the way seems very difficult. It is then that our Lord Jesus Christ will guide us personally and lead our feet into paths of peace. His guidance will always be according to the chart, the Word of God.

Learn to obey the checks of the Spirit. In Acts 16:7 we read "They assayed to go into Bithynia; but the Spirit suffered them not." Dr. Pierson says he found in George Muller's Bible, against that verse in Proverbs, "The steps of a good man are ordered by the Lord," a note in the margin, which said, "And the stops too."

The Lord will guide through some providences. Dr. F. B. Meyer points out that Peter not only heard the voice speaking to his heart and saw the sheet let down from heaven, but he heard the knock

of the three men sent from the household of Cornelius as they stood at the door of the tanner's house inquiring for him.

George Muller gives us some very important counsel concerning guidance:

"I seek at the beginning to get my heart into such a state that it has no will of its own in regard to a given matter. Nine-tenths of the trouble with people generally is just here. Nine-tenths of the difficulties are overcome when our hearts are ready to do the Lord's will, whatever it may be. When one is truly in this state it is usually but a little way to the knowledge of what His will is.

"Having done this, I do not leave the result to feeling or simple impression. If so, I make myself liable to great delusions.

"I seek the will of the Spirit of God through, or in connection with the Word of God. The Spirit and the Word must be combined. If I look to the Spirit alone without the Word, I lay myself open to great delusions also. If the Holy Ghost guides us at all, He will do it according to the Scriptures and never contrary to them.

"Next I take into account providential circumstances. These often plainly indicate God's will in connection with His Word and Spirit.

"I ask God in prayer to reveal His will to me aright.

"Thus, through prayer to God, the study of the Word, and reflection, I come to a deliberate judgment according to the best of my ability and knowledge, and if my mind is thus at peace, and continues so after two or three more petitions, I proceed accordingly. In trivial matters, and in transactions involving most important issues, I have found this method always effective."

We know that the hairs of our head are numbered. Do you know that your very steps are numbered, too? Job says, "Now thou numberest my steps" (Job 14:16). A Christian worker in St. Louis definitely took this last verse as a promise one morning and counted on her very steps being numbered. It was just before Christmas and she was out shopping, but did not have enough funds for what she wanted to buy. As she walked along the street a sudden gust of wind blew a parcel right to her feet. For a moment or two she held the parcel in her hand, expecting somebody to come for it. But no one did. Then she recalled having seen it blow out of the back of a passing automobile. She did not know who had lost it and it was impossible for her to return the same. When she opened the parcel she found a silk waist, just what she needed for a present to her sister but did not have the funds to purchase. She felt the Lord had assuredly numbered her steps that day.

Dr. Elon Foster tells of a six-year-old child who was walking home with her father. She said, "Now, papa, let's play I am a poor, little, blind girl, and you must let me hold your hand tight, and you lead me along and tell me where to step and how to go." The merry blue eyes were shut tight, and now a step up, and now a step down, and then around the corner, and so on, till the two

arrived safely at home. The little child, nestling in her father's arms, said, "Wasn't it nice, papa? I never peeked once!" "But," said mamma, "didn't you feel afraid you would fall, dear?" With a look of trusting love came the answer: "O, no, mamma! I had a tight hold of papa's hand, and I knew he would take me safely over the hard places." Dear, trusting childhood! What a lesson to our doubting, troubled hearts! O, that we might with just this loving trust clasp the heavenly Father's hand, up and down the steep paths, round the sharp corners, and over all the rough places of this troublous, changeful life, never letting go and never opening our eyes to wonder or to doubt as to His ways—knowing that it will bring us at last, when the weary walk is done, to rest in His loving arms for evermore!

Robert L. Stevenson tells of a storm that caught a vessel off a rocky coast and threatened to drive its passengers to destruction. The pilot, lashed to his post, held the wheel unwaveringly, and inch by inch turned the ship once more out to sea. He saw one of the passengers watching him and smiled. The passenger went below and gave a word of cheer to the others, saying, "I have seen the face of the pilot, and he smiled. All is well." Our Pilot too has a smile of confidence and He will take us into the desired haven in spite of rocks, in spite of fog, in spite of the false lights of the enemy, in spite of all dangers, and in spite of ourselves.—S. H. F.

REALITY

Thou must be true thyself,
If thou the truth would'st teach,
Thy soul must overflow if thou
Another soul would'st reach;
It needs the overflow of heart
To give the lips full speech.

Think truly, and thy thoughts
Shall the world's famine feed;
Speak truly, and each word of thine
Shall be a fruitful seed;
Live truly, and thy life shall be
A great and noble creed.

BROTHER WIGGLESWORTH'S BOOK

We have just completed the printing of the fourth edition of Brother Wigglesworth's book, "Ever-Increasing Faith." More than nine thousand copies of this book have been sold since last August, and we have now printed three thousand more. God is making the book a great blessing, and you can do great good by purchasing a copy and lending it out to friends. The price of the same is 75 cents postpaid.

Would you like to have a copy of this book free? Send us three new subscriptions for the Pentecostal Evangel (not renewals) with three dollars and ask for this book free, and we will gladly send you the same.—Gospel Publishing House, Springfield, Mo.

ALTON, ILL.—Dr. Price is now holding a meeting here at the Pentecostal Assembly. The meeting closes April 19.—A. W. Kortkamp, pastor.

THE CHILDREN'S CORNER

ONE OF GOD'S RAVENS

He was only a poor weaver, living in a little German town; a poor man in this world's goods, but rich toward God, and one well known in the neighborhood as one who trusted the Lord at all times. "The Lord helps," he used to say under all circumstances, and he said it even when it looked as if the Lord had forsaken him.

Such a time it was when, in a slack season, many hands were discharged, and the master by whom our weaver was employed gave him his dismissal. After much fruitless asking that he might be kept on, he said at last, "Well, the Lord helps," and so returned home. His wife, when she heard the bad news, bewailed it terribly, but her husband strove to cheer her. "The Lord helps," he said, and as days went on and poverty pinched them sorely, nothing could shake his firm faith in Him in whom he trusted.

At last the day came when not a penny was left, no bread, no fuel, only starvation stared them in the face. Sadly the wife tidied the little room on the ground floor in which they lived. The window was open, and possibly the words were heard outside with which the weaver strove to keep up their courage: "The Lord helps." Presently a street boy looked saucily in, and threw a dead raven at the feet of the pious man. "There, saint! there is something for you to eat!" he cried.

The weaver picked up the dead bird, and stroking its feathers, said compassionately: "Poor creature! it must have died of hunger." When, however, he felt its crop to see whether it was empty, he noticed something hard; and wishing to know what had caused the bird's death, he began to examine it. What was his surprise, when on opening it a gold necklace fell into his hands. The wife looked at it, confounded; the weaver exclaimed, "The Lord helps!" and took the chain in haste to the nearest goldsmith, told him how he found it, and received with gladness two crowns, which the goldsmith offered to lend him for his present need.

The goldsmith soon cleaned the necklace, and recognized it as one he had seen before. "Shall I tell you the owner?" he asked, when the weaver called again. "Yes," was the joyful answer, "for I will gladly give it back into the right hands." But what cause he had to admire the wonderful ways of God, when the goldsmith pronounced the name of his master at the factory! Quickly he took the necklace, and went with it to his former employer. In his family, too, there was much joy at the discovery, for suspicion was removed from the servant. But the merchant was ashamed and touched; he had not forgotten the words uttered by the poor man when he was dismissed.

"Yes," he said thoughtfully, "the Lord helps. And now you shall not only go

home rewarded, but I will no longer leave so faithful a workman without work whom the Lord so evidently helps."

Thus He who fed Elijah by living ravens proved Himself equally able to supply the needs of His tried servant by the same bird when dead.—Publisher Unknown.

THE POWER OF THE WORD

Caesar Malan once met an infidel in the railway train and quoted texts of Scripture to him. "It is no use," he said, "to read that to me, I don't believe the Bible." "But," said Mr. Malan, "a sword would cut if I thrust it into your body, whether you believed it to be a sharp sword or not," and then to the end of the journey he continued quoting Scripture. Years after he met this man, no longer an infidel but a true believer, saved through that conversation in the train.—Herald of Light.

MONEY MULTIPLIED

An old Scotch woman used to give a penny a day for missions, and for the sake of so doing went without things that she might otherwise have had. One day a friend handed her a sixpence (twelve cents) so that she might buy herself some extra food as an unusual luxury.

"Well, now," thought the old woman, "I've long done very well on porridge, and the Lord shall have this sixpence, too."

In some way the story came to the ears of a missionary secretary, who told it at breakfast. The host was much impressed by the simple tale, and saying that he had never denied himself for God's work, subscribed \$2,500 on the spot. Several of the guests followed his example, and \$11,000 was raised before the party separated.

This old saint of God, because she was faithful in doing the little that came to her hand, was the direct cause of putting into the missionary coffers of the church enough money to support twenty-seven native preachers and Bible women for ten years.—Selected.

VICTOR OR PRISONER

There is a story of a soldier who shouted to his comrades through the darkness that he had caught a prisoner. His officer shouted back to him, "Bring him in." And the soldier replied, "But he won't come." "Then come yourself." And the answer was, "He won't let me." There are many men who call themselves victors who are prisoners to various forms of evil. Paul, though a prisoner of Jesus, was gloriously free and victorious in Christ's glad service.—From "Sermons That Have Won Souls," by Dr. L. A. Banks.

NEW YORK CITY.—Eighteenth anniversary revival services begin May 1st for 10 days. See next Evangel for particulars.

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DUE MISSIONARY RECOGNITION

"What station has impressed you the most thus far in your journey through India," said a missionary to me the other day. A rather delicate question to ask one on a mission station. Since then, I have thought much upon the question and have come to the following conclusion. The more prosperous and prominent stations are what they are because all the less prominent stations have contributed more or less to the success of these seemingly more prosperous ones.

Therefore, the work that impresses me the most is the out-of-the-way stations and missionaries from whom you hear very little. They are doing the hidden, unseen, and unknown work. Here I find unusual self-sacrifice, hardship, self-denial that will never be known. Why? Because they never boast or even write about their hard life and work. But in the face of it all they steadily and faithfully labor on in a quiet, humble spirit.

The success, therefore, of the more prominent missionaries and works are due to these not-much-heard-of missionaries. To give, then, each missionary the honor due them, you must turn to these less known ones with equal honor and support. By so doing, you make the entire cause so much the more productive of effective results, besides giving honor to whom honor is rightfully due.

Each missionary is more or less dependent upon every other missionary for the success of their own individual work. There is no such thing as a successful work absolutely independent. We missionaries are all leaning more or less on one another. The fact of the matter is none of us can get on in the work without the help of the others. Then why not give credit to whom credit is due, not to a few, but to the all, those of whom we hear very little, as well as those of whom we hear much. "Even the weakest member is necessary."

The captain is the highest officer on board the ship. His success is not due to his ability altogether, but to the stoker in the bottom of the vessel who is faithfully performing his allotted duty. Just so with the missionary. Therefore, to be just in our dealings with all the missionaries we must give to all alike, pray for all and honor all, the less known ones as well as the ones better known. We are all co-workers together with Christ.—William M. Faux, Missionary Secretary.

BLESSING AT SHARANNAGAR

Mrs. Amy Sugar, writing from Sharannagar, India, states: "The Lord has been working in our midst. Only yesterday we baptized some of our own people together with four from another station. One of them is the woman who has been helping us care for our children for the past two

years. She has worked on and off for the mission ever since it was started here. Several times she wanted to be baptized and then backed down. Yesterday she was immersed, praise the Lord. It means much to her and we would ask you to pray for her that the Lord will keep her true through all the trials which await her in this new way."

"Brother Faux is with us just at present, but will be leaving us tomorrow. He has gone out to the outstation today and they are hoping to be in time to stop at a place half way back here to hold meetings in a bazar, the place we go to on Thursdays. Brother Faux spoke in both Sunday meetings. The Lord was very present in the morning meeting and there were two left tarrying before the Lord for their Baptism when it was time for the second meeting to begin. The Lord has been working with the women especially for the past few weeks and we would ask an interest in your prayers that God will draw them closer unto Himself and fill them with His Holy Spirit."

AFTER THREE MONTHS

Brother Alva I. Walker and wife write from Gombari, Congo Belge, after having been on the field for three months: "We have finished the sawmill house and it did seem wonderful, because the day it was finished two cases of the saw mill parts arrived after being held up at Aba about a year. We expect the third case along in a few days. I am busy now repairing Brother Barney's house and we will move into it as soon as it is finished. The Blakeney's are resting up and preparing for their trip home. I am gradually getting the language. I preached my first message in Bangalla last night. Necessarily, it was simple and primitive but it was a start. Pray for us."

REQUEST FOR PRAYER

Dear Pentecostal Friends:

I want to ask special prayer for guidance. I came back to Japan only a little over a year ago. But now conditions at home seem to call for my return. My mother, 84 years old, has completely lost her mind, and requires constant care both night and day. She will allow no one near her but one of her daughters. My older sisters are nearly broken down with the care of mother and two other old people, in addition to teaching every day in high school. Now is this the call of God to me to go home; or is it the temptation of the evil one for me to leave the work here? Pray that I may be given guidance and wisdom, and peace in the decision made. Pray that means may be provided for my going or staying as He wills. I only want to do His will.—Harriett Dithridge, Hachioji, Japan.

THE GREAT NEED AT LAKHIMPUR

Brother Herbert H. Cox, writes under date of February 20th: "At present we are on tour and the Lord is blessing His Word to the hearts of many who have never heard. We are traveling over new territory this year and again we have come near the untouched country of Nepal. Many of the men have been unable to restrain their tears while listening to the story of Jesus' love. The power to decide for Christ, however, is lacking. Oh, that the Lord would bring many to repentance! We feel honored to be among those who have the privilege to preach the Gospel to those who have never heard and the joy is better experienced than told.

"May I ask you to pray much for the completion of the mission house in Lakhimpur. Brother Faux cabled for money and we ordered the roofing material. The rate of exchange is so low now that we were unable to realize enough from what was received to pay for the material ordered. The man wants his money and we are not able to give it in full. Please pray much and send all you can. We then need money for the doors and windows and a stone floor and some outhouses and a wall. At present the house is no good to anyone. When finished it will be a home for Assemblies of God missionaries and a property vested in the General Council worth nearly twice the amount we shall put into it. We appeal to you, therefore, at this time to help us bring this building to completion. The Eastern brethren have done well and now we would like to see others help. We have waited long but believe the time is near when the work will be completed."

PUSHING THE WORK IN NORTH INDIA

Brother J. J. Mueller writes from Laheria Sarai of the progress in the work as follows:

"The Lord has honored the work in the district and so this week on Tuesday, February 17, we were permitted to take two of our families to our first outstation, Jaynagar. Both the men are good preachers and their wives Bible women. Jaynagar is thirty-nine miles from here, north, the land which has been on Mrs. Mueller's heart ever since she arrived in India. So we praise the Lord for this privilege of having workers there and for the car to run out to oversee the work as the train connections are not convenient.

"Beside those workers in Jaynagar, we are blest by having three Spirit-filled workers, a single lady with her brother and his wife, and also one more preacher who has come to us from the Methodists and has not yet received the Baptism of the Spirit. He is earnest and humble, and, being young, there is great hope that he also will turn out to be very good.

"Several times we have been on the point of opening a little school for high caste Bengali girls in Darbhanga, but for lack of finances, and other complications, we have again had to drop the idea. Darbhanga is only three miles from here, and it would be so nice to have it as a second outstation."

MINISTERING TO THE UN-TOUCHABLES

"Will you go now to my congregation of poor people, and hold a meeting for them," questioned the worker. None of our people are rich but there is a class that we call "poor," though that word falls far short of expressing the real condition. They are called "the depressed classes," "the untouchables." They are of the lowest stratum of human beings who are too near "nobodies" to belong to even the lowest caste, and there are large communities of them. They are living beings who come into the world and find no place in it where they can live and properly sustain the natural life, much less the intellectual and spiritual. Looked upon as fit to be used only in the most menial service and, when not required for that, to be kicked aside as an unclean garment not fit to be touched. But praise God they are included in the "whosoever" and we were glad we could go and meet these poor outcasts; many of whom had recently been adopted in the family of heaven.

Getting an answer in the affirmative, the worker hastened away to the place to erect a pandall—frame of Bamboo poles with coconut palm leaves—and find a place where we could stop. We followed later with our camping outfit, fifteen miles by motor-bus; then changed to a bullock cart and jogged on four miles farther. How we did enjoy the lovely scenery as our road lay across some of the most picturesque of Travancore's beautiful hills and valleys.

Brother and Sister May had preceded us, and on reaching our destination the four of us were soon settled as comfortably as possible in two tiny little rooms, which had been provided for us in a house belonging to the better class of people.

Wonders of wonders! Four white missionaries had come to hold a meeting for the poor outcasts. At night the people crowded together under the pandall, wedged in as tightly as they could be packed; on the ground, a sea of black faces, but what a study some of those faces were, looking with intense earnestness at the speaker as though fearing one word should be lost. And we did pray that we might be able to simplify the truth and break it up so they might take it in, and be built up by it.

We were there to help them spiritually but the temporal needs could not be entirely neglected. About 100 belong to the assembly who had been saved. Some were saved during the meetings, I do not know just how many. Ten received water baptism at the Sunday morning baptismal services. Some have received the Baptism of the Holy Spirit. Very few of them could read but they can sing, and how their faces shone with heavenly joy, blending in strange contrast with natural conditions.

At the first service many of the saved ones were there quite insufficiently covered to be in a public meeting. An old thin rag for a loin cloth that had probably done service for years and had been washed in muddy water without soap till it had taken on the color of earth, and some poor old thin bodies were shivering in the chilly night atmosphere. Some

hungry ones could not come at all on account of no cloth to wear, and one husband and wife were coming by turns as they had only one between them.

The Lord had recently sent in money for the poor, and how happy the workers were when I slipped 20 rupees into their hands and told them to go very quietly and get cloth for the most needy, and report. Twenty were supplied at one rupee each and more the day following; some starving ones supplied with food, and Sunday we had a congregation of 200 or more to drink in the words of eternal life.

One old man who says he is past 100 years old and has lived a very wicked life, has only recently confessed his sins, and did not seem to clearly grasp salvation by faith in Jesus till during these meetings. His bones seemed ready to break through the shiny black skin, his eyes deeply sunken in his head, and tottering as he walked, he attended every service and sat with open mouth eagerly trying to grasp the joyful message with a new cloth around his loins and the old one around his shoulders. He was rich, and happy in the love of Jesus; "Hath not God chosen the poor of this world, rich in faith." Oh the wonderful love of Jesus! To stoop down and pick up the poor down-trodden outcast and set him among princes. Thank God for the privilege of being born again, born into a better kingdom. Hallelujah!

How do these people get a livelihood? They work for the farmers. The land owners permit them to put up a house on their land, a poor little one-roomed shack made of bamboo sticks and palm leaves. Here they are permitted to live that they may keep guard over the growing crops. At planting time and harvest they work for the farmers on small wages. At other times they pick up whatever little jobs of coolie work they can find to do, but it is during the rainy season when the rains pour down for three or four months, and no one can get out to do work, that they suffer intensely, and many die from the effects of cold and starvation. Their little houses are flooded and often washed away. At such times they gather the leaves of the Tapioca plant and other leaves and roots and eat them and, dreadful to say, often they are forced by hunger to eat the bodies of animals that die of disease, also to steal live animals and kill them. The Christians are taught to stop all such things and trust their heavenly Father to supply them with food.

For the past two years since the workers have been working among them we have helped them some in the rainy seasons, to tide them through. We keep up a little school for the children as they are not permitted to attend schools among caste people. They need industrial schools that the growing generation may be better able to make a living. There are many other such communities and we can only pray that the Lord of the harvest may send laborers into His great ripened harvest field.—Mary N. Chapman.

WORKING AMONG THE SOLDIERS

Brother and Sister Mader writing from Shanghai, China, tell about the opportunity they had of working among the soldiers who have been stationed near

Shanghai. Sister Mader writes: "Since I last wrote there have been three battles fought around us. The Northern soldiers have now occupied this part of China. When the defeated Southern soldiers passed here they came loaded down with loot. Soon the Northern soldiers came in after them and took a great deal of the loot away from them. Our home is in the midst of thousands of soldiers. These Northern soldiers have very good leaders who are very strict with them and they are doing all they can to keep the men from looting. Just last Monday they beheaded two soldiers for looting and the heads were hung up not very far from our house. They have to do this in order to warn the other soldiers what will happen to them if they do such things.

"Some of these Northern soldiers have come to the mission and have heard the Gospel message in their own tongue. My husband speaks the Mandarin language and also the Shanghai language. Pray for these dear soldiers who have heard about Jesus.

"We are having very good meetings again. It would do you good if you could step in and hear these dear ones tell what God has delivered them from. We had such a precious altar service last night in which several cried out to God for deliverance. At the Woosung mission yesterday afternoon the Spirit of God fell and several were down under the power of God. Oh, what a sight!"

BLESSING THRU OPPOSITION

Ivan S. Kauffman writes from Tsingtai, China: "The Lord is still continuing to work in our midst although we have had a season of real dryness for the last month due partly to the Chinese New Year and partly to anti-Christian and anti-foreign propagandists. During this time we were brought on our faces before our God in real earnest supplication for a break. On Sunday, both morning and night, our chapel was pretty well filled with earnest hearts and when finally the altar call was given many came forward. At least two men wept aloud as they became conscious of their sinful condition and together we prayed for forgiveness. On Tuesday night again there was a real crying unto God by twenty to twenty-five hearts. Truly there must be definite results. We surely need prayer for wisdom and the need of unction and power of the Holy Ghost. We are now planning to use the tent which a sister gave us last year and already one or two workers have consented to come. If funds and workers can be had there are tremendous possibilities beyond my descriptive powers. Truly the Lord is with us and we are encouraged to press on."

MISSIONARY SICK—PRAY

A cable has just been received from Brother Cox, the Chairman of the District Council in India, informing us that Brother Barrick is ill with small-pox. We are uniting in prayer for his deliverance, and are asking all the readers of the Evangel to unite with us in faith. This makes the second serious illness which Brother Barrick has undergone during the first term of service on the field.

THE WORK AND WORKERS

MINTURN, ARK.—Pastor J. B. Rousey sends a note of praise for a 4-week revival in which 19 were saved and 17 received the Baptism. Brother C. M. Riggs did the preaching.

WAINWRIGHT, OKLA.—A report comes that 12 have sought the Lord for pardon and 5 have been baptized in the Holy Spirit. Brother Sam Berryhill and Sister Stella McKinney did the preaching, and the old-time power fell.

STALEY, TEX.—Evangelist F. D. Davis reports a victorious time with Brother Guy Barrett at a "Fifth Sunday" meeting. Five counties were represented at the meeting. He writes: "Brother Wm. Morwood, our District Presbyter, was with us and gave messages of encouragement to the saints. Brother Barrett has several missions in the rural districts and desires that we cooperate with him with our prayers."

TYLER, TEXAS.—Pastor R. O. Morgan writes that Brother T. E. Rhea and wife were with them for about eight weeks and the Lord blessed their efforts in the salvation of souls and Baptism of believers. Brother Cadwalder was with them for one night. Beginning April 15, Brother M. Kullman will be with them for a 15-day meeting. Beginning the first of May another evangelist will be with them, and so on for the summer months.

SHIDLER, OKLA.—Sister Bessie Smith sends the following report: "Brother Jack Nevills came here the 25th of January, rented a hall and started a meeting without any workers except his wife. About 60 have been converted, 15 have received the Baptism of the Holy Ghost as in Acts 2:4, and the end is not yet. We are planning on having the church set in order soon and will take our first missionary offering the first Sunday in April. We are also planning on Brother Morris Kullman, the converted Jew, being with us for a revival soon."

NEW ATHENS, ILL.—Evangelists A. F. Fought and W. G. Schell write of a recent meeting: "Tuesday night we had a mob, as was predicted by the Holy Ghost six weeks before the meeting started. They broke in all the windows and doors, broke up the organ, broke a guitar, tore up several new Bibles, all the song books. But thanks be to Jesus, He promised to see us through. That night He kept seekers from the altar and we got out while they were getting their mob together. Meeting was dismissed at 9:15 and the mob came at 11. But we got lumber and inclosed the building, and opened again tonight with victory in our souls. Please pray that the devil be defeated and New Athens swept for Jesus."

CHICAGO, ILL., Humboldt Park Pentecostal Church.—Brother H. J. Walterman writes: "A blessed campaign has just closed here with Brother and Sister Ashcroft. The Lord was present in power and glory, not only to bring conviction on the unsaved but to encourage the saints who were eager to hear the timely messages. This has been the best campaign this Church has had for several years and many were brought to the saving knowledge of the Lord Jesus Christ. A divine healing service was announced about the second week of the meetings and some came from out of town to be prayed for and went away glorifying God for His healing virtue."

WINNIPEG, MANITOBA.—Brother A. Watson Argue writes of an evangelistic campaign being conducted by Brother and Sister Nankivell: "They are now starting on the third week of their meetings, and last night 17 found Christ as their Saviour. Souls have come for salvation at every night service since the opening of the campaign, and believers are being filled with the Spirit and the sick healed. The inspiring sermons given by Evangelist Louise Nankivell, and the songs rendered by Brother and Sister Nankivell, are taking deep effect, so that hearts are being touched and melted. Sunday night, the evangelists and the Wesley Church brass quartet had the opportunity of ministering over the radio, when a 45-minute gospel song program was broadcasted. Many reports have reached us of the blessings received by listeners-in."

GREENVILLE, S. C.—Brother W. F. McDade and wife have finished a three-week meeting in which the power of the Lord was blessedly present to heal. They write, "One old man, who had been crippled in one leg for 18 years, came hobbling up to be prayed for. The power of the Lord fell upon him and he marched up and down the aisle shouting for joy. He left the building without his stick and is still praising God for healing. His wife was also instantly healed of complications she had endured for months. A little girl, whose eyes were so impaired from birth that she saw things crossed, was healed. Many others were also healed. Some were saved, many reclaimed, and 1 was baptized (Acts 2:4). The church was set in order on March 24, and the motion was carried that they be called the Assembly of God, Greenville. A. T. Abbott was unanimously elected as pastor, and A. L. Chadwick as secretary and treasurer. An appropriation was at once started for the purchase of a church. We are en route north, and any who needs our assistance may address us in care of Brother Chadwick, 15 Wallace St., Greenville, S. C."

COALINGA, CALIF.—Sister Geo. Vickery sends word that though their tabernacle was partly destroyed by fire that by the faithful work of a number of their men it has been rebuilt. On March 22nd they had a sunrise prayer meeting. At 10 o'clock they had the Lord's Supper and a message by Sister Baker. At 2:30 the dedication sermon was preached by Brother Earl Opie of Fresno. Brother Baker also preached.

TAMPA, FLA.—Brother I. J. Bolton and wife write: "We want to praise God for blessing in this part of the vineyard. We have a constant revival every meeting. Last Sunday the power fell in such a way that we couldn't minister; 2 were saved and 4 baptized in the Spirit. On Wednesday 2 were saved and 2 baptized in the Spirit, praise God. Since January 1st, 40 have professed salvation and 20 have been baptized in the Spirit according to Acts 2:4. Our Sunday school is also doing well, had 79 in the Bible class last Sunday, have 159 on roll and had 169 present. Any Pentecostal people coming to Tampa will find a warm welcome at Oak Park Holiness Church (Pentecostal). A free bus meets the trolley car every meeting."

OLYMPIA, WASH.—Pastor J. H. Sechrist writes: "Four weeks ago Brother Charles Myers, former pastor of the Church of God at Centralia, Wash., returned from Los Angeles and began a series of meetings lasting 3 weeks. During his visit he, with Brother DeVries, pastor of the Centralia Four-Square Gospel Chapel, received their Baptism, and now preach it in its fullness. God honored their preaching in a remarkable way by saving some 50 souls and baptizing about 70 in the Holy Spirit. The last week of meetings was held in Olympia, Wash., and a wonderful week it has been; over 50 have received the Baptism in that time, and the end is not yet. This campaign of four weeks has been conducted in the midst of what once was the Church of God, but all came through as in Acts 2:4. Seven preachers are numbered among those that have received the Baptism. Sinners came and were converted and immediately received their Baptism; some received in their homes. Among the baptized ones are a fine lot of young men and women, and some have the call to the ministry and missions."

BAPTIST MINISTER RECEIVES THE BAPTISM

Open for Call

Pastor E. F. Muir of Arkansas City, Kans., is a minister who has recently received the Baptism of the Holy Ghost. He has been pastor of a Baptist Church of 600 members, but his new experience makes it necessary for him to sever his connection with the Baptist denomination. He has become a minister of the General Council. Brother Muir is holding an evangelistic meeting for two weeks at Pawhuska, Okla., and after this he will be open for evangelistic calls. Those who desire his services should write to J. R. Evans, Secretary of the Council, 336 W. Pacific St., Springfield, Mo.

GENERAL COUNCIL FELLOWSHIP

The following names were added to our ministerial list in the month of March 1925:

- Bishop, William A., Armorer, Ark.
 - Egan, Sylvester Francis, Joliet, Ill.
 - Fowler, George B., Bethalto, Ill.
 - Hamiter, Mrs. Eugenia, Dallas, Texas.
 - Hillman, Basil E., Chaffee, Mo.
 - Nelson, P. C., Galesburg, Ill.
 - Reckley, Alvey S., Cumberland, Maryland.
 - Stafford, William L., Boss, Mo.
 - Walters, Lyman R., Mobile, Alabama.
 - Ward, Willie S., Black Rock, Ark.
 - Wasilenko, Samuel J., Philadelphia, Penn.
 - Wright, James M., Harrisburg, Penn.
 - Zuck, Stephen, Jamaica, New York.
- J. R. Evans, Secretary.

EL DORADO, ARK.—Pastor W. W. Childers writes: "Wife and I came to El Dorado in August, 1924, and began a meeting under a tent. We only found about ten saints and they were very much discouraged. We preached the Word until faith was inspired in their hearts and they began to believe for a revival. We had watch meeting New Year's eve night, the power fell, the saints were revived and one was saved. On January 28 we began a meeting with Evangelist J. A. McPhail. He stayed 3 weeks. Then Brother Z. J. Launius came and preached 2 weeks. The meeting closed at the end of the 8th week. Forty were saved and reclaimed, and 20 received the Baptism of the Holy Ghost."

BRIDGEPORT, CONN.—Pastor A. J. Jenkins sends a report of a campaign with Evangelist Smith Wigglesworth and Brother and Sister Salter. He writes, "The Spirit of the Lord worked mightily. The church was packed with people expecting great things from God, and they were not disappointed as there were many testimonies from those who received a healing touch from the Lord. The city was stirred as never before; ministers from several churches attending, seeking the Baptism and healing. We have purchased a tent for an all summer campaign, trusting the Lord to help us have our new church ready by the time the cool weather arrives. We welcome all Council ministers passing this way to stop off and help us."

CINCINNATI, OHIO.—Pastor O. P. Brann writes: "We were privileged to have with us Evangelist Smith Wigglesworth in a five-day campaign. The saints were much inspired on the line of faith. Numbers of sick folk were prayed for and many testified to the touch of His mighty hand. Our own little son had a skin disease from which several bad sores had developed; he was prayed for and these sores began to dry up immediately. The Lord impressed us with the thought we shall not soon forget—"All things are possible—only believe." We want to praise God at this time for His goodness in directing us in securing a place for worship. We have been located the past year at the corner of 9th and Plum Streets in the old Robinson Theater building. We now have a lovely, bright, cheerful room on 1322 Walnut St."

GALESBURG, ILL.—Brother P. C. Nelson writes: "Just six months after our work was begun here in the Armory, it was voted to form an Assembly of God and I was elected the pastor, Brother Halwe as assistant pastor. We have elected a superintendent for our Bible School, which is to hold its first session next Sunday at 1:30. We are not straining after numbers but hope to build solidly as it may please the Lord. Over 100 have been baptized in the Spirit according to Acts 2:4. I have baptized 157 in water, and the number of professing conversions exceeds 500."

GILROY, CALIF.—Brother and Sister Merrin write that they have arrived back in California after a transcontinental trip. "We first drove stakes in Los Angeles at the Home Garden's Community church, where 24 were saved and 2 received the Baptism of the Holy Ghost, and many were healed. From there we went to Kingsburg, where they have a tabernacle that holds 700. Had a mighty time there. Then to Wasco, Bakersfield and Watsonville. We had a precious time all along the way. We are now in a campaign at Gilroy, where God is raining down showers of blessings."

HOW A CONDEMNED CONVICT WAS SAVED

Edward Ashland

On or about September first last, it happened that a believer with scant resources had come in from the mountains, and bought a paper to look at the want ads. Glancing over the items, he noted that a man convicted of murder was that day sentenced to die. With a swift and vivid conception of the gloom of the poor victim of "the spirit that now worketh in the children of disobedience," and a present consciousness that, at this crisis, when even the wrath of man was against him, the GRACE OF GOD WAS FOR HIM, the believer, proceeded to follow out the impulse of the Holy Spirit and wrote to the prisoner, stating that whether innocent of that particular offense or not, all stood guilty before God, and that the Lord Jesus Christ had died to save just such a fellow as he was, and, counselled him to "BELIEVE ON THE LORD JESUS CHRIST AND THOU SHALT BE SAVED."

The writer also impressed on him the importance of memorizing Rom. 10: 9, 10, assuring he would find great comfort in those verses in whatever ordeal he might have to pass through. The Gospel according to John was enclosed in the envelope, also some tracts of which the writer was author, and one particularly against Christian Science to fortify him against the maneuvers of that sinister cult. Craig's first reply was a profusion of thanks coupled with repeated declarations that he could not understand why a total stranger should show such a kindly interest. The next letter pressed him for a confession of Christ, and like a gush of a geyser, and spontaneous as "Old Faithful," in his next letter came a response that baffled restraint: "Yes, I believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, with all my heart and soul." In his first letters he thanked the evangelical worker but after he became conversant with the word of truth, he thanked God.

Then he wrote to his people, and covered the Lord with glory, and told his mother he wanted to be sure that she had also shared the joy of salvation and understood the same truth.

Today our brother in Christ is studying in prison the epistles Paul wrote in prison, and sings to the praise of the glory of His grace.

Various sects immediately began to swamp the young convert with their literature, so the boy grew suspicious and wrote to the one who had led him to the Lord for an explanation, which was cleared up by Paul's dissertation on grace against law. So, **more tracts of doctrinal** character this time had to be furnished.

During the past few months nearly 400,000 free tracts have been sent out by the Gospel Publishing House. Applications for free grants of tracts are coming and there is an urgent need of funds to keep this good work going. Will all Evangel readers unite in helping out with their donations at this time?

I want to take a part in this great soul-winning campaign to help spread the Gospel. I am enclosing \$..... as offering. I will also offer up a word of prayer for this cause.

Name.....
 Street.....
 City.....
 State.....

FOR OUR SUNDAY SCHOOLS

Are you using Pentecostal Sunday School literature? Our Literature is written by Pentecostal saints for Pentecostal Sunday Schools. Our quarterlies cost just five cents each. We issue them for the Adult, Intermediate and Junior Grades. Pastor S. A. Jamieson of Chicago has written the Adult Quarterly for this quarter. We also supply picture cards for the little folks at four cents per set.

Have you seen our papers for children? Every month we are having to print more of these papers because they are so popular with the children. They are brightly illustrated, and every article in them presents the gospel or some phase of necessary Christian teaching. We supply "Our Pentecostal Boys and Girls" to Sunday Schools for 13 cents per quarter and "Our Pentecostal Little Folks" for seven cents per quarter. If you have never had these papers, we will send you your first quarter's supply at half price so as to introduce them to you. Adults appreciate these papers as well as the children.

IOWA AND NORTH MISSOURI.

Brother Roy E. Scott, District Chairman, writes: "We are glad to report victory in the work here generally. Quite a number of good revivals have been held in the district and a number of souls found the Lord. Our mid-winter convention at Trenton, Mo., was especially blessed, and Brother J. R. Evans' messages were enjoyed by all. Quite a number of places are planning summer campaigns and we ask the prayers of all that God will revive the work over the entire field."

HEALED OF QUINSY

Several years ago I had a very bad case of quinsy. It was down so low in my throat that the doctor could do nothing. My jaws were set; I could not open my mouth at all and could scarcely breathe. We sent for two saints and they prayed for me and I was healed. Two years ago, following childbirth, infection set in. A doctor was called for consultation and he did not expect me to live. My fever was almost 105, and I was rapidly sinking into a coma. My mother prayed for me, the Lord touched me and I was healed.—Mrs. Ruth Abenshein, 119 W. Harrison St., Royal Oak, Mich.

DEAD CHILD COMES TO LIFE

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unable to walk, jumped up on her feet and danced round the room for two hours. Of course, his backing of Jesus had proved a winner, and he, too, believed in Him.

Shortly afterwards, whilst at work as a stoker, news was brought to him that the child was dead. He left for home, but on the way he continually said to himself that he had "backed Jesus and he had proved a winner. Surely he was not going to let him down now?" He prayed to the Lord for help and strength. On arrival home he found the women in the act of laying her body out. After consulting his wife, they sent to inform the pastor. When the pastor arrived he went straight to the body and in a loud voice exclaimed, "In the name of the Lord depart." Lo and behold, the de-

mons answered, "We will not." Again the pastor pronounced the same words, and immediately the child's body was seized with convulsions, and she sat up in bed. The dead had once again, through the power of Christ, risen. It may be thought a fake or auto-suggestion, or faith-healing, but he called it Divine Healing of the Blessed Master Himself. He backed Jesus and He proved a winner all the way. Jesus Christ lives today, and his child's resurrection is a living proof. His child who was dead is alive again. Here he called upon Eva to stand up, and she rose to her feet in the body of the hall. In a powerful appeal he called upon everyone present to back Jesus, who would prove a winner for them always.

The large congregation was tremendously impressed.

Pastor W. Davis substantiated the statements and supplied further proofs of Divine Healing. He enumerated other cases that had occurred at his church at Caeran.

At the conclusion of this remarkable meeting Mr. R. Cook stated that the pastor, Mr. Evans, and the child would remain at the close to answer any question any critics present doubted, and they would be able to supply names and dates of the cases referred to.

Forthcoming Meetings

Notices for this column must be sent in so as to reach this office two full weeks before the date of issue of the Evangel in which the sender desires them to appear. For instance, a notice for a paper dated the 15th of the month; should be in Springfield by the 1st of the month; or for a paper dated the 30th of the month, should be here on the 15th.

GLENDALE, CALIF.—Brother John McConnell is now holding tent meeting on Glendale Ave., between Broadway and Wilson, opposite the depot of the Glendale and Montrose Electric Railway.—A. W. Frodsham, pastor.

NORTHERN CALIFORNIA DISTRICT COUNCIL

The District Council of Northern California and Nevada will be held at 1536 Ellis Street, San Francisco on April 29 to May 1 inclusive. A full representation is desired. Graduation exercises of the Glad Tidings Bible Institute will be held May 1.—R. J. Craig.

AUSTIN, TEXAS, 37th St. Church.—Our revival meeting will commence April 12. Brother Anthony from Yoakum will be with us. He will have charge of the pulpit to do the preaching. On Sunday, April 19, we will have our dedication service and dedicate the church. We invite everyone that can come and be with us. Pray for a mighty outpouring of the Spirit at this meeting.—T. A. Beard.

ECORSE, MICH.—Pastor N. F. Eby announces that their Easter Evangelistic Campaign will be held in the Pentecostal Church, corner of White and Monroe Streets, beginning April 12, and continuing on indefinitely. Evangelist C. W. Swann and daughter from Toronto, Ontario, Canada, will be the special workers. We extend an invitation to the saints in this section to "Come over and help us."

CENTRAL DISTRICT COUNCIL of the Assemblies of God will convene at Findlay, Ohio, from May 13 to 15 inc. All ministers and delegates within our bounds are invited. The church and Gospel School will assist in lodging and giving breakfast to ministers and delegates. The Gospel School commencement will be held on the evening of May 14. Our Spring Pentecostal Convention will begin May 8 and continue over May 17. The Chairman urges every minister, and at least one delegate from each assembly, to be present, as there is much business to be considered for the general welfare of the Lord's work in Ohio, Michigan and Indiana. Let each notify us at once so lodging can be secured.—Chairman T. K. Leonard.

TEXAS AND NEW MEXICO DISTRICT CONVENTION AND BIBLE SCHOOL.—Will be held at Portales, New Mexico, at the Assembly of God Church, April 21 to 24. Our District Chairman, Brother Hugh W. Cadwalder, will be present. We urge all ministers of New Mexico and West Texas to be present. All preachers and delegates will be taken care of. For further information write A. C. Bates, Box 387, Portales, New Mexico.

HUMBOLDT, KANS.—We expect to have an all-day meeting the third Sunday in April. Everybody welcome. Bring full baskets.—Pastor Oscar Davidson.

OPEN FOR CALLS.—I am still open for calls for evangelistic work everywhere. Would accept a pastorate. Have had 23 years experience in preaching and 11 years in Pentecost, and am in full fellowship with the Council.—Shelt Webster.

NOTICE.—Tent for sale, 32 x 52. Two pole, 10 oz. top. Reasonable.—O. W. Edwards, 1400 Fifth St., Wichita Falls, Texas.

NOTICE.—Wanted gospel tent 30 x 50 or 40 x 60. Must be in good condition. Write G. L. Phillips, 8 Olive St., Ashtabula, Ohio.

FOREIGN MISSIONS CONTRIBUTIONS

March 27 to 31 Inclusive

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 5.00: S S Pittsburg Kans; H L S Dollardville Tex; J E N Freeport Ill; G M Milan Tenn; Unity Mission Boston Mass; E M Z Richmond Hill N Y; E M Y Glen Cove N Y; E B Butler N J; H B L Morris Okla; Mrs M L N Alta Canada; Mr & Mrs H C G Lansford Minn; W B K Mariaville Neb; J A Brice Mo; Rev M K Tulsa Okla; F A A Boston Mass; Mrs C T B Cucamonga Calif; C E S Mt Vernon Wash; W F M Tulsa Okla; Mr & Mrs E S Brightmoor Mich; C M W Grand Prairie Tex; Mrs V W D Hammond Ind
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 Total amount \$ 1,523.83
 Amount previously reported 11,314.65
 Total amount for month of March \$12,838.48

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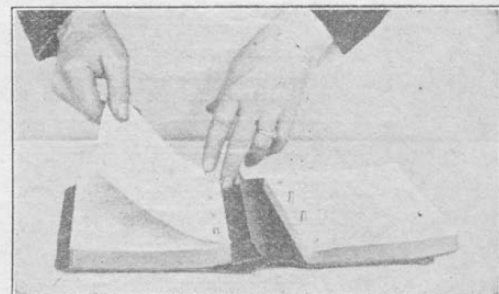
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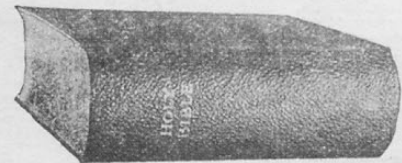
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