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The Wardrobe of the Saints

Pastor J. Narver Gortner at the General Council meeting

"Put on, therefore, as the elect of God, holy and beloved, bowels of mercies, kindness, humbleness of mind, meekness, long-suffering: forbearing one another and forgiving one another, if any man have a quarrel against any: even as Christ forgave you, so also do ye. And above all these things put on love which is the bond of perfectness." Col. 3:12-14.

You will observe that the people of God are here called "the elect of God." This is our real name, our Scriptural name,— "the elect of God." Somebody inquires, "Do you believe in election?" I most certainly do. The Bible teaches it, and what the Bible teaches I believe in and teach. I do not believe in election as some people believe in it, but I believe in it as it is taught in the Scriptures. Peter begins his first Epistle thus: "Peter, an apostle of Jesus Christ, to the strangers scattered throughout Pontus, Galatia, Cappadocia, Asia, and Bithynia, elect according to the foreknowledge of God the Father, through sanctification of the Spirit, unto obedience and sprinkling of the blood of Jesus Christ: Grace unto you, and peace, be multiplied." Mark three words, "according," "through," and "unto." We are the "elect of God" according to the foreknowledge of God the Father through sanctification of the Spirit, unto obedience and the sprinkling of the blood of Jesus Christ.

In the 8th chapter of Romans the apostle says, "Whom He did foreknow, He also did predestinate to be conformed to the image of His Son," and he adds, "Whom He did predestinate, them He also called: and whom He called, them He also justified: and whom He justified, them He also glorified." He speaks, mind you, of the saints, "the elect of God," as having been already glorified. In the mind and purpose of God who can see the end from the beginning, and with whom, as somebody has said, there is no past and no future but one eternal now, we who are His saints, are already glorified.

The apostle goes on to say, "What shall

we say then to these things? If God be for us who can be against us?" If, in other words, we are "the elect of God" no power in earth or hell can possibly prevail against us, for God who has elected us will see us through, and in no emergency will He forsake us. "He that spared not His own Son, but delivered Him up for us all, how shall He not with Him also freely give us all things? Who shall lay anything to the charge of God's

THE WAY HE CHOSE

"God will not look you over for medals, degrees or diplomas—but for scars."

God make me strong to choose the rugged path
Against the way of fleshly ease;
For in God's service many ways there be
For all to choose—but some who fail to see
Know not the crown of gloried faithfulness
Is unto those whose opened eyes confess
The "spit-path" of the lowly Nazarene
To be their portion now—stretching between
God's present call and future rich reward,
God make me strong to see—
And, sighting by His polar star of loss,
Follow with joy the marking of His cross.

God make me strong to shun the pleasing way
That gratifies the fleshly will:
Seeking for plaudits from the hand of man,
And human sanction to self's cherished plan.
O blessed road of self-pronouncing love,
Dead to all impulse save God's thought and move,
Called to a ministry of suffering complete
That other lives may smell His savor sweet,
And know His matchless grace.
God make me strong to shun
Earth's tinselled flowers that perish and decay,
Choosing whole-heartedly the Blood-stained way.

God make me strong to now refuse the crown—
Its weight would only fetter me
From running swiftly in the race divine;
A stripping full, complete, the portion mine;
And even if the rending sore brings pain,
And blood-drops follow aching feet, again
He speaks, "They who have lost shall find
Their lives in fruitfulness of heart and mind—
Bread-corn must still be bruised to satisfy."
God make me strong to choose
The cross; and when my armor is laid down
Receive from Him the all-enduring crown.

—ALICE REYNOLDS FLOWER

elect?" To bring charges against God's elect is to bring charges against God, for the saints who have been elected are linked up with Jesus Christ and identified with God, and where is the man who will dare to try to separate what God has joined together? "It is God that justifieth. Who is he that condemneth? It is Christ that died, yea, rather, that is risen again"—thank God, He who died for us rose from the dead, and lived again, and is living to-day, our living Lord, "Jesus Christ, the same yesterday, and to-day, and forever,"—"who is even at the right hand of God, who also maketh intercession for us. Jesus Christ not only died for us, and rose for us and ascended for us: He is making intercession for us, representing us as our great High Priest at the right hand of the Majesty in the heavens, and, since this is true, we as the "elect of God" are most assuredly safe.

"Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword? As it is written, For Thy sake we are killed all the day long; we are accounted as sheep for the slaughter. Nay, in all these things we are more than conquerors through Him that loved us. For I am persuaded that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor powers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor height, nor depth, nor any other creature, shall be able to separate us from the love of God which is in Christ Jesus our Lord." How blessed indeed to be numbered among "the elect of God," and to know that He who has already done so much for us will never forsake us, but will see us through and crown us ultimately in the glory on the other side!

The people of God who constitute "the elect of God" are "holy." God's people are His spiritual house. In Zech. 6: 12, 13, we read, "Behold the Man whose name is The BRANCH, and He shall
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Healing in the Atonement

Evangelist P. C. Nelson at General Council

Job 33:24

The oldest book on divine healing is the Bible, and perhaps the most thorough treatise in the Bible on divine healing is the book of Job, which may be as old as the book of Genesis. It opens up by showing a most excellent man who was so good and prosperous that he delighted the heart of God. But the devil, or Satan, was greatly disturbed about him and came in to accuse him. There are some people to-day that are trying to steal the devil's job of accusing the brethren. Don't do it, brethren. Leave that to the devil, he excels as the accuser of the brethren. If you see somebody who is down, help to lift him up and let the devil do the accusing.

Now the devil came in to accuse Job, and said to the Lord, "See what prosperity you have given him. Anybody could serve the Lord if he had such prosperity, but if you will touch all that he has he will curse you to your face." So the Lord said, "I will allow all his substance to be taken away," and in one day there came one report after another of all that he owned being taken away, and then his children were all taken away, and Job said, "Naked came I into the world, and I'm going out the same way."

Suppose you had the great misfortune to lose everything—in one day have everything swept away, your property be gone and your family all gone, I wonder if your prayers wouldn't be drowned out a little bit? But Job stood the test. Then the devil came back and said, "That is all right, but just touch his body and see what will happen." So the Lord allowed the devil to afflict him, but not to take his life. In this book we find out where disease comes from. Some people will tell you that disease is from the hand of a good and loving God; that God wants some to be sick and suffer excruciating pain to glorify Him. They will tell you that God loved you so much that He put this affliction on you. I was taught this way, but I never could reconcile this teaching with the love of God. I tell you the devil hates you so much that he put that thing on you, and God loves you so much that He will take it off. Hallelujah! Praise the Lord!

Then the devil began to plaster Job over with boils. I had two boils at one time and they nearly drove me to distraction. That was just two too many. But Job had them from the soles of his feet to the crown of his head. Three "comforters" came and sat down and looked at him for seven days without saying a word. If I ever get down, don't try that on me. Be merciful and don't sit speechless and look at me for more than six days, for I'm afraid I would lose my mind before the seven days had passed. Job tried to explain his condition, but found it a pret-

ty difficult matter. He tried to justify himself and let the blame rest on God. His "comforters" were determined to convince him that he was all wrong, and altogether to blame for his plight. But argue as they would they could not convince or convict Job. Near the end of the story we read how the Lord took Job in hand, and Job was broken and subdued before God. But before we reach that part of the narrative, we find a most illuminating address by Elihu.

Beginning with the 19th verse of the 33rd chapter we read, "He is chastened also with pain upon his bed, and the multitude of his bones with strong pain, so that his life abhorreth bread and his soul dainty meat. His flesh is consumed away that it cannot be seen, and his bones that were not seen stuck out. Yea, his soul draweth near unto the grave, and his life to the destroyers." He is just about ready to die. Then Elihu says, "If there be a messenger with him, an interpreter, one among a thousand, to shew unto man his uprightness"—somebody who knows the Word of God and can take a Bible and show him and teach him of God's righteousness, God's faithfulness, and God's wonderful love, then God will be gracious to the afflicted and will say, "Deliver him from going down to the pit, I have found a ransom." Note these words, "I have found a ransom!" "His flesh shall be fresher than a child's, he shall return to the days of his youth." Now the Lord said, "I have found a ransom, I am going to be gracious to him. I am going to visit him and I am going to make his flesh fresher than a child's and restore his youth,

for I have found a ransom." You say, "What ransom is needed for healing?" Well, some do not believe we need any atonement for our sins, we can just deny them, but I couldn't do that. I cried unto the Lord, and God had mercy on my poor lost soul and for Jesus' sake, for the sake of the sacrifice made on Calvary, for the sake of the blood shed there on the cross, forgave my sins, for "we have redemption through the blood of Jesus." Eph. 1:7. And "without shedding of blood is no remission." Heb. 9:22. But you say you don't have to have any forgiveness for your sickness. I believe that sickness came into the world because of sin, and the curse of the Lord fell not only upon man's soul, but upon his body, and so man's body bears the curse. Then Jesus came and took the sinner's place and He bore our sins in His own body on the tree that we, being dead to sins, should live unto righteousness; by whose stripes ye were healed. 1 Pet. 2:24. When Jesus died, He delivered us not only from our sins, but from our afflictions. I am glad we have a verse in Isaiah 53 which is made plain by the way it is quoted in Matt. 8:17. Now when we read (Isa. 53:4), "Surely He hath borne our griefs and carried our sorrows," it brings to us no suggestion at all of the real meaning, because the translation fails to bring it out. In the marginal note to the Revised Version, however, you will find that the Hebrew word translated "griefs" means "sickness." Matthew quotes from this verse thus; "Himself took our infirmities and bare our sicknesses." So by the inspired word in Matthew the meaning of the author in Isaiah is made plain.

Comparing this inspired translation with the original Hebrew I found it correct. By reference to the German, the Danish and Norwegian, the Swedish, and numerous other translations, I found that all agreed with Matthew. Martin Luther uses the words "krankheit" (sickness) and "schmerzen" (pains). The Swedish translates "krankhet" (sickness) and "sveda" (pain). The Danish, which is my mother tongue, says "sygdomme" (sickness) and "Piner" (pains). "Enfermidades" (infirmities) and "dores" (pains) are the words used in the Portuguese. Referring to translations of Isaiah by Jewish scholars I found them in agreement with Matthew. However, Matthew (omitting Isaiah's first word, "Surely") adds the word "Himself." This troubled me till I wrote to a famous Jewish rabbi in New York city for a literal rendering of the Hebrew of Isaiah 53:4. His rendering agreed with Matthew's, but does not give us the word "himself." However, the rabbi says that the emphasis is on the pronouns, "he" and "our." HE bore OUR sicknesses and carried OUR pains. The only way Matthew could bring out this emphasis in the Greek was to use the intensive pronoun "autos" (himself). Isaiah must have foreseen the opposition to this truth, for he begins the verse with "surely" (Hebrew, AMEN—something forever settled, as a maxim in mathematics). As all the early Christians believed in divine healing, and the Jews were more unwilling to accept Christ's saving ministry than His healing ministry, Matthew

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did not feel the need of beginning his quotation with "surely." But in our day it is needed.

Before leaving this verse in Isaiah, let me say that the verbs translated "took" and "carried," denote in the Hebrew that Christ VICARIOUSLY took and carried our sicknesses and pains, just as He took and carried our sins. Glory to God!

The setting of the quotation in Matthew's gospel shows that the reference is to bodily afflictions, and not to spiritual diseases, as some opposers of this divine truth would have us believe. The eighth chapter of Matthew's gospel opens with an account of the healing of a leper; then follows the story of the healing of the centurion's servant, then of the healing of the mother of Peter's wife, and then of the multitude who were delivered from demons and healed of bodily diseases, "That it might be fulfilled which was spoken by Isaiah the prophet, saying, HIMSELF TOOK OUR INFIRMITIES AND BARE OUR SICKNESSES."

In Deuteronomy the 28th chapter we have the blessings which the Lord through Moses pronounced upon His people as long as they would obey Him. Beginning with the fifteenth verse of this chapter we have the curses pronounced upon them if they failed to obey. These curses include all the then known diseases, and diseases then unknown were to fall upon them as a curse for sinful disobedience. How good to read in Paul's letter to the Galatians, third chapter, thirteenth verse, "Christ hath redeemed us from the curse of the law, being made a curse for us; for it is written, cursed is every one that hangeth on a tree." Through Christ we have the double deliverance from the double curse.

Of the two million or so who came out of Egypt with Moses, all were able to walk. No ambulances or stretchers or crutches. All walked through the Red Sea, and when they had crossed they were ready for a great revival and praise service, and a religious dance. "Not a feeble person among their tribes." Psalms 105:37. You could not move all the people of Missouri as far as Arkansas with all our means of transportation—automobiles, trains, pullman cars, stretchers, ambulances. You could not even move all the people of Springfield. Some would die if you tried to move them even by the gentlest means and a very short distance. And yet we boast of our modern achievements in sanitation, surgery, medication and nursing. God was the Physician of His people in ancient times. "I am the Lord that healeth thee." (Ex. 15:26). He is able to heal and care for His people yet. If you can trust the Lord to save your soul, cannot you trust Him to heal your body? The same God who forgives sins heals diseases.

"Who forgiveth all thine iniquities; who healeth all thy diseases." Psalms 103:3.

Shall we not with Jeremiah cry:

"Heal me, O Lord, and I shall be healed; save me, and I shall be saved: for Thou art my praise." Jer. 17:14.

You say that was spiritual sickness. No brother, read it again, and keep on reading it until you get the light. Don't turn

your face away from the light; it is God's truth and you can't afford to miss it. Face it like a man and receive it and thank God for it. If the Lord could take an old stiff Baptist preacher like me, and bring me to the light, and change me around, He can do something with the rest of you too. It is here brother. I want you people to know that Christ has already paid that debt and you don't have to suffer. Christ did more than atone for our sins, He provided strength for our bodies.

Following this address the evangelist anointed about one hundred fifty persons for healing, according to James 5:14, 15, and a number were evidently healed and gave glory to God.

WISDOM FOR HEALING

Evangelist P. C. Nelson at the General Council

Brother P. C. Nelson, who was to pray for the sick on Monday night, invited the people who would fast and pray during the dinner hour of that day for the healing of the sick, to meet him in one of the Sunday school rooms. After the hour was up, Brother Nelson met those who wished to be prayed for, and gave them the following instructions.

Sometimes it seems as though people are not healed when they really are. And sometimes we think some are healed, and then they have a counter-attack of the devil and down they go. We read in the Word that as many as touched Him were made perfectly whole. As many as **TOUCHED HIM**.

And now we want to get everything out of the way that will hinder us from getting in touch with the Lord. The first thing that will keep us from touching the Lord is sin. Sin is repulsive to Jesus. Sin makes a wall around us and insulates us so that we cannot get to Him. We have to get rid of sin. "Confess your faults one to another, and pray one for another, that ye may be healed." James 5:16. If I thought you people had wronged any one here present, I would start you right in making it right. But the people you have wronged may be quite a distance from here, hence you will have to deal with the Lord in regard to that. If you know you have wronged anybody, tell the Lord you will go and fix it up. There is one kind of pie that is very fattening to the soul, and that is "humble pie." Every time you get a chance to eat any of this "pie," do it.

There is something back of sin. According to my way of thinking, self is back of sin, and that is one reason why God hates it so. We have to let self go down. Some people shrink from getting before an audience to seek salvation. Well, that is the best thing I know of to help put self down. Some people think it would be an awful thing to get up and make a confession. Why, that gives self a knock, and we want to get self out of the way.

Doubt will keep us from the Lord. He has never done one thing to cause us to doubt Him, never told us anything that was not true. He has demonstrated that He is true: and doubt is very abominable to God. I find that people who are very

careful to keep their promises, don't like to have others doubt them. God is careful to keep His promise and does not want us to doubt Him. Doubt is so inherent in us; it seems we are soaked in it.

In my second campaign in Topeka, Kansas, they asked me to give the ministers of the city an address on divine healing. A minister, who was evidently very hostile to this truth, asked me what percentage were healed when prayed for. I said, "I have been so busy praying for the sick and sinful, that no time was left to keep books." He insisted on a definite answer, but I replied that I could not tell exactly for people I did not know were healed, had been healed, and people I thought were healed did not seem to retain their healing. He said, "Well, if this is divine healing all ought to be healed." I said, "Brother, did you ever preach a gospel sermon?" "Yes." "Did you ever preach a gospel sermon when there were sinners present who were saved?" "Yes." "Were they all saved?" "Well, no." "Well, wasn't it divine salvation you were preaching?" "Yes." "Then why weren't they all saved?" "Because I could not get them to comply with the conditions." "Well," I said, "that is my trouble, too. There are sixty of you preachers and one of me. You get them all to comply with the conditions and I will get them all healed. Some people have been so soaked in unbelief that it takes a long time to get it soaked out." We have to get rid of our unbelief and doubt if we have to pray and pray and pray. "Without faith it is impossible to please Him; for he that cometh to God must believe that He is, and that He is a REWARDER of them that diligently seek Him." Heb. 11:6.

Lack of consecration often stands in the way of healing. You say, "Lord, I want you to heal me." The Lord says, "There is something I have been asking of you a long time. You give me what I want, and I will give you what you want." You say, "Well, Lord, what do you want?" And the Lord replies, "I want your life, your love, your talents, your money." "Money! Oh, don't say anything to me about that!" Well, the Lord's rule for the bestowal of His grace is, "Bring ye all the tithes into the storehouse" and then He will pour us out such a blessing that there will not be room enough to receive it. Mal. 3:10. Many have been stingy with the Lord and intend to keep on being stingy with Him, a very poor policy.

Some have sins in their lives they are not willing to give up. In Florida a Baptist minister came to me and said, "I believe in this healing. I have an awful throat and have had to give up my work, and I have come to you for prayer." I said, "Brother, I am anxious to help you get your healing. It would be a very easy thing for me to put a drop of oil on your forehead and pray for you, but that might not bring the desired results. We have not time to talk now, but read this literature and check up on it and see how you stand. Renew your consecration."

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Jesus the Healer

I was a sufferer several years from ulcers of the stomach. In the years 1924-26 I had 12 X-rays and 2 stomach tests taken and was treated by the best doctors. In August 1926, my doctor, a cancer specialist, advised an operation as the last X-ray test had indicated cancer. I did not take his advice. After this I heard Jesus preached as the Healer. I needed a healer, for every week I was down with pain in the stomach and head caused by the ulcers, and morphine was the only medicine that gave any relief. I had for 17 years been a member of a church that did not teach healing, so I asked the Lord to guide me as I read His Word, and to open my eyes to His truth. On Oct. 10, 1926, while having a very severe attack, the Lord healed me instantly and completely. I immediately arose and got dinner and went to the tabernacle. The ulcer passed from me and I have had no trouble since. Jesus is now our family physician. He healed my husband last August of a rupture he had had from birth, and the children have also felt His healing touch. He also filled me with the Holy Spirit as in Acts 2:4. Wonderful Jesus! Praise His precious name! —Mrs. Emily Roberts, Winchester Bay, Ore.

HEALED OF HERNIA

My little boy was born with double rupture. When two years of age he fell and hurt himself badly. I knew nothing of divine healing at that time, so we called a doctor. Later we took him to a specialist in St. Louis, who fitted him with a belt which he wore constantly for four years; then he was fitted with another which he wore until July of this year.

The specialist had said he would out-grow this trouble by the time he was of school age, but instead, he seemed to grow worse. The belts gave temporary relief, but when taken off, the parts affected would drop immediately. In hot weather blisters would appear under his belt, and bruises on his back where it fastened. He could climb very little, could not go in bathing or take part in sports so much enjoyed by boys, and he was a healthy boy except for this trouble.

When we came into Pentecost and the light of healing, my boy was anointed and prayed for, but we did not get the victory. I was afraid to take his belt off. My husband was very much opposed to Pentecost anyhow, and I knew if anything happened to the child that the responsibility would be upon me. The doctor had said there was danger and had wanted to operate. Oh, I limited Jesus; but praise the Lord, if we only believe we do not need to be afraid, of failure, for Jesus never fails.

In July of this year Brother A. W. Argue held a tent meeting here and my

little boy was prayed for. He had been saved and was looking forward to being healed. The evangelist told of his condition and asked prayer of all present. A spirit of prayer seemed to come upon the people; one could feel the presence of the Lord; and my boy was completely healed. He has never had his belt on since. He climbs, runs, jumps, swims—something he never did before. Complete deliverance! Praise the Lord!—Mrs. Lottie Owens, 2016 Washington Ave., Alton, Ill.

HEALING LOST AND RESTORED

About ten years ago I was a sick and miserable woman without hope and without God in the world. The doctors told me there was nothing to be done for my female trouble but to operate. I would not submit to this so I suffered on. Played cards every night to divert my attention from my miseries, though I was scarcely strong enough to deal the cards. One night as I was dealing the cards a great fear swept over me. The next night it was worse, and I wondered if God wanted me to give Him my life. I went later on into a room to try dealing the cards alone to see if I would feel that way. I felt worse than ever and wanted to run out of that room. So I quit playing cards. Then finally some one told me of a "new religion" that had broken out in Winnipeg in which they prayed for the sick and they were healed. We went to Winnipeg and I got saved and healed the first service I attended and a few days later received the Baptism. After I was healed it seemed like a new world to me. Everything and everybody looked good to me and when at the end of the week I received the Holy Spirit I felt myself the happiest person in the world.

Returning home where there were no Pentecostal people, it seemed that every one tried to discourage me, telling me that such things were not for nowadays. Two preachers told me it was not of God and warned me not to go there. I wondered if the devil could really give such peace, joy and happiness. I had no place to go to church and so finally backslid. Then my troubles all returned worse than ever. The doctors tried every way to help me and nearly killed me. I went to the General Hospital in Winnipeg and there Dr. Gerard Heibert operated on me, taking out my appendix while he was at it. After the operation I became very much worse and suffered so much. The doctors had no hope of my recovery. I had lost all use of myself and was in the act of dying, already partly cold, when a young Pentecostal sister came in and told me she had brought an anointed handkerchief. I was too far gone to understand but she laid it on my heart and God healed me.

As I felt the power of God going through me I smiled and finally began to

laugh. The people around me thought I was dying and I thought so myself. Life came back into my arms and legs and I felt good in my soul. I got stronger and stronger. Then two doctors came in and I tried to look serious but it was hard to keep from laughing, I felt so good. I asked them if I was dying, and they said, "No."

When I was ready to leave the hospital my doctor shook hands with me and said, "I never had any hope that you would get better but I didn't want to tell you." But the Lord had mercy on me. I have not been worthy of all that the Lord has done for me.—Bertha Preikshat, Central Point, Wash.

To this testimony is attached the statement of her husband, John Preikshat, that her testimony is true and that it occurred when they lived on a farm in Canada, Brother Small, at that time pastor of the old Knox church in Winnipeg, being the minister who anointed the handkerchief. He says that she was healed before his eyes when the handkerchief was laid on.

HEALED OF ECZEMA

I want to give my testimony as to what the Lord has done for me since I have been a member of the Pentecostal Mission in Byesville, Ohio. I have been a member of some church for 25 years, and always thought I was a Christian and a child of God, but when I became acquainted with the Mission people I was convinced I had only taken the first step towards finding my Saviour. I was afflicted with an awful disease, called eczema, for 20 years. My mother and grandmother were also afflicted with the same affliction, and the doctors told me they could do nothing for me as my affliction was hereditary.

I was at last stricken and confined to my bed, suffering untold agony, when Brother Soules, pastor of the Gospel Assembly at Byesville came to visit me. He knelt and prayed that God would heal my afflicted body. After Brother Soules had prayed with me I soon got better and in a few days was again up and doing my work around the house, and felt like a different person. I was determined to have God heal my body, so I prayed daily for His healing power.

On one evening as I started to the assembly I told my husband I was sure God would heal me, and I would pray for His healing power until God answered my prayer. On that evening I was healed, and have had no trouble since, for God surely did a good job when He healed and made me clean. That has been 5 years ago, and I can testify to His healing power.—Mrs. C. W. Eubanks, 8th St., Byesville, Ohio.

TUBERCULOSIS HEALED

I want to utter a note of praise for what the Lord has done for me. I had been saved but was bound by the tobacco habit and was in a backslidden condition. I was sent to the Tuberculosis Sanitarium at Carlsbad, where I constantly grew weaker until I was unable to be up. Then I came home, as they all

thought, to die. But I consecrated my life to God, quit the tobacco and sent for the saints to come and pray for me. I sent requests for prayer to different bands of saints and, praise God forever, on August 9, 1925, after I had gotten too weak to walk and could not speak loud enough to be heard across the hall, God healed me instantly and freed my bound soul. Hallelujah! In the presence of the 5 or 6 saints who were here praying for me I came out of the bed and shouted and danced all over the place, and that night I went one and a half or two miles to church where I testified to the mighty power of God to save and heal. My voice was strong enough to be heard by a congregation of one or two thousand people. Glory to God!

So now, after almost 18 months, I am still healed and giving God all the glory. Some of my neighbors who were looking for me to die now say that there was nothing the matter with me but hysterics. But if any one doubts my having had tuberculosis let them write to Dr. Jim Magness and Dr. Frank Chiles, both of Honey Grove, and to Billie Young of Denison, Texas, a Nazarene preacher and W. D. Smith of Tuckerman, Ark., a Pentecostal preacher. These ministers were both present with me at the time I was healed. Oh, how I do praise God for answering prayer and sparing me to my dear husband and to my darling children. My desire is to honor, praise and serve my blessed Redeemer and to do more for Him.

I shall be glad to correspond with any one who wants to ask any questions about my healing. (Mrs.) Ida Smith, R. 3, Box 72B, Honey Grove, Texas.

GENERAL ILL HEALTH HEALED

I want to thank God for His wonderful goodness to me. I had been in poor health for several years, but last December I was stricken down again, and it was then that I learned of the wonderful love and power of our blessed Lord. Praise His name! I spent some time in a local hospital, but grew much worse after I came home. While in bed here, the elders of the church came and prayed for me and I was saved from all my sins and received a touch in my body. Bless the Lord! But I was weak in faith and did not receive complete deliverance. After seven weeks in bed, my condition grew worse, and our physician said I would have to be operated on as soon as I could be moved, and being in such a run-down condition, I would probably have to have a blood transfusion.

That week we had a prayer meeting here and I was carried down stairs and laid on the couch. The power of God fell and I received another touch in my body. That night I was bundled up and taken to church for the healing service. Our Lord does honor faith, for there He blessedly met me, completely healing me and gave me the Baptism of the Holy Ghost as in Acts 2:4. This has all been several weeks ago, and I am well in body and soul, and am going on with the Lord. Praise His name!—Mrs. Mary Patton Goodrich, 514 Market St., Oxford, Pa.

After holding back the above testimony for 15 months we wrote to Sister Goodrich, inquiring whether the healing still stands. She has replied as follows:

I have been in better health this year than for several years previous, all glory to God who has kept me in health. What I wrote over a year ago about my healing still stands.—Mrs. Mary P. Goodrich.

BROKEN BONES HEALED

I had never heard of the Pentecostal people until recently when the young lady with whom I was staying told me about them. Soon after this as I was standing on a chair to hang something on a line, I fell, striking my chest on the back of another chair with such a force that I thought I would never get my breath again. When I tried to move my right arm I could feel the bone in my chest crack. A doctor was called, and I was immediately taken to the clinic to have an X-ray taken of my chest. The picture showed a broken bone in my chest and also one fractured rib. After a day and a night of intense suffering I decided to have the Pentecostal pastor pray for the healing of my bones. The doctors could do nothing to relieve my suffering. I couldn't lie down but had to sit propped up in a chair. When pastor Ness had arrived, he first asked me if I was a Christian. I told him that I was a church member, but probably not the kind of Christian I ought to be. Then he asked me if I really wanted to give my heart to Jesus, and I told him I would. First he prayed for my salvation, then he anointed me and prayed for my healing according to James 5:14, and immediately I was completely healed. I drove my car that same evening and every day since. It is now four months since I was healed.—Mrs. Mary E. Dow, Fargo, N. D.

HEALED OF TUBERCULOSIS

I praise the Lord for wonderfully healing me of tuberculosis of the throat and lungs. In January, 1926, I contracted the disease. I doctored for it but grew continually worse until the doctor gave me but six days to live. I could not speak above a whisper and had to be helped into and out of bed. I called in the saints of the Penville assembly. I got on my knees and gave myself to God. I got up without needing to be helped and could speak as loudly as any one. That was in March, 1926, and from that time I mended steadily, until by September 1, 1926 I could say I was an entirely well and sound man. I was also afflicted with boils, having 18 under my left arm and 9 on my neck. God healed me of the boils also. I had the last one in August, 1926. I had the tobacco habit, having used it constantly for 19 years. I haven't used it since the day I was saved. I can do any kind of hard work, and weigh more than I ever did before. I work in timber and farm work, making a living for my wife and six children. He has taken away all desire for reading anything other than the Bible, and I can truly say that I search its pages with great delight. Witnesses, Mrs. Fern Haynes and Mrs. Win-

nie Bachman, both of Green City, Mo.—(Signed) Floyd Rouse, Rt. 3, Green City, Mo.

A CANCEROUS GROWTH HEALED

About four months ago the Lord wonderfully healed me of a cancerous growth that had been on my hand for 7 months. It was a very strange looking place when it started and I felt it was a cancer. In a short time it got sore and pains would shoot through my hand. Our pastor anointed me with oil according to God's Word in James 5:14, and the paining stopped and I knew the Lord had healed. Then my faith was tested. The place got larger and started itching. Many nights it would wake me up, it itched so. Then the blood began to ooze out of the place, but I stood on God's promise and claimed my healing. One morning when I awoke I noticed the place had turned black, but before the day was over it had dropped out and I didn't know when it came out. It left a hole, but in 3 days you couldn't tell it had ever been there. That is now 4 months ago and there is no sign of its returning. Witness, my pastor, C. C. Helvey, Rt. 2, Dixon, Mo. I can give the names of others too.—Mrs. Ciella Wilson, Rt. 2, Dixon, Mo.

WISDOM FOR HEALING

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He said, "I have done that; I have been consecrated for fifteen years and don't know of a thing I could do that would please the Lord that I am not doing." I thought something smelled suspicious and so I said, "Brother, would you be willing to give up your tobacco if the Lord wanted you to?" His countenance fell like Cain's. He said, "Nobody ever talked to me about that before." "Would you be willing to give it up," I said, "if Jesus wanted you to? I have an idea that tobacco is distasteful to the Lord, and I would not dare to come to Him with it on my breath." He answered, "Brother, I haven't time now, but I'll come back." I never saw him any more.

All we need to do is to touch Him. The woman with the issue of blood said, "If I may but touch the hem of His garment, I shall be whole." Was she? Yes. The power of the Lord surged through her body and made her every whit whole. I want to warn you just here. Don't let the devil say anything to you at all when you come up to be prayed for. He will come around before you are prayed for and say, "That won't do you any good. You are not going to get your healing. You know you tried it before and didn't get it." Just don't let him talk to you at all. Just the minute you have been anointed he will say to you, "Well, I told you so; you are not healed." You just look to Jesus. You are not going by symptoms and sight; you are going by faith. Some people call sight "faith," but that is not faith. Some say, "Just as soon as I see I am healed I will believe." But the Lord says, "If thou wouldst believe, thou shouldst see." John 11:40. We have to do some believing before we see. Keep your eyes right on Jesus.

When you get your healing, the devil

is going to try to steal it away. We need to be ironed at that point. Many are wonderfully healed but don't know how to hold on to their healing. It takes faith to get healed and it takes faith to hold on to it in spite of the devil. I did not know that when I got my healing in Detroit. I had an automobile accident and suffered with blood poisoning. The doctor was talking about taking off my left leg and said if it was saved my knee would always be stiff. Then I got some friends who had faith in God to come in and pray for me. I got right up and had a regular camp meeting. I did not follow the rules of quiet Baptists, but with a loud voice I glorified God. Luke 17:15. I was in my pulpit on Sunday, and on Monday morning I was to give an address before the Baptist ministers; so I went down and gave them my testimony.

I was just having a fine time, but it wasn't long until the devil came around and brought some of my former symptoms on me again. My leg began to hurt. Oh, those shooting pains that went through it! Then the devil said, "Didn't I tell you you weren't healed? Now see what you have done." I had testified before my own church and before brother ministers that the Lord had healed me. Then the devil said, "This whole story will make fine reading when it comes out. Won't they laugh when they find out you have had to be taken to the hospital and your leg amputated?" Well, I had to go back to bed and I got worse and worse. About one o'clock at night the pain was terrible, hence I had my son call up the family who had prayed for me. The answer came back, "This is the devil's counter-attack. Just resist him in the name of the Lord, and stand firm for the Lord's healing." So I notified the devil I didn't want his company any more, that I would not receive his story and I did not want any of his goods. Then he left me.

That is just where some of you may fall flat, if you take on the things he brings back, and listen to him rather than to the Lord. Stand right square on the Word of God; and having done all, stand. It is a good place to stand. It is a mighty good place to die, if you have to die at all. Just stand right there in God's Word.

Some of you may find that all your symptoms do not leave right away, and you won't know what to do about that. A woman with a cancer was prayed for, and the cancer stopped growing and the pain was gone. But the cancer did not fall off. This woman had faith that God had healed her and she testified to it. People taunted her, saying, "Why just look at it." (It was right where it could be seen—on her forehead.) She said, "Well that is where the devil used to be in business and he has not taken down his sign yet." One morning when she got up that cancer was gone, and there was new flesh where it had been.

Claim your healing and stand right there.

When Brother Nelson spoke of hindrances to healing, Mrs. Grace Thompson asked if she might be permitted to say something. She said that bitterness in the heart against some one who had wronged another, was the cause of many diseases, and kept many from receiving healing. She told of a precious woman, now gone home to glory, who had bitterness in her heart because of an injury done to a relative, and as a result of that thing she was suffering with disease. Before she passed away she was made to see how awful was this root of bitterness. She had to ask God to forgive her for this, before she was ready to meet the Lord. Mrs. Thompson said she had watched for years the operations of a "root of bitterness," and she knew whereof she spoke.

A number of questions were asked and answered.

Instead of lying down immediately, the child raised his beautiful eyes and said: "Thank You, dear Jesus. It went to the part what hurted."

Johnnie is not a story-book boy made up for the occasion, but a great man now. Then he was about six years old, or maybe eight. He was as good a boy as ever delighted the heart of a Sunday school teacher.

Children, bear in mind the last part of this story—the "Thank You, Jesus." Any one can beg for a thing, but do we, like Johnnie, always give thanks when the blessing goes to "the part what hurted"?

Like little Johnnie, let us go to God with all our wants; and when He answers our prayer, let us be thankful.—Gospel Herald.

HE FIRST LOVED

A little girl was playing with her doll while her mother was writing near by. She got tired of playing with the doll and looked longingly at her mother, but did not disturb her. After a while the mother called the girl to her and took her on her lap. "I got tired of loving Dolly," said the little girl. "Why, dear?" asked the mother. "Because she doesn't love back." "Is that why you love me?" the mother asked. "That's one why," said the little girl, "but that isn't the best why." "What is the best why?" "Can't you guess, mamma? It's because you loved me when I was too little to love back."

The child told just the best reason for our loving God. We love Him because He first loved us.—The Way of Faith.

FINAL NOTICE TO DELINQUENT MINISTERS

As the time has arrived when it will be necessary for us to close our ministerial list, we urge all ministers who have failed to renew their fellowship certificates to do so at once in order that their names may appear in the General Council Minutes which will be sent to the Clergy Bureaus.

Please attend to this at once if you have not already renewed.

Yours in Christian fellowship,
J. R. EVANS,
Secretary.

A NEW FIELD

Brother B. F. Miller writes: "A new field for full-gospel work has been opened at the Mt. Pisgah Community Church, ten miles southeast of St. James, Mo. Sister Anna Gates of Newton, Kansas, began work in the community last April. She was called there again in September for a meeting. Afterward, the writer held a 2 weeks' meeting, closing Oct. 16. About 8 have been saved in these meetings and the community is hungry for the deeper things of God. There has been no regular pastor there for about fifteen years. The people are praying earnestly for some one to come and take care of the work. For further information write Earl Taylor, R. F. D., Cook Station, Mo."

Children's Corner

A CHILD'S PRAYER

Little Johnnie lay burning with fever, and becoming very hungry, said, "Aunt Kate, can I have a piece of bread?"

His aunt said, "No, darling; it will make you worse."

Then another aunt came in, and was met with the same plaintive cry, "Aunt Alice, give me a piece of bread."

Tears came into the eyes of both ladies, as Aunt Alice said, "No."

In a little while some one else came, only to hear the same pitiful cry. The little boy finding that his case was hopeless, went to another source for comfort. He like many boys and girls of larger growth, found that man's extremity is God's opportunity. Like grown people, when human help failed, he turned to God. His parents and teachers had taught him

to pray, and the evening incense of prayer and praise went up nightly from the little boy's heart. Now, in his hunger, he remembered the petition, "Give us this day our daily bread." With hungry lips and weak voice, laying his little hands on his breast, he said earnestly:

"Dear Jesus, Your little boy is starving for a piece of bread; please give it to him. He is so hungry."

Of course, mother and aunties all began to cry; but wonderful to relate, grandma came in, and seeing the state of affairs, said:

"Girls, if Johnnie is hungry, we can give him some milk."

Every one ran to get it. Tender hands raised Johnnie's head and held the cup to his lips, and never did milk go gurgling down a more grateful throat.

Vision of Heaven and Hell

On the night of Nov. 20th, 1926, after having been near death for three days, I was permitted to see a few of the many awful horrors of hell. Oh, hell is a fearful place.

It seemed I was going down a steep hill and my guide said, "Look." As I looked, oh, horror of horrors, there was an ocean of fire with many people in it, a few of whom I knew. As far as I could see there was fire and people. The fire I have been accustomed to seeing, doesn't look horrible or hot as that awful fire does. It was so hot there was a vapor looking a little like steam, everywhere. Oh, the misery and suffering. Words utterly fail me to give an idea of what I saw and heard.

Some of the people were crying, some groaning the most pitiful groans, and begging for water, water! Some were pulling their hair; some gnashing with their teeth; some biting their hands and arms. Such a sight is impossible for me to describe. One I knew was a young man, formerly a schoolmate of mine. His mother was my Sunday school teacher and we all thought her to be a Christian. He raised up and said, "Mamma is here too." At this time I did not know that either this boy or his mother were dead but I have since learned that they had both been killed in an automobile accident. There were others I knew who had died, as they had lived, in deep sin. There was a woman there who cursed, and when she saw it did no good she groaned and said, "That used to ease my temper, but it doesn't any more." Another standing near said, "Well, we had our own choice." But she answered, "No we didn't. The preachers didn't tell us how awful hell is. They told us how joyful heaven is, but I thought I was having joy enough on earth. If they had told me about hell I might not have come here." Another picked up fire with her hands and filled her mouth with it, and groaned, and blew fire from her mouth for four or five feet, and it came close enough to me for me to feel the heat of it. Then she cried, "Water! water!" but none was given to her.

Then my guide said, "Do you want to go on?" and I said, "No, I want to go back. I want to never see this awful place of torment again." It makes me shudder now to think of that awful place of misery and suffering called hell. No one can possibly imagine how awful hell is. It seemed to me that I was suffering at the time I was seeing hell. Then I got easy and it seemed I was asleep and someone awoke me saying, "Do you know Me?" I looked and said, "I do, I do!" Then He raised His hands and I saw the fearful scars where the nails were driven through His hands, and then I was sure it was my Saviour. Then He smiled such

a sweet smile and took my hand in both of His and said, "Come on."

It seemed I got up and went with Him, walking on a good smooth walk. I was feeling fine when all at once everything got dark. The road got rough and thorny and I got tired. I said, "I want to go back." Then He put His arm on my shoulder and smiled such a sweet smile, and then everything got clear and bright again. We went on and I began to hear music. No one can imagine how wonderfully sweet the music was. I looked and there were countless numbers of angels every one playing a different kind of instrument and singing and shouting, "Glory!" It seemed to me I could have stayed there forever.

Jesus said, "Look up," and as I looked the gates flew open. The gates were the prettiest things I ever saw. They are bright, not just white like snow, but light, and they were studded with jewels that sparkled more brilliantly than diamonds. We walked on, and as we got inside I heard children singing. Looking around I saw multitudes of little children, some as large as a seven or eight-year-old-child, and from that down to little babies, all running and clapping their little hands, singing, "Hosanna in the highest." Their little faces were all aglow with love and happiness as they passed out of the gates.

Jesus put His hand on their little heads.

Then I looked over on the other side and saw a bench full of crowns; some filled with stars, some with but a few, and some without any. I looked and over farther I saw the disciples and I said, "I want to go over there and talk with them," but Jesus said, "No, you will have to go back. Go back and tell it. Tell it over and over." I began crying and begging to stay; but putting His hand on my head with the sweetest smile ever, He said, "Yes, you go back and tell it to your people. Tell them all. I'm coming soon. Then you'll be glad."

Then I awoke. I never knew how I got back. Heaven is a wonderful, beautiful, happy place, more so than I can tell you, or than you can imagine, but Jesus is the most wonderful of all. He is more beautiful than human tongue can tell; more beautiful than an artist could depict; more beautiful than it would be possible to imagine. He is brighter than the noonday sun. Whenever I begin to think of Jesus and heaven I get so homesick to go there and see Him. Oh, that I might be able to tell it as He wanted me to.—Effie Cooper, Box 97, Gonzales, Texas.

THE WARDROBE OF THE SAINTS (Continued from Page One)

grow up out of His place, and He shall build the temple of the Lord: even He

shall build the temple of the Lord; and He shall bear the glory, and shall sit and rule upon His throne; and He shall be a priest upon His throne: and the counsel of peace shall be between them both." A remarkable Messianic prophecy, a prophecy of the coming and work of Him who said to Peter, "Thou art Peter, and upon this rock I will build My church; and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it." Matt. 16:18. In Heb. 3:5, 6, we are told that "Moses verily was faithful in all his house, as a servant, for a testimony of those things which were to be spoken after; but Christ as a Son over His own house, whose house are we, if we hold fast the confidence and the rejoicing of the hope firm unto the end." What I would have you see is that God's people constitute the house of God, God's temple, God's habitation. God will not dwell in an unclean house, in an unholy temple. "Holiness becometh thine house, O Lord, forever." Psa. 93:5. Therefore God's people must be holy; and that they might be made holy, Jesus Christ shed His precious life blood. To say that it is impossible for men and women to be made holy while here on earth is to call into question the efficacy of the precious blood that was shed for our redemption and for our cleansing.

God's people are not only "the elect of God," and "holy"; they are "beloved." When the Lord Jesus was baptized by John in Jordan, the Father spoke from heaven and said, "This is my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased." Matt. 3:17. The words were repeated when our Lord was transfigured in the presence of Peter and James and John, the Father adding, "Hear ye Him." Matt. 17:5. That Jesus Christ was the well beloved Son there can be no question; and we who have been "predestinated according to the purpose of Him who worketh all things after the counsel of His own will" have been made "accepted in the Beloved," and the meaning of that Scriptural expression is "accepted as the Beloved." You remember that when Jesus was praying that wonderful prayer found in the 17th chapter of John, He said, "And the glory which Thou hast given Me I have given them; that they may be one even as We are one; I in them, and Thou in Me, that they may be made perfect in one; and that the world may know that Thou hast sent Me, and hast loved them as Thou hast loved Me." As God the Father loved the well beloved Son, He loved the disciples the Son chose, and as He loved those disciples, He loves us, His elect, for their successors we are, members of the same body that they belonged to, and heirs to the same glorious inheritance.

Notice what the people of God are exhorted to put on, or, in other words, to clothe themselves with.

They are exhorted to put on mercies—"bowels of mercies." God is called "the Father of mercies." We are expected to be like our Father, to have the family likeness, and if we are partakers of the divine nature, we must necessarily be like Him. Godliness is godlikeness. Jesus said, "Blessed are the merciful, for they shall obtain mercy." The Psalmist said,

"Thy mercy, O Lord, is in the heavens." And where are we? "Our citizenship is in heaven," and the Apostle Paul tells us that we are seated in the heavenlies with Christ Jesus. How becoming indeed that we clothe ourselves with mercies!

God's people are exhorted to put on kindness. God is kind as well as merciful. His kindness is called "lovingkindness." The Psalmist exclaims, "How excellent is thy lovingkindness, O God! therefore the children of men put their trust under the shadow of Thy wings." Impossible is it for us to put our trust under the shadow of the wings of a God who is characterized by lovingkindness and not become imbued with that same spirit.

Humbleness of mind is another garment the saints are exhorted to add to their wardrobe. The Scripture says, "Before honor is humility." Prov. 15:33. God says, "I dwell in the high and holy place, with him also that is of a contrite and humble spirit, to revive the spirit of the humble, and to revive the heart of the contrite ones." In Micah 6:8 it is written, "He hath showed thee, O man, what is good; and what doth the Lord require of thee, but to do justly, and to love mercy, and to walk humbly with thy God?" It is to be feared that many among us are inadequately clothed with this garment of humility. There is such a desire on the part of many to be in the limelight, to be prominent, to attract attention, to do something great or to be somebody! Some of our preachers are aspiring to be doctors of divinity, not because by having this degree conferred upon them they can win more souls, or edify more efficiently the saints they have been appointed to minister to, or accomplish more for God and humanity, but because there is some honor in the eyes of the world in being known as "doctor," and there seems to be something in human nature that craves worldly honor. I lift a voice of warning. I speak to you young preachers as a father. I am old enough to be your father. Take my advice. Let the world have its honors. Let the preachers who want these degrees have them. They have their reward. No degree bestowed by any college or university in the land will help you to preach any better or to win more souls in the great harvest field where the need is so appalling. What we Pentecostal preachers need is not any honor the world can bestow upon us, but rather a mightier endowment of power from on high, that we may fill the place God would have us fill and do the work God would have us do. That this power may rest upon us it is imperative that we manifest the spirit of the Master who "humbled Himself and became obedient unto death, even the death of the cross." No worldly honor appealed to Him. He said, "I receive not honor from men." He declared that a desire for worldly honors and a seeking of the same were conducive to unbelief; "How can ye believe, which receive honor one of another, and seek not the honor that cometh from God only?" John 5:44. Humbleness of mind! We all need it, preachers and people, and if we were all properly clothed with this gar-

ment, how much more we might do for God!

Another garment the saint should add to his wardrobe is meekness. "Blessed are the meek, for they shall inherit the earth." "The meek will He guide in judgment, and the meek will He teach His way." Paul, writing to Timothy who was a minister, wrote, "The servant of the Lord must not strive; but be gentle unto all men, apt to teach, patient, in meekness instructing those that oppose themselves." How meek Jesus was! He said, "Learn of Me, for I am meek and lowly in heart." Lord, help us! We have failed so many times in the past; we have not manifested the spirit we should have manifested; we have not been as meek under provocation as we should have been. Forgive us, Lord, and help us to profit in the days to come by the mistakes and failures of bygone years.

Longsuffering is another of the garments that should be added to the wardrobe of the saint and worn by every child of God. There is a good deal of short-suffering but not a great deal of longsuffering. And it is to be feared that with some longsuffering there is more or less irritability. That is because there is a dearth of love. "Love suffereth long and is kind." God is not pleased with longsuffering unless kindness is woven into the very warp and woof of it. Some garments are made of different kinds of material. This garment has kindness woven into it in such a way that the kindness is a part of the garment itself.

Notice now the spirit that the people of God should manifest toward one another. They should manifest the spirit of forbearance and forgiveness. "Forbearing one another, and forgiving one another, if any man have a quarrel against any: even as Christ forgave you, so also do ye."

The Greek word rendered "forbearing" means "to put up with." It is rendered "suffer" in 1 Cor. 4:12—"Being reviled, we bless; being persecuted, we suffer it," or, in other words, put up with it. What God would have us to do is to put up with one another. It is not always easy to do. Some of us are so queer; some of us have so many faults, so many failings, so many eccentricities. Some of us have dispositions that are characterized by what is called in certain quarters incompatibility. It is this incompatibility that often leads husbands and wives into the divorce courts. And it often causes misunderstandings among the saints. Saints must learn to put up with one another. We ought not to expect to have our own way all the time or to have our own ideas accepted under all circumstances. We should remember that if we see things in others that are not all that might be desired, it is quite likely that others see things in us that they think we might easily and to our advantage dispense with. We must put up with one another.

And if any have offended us we must forgive them. Jesus prayed for the forgiveness of the men who were driving the nails through His hands and feet. Stephen prayed for his murderers. When Andrew

Jackson lay dying his pastor called to see him. "Do you forgive all your enemies?" his pastor asked him. "All of them," replied the dying man, "with the exception of those who foully lied about my dead wife." He was told that the Master made no exceptions. The dying soldier turned his face toward the wall and was silent for a moment. Evidently a struggle was going on within. Then he turned his face back toward the minister and said, "I forgive them, too." And then he died in peace. No child of God can afford to hold any grudge in his heart toward any man or any woman. If Christ has forgiven us let us forgive one another; let us have that mind in us that was also in Him.

Notice that which is of supreme importance, which, as a badge, should be put on by God's children and worn continually, not for the sake of mere adornment, but in the interest of the unity of the body of Christ. "And above all these things put on love which is the bond of perfectness." The word rendered "bond" means "a joint tie" or "uniting principle," something which binds together. Love is the tie which binds lovers together. Love is the tie which binds us to God and God to us; and it is the tie which binds the saints together. Where there is an absence of love there is strife, or, if not strife, a lack of unity. And wherever there is a lack of unity the saints are handicapped and God is hindered. There must be unity in the body of Christ. Otherwise God is hindered in the working out of His divine plan.

I covet for you God's best. If you have not yet been baptized by the Lord Jesus in the Holy Ghost, come and let the mighty Baptizer in the Holy Spirit fill you now. If you have been filled, be not satisfied unless you are going on with God and seeking every day God's best. "Seek those things which are above, where Christ sitteth on the right hand of God. Set your affection on things above, not on things on the earth. For ye are dead, and your life is hid with Christ in God. When Christ, who is our life shall appear, then shall ye also appear with Him in glory."

Oh, beloved, let us put off every unclean garment of the flesh; let us lay aside all the filthy rags of the old man, the man of sin, and let us clothe ourselves with the garments of salvation that I have been talking to you about to-night. "Put on therefore, as the elect of God, holy and beloved, bowels of mercies, kindness, humbleness of mind, meekness, longsuffering; forbearing one another, and forgiving one another, if any man have a quarrel against any: even as Christ forgave you, so also do ye. And above all these things put on love which is the bond of perfectness."

If you will do this the result will be peace—the peace of God, the peace of "the God of peace." This is John Wesley's rendering of the verse that follows: "And the peace of God shall rule in your hearts, to which also ye have been called into one body; and be ye thankful."

If we would praise more, we should have more to praise for.—Simpson.

OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST

The Miracle Man! He came to us by a miracle and left by a miracle. His life was one continuous miracle. He was so full of power that all known laws of nature were counteracted at His wish; so full of life that the grave could not keep Him; so full of goodness that even the demons were forced to admit it; so great that years later one Augustine said of Him, "His life is lightning, His words are thunder!" This Miracle Man is eternal in time, omnipotent in power, omniscient in intellect, sovereign in His actions. He is the Lord of Glory and the Lord of humanity, Master of nature and Master of providence, the coming Judge and the coming King. He is the only hope of mankind, and the only way to God; the Fountain of life; the Source of light, and the Author of liberty. He is full of grace, and full of truth. He sealed His tremendous claims and demonstrated His position by constant manifestations of miraculous power, by a sinless life, by a sacrificial death, and by His own resurrection from the dead.—Fred J. Meldan in *The Miracle Man*.

THE WRITTEN WORD

A missionary in Brazil, Mr. Harold H. Cook, writes: "On a journey I met an old man sixty odd years of age. His was a most interesting case. Prior to the meeting at which he heard me preach, he had only attended some three or four meetings in all his life, and these only during the last two or three months. Yet his knowledge of the Gospel was astonishing, and is explained by the fact that about twenty years ago he came into possession of a Bible, as a result of which he was seriously converted. His is a remarkable case of the Holy Spirit working in the heart of a man, illuminating the Word of God and revealing salvation to an obedient heart. For this man was far from any one who could explain it to him and it was many years before he even discovered where he could get in touch with other Christians. Yet he not only found salvation, but grew in grace and in the knowledge of our Lord Jesus. He is a single man without family or relatives, and by trade a traveling stonemason. During all these years he has been evangelizing among the people to whom his work took him. Like the blind man he just told what he knew, and wherever he went his Bible went too. It is not surprising that in conversation his phraseology had acquired a Biblical turn."

SUPPOSING OR KNOWING

It is a sad error to stake eternal issues on hypotheses. Yet the world is full of people who are taking the risk of believing that there is some other way of salvation than through the shed blood of the Lord Jesus Christ, and who think it the part of superior wisdom to deny the verities of God's Word and God's Son. What appalling guess-work is the wisdom of this world! It has been said that in Darwin's writings which deny the Bible account of creation the expression, "We may well suppose," occurs eight hundred times! Opposed to this guess-work

is the constant reiteration of the phrase "We know" in the Bible. "What do you know to-day?" asked a man of Dean William L. Pettingill, of the Philadelphia School of the Bible as they met in a hotel. "I know that my Redeemer liveth," said Mr. Pettingill. "Oh, you are having fun with me," said the gentleman. "Really, what do you know?" "I know whom I have believed, and am persuaded that he is able to keep that which I have committed unto him against that day. Do you know that much?" pressed Mr. Pettingill. Then he continued with a perfect avalanche of Bible "I knows," until his friend was under conviction, and was led to accept Christ as his Saviour. Faith is in very deed the **evidence** of things not seen.—S. S. Times.

SWEET CREAM AND SOUR MILK

One of the most beautiful things we have heard about the late Dr. Griffith-Thomas is what is reported his wife said concerning him. Said she: "Dr. Thomas never gave others his sweet cream, and brought us home the sour milk."

This is quite a testimony and it may come close to the hearts of many. There are some who are very pleasant away from home and who are exceedingly peevish at home. It should not be that we give our sweet cream to the public and bring home the sour milk to the family circle. We should be all things to all men and this includes the family circle. If Christianity does not make us kind at home it will not make us impressive abroad. You cannot camouflage love. You can detect hypocrisy through any mask.

TRY, TRY AGAIN

Maude Meyers

"Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends. Ye are my friends, if ye do whatsoever I command you." John 15:13, 14.

Do you know, dear reader, that Jesus did not come into the world to look for faults or shortcomings in you, nor yet to condemn you? Praise God, He came into the world to save you. You may wrong some of your loved ones and then get forgiveness but they will remember the wrong; but listen, sinner man or woman, Christ does more than that. He forgives and He forgets. Your sins shall be remembered against you no more forever.

Are you saying: "I have tried this salvation once, but I stumbled and fell"? Listen, dear one, let me liken you to a child taking his first steps in learning to walk. He knows he is doing something new. His little legs are weak and he is afraid. But mother is only a step away with her arms outstretched, smilingly saying, "Lonie, now, Lonie." Reassured and encouraged, the baby gets faith to take a step. Many times he stumbles and falls, but through mother's love and outstretched hands he gets new courage and tries again and again until finally he learns how to walk without stumbling.

Dear one, it is the same with your learning to walk with God. You may stumble and fall many times, in other words, you may fail the Lord and even backslide often, but remember Jesus is standing with

His arms outstretched, loving and encouraging you. He wants you to trust Him and rest in Him. He will help you up, and with undying patience train your feet to walk the narrow way as He sees you keep trying.

To-day He stands at the door of your heart, knocking, knocking. Will you open the door and let Him come in? Think about it, dear reader. He knocks now but He may not knock again.

RICHES BEYOND COMPARE

During the summer of 1860, when Mr. Moon (who invented printing by raised letters for the blind) was at Berlin, a friend introduced to his notice a blind but pious woman, named Rosa; she had been blind nearly eighteen years, during which time she had made several efforts to learn to read by books in the Roman type, but without success. In half an hour she was able to read the whole of the Lord's prayer upon Mr. Moon's plan.

She said to Mr. Moon, "I would thank you if I could, but I cannot do so enough. You have unsealed for me this precious Book, the Bible, which for eighteen years I have been unable to read. I cannot thank the Lord enough for His kindness to me." She could say no more, her heart was full, flowing tears told what words could not express. Mr. Moon then went to his hotel to fetch the Gospel of St. John and four other books he had there, and when he returned he called Rosa down to receive them. On opening the Gospel of St. John, he said that if she could read him a portion from that new book, she should have it as a present.

With trembling touch she commenced, and read the following words: "In the beginning was the Word." But she could read no more, her heart was full; she sobbed aloud for joy, and said, "All the wealth in Berlin to me would not be equal to these riches you have now given me." Taking up her treasure in her arms, and kissing the book, the tears trickling down her cheeks, while her face beamed with joy. Can the reader say with Rosa, that the Word of God is more precious than the wealth of a city, or repeat the words of our text?

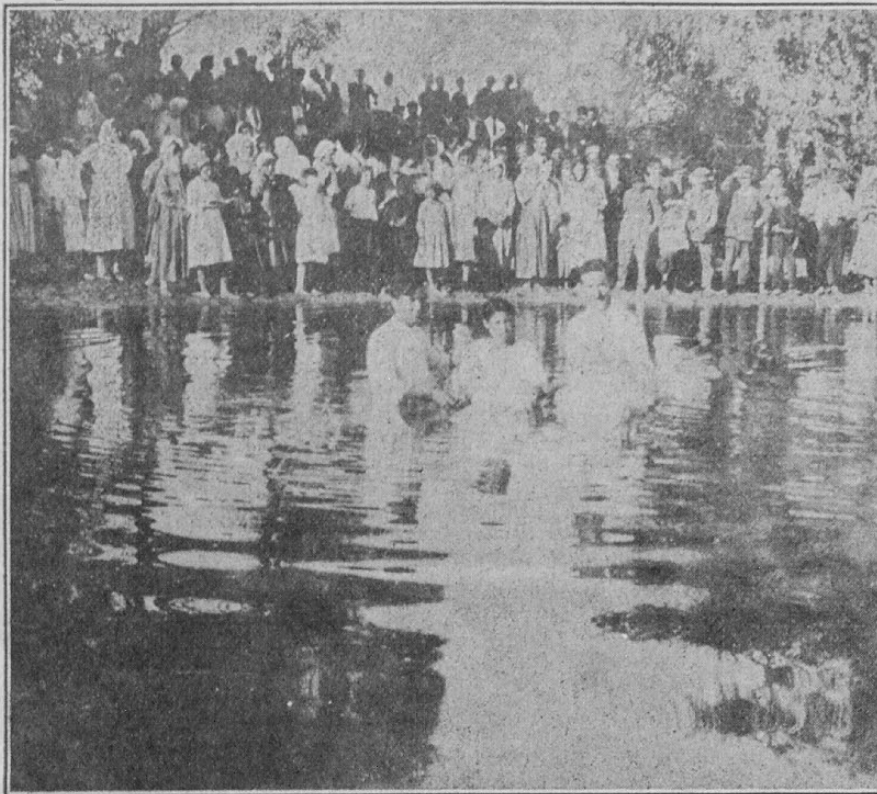
CHANGED CHARACTER

God transforms in the moment that He pardons. A phrenologist, lecturing, declared his ability to tell any man's nature from his head. A rough-faced, stern-looking man mounted the platform. After a thorough examination of the subject, the lecturer described his as harsh, cold, and possessed of many disagreeable traits. The audience laughed derisively, for they knew their neighbor to be kind, genial and benevolent. They told the professor that he had miserably failed to judge character by his science. But the man himself was not amused; turning to the people he said: "Friends, you have heard portrayed exactly my nature before Jesus took possession of me. If there is any change, the honor belongs to Him."

He that raised up Christ from the dead shall also quicken your mortal bodies.



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Baptizing in Dizatakyah, Urumia

TRIUMPH OF THE GOSPEL IN URUMIA

John G. Warton

It had been on my heart for some time to visit our Pentecostal work and workers in Urumia so that I at length set out on the four days' journey by auto from Hamadan. Although the roads were very bad and dangerous for travel, since we had to climb through high mountains, yet God was with us and led us safely to our destination.

Urumia is located in the northwestern part of Persia and it is perhaps the prettiest spot in all the country. The very name comes from the old Chaldean words "Aury and Meia" meaning the manger of water. This is the place where Zoroaster was born. His many hills of ashes, around which millions of Persians worshipped fire centuries ago, are still to be seen in the plains. Here is to be found the ancient church which is supposed to have been built over the grave of one of the wise men who visited Christ at His birth. And here also the old Nestorian Christians have kept their faith amid the persecution and darkness of Islam. And may I also add that it

was here that thousands of Christians were massacred by the Turks during 1915-18.

The last two or three years some of our workers have been laboring very hard in this region and, blessed be the name of our dear Saviour, He has wonderfully blessed their work since many, many precious souls have been saved and baptized in the Holy Spirit. Upon my arrival we decided to have one week of special services. At first everything seemed against us, but we got the brethren together and prayed and prayed until we had the assurance that God was with us. The meetings started and the people began to come; although we had a very large place to hold the services, yet in the third service there was hardly room enough for the people to get in. Some came to see and perhaps to mock. But, hallelujah, God was in the services by His power divine. A deep conviction seized the people and they saw their lost condition. One week of meetings turned out to be a continuous revival, and the people asked me to give them another week. I told them that the days were hot and I had no time, but they asked

earnestly for me to continue another week so we consented. The place was not large enough to hold all the people. Those who could not get in looked through the windows. Oh, hallelujah, what joy filled my soul as I looked into the faces of those men and women eagerly listening to the Words of Life with tears streaming from their eyes. Many men and women, especially the young people, were calling out loudly, "I am a lost sinner; Lord, have mercy upon me. I am a sinner. I am a sinner. Ask Jesus to have mercy on me." These were surely the doings of the Lord and He was reaching their hearts with His saving grace. Thank God. Many precious souls accepted Christ and are rejoicing in His love. The people asked me to stay a few more months and tell them more of this blessed life divine, assuring me that if I would many hundreds would find the true Light. But I was not able to stay longer in that city as I had to go to other towns. I left but, hallelujah, the revival is still going on. We have two precious workers in that city who are trying to work with their hands for their on living and at the same time to preach the gospel. Pray for them.

From the city we went to the beautiful town of Dizatakyah where we have an outstation. Here many precious souls were waiting to hear the Word of Life. We opened our services with prayer and singing and as soon as the townspeople found out that we were there almost all turned out to hear the Word of God. Oh, what a blessed sight it was to see both young and old running to hear. Eternity alone will reveal what good was accomplished in those meetings. On Sunday we had a glorious baptismal service in the river. Thank God, many were buried by baptism into death, and have risen in newness of life. Here also we have a real man of God, a native of the same town who not only preaches in this town but goes to other towns too, whenever he has time. He has no support whatever and works hard for his living. He has often been beaten for the sake of the gospel. But hallelujah, he says, "When they beat my flesh the Lord strengthens my spirit."

We are praying for missionaries to come and help us. Will you pray the Lord to put this needy field on some one's heart to come over and help us before it is too late?

Let us therefore come boldly unto the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy, and find grace to help in time of need. Heb. 4:16.

NEWS FROM MANY LANDS

Newaka, Liberia
Grace Van Scoit

Praise the Lord for the wonderful way in which He has been working in our midst of late. In the last 2 weeks 4 have received the Baptism in the Holy Spirit, and 2 have been blessedly saved. All have had very real experiences.

Liberia

Edith M. Knoll

The Lord is blessing in our midst for which we praise Him. Three have been saved recently, and I received the Baptism of the Holy Spirit. When I asked this one what it was like he replied, "My, my, I happy too much." It is very precious to see the way the Lord works with these people.

Argentina

Alice Wood

The four-year-old son of one of our people, was taken sick with a fever.

His mother had left a picture of one of the saints hanging on the wall, not thinking there was any harm in so doing. However the little fellow called his mother when he was sick and asked her if she would please take down this picture since he said he could not get well while it was left there. His mother accordingly did as the little boy requested, and put a scripture text in its place, whereupon the boy got well right away.

Delivered from Bandits

Clara Wyns, Gashatay, Mongolia

Since writing to you last we have realized how wonderfully God's love and care have been manifested to us here in Mongolia. Last week we were visited by 150 bandits. They came into our compound, but had not been there long before the soldiers appeared, and a fight began, lasting for about one hour.

We were obliged to hide away from the many bullets that were flying around, but what was so wonderful to us was the absence of fear in our hearts. God kept us in perfect peace.

Even my little children were not frightened. The Lord graciously undertook for the natives also, and those who had not been praying recently cried unto God, and He surely answered their cry. The soldiers only numbered 50 so that it was not long before they were forced to retreat before the superior force of the bandits. The robbers remained with us for one whole day but did no serious harm. Again we have to give thanks to God for the faithful ones who have been holding us up in prayer, and as a result God has been able to work on our behalf.

Palipo Station, Liberia

Ada M. Gollan

We praise God for answered prayer on our behalf, in that we have been enabled to return to our work here at Palipo Station. We had a hard journey of six days pushing through the bush, and were forced to cross many dangerous streams. In one place the natives made a human bridge for us to cross a

certain large river, other times we passed over the water by means of a raft or perhaps a log stretched from bank to bank, and again by canoe.

About fifty carriers accompanied us, and they certainly made some excitement for us along the way, but God was with us, and we praise Him for His keeping power in all our journeyings.

As we neared the town we could hear the shouting of the natives and the beating of the drums and soon there was a crowd swarming around us as we were carried into the midst of the townsfolk.

We were most happy over the loving welcome they gave us. We were presented with a white goat, which is the emblem of peace and purity, and in every way they are showing to us their appreciation for a missionary among them.

Our next welcome was at our mission station. We reached the compound after a ten-minute walk from the heathen town, and our hearts were much touched as we heard the native converts singing, "Since I have been redeemed." When prayer had been offered we felt a deep hush of the Spirit upon us and there arose a cry from our hearts that we might not fail God, but that we might be faithful in the work to which He has called us in this dark land. We now have 34 children under our care, to be clothed, fed and educated.

About 300 people attended our first meeting and 7 gave their hearts to the Lord. Many are asking to build their houses in Mission Town, which of course means that they are willing to live God-way and just have one wife. Do not forget to pray for this needy field, that the people may be made receptive to the gospel.

HOW TO HELP

Brother A. H. Post who has recently returned from Egypt, writes that considerable help could be given to the work at Assiout if the women of our various assemblies would collect clothing for the boys and girls of the orphanage there. All ages are included in the 425 children and young people who comprise the total number at present under the care of Miss Lillian H. Trasher.

Packages must not exceed 11 pounds in weight, although as many packages as you wish can be sent. This is the regulation of the Post Office. Address the parcels to Miss Lillian Trasher, Assiout Orphanage, Assiout, Egypt. A gracious revival has been going on in this work, and we are sure that any help given will be for the furtherance of the cause of the gospel.

RETURNING TO STATIONS IN CHINA

Mrs. Margaret Kelley

"Many, O Lord my God, are Thy wonderful works which Thou hast done, and Thy thoughts which are to usward: They cannot be reckoned up in order unto Thee: if I would declare and speak of them, they are more than can be numbered."

The American Consul has granted permission to return to Sainam to live in order to carry on the mission work as

before. I am sure this is in answer to prayer and how happy we are. These months of waiting here in Hongkong have been hard for us to endure, but our souls have been enlarged and we thank God for a deeper assurance of the things that remain, of faith, hope and love. God has been testing us in our capacity to love and if we love Jesus, love Him better than anything else, then no one can take from us the commission "Feed My Sheep." We are to "Tend God's flock." Our task is a spiritual one—we are to win souls. Perhaps, in other days we have been so busy in institutional work, in tending to business matters connected with mission work we were losing sight of the most important part, but now we feel re-commissioned. Conditions may grow worse instead of better, we have a conviction that to work in China now, one must be ready and willing at any moment to lay down his life for Christ's sake. Yet we count it a great privilege to remain here to help in this great work of evangelism and to be united in the common bond of fellowship and suffering with the great army of Chinese Christians who are overcoming for Christ's sake, even though they are persecuted.

Mr. Kelley, with Mr. and Mrs. Perdue, and Mrs. Hensley, is visiting the stations and conducting evangelistic meetings. There are converts awaiting for baptism at nearly all of the stations. We hope to spend these fall months in real aggressive evangelistic work. There are many hungry hearts and it seems God has given us so many remarkable answers to prayer, it is wonderful just to live to pray.

Conditions in China are still unsettled and it is only God who can help us. As we return to Sainam it means we must leave three small boys behind for school and there will be nights of terror as we face thieves and the perils of war, but Jesus is worthy and were it a thousand times more difficult, we would still gladly go in His Name. We only ask that the great "Evangel family" stand back of us in earnest, believing prayer and help us "go over the top" for Jesus. The time is short and any time these doors may be closed. We are glad to say that God is working, souls are being saved and Baptized in the Spirit, but we believe for greater things.

TEXAS REVIVAL

Brother Gideon O. DeMerchant writes from Hereford, Texas: "God has certainly blessed our efforts here. A great many have been saved. Three received the Holy Ghost in one meeting and they received a wonderful experience. Interest is good."

THE OLD-FASHIONED WAY

Sister M. E. Lawrence writes from Waldron, Ark.: "We are praising God for a very successful week's meeting at Pleasant Hill—about 2½ miles west of Waldron. The people were stirred and there were many made hungry for God. Nine were saved. They did not get a dry-eyed religion; they prayed and cried, confessed their sins, and swept through to victory in the old-time way."

In the Whitened Harvest Fields

POWER FALLS IN OKLA.

Brother Ed Bice writes: "Just closed a four weeks' meetings at Lane, Okla., where 20 were saved and 13 received the Holy Ghost according to Acts 2:4. Expecting to set an assembly in order there in a short time."

ARKANSAS MEETING

We are in receipt of the following report: "Brother Burl Dodd and Evangelists Buster and Babe Smith conducted a 4 weeks' meeting at Huntsville, Ark., in which 9 were saved and 9 received the Baptism. This is a new field."

REVIVAL AT HATFIELD, MO.

Evangelist C. A. Jones writes: "Just closed a 5 weeks' meeting at Hatfield, Mo. The Lord blessed from the beginning. Eight souls were saved and 1 received the Holy Ghost. Many members of the various churches came and tarried for the Baptism."

FIGHTING THE GOOD FIGHT

Evangelist Mrs. Annie B. Applegate writes from Billings, Mont.: "We have been very busy this summer and the Lord has blessed us abundantly. We have conducted several meetings. Souls have been saved, baptized with the Holy Spirit and some were healed. At present we are trying to help the saints here in Billings. Our crowds are not large, but a sweet spirit prevails. Opposition is strong, but we are standing for the old line of Pentecost as at the beginning. Any Council brethren will be welcome among us."

REVIVAL AT BREWTON, ALA.

Brother O. O. Huguen and wife write from Brewton, Ala.: "We have just closed a good 8 weeks' meeting here. The battle was hard and long, but praise God for victory at last. Many souls were stirred and brought under conviction and 25 or more prayed through. We resigned as pastor of Bethany Church, Holt, Fla., last July to go into the evangelistic field. Our next meeting, the Lord willing, will be at Wallace, Ala."

ARKANSAS REVIVAL

Sister Nora C. Moore writes: "During the last two weeks in August and first week in September there was a revival at Levy, Ark., our pastor, Brother J. D. Long, doing the preaching. Eleven were saved, 8 received the Baptism as in Acts 2:4, and 12 were baptized in water. One man said it was the best revival that had been held in that vicinity. On the following Sunday after the meeting closed we had a rally at the church on 22nd Street, North Little Rock, and a wonderful blessing was received by all who attended. Revival fires are still burning."

NEW CHURCH

Secretary Myrtle Price writes from Newark, Texas: "Pastor W. R. Wilson of Fort Worth, Texas, closed a meeting here Aug. 30th. Fourteen were saved, one received the Holy Ghost and 9 were baptized in water. Our Sunday school membership has increased and we expect to have our new church completed in about ten days."

NEW MISSION IN PADUCAH

Brother and Sister O'Bryan, Paducah, Ky., write: "Sept. 5, we rented a place on the north side of this city and started services and Sunday school. There have been some conversions—one of them, an elderly man. Brother and Sister Hickman were with us Oct. 6-16. Had large crowds and the Lord greatly blessed us. Any Council minister will be welcome among us."

GOOD NEWS FROM COLORADO

The Morton sisters write: "We held a 3 weeks' campaign in Grand Junction, Colorado, with about 35 conversions. They have a well organized, prosperous church there with Brother Edgar Austelle as pastor. Among the young people there is a large class of Ambassadors and many have been baptized with the Holy Ghost. The Delta County Rally for Paonia, Hotchkiss and Delta, was blessed of the Lord; it was a time of refreshing. Many delegates were in attendance. The church at Delta is going forward under the leadership of Pastor A. A. Lowe."

LATTER-RAIN SHOWERS

Pastor Joe H. Miller writes from Bellflower, Calif.: "We came here the first of June and held a 2 weeks' meeting with Pastor J. A. Montgomery. The Lord met with us and baptized 18 with the Holy Spirit according to the pattern. About 6 weeks later we came back for another meeting and 10 others received the Baptism. Brother Montgomery having resigned, we were called to the pastorate. The Lord is still blessing. Since we first came to this place 50 have been baptized with the Holy Ghost."

A GOOD WORD FROM BALTIMORE

Brother E. F. M. Staudt, Baltimore, Md., writes: "A remarkable revival campaign closed here Oct. 9. Jack Saunders (ex-pugilist), singing evangelist, was in charge of the meeting. The power of God fell in the first evening service when 1 was saved and 2 received the Baptism with the Holy Spirit. During the campaign 7 were converted and 14 received the Baptism. There was a steady increase in interest and the meeting closed with a crowded church. The assembly has received a new impetus from this campaign."

TWO GOOD MEETINGS

Brother J. A. Perkins writes from Mountainair, N. M.: "Meetings conducted here and at Gran Quivera by Brother Tom Manning and wife and Sister W. A. Cook brought good results; several were saved and baptized with the Holy Spirit, and 9 were baptized in water. Two weeks ago the writer set the assembly in order at both places."

MARVELOUS HEALINGS

Pastor Mary E. Buckbee, Fillmore, Calif., writes: "Feeling that it was God's will for me, I came here last November. We found a place of worship and started two meetings a week. Many have been healed—some that the doctors had given up. An insane sister was perfectly healed, has been home four months. A young man with one lung entirely gone is now working every day. Thank God!"

NEW NEBRASKA FIELD

Sister Hannah Mae Steinle writes from Grand Island, Neb.: "Evangelist Edgar W. White and wife and myself began a meeting in the Cherry Street dance hall on Oct. 7th. Over 40 have sought the Lord for salvation and many sick bodies have been healed. This is a new field and the Lord is working in a marvelous way. People starving for the Living Bread are becoming satisfied."

A BLESSED VISITATION

Pastor F. F. Reidenbach, Tottenville, N. Y., writes: "We are praising God for visiting Tottenville with a powerful soul-saving revival. God especially blessed the ministry of Hattie Hammond during her ten days' campaign here. Nightly the altar was packed and souls were saved at almost every service. God worked among the various nationalities, and those saved represented 5 different nations. A fine spirit of unity and revival lingers."

JESUS HEALS TO-DAY

Brother A. R. Martin writes from Harrisburg, Pa.: "Rev. William A. Coxe, Wilmington, Del., has just closed a profitable meeting here. The power of God was in our midst throughout the services, and regardless of many obstacles Jesus gave the victory. The thirteen-year-old daughter of one of the saints was healed of adenoids; a sister was healed of a serious nervous disorder, while another was delivered from an affliction in the feet. We thank God for His blessings."

ROMAN CATHOLIC CONVERTED

Evangelist Marie Louise Smith writes: "Just closed a 3 weeks' revival in Redwood City, Calif. God blessed in a precious way. Ten came to the altar and found Jesus. A few were baptized with the Holy Spirit. Sick bodies were healed and Pentecostal showers of blessing fell upon many hungry hearts. A Catholic who had not gone to church for years was under conviction for several nights, would weep like a child; he finally yielded to God and found perfect peace. The work here will go on. Sister Flora Hill will be the pastor."

DISTRICT COUNCIL AT DENVER

"Our Rocky Mountain District Council was held in Denver, October 11 to 14. They were days of real blessing to those present. Brother F. C. Woodworth was elected district superintendent for the coming year. It was decided that the superintendent should devote his entire time to the development of the district.

"Brother W. T. Gaston was with us during the convention and his ministry among us was blessed of God. The sweet spirit of fellowship pervading the meetings was very precious.

"Ministers and licentiatees of the district are requested to send in their tithes and offerings for the district storehouse fund to the secretary-treasurer, H. B. Garlock, 309 E. Las Vegas St., Colorado Springs, Colo."

DISTRICT CAMP MEETING

Pastor James O. Savell writes: "The seventeenth annual Southeastern District camp meeting was held at Florala, Alabama, Sept. 23rd, to Oct. 3rd. Dr. Chas. A. Shreve was the speaker in charge. The attendance from over the district was not as large as was expected, but this lack was made up by the local attendance, so there were large crowds throughout the meeting.

"Many sought the Lord, and numbers were definitely blessed. Tuesday night was designated as the time when special prayer would be offered for the sick, and many were prayed for.

"The local assembly continued the meeting through another week after the camp meeting closed under the ministry of Brother D. P. Holloway, and the blessing and power of God continued to fall. The meeting closed with 42 in the altar, some of whom prayed through to victory.

The local assembly feels more than repaid for the labor and expense incurred, and we wish that all the brethren would come this way again."

NEW ONTARIO TABERNACLE

Brother A. H. Argue writes: "Under the ministry of Pastor W. L. Draffin one of the finest and best arranged tabernacles in Canada has just been completed. There is a large main auditorium on the ground floor finished in hardwood, and a second auditorium in the basement with seven smaller rooms which are used for prayer, Sunday school, etc.

"On the invitation of Brother Draffin I went to Kitchener to dedicate this tabernacle to the Lord, which dedication took place on Sept. 11th. It was a time of great blessing, as the pastor and saints all had a part in the ceremony. \$2,760.00 in cash was placed on the offering plates without any special appeal. The tabernacle was filled; all available space appeared to be used; possibly 1,100 people crowded into that service.

"A few days later my son, A. Watson Argue, joined me for a campaign. Throughout the campaign the power fell in a blessed way; night after night numbers were saved and filled with the Spirit. One interesting feature was the experience of a young man who received the Baptism of the Spirit. The next day

while at work the power fell upon him and some of those around him in the factory called a doctor. It created quite a stir. Conviction was so strong that we were even stopped on the street by a young lady who wanted salvation. The campaign closed with a large water baptismal service Monday night."

VICTORY IN SAN FRANCISCO

Pastor M. W. Nyman writes from San Francisco: "Surely our God is marching on in spite of unbelief and so called Modernism. Since moving from 18th Street to Water Front God has done great things in saving souls and baptizing believers in the Holy Spirit.

"A young man came in one day and found the Lord Jesus as his Saviour. The next day he came back and testified to salvation and told us that he had deserted from the U. S. Army in 1922 and felt that the Lord would have him go and surrender to the proper officers. This he had resolved to do even though it might mean, to him, an imprisonment for a term of from six months to two years. The following day he gave himself up. Two weeks later he returned a free man. It is wonderful how God works in behalf of those 'whose heart is perfect toward Him.' The next day after his release from the army the Lord baptized him in Holy Spirit right out on the street. A ball of fire struck him and there was fire all around him and he went down the street praising the Lord in other tongues. This happened at eleven o'clock at night when the street was deserted, or no doubt, the people would have thought he was insane.

"Another remarkable case is that of a man who came to the altar drunk. As we began praying for him he said, 'No, don't pray for me; I don't believe there is a God or anything. But I have a daughter that is in the hospital dying with T. B. and the doctors have given her up. Pray that she may get well.' Now he tells us that his daughter is out of the hospital, absolutely well in answer to prayer. Recently we had the joy of seeing him at the altar calling on God for mercy and we are holding on in prayer for him that he will come through to real salvation.

"During the last week the Lord has given us a real revival without any special evangelist. The power and the glory of the Lord has been manifested in a wonderful way. Four backsliders have been reclaimed and ten sinners have been at the altar seeking God.

"We have a good company of young people and they have charge of the service on Friday nights. Great interest has been manifested in these services and they are among the best-attended meetings of the week.

"We are in full fellowship with the Assemblies of God, so any ministers traveling through the city will find a hearty welcome and an open door. We need more helpers. The harvest is great but the laborers are too few."

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LAS CRUCES, NEW MEXICO.—Gideon O. DeMercha and E. Ralph Foster will conduct a tent campaign here Nov. 3-20.

PUXICO, MO.—Old-time revival, Oct. 29 to Nov. 19. Evangelist W. E. Thurmond and party in charge.—Roy P. Foster, pastor, Box 172.

OUTRAY, COLORADO.—The Morton sisters, assisted by Miss Sibyl Day, pianist, will begin a month's campaign in Presbyterian Church, Oct. 20.

GRAND RAPIDS, MICH.—Sister Hattie Hammond of Williamsport, Md., will hold revival services at the Assembly of God Church, 645 Front Ave., Nov. 23 to Dec. 18.—Pastor D. G. Scott.

EVANGELIST SMITH WIGGLESWORTH'S MEETINGS.—Bakersfield, Calif., Oct. 11 to 16; Fresno, Calif., Oct. 18 to 23; San Francisco, Calif., Oct. 26 to Nov. 6. Later, Denver and New York City.

KENNETT, MO.—A. Watson Argue, the Canadian evangelist will be in Kennett, at the Assembly of God Church, for a 15 days' revival beginning Nov. 8. Service each evening at 7:30.—Pastor S. K. Biffle.

CORRY, PA.—Evangelistic services will be held at First Pentecostal Church, 8 W. Main St., every night Oct. 30, to Nov. 27. All-day rally Thanksgiving Day. Rev. J. A. McCambridge, Cheltenham, Md., will be in charge.—R. N. Miller, pastor.

JASONVILLE, IND.—Third State Convention of Christ's Ambassadors, Nov. 24-27, Assembly of God church, Cor. Main and Parke Ave. All planning to come should communicate with Mrs. C. B. Cushman, Jasonville.—Edw. Miller, secretary.

BATH, N. Y.—Thanksgiving Convention will be held at Full Gospel Mission, 16 W. Steuben St., Nov. 24-27. Services at 10:30 a. m., 3:00 p. m., 7:30 p. m. Thanksgiving Day and Sunday; Friday and Saturday, 7:30 p. m. Special speakers, Brother and Sister A. L. Slocum, India, Brother and Sister F. O. Finkenbinder, Porto Rico. Mrs. Ruth D. Cook, China, Evangelist A. J. Jenkins. Entertainment will be provided for all. If you are planning to come, write us so we can secure rooms, etc.—Nellie Eiband, Sec'y, 115 E. William St.

DENVER, COLO.—Evangelist Smith Wigglesworth is to hold services Nov. 9-13, Thursday and Friday 10 a. m., assembly hall 2nd and Broadway, all evening and Sunday services in Tramway Auditorium 14th and Arapahoe.—Geo. L. Rose, 1907 S. Clarkson.

HARTFORD, CONN.—Evangelist R. M. Shearer of Ohio will conduct a campaign at the Bethany Pentecostal Assembly, 1138 Windsor Ave., Nov. 6-30. Meetings every night at 7:45 except Monday. Sunday services 3:30 and 7:30 p. m.—Pastor C. H. Meyer.

BEAVER FALLS, PA.—Evangelistic campaign Pentecost Church, 27th St. & 9th Ave., Nov. 9-27, Evangelist Wm. A. Cox in charge. Services every night except Saturday at 7:45. Three services on Sunday—10:30 a. m.; 2:30 and 7:30 p. m.—Glenn D. Jones, pastor.

TULSA, OKLA.—Special evangelistic meetings in Full Gospel Tabernacle will begin Nov. 1, continuing 3 weeks or longer, as the Lord leads. Evangelist Ben Hardin of Chicago, in charge. Song service in charge of Fay Williamson, of Denver, Colo.—Pastor Geo. E. Smith, 510 So. Peoria Ave.

WEST PLAINS, MO.—Christ's Ambassadors Thanksgiving Rally will be held here Nov. 23-24. All day services Thanksgiving—basket dinner, parade. Officers of Southern Missouri Christ's Ambassadors are expected. Surrounding assemblies expected to co-operate. Visitors will be entertained.—B. E. Hillman.

MUSKOGON, MICH.—Evangelist J. Clark Soules Byesville, Ohio will conduct evangelistic campaign at Gospel Tabernacle, Nov. 6-27. Meetings every night at 7:45 and Sundays at 3:00 p. m. Take Jackson St. bus to end of line and walk one block east. For further information write Marcus Horness, pastor, 911 Southern Ave.

BUTLER, N. J.—Evangelist H. H. Moss will conduct a full-gospel revival in the First Baptist Church of Butler, Nov. 6-20. Meetings every night except Monday at 7:30; Sunday services at 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. A special young people's rally will be held on Saturday, Nov. 19. For further information write Pastor Leo. S. Starner, Lock Box 143, Butler, N. J.

GLLENDALE, CALIFORNIA.—Evangelistic campaign, Bethel Chapel, corner Chevy Chase and E. Harvard, T. B. Lennon, converted Irish Roman Catholic in charge—starts Nov. 1. Services every night except Mondays. Afternoon services Tuesdays and Thursdays. Morning services Wednesdays. Sundays 11:00, 3:00, 7:30.—Arthur Frodsham, pastor.

TULSA, OKLA.—There will be a two days' Fellowship meeting at Full Gospel Tabernacle, E. 5th St. & Peoria Ave., beginning Nov. 29. We are expecting some of the brethren from Springfield to be present. Those who have been actively engaged in the work of the Lord for six months and want license, may make application in person. For further particulars, address James Hutself, Slick, Okla.

ENID, OKLA.—Southwestern Bible School now open, is endorsed by Oklahoma District Council and purposes to work in harmony with all the other Assembly of God forces in the field. Eight teachers standing for the Pentecostal testimony, constitute the faculty. All desiring better knowledge of the Word or thorough training for Christian work, should send for bulletin.—P. C. Nelson, president, 316 E. Cherokee, Enid, Okla.

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HUMBOLDT, KANSAS.—The tenth annual meeting of the Kansas District Council will convene here Nov. 21-25. All ministers are urged to be present. Assemblies should send two lay delegates. Rooms and one daily meal will be furnished free by the local church. Sunday school workers are urged to be present, also Christ's Ambassadors. District superintendent is cordially invited. At this meeting the State Sunday school banner will be awarded.—Fred Vogler, district superintendent.

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