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## $\because \quad$...China's Hope. <br> Principal Harold K. Needham, Southern California Bible Institute, Pasadena, Calif.

Let there be no discouragement. Conditions at Corinth were very disturbed when the Lord of the harvest, inspired His servant with the assurance that He had 'much people' in that city." Thus Dr. Jonathan Goforth begins a discussion of "The Outlook for Christianity in China" as published in the September "Missionary Review of the World."
This article has struck a chord that has re-echoed through my whole being and brought to the surface latent hopes which previously had hardly dared to seek expression. China, with but about five hundred of her eight thousand missionaries at their posts of duty, five thousand having already returned to the homeland and the rest crowded together in treaty ports under the protection of foreign military powers, may to some truly present a picture of discouragement. But shall we not turn back over the pages of history and for a moment follow the irresistible movement of the hand of our God! Did Robert Morrison, the first Protestant missionary to China, meet with less resistance? He was compelled to disguise himself in native costume and hide away in an old warehouse while he laboriously mastered the Chinese language. Undesired by the Chinese themselves, hated by the few Catholic missionaries then occupying the land and unwelcomed by the fureign trading concerns, yet he stayed. He stayed until much of the anti-foreign prejudice in that section was broken down, until he had given to the Chinese nation the whole Bible in their native language, until much Christian literature was translated and distributed among the Chinese people and souls were turning to the Lord.
Again, with the intensified anti-foreign feeling that culminated in the Opium War, even with all the regrettable aspects and shame in a Christian nation's forcing the drug habit on a helpless people, yet we see God using the wrath of man to praise Him. As a result of this conflict the country was further opened to the
gospel and a number of treaty ports were established, where foreigners could hold property and live unmolested.
Possibly the most outstanding example where Satan overstepped himself was in the opposition to the spread of the gospel which culminated in the Boxer Rebellion of 1900 . True, over a hundted and thirty missionaries lost their lives during those dreadful days and the work in various parts of China was thrown into confusion or even temporarily abandoned. But what were the results? The antiforeign demonstrations were put down, more treaty ports were established and best of all, through the return to China by the United States Government of about half of the millions of dollars paid to our nation as indemnity for missionary

## SECRETS OF GRACE

Secrets of comfort, whisperings tender
Breathed in my soul when faint by the way;
Essence of rapture, love's own distilling,
Drying my tears, turning darkness to day. Speak to me, Jesus,
Here I am waiting-
Thy hoty comfort shall ne'er pass away.
Secrets of constant daily communion
Minist'ring strength Thy call to obey,
Utter dependence on Thy provision
Makes doubly precious each word Thou dost say.
Speak to me, Jesus,
Here I am waiting-
All needed fullness from Thee comes to-day.
Secrets of hours spent alone in the garden,
Drinking with Thee the cup of Thy woe;
No earthly voice to ease my heart's sorrowOnly Thy whisperings tender and low.

Speak to me, Jesus,
Here I am waiting-
No solace sweet but what Thou dost bestow.

[^0] -Alice Reynolds Flower
and other property destroyed, a relationship of friendliness and good will was established which lives to this day. Through an intended master stroke of the enemy, China was actually OPENED to the gospel!
To-day, instead of giving up in despair, feeling that our missionaries have been thrown out of China and that we might as well turn our attention to other parts of the world, let us realize that there are yet some three hundred and fifty million souls in that land unevangelized. Let us pause further and consider what our all-wise and all-powerful God may be doing.
A few years ago when the writer was in attendance at a Missionary Conference in the central part of China, a young Chinese Christian, a candidate for the ministry and at that time a student in one of the leading denominational universities of the Yangtse Valley, came to this gathering. With him he brought one of his notebooks containing extracts from some of the lectures given in that "place of learning." Among other things contained therein was a classitication of the miracles of Christ. It read as follows:
"Firstly, the miracles of Christ which we can believe.
"Secondly, the miracles of Christ of which we are in doubt.
"Thirdly, The miracles of Christ which we cannot believe."

Again a few weeks previously the writer had the privilege of meeting Dr. Goforth in the city of Shanghai just as Dr. Goforth was returning from a several weeks'tour in South China. On this occasion this old veteran of the Christian battle fields of, China related one of his recent experiences. He had been lecturing to a group of young Chinese students in the city of Hong Kong, his subject being "The Inspiration and In(Continued on Page 5)

## Isaac in and from Gerar

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No doubt Isaac, when the Lord appeared unto him in Gerar to check his wanderings, became very conscious that he had moved out of the will of God for him. And, had it been his privilege to do so, would have liked immediately to have transported himself to that land of which the Lord spoke when He said, "Dwell in the land which I shall tell thee of." But this could not be.
Before he could enjoy that change he must learn, through discipline, the evil fruit of getting out of the will of God. So the Lord said to him, "Sojourn in this land." He must remain there a while, and, in fact it was some considerable time before his place of residence was changed. But is there not a lesson of comfort in this for others who may feel that they have missed the Lord's best thought for them, and who, as a consequence, find their lives continually harassed by Satan?
Getting out of the will of God is sad business, yet perhaps none of us can say we have never deviated therefrom. But some have missed the mark so far that they feel His plan for their lives has been so marred that further hope of blessing is to them in vain. To any such it would be my deepest joy if, through these lines, they might derive comfort and hope in God.
Although Isaac feared at famine and his faith failed; although he migrated to Gerar, leaning upon his human reasoning rather than upon Divine grace, yet God never left him. Neither will He desert any of His children so long as He sees within them a desire after Him. He sees how some, in their simplicity, have been snared. He knows the power and cunning of our Foe, and in whatever place we are, as He sees the inward longing after Him, He will never leave us nor forsake us. We must, like Isaac, consecrate to Him afresh in the new place, amid the new surroundings and conditions, and there, by faith, live for Him. Some have made mistakes in matrimony, others in choice of business. Sorrow or loss has come. And, we might as well face the facts, in some cases the sted is irretrievable. Its wound, or scar, will be borne through life.

But hear God's word to Isaac and take comfort from the same. "I will be with thee, and will bless thee; for unto thee, and unto thy seed, will I give all these countries." Our vision is so small we can see but one thing, God is so great He sees all things. We see what we might have enjoyed, He sees what we might yet enjoy. We see some particular place or time where we might have been useful, He sees a place for us to-day. All the countries are His. Even the loss which Isaac sustained seemed to increase his vision of God and the scope of Divine provision.

Thank God, there is something for us of infinite gain even in our sojourns in Gerar. Do not think yours must henceforth be a
wasted life. It shall not be. The living God is with you where you are. His, "I will bless thee," stands good. Live for Him even though you be conscious that you have missed His best, or if tempted to think that you have. You may never be able to change some things, but you can shine for Him. Remember also, it is Satan, and not our kind Heavenly Father, who throws the mud of accusation against the struggling saint.
Do, my brother, just what Isaac did. While abiding God's time to put him in the land where he should dwell, he stepped out on His promise and command, "Sojourn in this land," and went faithfully to work where he was. "Then Isaac sowed in that land and received in the same year an hundred fold." Gen. 26:12. Would a hundred fold return satisfy you where you are? Have faith. Sow. It is God that giveth the increase.

Some of us do not have what Isaac enjoyed by nature, a passive, easy, comfortable disposition, and one's natural inheritance goes far in either helping or hindering his peace. If one is naturally docile and quiet, it is easier for him to reconcile himself to his lot than it is for one more flinty and aggressive by nature. But it is a great achievement when the fiery, high strung, and naturally restless, sensitive, or proud, learn to submit and yield to God. But a full consecration, in which the will has been turned over to a full co-operation with the Lord, brings about a content and a calm that is in the sight of God of great price. We too can sow in the land.

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Do not make your own life, and the lives of those about you, miserable by listlessly crying, "I am out of the will of God." Do not join the ranks of such as never stick to anything, but who restlessly move from this to that, never accomplishing anything. Settle down to business. If Moses could not deliver the children of Israel as he had felt himself called to do, he could anyway herd sheep in the desert, and his faithfully doing this brought him into high favor with both God and man. And Isaac could sow the fields of Gerar, even if he did wish himself back in Canaan. And you can do with your might what your hands find to do, right where you are. Beware of idly dreaming about other days and other scenes. "What is that in your hand?" is the question the Lord asked Moses, not, "What have you down in Egypt, or back at home?" Stop your wishing, stop your dreaming. What have you in your hand? Use it. Isaac reaped an hundred fold. Think of it! And when we settle down to real reality right where we are, and stop our superficial puttering, we too shall reap.

Yet, with all the prosperity which the Lord gave to Isaac, both the Lord and he knew that within his soul there was the sting of a hidden inward poverty. No outward prosperity could take the place that nothing but the center of God's will could afford. But Jehovah would not let the sons of Gerar see this. His love for His servant was too great, and He saw how nobly Isaac had submitted to the new condition and sowed in faith. God is good. Although He must deal with His children in chastening, He does not expose them to the world. Although He deals with the heart in no uncertainty, searching it to the bottom, at the same time He so blesses the fruit of honest labor that the world sees only His favor. He never flaunts to the world the conflict through which we may be passing, neither does He needlessly humiliate His own.
Oh, the shame of those who would profess His favor, but who spend their time in always trying to air the faults and failings of their fellow servants of God! Is your heart crying out after God? If so, remember, your inward conflict and your sense of need is a secret between your own soul and God. Right where you are, if you are given up to God, you can radiate a life of Christian virtue and grace. So do not despair but sow. "Blessed are they that sow beside all waters." Trust in God for the harvest and who knows but that He may give you an hundred fold.

But as is usual with one not in the center of the will of God, with all his prosperity Isaac could not content himself to settle down in Gerar, neither did the Lord intend that he should, but had told him only, "Sojourn in this land." And God saw to it that he suffered sufficient adverse circumstances to keep him praying for the land in which he was to dwell. He was envied; time and again the wells which he would dig were either filled up or taken by the herdsmen of Gerar. And finally he was forced by a series of circumstances back to Beersheba whence he had come.
It may be that he was continually looking and praying for another such appearance as he had received which checked his going away from Canaan, as he would cry, "Lord
show me Thy will." And at times it would seem to him as though his prayers would never be answered. Yet all the time, unknown to Isaac, the Lord was working, leading him back to the very place where He would have him. What a lesson in the providential care of God. He is as much in His providences as in His direct leadings.

We must learn, "the just shall live by faith." Having given our lives unreservedly over to God, we must believe that He receives them, and then, living by His word and doing His will, we may be confident that He is leading us in the way that we should go. Has He not said, "The steps of a good man are ordered by the Lord"? "Commit thy way unto the Lord and He shall bring it to pass"? Some would always seek some voice, or some vision, and seem to depend on such for ascertaining the will of God, but what mistake it is when one tries to force the Almighty to respond in some strange or mysterious way. Leave the matter of special visitation to Him, for those who determine not to be pacified with anything short of sight or sound are likely to be imposed upon and drawn astray by some seducing spirit.
It is likely that Isaac little knew that God was answering his prayers in all the multitude of circumstances which had been permitted to enter into his life. But it was so. And all the time he was learning lessons of infinite worth although he knew it not. God, who heard his cry for the Promised Land, was all the time drawing him by an unseen hand, and sustaining him with tender care, leading him back to the place of blessing and rest. So do not be disturbed as to the will of God, but sow, and trust His providential care. "He careth for you."
But one could not close these thoughts without seeing Isaac back again in the place of highest blessing. So soon as he had returned to Beersheba, "The Lord appeared unto him the same night." Gen. 26:24. Do you suppose the Divine appearance this time and the time when Isaac was en route for Egypt meant the same? Ah, no. It was the same God, but how different were the circumstances. There it was to inform him that he was moving away from God's will, to check him from disaster. But here it was simply the open heaven, no check, only blessing and promise. It reminds one of that event in the life of the Saviour when the heavens were opened and the Father's voice was heard, "This is my beloved son in whom I am well pleased." Nothing between, the communion of a soul lost in the sweet will of God!
Whatever be your present lot, hope thou in God. Make no compromise with the flesh, neither drop down to a mere worldly level. Too many are doing this. In all the sojourn of Isaac in Gerar he never once forgot that he was a separated man with a separated man's promise upon him. You cannot find him mingling with the sons of Gerar. Do thou likewise and God will lead you into the center of His Divine will.

## "PLEASE, SIR, I WILL!"

Tarbell has told the story of Dr. Alexander Macleod's friend who was teaching a school of black children in Jamaica. This teacher had made a rule that every
one who told a lie in the school should receive seven strokes on the palm with a strap. One day a little girl named Lottie Paul told a lie, and was called before the school to receive her punishment. She was a sensitive little thing, and the teacher was very sorry to strike her, but he must carry out the rule of the school. Her cry of pain when she received the first stroke went to his heart; he could not go on with her punishment. Yet he could not pass by her $\sin$, and this is what he did. He looked over to the boys and asked, "Is there any boy who will bear the rest of Lottie's punishment?" And as soon as the words were spoken, up started a little fellow called Jim, who said, "Please, sir, I will!" And Jim went to the desk and received without a cry the six remaining strokes. Dr. Macleod tells the story, and adds: "And it was the vision of a Heart gentler still than that of this brave boy, but gentle with the same kind of gentleness, which filled the teacher's eyes that day, and made him close his books and bring his scholars around his desk and tell them of the gentle One, who long ago bore the punishment of us all."-Word and Work.

## TEMPTATION IS NOT SIN

The enemy's greatest ruse for entrapping Christians who are endeavoring to live a consecrated life for Christ, is to make them believe that temptation is sin, and to make them blame themselves for suggestions of evil, even while they abhor them. To make the mistake of looking upon temptation as sin will bring one into discouragement; and discouragement, if continued in, always ends at last in actual $\sin$.
The very suggestion of wrong seems to bring pollution with it; and the poor tempted soul begins to feel as if it must be very bad indeed, and very far off from God, to have had such thoughts and suggestions. It is as though a burglar should break into a man's house to steal, and, when the master of the house begins to resist him and drive him out, should turn round and accuse the owner of being himself the thief.
But this is the trap of the Accuser, not the voice of the Comforter. The Adversary comes and whispers suggestions of evil to us,-doubts, blasphemies, jealousies, envyings, and pride,-and then turns round and says, "Oh, how wicked you must be to think such things! It is very plain that you are not trusting the Lord; for if you had been, it would be impossible for these things to have entered your heart."
This reasoning sounds so very plausible that we often accept it as true, and so come under condemnation, and are filled with discouragement; and then it is easy for temptation to develop into actual sin. But one of the most fatal things in the life of faith is discouragement, and this discouragement arises sometimes from what we think is a righteous grief and disgust at ourselves that such things could be any temptation to us. This is really mortification coming from the fact that we have been indulging in a secret selfcongratulation that our tastes were too
pure, or our separation from the world was too complete, for such things to tempt us. We are discouraged because we have expected something from ourselves, and have been sorely disappointed not to find that something there.
This mortification and discouragement, though they present an appearance of true humility, are really a far worse condition than the temptation itself, for they are nothing but the results of wounded self-love. True humility can bear to see its own utter weakness and foolishness revealed, because it never expected anything from itself, and knows that its only hope and expectation must be in God. Therefore, instead of discouraging the humble soul from trusting, such revelations drive it to a deeper and more utter trust. But the counterfeit humility that self-love produces, plunges the soul into the depths of a faithless discouragement, and drives it into the very $\sin$ with which it is so distressed.
An old writer says, "All discouragement is from the devil." I wish every Christian would take this as a motto, and would realize that he must fly from discouragement as he would from sin.-Hannah Whitall Smith, in "The Christian's Secret of a Happy Life."

## "GOD LOOKETH UPON THE HEART"

If gifts and reforms are the natural, spontaneous movement of the life of God within, well and good; but if, on the other hand, they are the result of merely human effort, adjustment to discipline, etc., one has need to beware lest one find oneself contending for mere outward imitation with the whole inner life in complete moral collapse. And the tragedy of this condition will be that the inner collapse will soon be carried to the conduct, so that one will find oneself actually committing $\sin$ while pretending to possess a very superior spirituality, and attempting to prove his superior spirituality by the manifestation of a gift, or a very radical reform of dress, or recreation, or the observance of a special religious ceremony or other externalities.-A. P. Gouthey.

## EVOLUTION IS ANTICHRISTIAN

Evolution is the wedge which forces the door open to infidelity. "Man was not created," say evolutionists, "but is gradually evolving." If man is evolving, he is progressing. If man is progressing, any fall which he may have had was a fall upward. If man fell upward, he is becoming better. If man is becoming better, he is able to help himself. If man is able to help himself, he needs no other to save him. If he is able to save himself, there is no necessity of a Saviour. If a Saviour was not needed, God did not send His Son to die for us. If God did not send His Son to die for us, then Christ is not God's Son and is not divine. Many do not reason beyond the first step, and so think themselves "evolutionists." But in order to understand the meaning of the theory of evolution, we must consider beyond that first supposition and see where such reasoning leads us. It makes God to be man and man to be God.Exchange.

"Women received their dead raised to life again." Heb. 11:35.

God is dealing with every one of us in relation to faith. This must be for we are justified by faith, saved through faith, made physically whole by faith; and in direct proportion to it, is the work wrought in us by the power of God, for Jesus said "According to your faith be it unto you." Matt. 9:29. The Holy Ghost comes upon the soul in answer to faith, "The Holy Ghost fell on all them which heard the word." Acts $10: 44$. We walk by faith, there is no other way of moving on in God. Our work is faith, "This is the work of God, that ye believe." John $6: 29$. Without faith it is impossible to please Him, indeed whatsoever is not of faith is $\sin$. Rom. 14:23. The Scriptures were "written that ye might believe." John 20:31.

So it is all faith, faith, faith, and God is endeavoring to create it in your heart, or to bestow upon you in larger measure, for faith "is the gift of God." Eph. 2:8. To make a gift effective, a recipient is necessary. Will you receive it?

A young girl earnestly desired to be saved but she could not see her way into the blessed consciousness of acceptance with God through the atoning merits of Jesus Christ. She turned from the world, as best she knew how, and with tearstained face came to the evangelist after the altar meeting, to tell her that she could not be sure she was saved. She happened to wear on her breast an exquisite rose, and the evangelist, taking her by guile, expressed great admiration for the lovely blossom.
"Will you accept it?"
"Certainly, with joy. Thank you so much." The evangelist pinned it on her own breast. "Now, whose rose is it?" she asked.
"Why yours," the astonished girl replied. "I gave it to you."
"God says He bestows upon you the unspeakable gift, Christ Jesus, as your personal Saviour; is He yours? Fasten the Rose of Sharon over your heart as I did the rose you gave me."
"Is it that simple?"
"Yes, just that simple."
But this acceptance is only the initial stage of faith. Some people seem to think that when they have believed for soul and body, received the Baptism of the Holy Ghost, and confessed Christ by word and deed before earth and heaven, they have graduated; whereas they have only been admitted to the kindergarten, and have all their work before them. For faith is not only a flashing diamond, a gleaming pearl, a wedge of fine goldPeter calls it "precious" (2 Peter 1:1), but it is a living, incorruptible seed, compared to a grain of mustard seed, (Matt. $17: 20$ ), and living things have within them
the mysterious power of growth and development. God is concerned that the heavenly Seed, which is planted in your heart, should have every opportunity of unfolding its divine potentialities, and He will spare no cost or pains to that end.
I have a friend who is a most successful horticulturalist. Oh, what pains he takes with his choice plants! He secures the best seeds; and, when the seedlings show their tender emerald blades above the earth, he separates the strongest and most promising one of them from the others and plants the poor little forlorn thing all alone, very often turning a flower pot or box over it to protect it from the rays of the sun. Did the divine Husbandman ever tear you away from your companions and shut out the sunlight?
Again, when the plant has rooted and thriven, and perhaps budded prematurely, my friend often nips off the buds. It isn't a pleasant experience to have the plants all around you covered with blossoms while you display "nothing but leaves."

But even that isn't the worst. The other day I said to my sister, "Where are the geraniums?" We used to have a few bright scarlet blossoms in our grounds that delighted my eyes. "Oh," she replied, "I cut them all back." Did you ever have that happen to you? Cut backonly a few withered looking stalks left. Did you ever sing "Oh, to be nothing, nothing!!" Did you mean it? God has a way of doing that very thing in order to develop the infinite possibilities of the divine Seed which He has planted in your heart. Don't be discouraged; these operations are beneficent, and designed to make you bring forth much fruit to His glory. Now for an instance of this from the Word; a concrete case.
"Women received their dead raised to life again." The Shunnamite woman of 2 Kings $4: 8-37$ is undoubtedly one of the women referred to. We may divide God's dealings with her, on the line of faith, into four stages. First,

## Preparation

God inspired a faith in Him, as revealed through His messenger, that made her constrain Elisha to accept her hospitality. "She constrained him to eat bread." 2 Kings $4: 8$, 9 . God loves to have us constrain Him. "I will not let Thee go except Thou bless me." Gen. 32:26. She "perceived" that he was a holy man of God as he passed by continually. What do people who see us, day after day going about our tasks, perceive us to be? Does our presence make them hungry for God ?

## Permanence

This is the second stage. She believed so firmly that she made room in her life for the abiding presence of God in His messenger. We come to . . . a place, if we will let God move us on in faith, where

He can rest in our hearts-because we wholly trust Him-feast with us, commune with us, and let His light shine through us ; in other words when the chamber is furnished with bed, table, stool, and candlestick.

## Probation

"What then is to be done for her?" 2 Kings $4: 14$. God wanted to do something for her ; she didn't have to coax, cajole and implore Him. He longed to do something for her. His eyes run to and fro throughout the whole earth to show Himself strong in the behalf of them whose heart is perfect toward Him; or in other words, those who fully trust Him, and depend upon Him. God's very choicest gifts are lying on the shelves in heaven because we fail to accept them. As Dr. Simpson says-
"God has His best things for the few Who dare to stand the test,
He has His second best for those
Who will not have His best."
Alas how often is the better the foe of the best!

Now this woman was a "great woman" and her choice was worthy of her. You say, "She didn't make any choice." But if you will read between the lines I think you will agree that she did. She chose GOD, and GOD ALONE. She said, in effect, "I did not go to this effort and expense for any reward that might come to me. I am satisfied; I dwell among my own people. I long for one thing only, the abiding presence of God in my home through His messenger, hence the chamber on the wall." She seemed almost hurt at the suggestion that any reward should be bestowed upon her. Her words recall a hymn, centuries old, sung by one who laid down his life for Christ:-

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\begin{aligned}
& \text { "My God I love Thee, } \\
& \text { Not because I hope for heaven thereby, } \\
& \text { Nor yet because if I love not } \\
& \text { I must forever die. } \\
& \text { Thou, me, O Jesus, on the cross } \\
& \text { Didst tenderly embrace, } \\
& \text { For me didst bear the cross and spear, } \\
& \text { And manifold disgrace. } \\
& \text { Then O why, O loving Saviour Christ, } \\
& \text { Should I not love Thee well, } \\
& \text { Not for the hope of gaining heaven, } \\
& \text { Nor of escaping hell, } \\
& \text { Not for the hope of gaining aught, } \\
& \text { Nor seeking a reward, } \\
& \text { But as Thyself hast loved me, } \\
& \text { O ever loving Lord." }
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She wanted God, and when God gets souls there, He can bestow anything upon them. "Delight thyself . . . in the Lord and He shall give thee the desires of thine heart." Psalm 37:4.

## Promotion

And straightway she was PROMOTED to the Abraham class. Why not? She was his daughter. Gal. $3: 26,29$. Why shouldn't you be promoted to that class too? There are hard lessons there, to be sure, but there is a magnificent Teacher. She was promised a son. He came, but before many years he lay in her lap and died. But in this awful crisis her divine Teacher showed her the path to victory. He will show you how to meet the crisis in your life too, if you are determined to go through with God.

She didn't look at her son, now dead, any more than Abraham looked at his
boy in the same predicament. She shut the door on that, put her will between herself and that sight and then (Oh, please note this), she shut her mouth about it.
If we would only shut our eyes to the works of Satan in our bodies, shut our mouths about them, and fly straight to God's Word for relief, as this Shunnamite did, we would see signs and wonders. You say you wouldn't call a doctor, or listen to his diagnosis of your case, but you will listen to Satan instilling doubts and fears and even quote his lying words to others.
This woman flew to the feet of the man of God and there she stayed till he followed her. "You promised me a son. Nothing can undo that. A son is what you promised and all hell cannot prevent the fulfillment of that Word. It shall be well. It is well. I know whom I have believed."

> "Faith, mighty faith, the promise sees, And looks at that alone, Laughs at impossibilities, And cries 'The work is done."

And Elisha rose and followed her! FOLLOWED HER! Yes, it's there. Look for yourself. The prophet whose miracles most closely resemble those of the Lord Jesus Christ Himself, stirred into motion and directed in his action, by a woman. "He . . . followed her," she resolutely leading the way to the bedside of the dead child; he, like a lamb, meekly following. Truly "All things are possible to him that believeth." Mark 9:23.
Arrived at the death chamber Elisha went in and shut the door upon them twain. The Shunnamite could see nothing, hear nothing, feel nothing. What was she doing outside that shut door? Following in the footsteps of her father Abraham; "accounting that God was able to raise him up, even from the dead" and that He could not break His promise. Sublime situation! Praising God outside fast-closed doors for His faithfulness, while He accomplishes resurrection within. Stand there, God is able to make you stand, and that promise of God on which you have gone down to death will yet be fulfilled. The door will open, your call will come, and bowing yourself to the ground in adoration, you will take up your son-that thing that God promised you that seemed as dead as the Shunnamite's son, now quickened by resurrection power.

## CHINA'S HOPE

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fallibility of the Scriptures." A bright young student from one of the leading universities in the city of Canton chanced to hear of these lectures and was so impressed by the line of teaching of Dr. Goforth that he returned to his own university asking if Dr. Goforth could not be secured to deliver the same course of lectures in that city. The president of the university was away at the time, but as the students petitioned those in authority asking to have Dr. Goforth invited to deliver this lecture course, consent was
reluctantly given. Dr. Goforth came and during the course of these ten days of special lectures along the lines of the inerrancy and inspiration of the Scriptures, the president of the university also returned. He sat very patiently and quietly through the remaining lecture periods, but at the close, he called Dr. Goforth aside and with much feeling said, "Dr. Goforth, I will be very frank with you, but after you leave, I expect to refute every word that you have spoken." Such have been the leaders and such the type of teaching that is being meeted out in the places of higher learning to the young manhood and young womanhood of China -the very cream of the land, yes, to those who are to be the leaders in the coming generation. Incident after incident like the above might be related if time would permit.
Is it not time that the hand of our God was sweeping such Satanic subtlety from the face of that land?
May I quote at lergth from the article in the Missionary Review above referred to :
"The present testing, as by fire, will be a gain to the cause of Christ in China. All the wood, hay and stubble will, we hope, be burnt up. In too many instances 'another gospel' has been preached and the Eternal Spirit has been grieved. Many students sent to foreign lands have returned infidel. . . . Many of the Bolshevik propagandists with the Nationalist armies have been students in Christian schools. Much 'deadwood' should be cut out through the present testing. In future, our methods should be more in line with those of the early church in preaching the gospel. In too large measure, we may have mistaken our commission to include the building up of great medical and educational institutions with foreign funds. Any self-respecting people will soon resent the foreign control of their education. By all means let us have the highest education in China as well as in the homelands, only let it be controlled by the Spirit of God. . . . In future, let us make it our aim, so to convert the Chinese to God, that they will build and manage their own institutions of learning, etc. The buildings may be less ornate and costly, but with the divine blessing, they will be more in accord with the needs of the Chinese race.
"There will be great hope for the Christian cause in China, if we come fully to realize that past failure has been due to too great reliance on man power and method. To triumph now, as in the first century, we need to own that it is not by might nor by power but by My spirit saith the Lord of hosts.' Triumph over all the power of the enemy would be close at hand, if all the home boards in future, fall more into line with Acts 13:1-4. No one is fitted for this service unless prepared by the Holy Spirit as were

Paul and Barnabas. Neither can there be the slightest justification for any Christian board sending out men and women to represent Jesus Christ unless so fitted. There might be a smaller force on the China field but it would be efficient. Our ascended Lord will not have His glory divided. The Holy Spirit had only one object in coming to earth, and that was to glorify Him. If, through coming days in China, there will be less evidence of the foreigner's wealth and power, and more evidence of the resource and holiness of the living God, the present setback will be a blessing in disguise."
But I seem to sense the Pentecostal people drawing back in self-satisfaction as such a rebuke is sent broadcast throughout the length and breadth of the land. Yes, such an appeal is good for the denominational missionary and for those in purely educational work. But these have not been our methods. Do we dare to pause and let our Lord turn His searchlight on our work-let Him test our heart motives and spirit of love toward our fellow laborers? Have we been willing to await His time to move, to let Him develop our spiritual muscles and faith? Have we been willing to go through His crucible of refining and testing before rushing off into "active service"? Have we not been so busy about "His business" that the real purpose of a life of fellowship and communion with our Lord has been lacking? Is not a big meeting, a hilarious time with flying banners and a "generous offering" more appealing and more common than the humble walk with Peter and John as they meet the lame man at the temple steps? "Silver and gold have I none, but such as I have give I thee." With such standards "there might be a smaller force on the China field (and in other places) but it would be efficient."
To again return to our article quoted above:

> "We will not get far in solving our difficulty if the many dismiss with scorn this method as a price too steep to be paid. It ought to humble members of boards and the eight thousand missionaries in China to have our work so easily upset by a few hundred Bolsheviks. We are all supposed, according to the riches of God's glory, to be strengthened with might by His Spirit in the inner man. The Christ of God, boundless in love and power, is supposed to dwell in our hearts by faith. One of us thus equipped should be able to put a thousand foes to flight and two of us, ten thousand. Why so weak in face of foes who are supposed to draw all their inspiration and power from Apollyon? Manifestly we have been shorn of the divine power, by which we were supposed to have been equipped."
This spirit and this lost vision is not true with all the missionaries in China but we must speak in general terms.

In the early missionary career of Hudson Taylor, the need of workers was intensely felt. A goal was set for one hundred new recruits for the year. Six times that number offered themselves as volunteers. What was to be the leader's attitude? What was to be done with so many applicants? Prayerfully, humbly before God a sifting process was pursued. One after another, candidates were elimmated, and now and then the Spirit would bear witness to the call and qualifications of an individual. Deep spiritual vision, real experience in the Christian walk and faith life, perseverance, stability of purpose, a considerate and "livable" attitude toward one's associates were among the necessary qualifications of those seeking endorsement for work in China. By the close of the year prayer was fully answered. From all the hundreds of applicants, just one hundred were deemed worthy of the responsibility of meeting the trying demands, spiritually, physically and morally, that are crowded in upon a missionary's life. The most interesting part of this incident is to follow the career of this group of one hundred chosen laborers.
"Seven years later, seventy-eight of the one hundred were still on the China Inland Mission staff and of the remaining number five had died and most of the others were still laborers in China through other connections."
Now that we have caught glimpses of the methods and operations of our mighty God down through the missionary annals of China; now that we have sensed the ravages of higher criticism as these modernistic teachings have been sweep-
ing over that land of four hundred million souls; now that our God has said, "It is enough; thus far, but no farther," what may our deduction be? What practical application may we draw? Is not this a sifting process? Is not the wood, hay and stubble being consumed? If the call of God is upon any soul for service in China, this is the time to present oneself before Him as a "living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service"; this is the time to let Him apply the purging, purifying process to our own lives. The door for missions in China is not closed. But he who enters that door hereafter must learn to stoop. His message must be a living, practical reality in his own life. He must be as one in Christ Jesus with the Chinese people, not holding himself as a superior director general of religious and educational work but he must learn to suppress his own surface activities and through faith in our living Lord master the art of working behind the scenes, of being a balance wheel in the spiritual and material development of the Chinese church. His goal must be a self-propagating, a selfsupporting and self-governing native church. Again it is "Not by might, nor by power, but by My Spirit, saith the Lord of hosts."
Shall we not heed the Lord's admonition to Joshua, "Be strong and of good courage; be not afraid, neither be thou dismayed: for the Lord thy God is with thee whithersoever thou goest"? With the eyes of faith we see China yet open to the gospel and by His grace we will go in and possess the land for our soon coming King.

## Conforming to the World

Chas. E. Robinson at the Springfield, Mo., Assembly

Be not conformed to this world. Rom. 12:2.
There are but two places in which men will spend eternity-heaven and hell. These places do not join as two fields may, so that a man may have one foot in one field and one in the other. Between the two there is a great gulf fixed which cannot possibly be crossed over.
Naturally then there are but two kinds of folk. They are called by various names. Children of God and children of the devil-Jesus spoke to some saying "Ye are of your father the devil,"-saints and sinners; sheep and goats-one to be put on His right hand and the other on His left-saved and lost; tares and wheat, etc.

In the text also the two classes are mentioned-those spoken to and those warned against, called the world. Turning back to the first chapter we find that this letter was written "to all that be in Rome, beloved of God, called saints." Rom. $1: 7$. You see I have omitted the two italicized words supplied by the trans-
lators. So in the text those addressed were saints and the others were the world, making another name for the two kinds of folk, saints and the world.

But why do saints who are children of God need to be warned against being conformed to this world? . Because some children of God do not live holy lives. There are both bad and good children of God. The bad ones unless they repent will be lost, joining the ranks of the sinners at the judgment.

That this is true is shown by the letters the Lord sent to the seven churches and recorded in the second and third chapters of Revelation. The Lord speaks comfortably to the saints at Philadelphia but warns them, "Hold that fast which thou hast, that no man take thy crown" (Rev. $3: 11$ ), and says there are " $a$ few names even in Sardis which have not defiled their garments," who shall walk with Him in white for they are worthy. Rev. 3:4. But as to the other churches He demands that they repent. He tells the saints at Laodicea that He is going to
spue them out of His mouth, and then exhorts them to repent. To the church at Ephesus He writes, "Repent, and do your first works; or else I will come unto thee quickly, and I will remove thy candlestick out of his place, except thou repent." Rev. 2:5. To the church at Pergamos He writes: "Repent; or else I will come unto thee quickly, and will fight against thee with the sword of My mouth." Rev. 2:16.
Among the saints at Corinth were some bad ones who would be lost unless they repented. Paul wrote to the Corinthians, "It is commonly reported that there is fornication among you." Then after voicing his detestation of such sins among the children of God he instructs them "To deliver such an one unto Satan for the destruction of the flesh, that the Spirit may be saved in the day of the Lord Jesus." 1 Cor. $5: 1,5$. It seems they did as he told them and were very thorough about it too, so that the man was greatly distressed, so much so indeed that Paul in his second letter, admonishes them to forgive him and comfort him "lest perhaps such a one should be swallowed up with overmuch sorrow." 2 Cor. 2:7. The necessity of his repenting was so great the apostle directed the taking of the most extreme measures to bring him to it.

This same truth is also shown clearly by the parable of the Prodigal Son-the great backslider passage of the Bible. The Father when His wayward son repents, explains the great manifestations of joy taking place at His command by saying, "For this My son was dead and is alive again; he was lost, and is found." Luke 15:24.
How glorious it is, dear erring and lost child of God, to know that as soon as you begin to repent and turn to God, His loving, watching eye sees you; and when you are yet a long way off, and have yet a great deal of repenting and humbling of yourself to do, He will have compassion and run to you. He will fall on your neck and kiss you. He has so longed for you to return. Will you not throw this paper down right now and drop on your knees confessing your failings, faults, sins, backslidings, and tell your loving Father that He can rely upon you from now on. Confess your sins openly and fully. He will forgive if He sees you are in earnest. 1 John 1:9.
But while it is true that the child of God who sins will be lost and take his place among the damned in hell unless he repents and is forgiven, still for a saint to sin does not make him a child of the devil-one of those commonly called sinners-as he was before God saved Him. There are at least two marked differences between the lost child of God and the child of the devil. (a) God will draw him and keep on seeking to induce him to return as He does not do with the children of the devil. Read this promise in the Psalm. "If His children forsake My law, and walk not in My judgments; if they break My statutes, and keep not My commandments; then will I' visit their transgression with the rod, and their iniquity with stripes. Nevertheless My lov-
ing kindness will I not utterly take from him, nor suffer My faithfulness to fail." Psa. 89:3-34. Praise the Lord. (b) He is much more able to understand divine truth and to sense the strivings of the Holy Spirit, than an unconverted sinner is.

Still let no such child of God forget that he must repent if he has sinned. The prodigal son was a son but he was a dead son, he was a lost son. If he had never repented he would never have found the way back to his Father's home.

If any of us have been conforming to the world we are lost. There is no need to remind ourselves that we have been converted, that we are in the church, that we have many blessings of God, that we even speak in tongues, that we have often been healed and so on. If we have been conforming to the world we are lost. Listen: "Ye adulterers and adulteresses, know ye not that the friendship of the world is enmity with God; whosoever therefore will be a friend of the world is an enemy of God." James $4: 4$. Listen again: "Love not the world neither the things that are in the world. If any man love the world the love of the Father is not in him." 1 John 2:15. If a man conforms to the world in the face of this command of God to not do so, it shows plainly that he is in love with the world.

Being so vastly important as that, it is surely right for us to know precisely what is meant by conforming to the world, being worldly, or loving the world. Some one says right off, "Why it is doing as the world does." But that will not do. The world wears hats, eats food, breathes air, takes wages, spends money, lives in families, likes flowers, enjoys happiness, shrinks from pain, gets sick, and so on and on-an endless list of things. We do the same. But does that make us worldly? Not at all. It is not worldly to wear a hat although every worldling wears one. Still the text warns us against being conformed to or being like the world, and it is a mightily serious warning too, as we have seen.

What then is "Being conformed to this world"?
Drummond said that love is the greatest thing in the world. Jesus said that love is the fulfilling of the law. Maybe it is loving the things the world loves that is meant when conforming to the world is mentioned. As love is the greatest thing, even greater than faith and hope, it must be loving the things the world loves that constitutes conforming to the world. But no-the world loves flowers, loves to be happy, loves its children, loves its wives, loves its friends, loves congenial companionships. We love these things too but that does not make us worldly.

Oh, here it is. Now I have it. Conforming to the world is choosing the things we want-the wanting the things that please us. The world chooses what it does choose so that it may be happy, or better fixed, or better satisfied. It chooses its way because it wants its way. But, come to think of it, we do the same thing. I chose my wife because she suit-
ed me better than any other woman; I live where I do because it suits me better than other places that were offered; I eat what I eat, and eat it when I do and as I do, because it suits best that way. That does not make me worldly. So you say, "We haven't found the answer yet."
No, not precisely but we are very close to it now. Here it is-True saints choose to do, or be, or go, or have, because it suits them best that way, but in choosing always have regard to what effect it will have on others and to how God will feel about it. The world chooses to do, or be, or go, or have because it suits them best that way, but without regard to the effect it will have on others and without regard to how God will feel about it-selfishly. Yes, that is it. This brings to mind the text which warns us that in all our choosings, while we take what suits us best, in doing so we must always look not on our own things, "but every man also on the things of others." Phil. 2:4: We are to choose the things that suit us but always with regard to the effect on others. The world chooses the things that suit them, but without regard to others.

To illustrate: The question is, Will you wear that fine dress to church? If you are conforming to the world you will decide to wear it if, all things considered, it suits you best to do so, having no regard to the effect your wearing it may have on others. If you are not conformed to the world, before making up your mind, you will consider whether it will harm any one or displease God, and decide according to that. If wearing it will grieve any one or displease God you will not wear it. Paul spoke of deciding not to eat meat in this way. 1 Cor. 13. A mother begged a young saint not to wear her dresses so short. She said, "I have five grown boys and if you just knew how much evil your wearing your dresses so short stirs up in their hearts I am sure you wouldn't do it." But the girl said, "All the rest are wearing them that way, and I want to be in style, so I will wear my dresses short." That was conforming to the world, choosing her way by what she wanted even though it might do harm.
Will you cut your hair, young woman ? God says the glory of a woman is her hair, and it is considered by the saints to be wicked to cut your hair. She says, "Yes, I'll cut it. It may not please God very well for me to cut off my glory, and it may hurt the feelings of the pastor, but it will suit me, and I shall cut it." That is choosing one's own will without regard to or at the expense of God and others-conforming to the world.
Carrying tales is a very common way of conforming to the world. A saint feels a desire to tell a bad thing she knows about another. She would enjoy telling it. Watch a moment and see how she will decide. She says to herself, "If I were the one in question I'd not want others telling of my faults, but I want to do it and I shall do it." That is conforming to the world, because she chooses, regardless of the feelings of others.

She should have said, "I want to tell it. It seems to me I almost must tell it, it is so good, but it would hurt the reputation and influence of the one it is about, and I will not tell it." That is the way of holiness. So you see indulging in the practice of carrying tales is conforming to the world, and conforming to the world will send a man to hell unless he repents.
But one says, "Would a man have to go to hell just because he had the habit of telling bad things he knows about others?" Why man, that is a horrible thing. Listen: carrying tales is very likely to discourage and bring up unchristian tempers in the one talked about, and so start him to hell. It defiles the mind and heart of him who carries them, making him break the great commandment to love, and so makes him unfit for heaven. It is likely to create in the mind of the one to whom the tales are told a critical and judging spirit that may sever his relations with God. It palsies the hands of the church so that sinners do not get saved, and thus hell is filled with them. The great, loving heart of God is grieved for the one talked about, for the one talking, for the one talked to, for the church, and for the sinners who are deprived of their fair chance to get saved. Can you think of anything worse than carrying tales? Is it any wonder that Peter in mentioning four bad things of which murder and thievery are two speaks of the bearing of tales as the fourth thing. 1 Peter $4: 15$.

Will you not right now, dear saint of God, humbly repent of your sins and get back into favor with God? Will you not set a guard over your mouth so that you will never again be guilty of conforming to the world by choosing to tell tales because you want to, when you know it will hurt others? If you hesitate about repenting just now, thinking that probably you can still be accepted of God though you do not repent of world conformity, hear what James says about one of the ways in which saints conform to the world: "If any man among you seem to be religious, and bridleth not his tongue, but deceiveth his own heart, this man's religion is vain." James $1: 26$.
"Be not conformed to this world."

## A REMARKABLE HEALING

A few days ago our pastor, Brother J. B. Jones, received a message from Casey, Ill., that Sister Smith was dying. A few of the saints drove over there, a distance of thirty-four miles. When we arrived she had been unconscious three hours, her eyes were set and she was cold. Her neighbors were preparing to lay the body out as dead. But when she was anointed and prayed for, God instantly healed her She did the family ironing and mopped three rooms that day besides her other housework.
This can be verified by a number of people who were present. To God be all the glory.-Chleo Allison, clerk of Assembly, Paris, Ill.

Let me never fancy I have zeal till my heart overflows with love to every man living.-Henry Martyn.

## Children's Corner

## A MISSIONARY WAIF

Little Maggie was an Italian girl only twelve years old. She lived in a downtown section where there was a mission. She had been coming to the mission for a time, but did not seem to be getting much from the services. Yet her bright eyes were ever on the alert. One day she said to the worker in charge :
"Please give me one of the little books that's got the Commandments in."
"What do you want to do with it?" asked the worker.
"I want to learn the Commandments. All the girls in my class know them. I want to know them, too. I'll bring it back again when I learn them."
A Bible was loaned to Maggie and the following Sunday morning she came to Sunday School and brought the Book.
"Did you get the Commandments learned?" she was asked.
"Not all. There were some hard words and I can't say them."
After the service the Christian worker took Maggie aside and helped her to learn "the hard words."
The following Friday Little Maggie came to the Junior service and with a triumphant look on her face, she said:
"I got them all. I know them all." Then she repeated the Ten Commandments. For her memory work she was given a New Testament. Some time afterward she told the Christian worker:
"I like that little book you gave me. It has such nice stories in it. I read it every night to my father and mother before we go to bed. They like it too. The man we pay our rent to, gave me one in Italian just like it."
A few months after this time, there was being held a special meeting to which went many of the children from the Mission. After one of the special services for children, little Maggie turned to the Christian worker from the Mission who had charge of them.
"I want to be a Christian. Can I be one to-day? I want to be an American Christian. Can I tell God to-day?"
"Yes, Maggie."
"But I don't know how to say it," she said. "I want to give Him my heart. Can I tell Him right now?" And Maggie gave her heart to Jesus. As a result of this, that very night her mother and older sister gave themselves to Christ. Later her father and an uncle joined the mission, and then the whole family of seven were taken into its membership.
"So shall My Word be that goeth forth out of My mouth: It shall not return unto Me void, But it shall accomplish that which I please, and it shall prosper in the thing whereto I sent it." Isa. 55:11. -Christ Life.
"The noblest vengeance is to forgive."

## BURN HEALED

November 1 my six-year-old girl's gown caught fire from an open draft, and before I could reach her she was a mass of flames. I tore the small remnant of her gown from her and found her body was burned from the center of her breast to below the knees, with slight burns on the backs of her legs.

Realizing my Lord as all powerful I did. not doubt His undertaking and began calling on Him for deliverance. My brothers and sisters heard me and came running in. As we were praying she dropped her head back and said, "I'm going, going, far away, for ever and ever." I looked at the others, but they paid no attention so I went on to pray. She came right out of it. I believe it was about $21 / 2$ hours before the pain ceased. Then she felt the glory of the Lord and told us how she loved Jesus and how she loved us. She asked me to continue to pray for her which I did.

She would fall asleep and I would leave her, but as soon as I was gone she would awake and call me back. She told us she had no pain after the first morning. We trusted in our Saviour all the way through, never putting anything on the burn b:it just keeping her clean. When the scabs formed they made her body stiff, but in three weeks enough had come off so that she could sit in a chair. Her knees were stiff from scabs but in six weeks she was able to walk, and in the fore part of January she was able to go to school again.-Minnie Watson, Route 3, Newport, Wash.

## A STRANGE DELIVERANCE

Early in May, 1925, my wife and I called upon a certain evangelist and his wife. Before leaving, during prayer, the Holy Spirit gave to me, through them, this message in another tongue, with interpretation: "I am over your head with healing." Being in my usual health at the time, excepting for high blood-pressure, which had prevailed for some few years, I had no idea what the message might mean.

One evening, some six or seven weeks later, I had occasion to go into the front room of our home. Suddenly it seemed as though something gave way in my head and I sank down. It proved to be a cerebral hemorrhage.

I tried to stand up but could not and again sank down. Then I waited a little and tried again, with the same result. Several such attempts all resulted in failure. I felt my time had come and believed I would soon pass over.

Finally I gave up trying to rise and called my wife who was in the rear of the house, some distance away. She, not knowing what had hapened, did not come at once, and in this strange condition I waited. At last she came down the hall, and she said afterward that as she entered the room the Holy Spirit came over her in great power. Then she knew something had happened to me, but she remained silent.
All I could say was, "You will have to pray quick!" She laid her hands on my head and, instead of praying, began to
praise the Lord, but she never finished for immediately the whole thing was lifted and I rose up and stood on my feet, entirely healed, while we both praised God. My wife said, "Look at my hands!" They were covered with water. Also, there was water all over my head and face. It was not perspiration, as I had not been under any excitement whatever. Besides the water came while her hands were on my head. It was very profuse, and we believe the cerebral hemorrhage caused this water inside and that the Lord forced it all out. The high bloodpressure disappeared.
Surely He was over my head with healing, as He Himself had promised. Through His compassion, mercy, power and love, I have been preserved and my years lengthened, and I am determined that they shall be lived in His service and to His glory.

This miracle of healing which was done through faith in Jesus the Christ, in the power of the Holy Spirit and in accordance with the promise of God our Heavenly Father, has now stood for more than two years and I hope and pray that this testimony may be used in blessing to many.-Morris McGrew, 4295 41st St., East San Diego, Calif.

## THE STORY OF A JEWESS

I left school in Lodz, Poland, when I was thirteen years of age, and entered a Jewish Hospital where I worked for three years. During the third : ear a Christian nurse came to the Hospital whose bedroom I shared, and whose life impressed me very greatly; and I cirectly attribute to her the awakening in my mind of my interest in spiritual things.

As I watched her life a desire was born in me to be like her. I know now she was much in prayer for me, and desired to win me for the Lord, and gradually she drew me into conversation regarding these things.
I had been brought up to tiate the Name of Chirst and believed all the extravagan t accounts of Him which were current among my people. Nurse Christine's description of Christ's death and resurrection seemed to me incredible. That Christ was a living Saviour was the great difficulty. Nurse Christins asked me if I could prove the view the Rabbis taught, and I said, No, because I could not read the Hebrew, but I believed it thoroughly. She advised me to prove the truth of her statement by comparing the Old Testament Scriptures which prophesied of Christ the Messiah, with the New Testament which showed the fulfillment of those prophecies. But I had never read a Bible, nor even knew what the word "Bible" stood for.
My curiosity had been aroused by the book at her bedside (a Russian Bible). I opened it and my eye fell upon what looked like poetry, and I saw the Name of God, and felt surely this must be a religious writer. "What is this book?" I asked, "Bible-what does it mean?" She explained that it was the same Scriptures which the Jews have, and also the New Testament which told of Christ.

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ed the Old Testament if she believed in Christ, because to me the two were incompatible. Then she explained that without the Old Testament the truth of the New Testament could not be proved. She asked if I would not like to read from a Polish Bible with a large print. I accepted one gladly, and at once put away all other books, and in my spare time read it.
I must have been reading the Sermon on the Mount, because the verses that ariested me were Matthew $6: 25-32$, where Christ says, "Don't be anxious for your clothes, or food, because your heavenly Father knoweth that ye have need of these things." I was thrilled by these words. This was a new idea of God to me, that He should concern Himself about my food and clothes, etc. A new sense of happiness possessed me, and I felt it was true, as Nurse Christine said, that Christ was the ladder connecting us with God. I thought He must have an intimate knowledge of the Father to be able thus to speak of Him. I closed the Book, and went to sleep, experiencing a strange sense of rest, which I could not explain. "No man knoweth the Father but the Son, and he to whom the Son willeth to reveal Him" (Matt. $11: 27$ ).
Next morning Nurse Christine greeted me with, "Well M- how did you like, the reading?" "I liked it very much," I replied. Then she said, "Go on read-" ing and ask the Lord to open your eyes." That evening our conversation was about the love of Christ. I had asked her what the text over her bed meant, "I know whom I have believed." We talked on till $2 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$.!-the tears silently coursing down my cheeks in the dark.
"M- now what do you think of it all?" she remarked. I said, "It must be wonderful to be a Christian; I should like to be one." Then she said, "M-, I see you are thirsty, you need a draught of the Living Water." We then said goodnight, and I went to sleep burdened with the problem of how to become a Christian.
But so far I had no conviction of sin, only the longing to possess the joy and happiness which she had. I can see now that her consistent life was a continual witness to the indwelling Christ, and her life shone for Him. Our conversations continued, but I failed to grasp the truth. As her days of training came to an end, she said to me, "M- would you like to come and see a Jewish missionary, who will be able to help you? He has been a Christian for seven years." I felt shy, and at firsi refused; but on second thought said I would go. So on Sunday evening; June 11, 1911, she took me to Mr. Joffe. After asking a few questions he took a German Bible, and asked what I thought about Christ. I did not know very much about Christ, having been brought up to hate His Name. I said, "I should like to hear what you have got to say about Christ." He then turned up several references in the Old Testament to show me who Christ was, and where He is now.
When I had grasped who Christ was, he then turned with me to the New Testament, and spoke on the lines of salvation. I noticed that he gave expression to some of the same thoughts that Nurse

Christine had already put before me, and I wondered that he, being a Jew, could believe the same as Nurse Christine did who had been a Greek Catholic.

He showed passages which refer to those who believe, and to those who do not believe-using illustrations which were a great help. As he spoke of the wonderful love of Christ and what He had done to purchase my soul, my heart melted and tears came. Suddenly, as a flash, the light dawned on me, and when he asked me if I believed all that he had explained to me, I said, "I do believe it all."
We then knelt and prayed, he in German, Nurse Christine in Russian, and I in Polish, but we understood each other's language in prayer. After this we rose from our knees and the missionary and Nurse Christine sang a hymn of praise. On leaving the house Mr. Joffe gave me a Polish Bible, and on the way home Nurse Christine spoke helpfully to me, saying, "Now M-, you are a new-born babe in Christ Jesus, and we are no longer strangers but sisters, and the angels are rejoicing in Heaven, because you have accepted Christ as your Saviour." I could not express in words the feeling of my mind as I retired to bed. Everything seemed new as it were, and I was filled with great peace and joy!
The next morning I arose early and returned to my work in the hospital, feeling extremely happy, which was noticeable in my face. God gave me great opportunities of speaking to those around me.
Later on persecution began. We had to flee from one place to another, until we started to travel to Germany, where we had peace for a few days, and then had to move on again because I had no passport. We prayed to the Lord for guidance, and shortly after came across a gentleman from England, and Mr. Joffe arranged that I should travel with this Mr. Bromley (now working in India as a missionary). And so I went to England, in August, 1911, and was met by an English friend, and after about nine months I entered a Missionary Training College. I don't think there is much to be said about that period of training except to express my thankfulness ior the love I received and all that it meant to one who had been absolutely cut off from her home.-M.
The writer of the foregoing lines is now in far-off China-the wife of a devoted missionary, and a true helpmeet in the spreading of the Gospel among the Chinese after a few years' faithful ministry among her own people in the East End of London on the staff of the Mildmay Mission to the Jews.

## PERSONAL TESTIMONY OF A CONVERTED CATHOLIC MONK

I was brought up a Roman Catholic and at a very early age I had a longing to serve God, to know Him as my Saviour, to love Him and please Him.
At the age of fifteen, I went to St. Ignatius College, Chicago, Ill., to begin my studies for the priesthood. But in my second year of College, that hunger and thirst for Him-"The Truth"-increased and I longed to get away from
the worldly surroundings. I thought that by hiding away in some secluded place I probably would find that satisfying something that my soul was seeking for. So after my second year in college, I entered the Monastic College, St. Joseph's College, Tentopolis, Ill., and began my studies to enter the monastery of the Franciscan Fathers.

I had read the lives of St. Francis of Assisi and St. Anthony and many others of the Roman Catholic Church, and I thought that by doing as they did, I would find that satisfaction-the fulfillment of that something my soul cried out for. But again I was disappointed and I grew more hungry for the Truth.
Thinking that a more humble life than that of a priest would be more pleasing to God, I entered the Monastery of the Franciscan monks as a brother Monk. But again, Oh, what a disappointment I faced when I found that the beautiful stories written about the lives in the monastery were just a handiwork of men. My soul hungered for the Truth. I did not care for the six meals a day neither the beer, wine, snuff, tobacco, etc. I was hungry for Jesus, not the flesh-pots of Egypt. So I left the Monastery.
Three months after I had left the Monastery, I met the Rt. Rev. Father Benedict who ordained me. After a talk with him, I was persuaded to try the monastery again. Once more I entered the monastery of the Order of Franciscan Monks in St. Louis, Mo. After another season of monastery life, I was so utterly discouraged and disgusted, that I left again, never more to return.
In my discouragement, I fell into the pleasures and sins of this world. The hunger for the Truth was quenched, and I was on my way to hell and destruction. But-Jesus knew my heart. The dear Lord Jesus Christ knew I wanted the Truth. So one day, He sent an angel, a messenger, to tell me that Jesus was the Truth; Jesus died for my sins on Calvary's Cross, that the blood which Jesus shed there was for the cleansing of my sins. That remission of sins could be gotten no other way but through the blood of Jesus Christ. This was such a marvelous revelation and light that in the beginning I could not grasp the meaning. It seemed that these truths were sealed to my understanding until one day, about one month later, God in His own way, led me where the full Gospel was preached and on the 29th day of June, 1914 the Holy Spirit convicted me of my sins and I cried to God, "O Lord, have mercy on me a sinner and save me for Jesus' sake." The scales, as it were, fell off my spiritual vision and understanding. I understood then how Jesus Christ died for me on the cross of Calvary; how my sins, all of my sins were nailed to the cross-they were gone, paid for. Yes, not only were my sins forgiven, but I was justified, through Christ before God.
What joy filled my soul that day! Glory! Hallelujah! It was joy unspeakable and full of glory. Oh, I knew I was saved! I knew all my sins were washed by the precious blood of Jesus Christ and I knew
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## A WORD OF EXPLANATION

In the last issue of the Evangel an appeal was made for a Christmas offering for our missionaries, and the picture of a little Indian baby was used to attract attention. This baby was stated to be "From Miss Kirkland and Miss Flint's Home at Bettiah." The picture was taken when Mrs. Mueller, at that time Miss Kirkland, was ministering at Bettiah. Mr. and Mrs. Mueller are now in charge of the work at Laheria Sarai.
This mistake occurred owing to a misunderstanding in the Editorial Department, in the Missionary Secretary's absence from the office.

## NEWS FROM SOUTH AFRICA Anna Richards

God continues to bless in the work here. Yesterday was a great day of rejoicing at Prospect among the redeemed natives, because of seeing two young women, for whom we had prayed so long, step out to follow the Lord weeping tears of real repentance. There must have been rejoicing in heaven also. Hallelujah. We feel much encouraged over the spiritual condition of the work at present.

## A WORD FROM LIBERIA <br> Ada Gollan

Our numbers are increasing and at the present time we have fifty-four children on our compound. It surely is a large family to take care of but we cannot send them back to heathen towns when they tell us they came to hear the Word of God. Yet we realize it is a tax on our strength in this climate, in the midst of putting up buildings, adjusting the station, etc.

The Lord is working in a real way. As we come in touch with the heathen they tell us that the Lord has sent us here to teach them the way they never heard of before, that the way is good, and they must try it. We have been so touched to see them listen to the Word of God with such rapt attention. Last Sunday we had a blessed service taking up our offering which consisted of six pans of rice, one bunch of palm nuts, also thirteen shillings in cash, and last if not least a piece of dried meat. Pray for us as we labor for the Master in Africa.

## WORK CONTINUES IN CHINA <br> Nettie Nichols

For weeks past there has been much united and secret prayer to our Father for a mighty revival to sweep over this city and spread over this great land of China. Many of us have felt and believed that one of God's purposes in calling out
so many missionaries from their stations and bringing them together in these port cities was that by intercession and united prayer, the Spirit of God would visit and work in a new and deeper way throughout China. We are now having the joy of seeing answers to prayer. The revival has truly begun. God Himself has done it, and it is noteworthy to see the scores of Chinese and foreigners who are daily gathering in the special meetings being held in Martyrs Memorial Hall. Denominationalism and sectism is being lost sight of, the Lord Jesus Himself is being lifted up, and He is drawing souls to Himself. God has sent along the right man with the right message for the hour, and the full gospel is being preached in the power of the Spirit and interpreted in the same power. Many were praying for God to raise up the instruments of His own choosing for this work and this is how He has begun to answer:
A colored missionary was returning with his three children from India where his wife had recently died. He was on his way to the States to put his children in school there and then go out in the work there. He had been in India about two years. After leaving the port of Hongkong and just before the steamer arrived at Shanghai, one of his boys was taken ill with a very high fever and the ship's doctor said that if the fever did not go down before they reached Shanghai they would have to put him off there so the child could be placed in a hospital, and after the child was well he would be permitted to complete his journey. The poor brother prayed and cried mightily to the Lord, but the more he prayed the higher the fever went. He is a faith missionary and was traveling steerage. He had very little money in hand and knew no one in Shanghai, but he had one Friend who went with him, even the Lord Jesus. After landing and getting the sick boy placed in one of the hospitals, he went to the Lord to hear what He would have him understand regarding the strange circumstance, and the Lord spoke to his heart that He had need of him here in this city. As he trusted the Lord for His will to be done, and was willing to stay and obey the Lord, the child was soon well, and neither the ship's doctor nor the one in the hospital could understand what really was the matter. It was God working to bring this brother here for the ministry of the Word and the beginning of the revival. God is greatly blessing and souls are being saved at each meeting. The work is still going on and we are believing God for the floods.

Pray much for these meetings, that a
mighty Holy Ghost revival shall sweep over this land. God is able. We hear reports of revival fires breaking out in other places and our hearts are encouraged to praise for the great and mighty things He has promised. He is the One who will overcome all prejudice and break down barriers and bring into blessed oneness His own from every tongue, tribe and nation. The fellowship and co-operation of the foreigners and Chinese is so blessed, and the work of the devil to separate is being overcome. Praise God! The work in the home at Ningpo is going on nicely and we are believing God for revival fires to break out there also. How much prayer is needed. Prayer changes things.

## OPPORTUNITY IN MELA SEASON Andrew Ericson

We praise God for abundant grace. Day by day we see new proofs of His love and care. The Lord is blessing us in the work in India in many ways, for which we praise Him. The people seem to be very much concerned and we have great crowds in every meeting. These last two weeks we have had especially good opportunities to reach the crowds. This is the time for the great Hindu festivals. We have tried our best to go to as many of those places as possible. We have had many good meetings and sold many gospels and other good books. We sow the seed and trust the Lord for the increase. We pray and trust that many shall soon be brought to a saving knowledge of the Lord Jesus Christ. But our great enemy does all he can to hinder us in the work. In one of the meetings the other day even the police told the people to tear up our books. We do not know how long we shall be able to continue our work undisturbed, but if the Lord calls on us to suffer for His name, His grace will be sufficient for that also. We greatly appreciate your prayers and are confident that you will continue to hold us up before the throne.

## SHOWERS OF BLESSING IN INDIA Blossom Cook

"I say unto you, that likewise joy shall be in heaven over one sinner that repenteth, more than over ninety and nine just persons which need no repentance." Luke $15: 7$.
One morning I heard that a neighbor woman was dying and sent word to know if she wanted me to come and pray for her. She said she would be glad if I came, so I went. Oh, what a scene met my eyes. It really made my heart bleed. The hut was very small, just enough room in
it to turn around. They had partitioned the room with plaited cocoanut leaves so as to have a little kitchen. Their cooking utensils were a few earthen pots which they used if they had anything to cook, for they were poor and did not get much. In the other part of the hut lay an emaciated form of a woman dying with consumption. The clothes which covered her were filthy. I asked her if she was ready to die and she said, "No." I spoke to her about her soul, reading the Word to her. She then cried to the Lord and I know she was saved. I had heard that she was a very bad woman and had poisoned her husband and so asked her about it. She said, "When I was young, I led a good life, but there was a man who loved me and wanted me, so he put a spell over me and I helped him poison my husband, as the result of which my husband lost his mind. I know the Lord will forgive me for all that I have done." She would have asked him for forgiveness but he was somewhere in the jungles and no one knew his whereabouts. After prayer with her I left, but in the evening took over some bread and milk for her.
The next day when I went over, I knew she would not last long. She realized that she was going soon, for she turned to her mother, who was standing by crying, and said, "Don't cry for me. I am asking the Lord to take me." Then turning to me she said, "I have not much time on this earth." She was always repeating the name of Jesus. Is there salvation for such a woman? Ah, yes, there is, praise the Lord. The Samaritan woman, vile as she was, received pardon. Jesus said, "Him that cometh to Me I will in no wise cast out." John 6:37. At 3:30 I was called for she was passing away, but I got there a little too late. She was gone, but we knew that she went through the gates of glory and there was rejoicing over that soul. They could get no one to act as pall bearers as they said that she had been such a bad woman. She should have been buried that same day because of the heat here, but arrangements could not be made until past nine of the next day, and then she had to be carried away in an ox-cart which we helped them get for her. The brother and the cart man had to carry her.
I had a chance to talk to some of these self-righteous people who need forgiveness themselves and yet talked about this woman whose sins had been forgiven. The mother came to see us lately and she said that since her daughter's death she has the assurance of salvation. There are many more just like this poor woman who are dying without the Lord.
At Kottarakara I was told that two of our assembly had died, passing into eternity praising the Lord-a girl of fourteen, and her brother of twenty-three. He had been a backslider, but came back to the Lord while I was there one Sunday two weeks before his death. One day while he was sick some witch doctors came to the house. They said he was possessed with an evil spirit and that they would make it all right, but he replied, "You get away from me, for I do not want you to touch me. I have been washed in the
blood of Jesus. I am His." They left him when they heard him talk this way and never came again to trouble him. The above two people died of typhoid which several have been having lately. In this family there are only two boys left now, the younger is sick. The other one has been going to the Russellite church but has come back to the Lord now. The father and the mother have yielded to the Lord and are to be baptized in water. God is working.
I recently visited another one of our outstations, Adoor, having to cross rice fields along a narrow, muddy path to get to the meeting place. I found it somewhat difficult, but there was a song of praise going up to Father. When I arrived at the little assembly shed, there were about eighty waiting so we began the service. Some fine testimonies of how the Lord had saved and baptized with the Holy Ghost were given. After this, the message went forth. In the midst of the sermon the power fell in a mighty way, some spoke in tongues while others were crying and praying to God. Rain, rain, Lord, send the rain. That is what we need to-day, another outpouring.
Pray for us and the great work out here and that we may be kept firm and true to the faith.

## DO WE NEED IT?

A Home for our missionaries in New York City, that great sea-port town, where they can have a place to stay a few days while making final arrangements before setting sail for their various fields of service in dark heathen lands.
Then after standing for some years at the battle's front, with bodies worn out, run down from nerve strain of hard work, deadly fever, climate, and improper fooc, they must face the fact, no matter how much their hearts cling to the work of God's call, that a furlough is a necessity -so they come back to their native land, feeling like strangers having been away so long, and many hardly know where to go or what to do. They must have a place where they can stop to rest a while and get their bearings as to what the Lord would have them to do. I am sure that all who read this will most heartily agree that WE DO NEED IT! A Home in New York City for the missionaries.

We have much to praise God for in telling you that He has given the Home. About 3 years ago the Home was opened by Sister Lillian Kraeger, who for many years had felt the burden of the great need, but saw no way of bringing it about until finally she felt impelled to take a big plunge in faith and go forward to open the Home, trusting God to make it possible, and the Home became a fact.

Sister Kraeger is not a monied person -the Home is not endowed and has no committee to stand for its support or maintenance. The Home has continued these three years on faith lines and God has honored the stand of our sister to trust Him alone. At the Rest Home the missionaries find an open door, also as accommodation permits, the preachers and evangelists find a welcome. Miss Kraeger is an ordained minister of the General

Council. At times she has had to face a financial test and many friends have urged her to charge a price for board and thus put the work on a substantial basis but our dear sister has never felt free to alter the call which God gave to work on the faith plan. Many of the friends feel that Sister Kraeger should not have to carry this heavy burden alone and that the people of God ought to rally around her to help in a more definite way in this great work.
Some people would say "What is everybody's business is nobody's business." Let all who read this change the saying to "What is nobody's business is and shall be my business." As you take this stand we hear assemblies and individuals asking, "What can I do to help lift this burden, and what do they need?" Well, they need everything that is needed to help keep any home going :-coal, gas, cereals, bread, sugar, butter, canned vegetables, meat, fruit, jam, in fact, any kinds of groceries. Funds also are needed to pay the salaries of the matron and her assistant.
Some of you may like to send a box of things and share with the missionaries some of the good things of your summer's canning. Others might like to send an order to some grocery store in New York City and thus have it delivered free of charge direct to the Home. Then, there may be some one who would like to definitely take the stand to send regularly a dollar a week or a dollar a month to help in meeting the expenses of the Home. Will all who read this consider that YOUR missionary and those in whom you are interested, have a share in the benefits of the home, as from time to time they come home on furlough. Take this matter in prayer to God and "whatsoever He saith, do it!" There are times when the Home is too small for all who want to come, but as we all do what we can, it will soon be possible to move into a larger building.
As the friends read this we are sure that all will agree we do need this Home and that many will take a share in the responsibility to help keep it open for the comfort and need of our dear, faithful missionaries. Will those desiring to help in any way get in touch with Sister Kraeger, who will gladly answer all questions. Another Home conducted on similar principles as that of Miss Kraeger's is the Home in Chicago under the supervision of Miss Droegmiller. Foodstuffs can be addressed to Miss Lillian Kraeger, 255 West 131 st Street, New York City for the New York Home and to Miss Droegmiller, 1848 Berenice Ave., Chicago, Ill., for the Chicago Home. Offerings of money may be sent to either Home direct or through the Foreign Missions Department, 336 West Pacific St., Springfield, Mo.
"No one can discover truth who does not love the truth, and no one can learn the truth about Jesus Christ who has in his heart no love for Him."

[^1] however innocent in itself it may seem.'


## ARKANSAS REVIVAL

Pastor P. F. Ramsey writes from Malvern, Ark: : "Brother Jake Miller has just closed a meeting here. A number of souls were saved and filled with the Holy Ghost. The Lord is blessing in a wonderful way."

## PRAYER MEETINGS BLEST

Secretary Andrew Macon writes from Dallas, Texas: "The Lord is blessing in a mighty way in the cottage prayer meetings here. Three were filled with the Holy Spirit this week."

## SCHOOLHOUSE REVIVAL

Pastor O. W. Edwards writes: "Just closed a revival at Banner Schoolhouse, Okla. During the 10 nights 25 were saved. Pray that these converts will receive the Holy Spirit. We are to have services there on Thursday nights."

## A NEW CHURCH

Pastor J. G. Neal, Seneca, Mo., writes: "We came here from the General Council meeting and held a 3 weeks' meeting, during which 13 were saved and 1 received the Baptism. We have begun a new cobblestone church and we trust God is going to do great things for us here."

## REVIVAL SPIRIT

Brother Joseph Terlizzi writes from Sioux City, Iowa: "We praise the Lord for the way He is working in our midst. Souls are being saved at nearly every service, some coming through to the Baptism, and there are some remarkable healings."

## FREELAND CAMPAIGN

Pastor John G. Jones writes from Freeland, Pa.: "We are glad to report victory through the Lord Jesus in the revival campaign here conducted by Evangelist Harvey McAlister. A number were saved, healed and baptized with the Holy Spirit. We are much encouraged by the sentiment expressed by the community as a result of the campaign."

## AN ILLINOIS COUNTY STIRRED

Pastor W. W. Lewis writes of the work in Green County, Ill.: "Just closed a 6 weeks' campaign at Carrollton where Elder Gco. B. Fowler is pastor; great spiritual awakening over the entire county. Elder Frank R. Anderson and wife of Goose Creek, Texas, began meetings here Sept. 24. Having to return to Texas we carried on 10 days more with Sister Cope of Alton. In the six weeks quite a number received the Holy Ghost, 24 baptized in water. Various places in this county offer splendid opportunities to men of courage and faith, such as Eldred, White Hall, Roadhouse and Hillview. Any member of the General Council would be welcomed."

## POWER FALLS IN DAVIS, W. VA.

Pastor H. V. Lawson writes from Davis, W. Va.: "Brother Groves of Frostburg, Md., was with us a few weeks ago in a revival meeting. Forty-one were saved and 20 received the Baptism with the Holy Spirit. Our Christmas meeting will begin Dec. 20. We are expecting Chairman H. W. Kline to be with us Dec. 30. Everybody is invited."

## PENNSYLVANIA REVIVAL

Pastor F. D. Drake writes from New Castle, Pa.: "Evangelist Wm. A. Coxe has just closed a very profitable series of revival services. He was assisted in this revival by his daughter Mary, pianist and soloist. Sinners and backsliders were brought to God and many of God's children were refreshed and encouraged to go on."

## OKLAHOMA TENT MEETING

Brother E. L. Damron writes: "We praise the Lord for the victory He gave at Caneyville, Okla., in the new tent which He provided. Brother and Sister N. Rayburn and Sisters Boncher and Haub were with us there. Seventeen were saved and 3 were filled with the Holy Spirit. One woman was saved, and miraculously healed of typhoid and double pneumonia."

## GOOD TEXAS MEETING

Pastor J. F. Stephens writes from Cuero, Texas: "Brother W. H. Law has just closed a meeting here, during which 13 were saved and 13 received the Baptism with the Holy Spirit. Five of this number are the heads of families. There are 50 grown people in our number now, whereas there were only two when my wife and I came here less than two years ago."

## NEW TABERNACLE

Brother James D. Menzie, Gary, Ind., writes: "We wish to sound a note of praise to the Lord who has helped us so wonderfully in erecting a new tabernacle. Truly we can say, "Hitherto hath the Lord helped us." We had our opening campaign Oct. 19 to Nov. 6; Sister Hattie Hammond, Williamsport, Md., spoke each evening. The attendance was splendid, the results gratifying."

## SANTA CRUZ BLESSED

Pastor Ben F. Smith, Santa Cruz Calif., writes: "We have organized a gospel team and hold meetings in small towns on nights we don't have meeting in our tabernacle. We hold services in the Community Hall of one town every Wednesday night. Last Wednesday night we had a full house and 20 were seeking salvation. In every meeting at the tabernacle last week some one received the Baptism with the Holy Spirit."

## TWO ARKANSAS MEETINGS

Pastor Silby S. Kilgore writes: "Brother Barr and wife, Margaret Diefinfaker and myself conducted a meeting recently at Murray, Ark. Large crowds attended. Six were saved and some are praying for the Baptism with the Holy Spirit. We went from ${ }^{*}$ there to Plumlee, Ark. The interest was good. There were 9 conversions, 3 saved the last night of the meeting."

## AKRON REVIVAL

Pastor C. A. McKinney writes from Akron, Ohio: "The Spencer Evangelists of St. Louis, Mo., have just closed a very blessed campaign with us at the Pentecostal Church, Cor. N. York and Howard Sts. Sister Spencer was graciously used of God in her messages from the Word. Brother Spencer led the singing and accompanied with his trombone. Souls were saved in nearly every meeting."

## REVIVAL FIRES

Pastor E. M. Yeats writes from Houston, Tex.: "On Sept. 4, we started a revival under the leadership of Evangelist Harvey Anderson and wife which was a great blessing to the church. Many were saved and baptized with the Holy Spirit. On Oct. 30, we began a meeting with Evangelists Hawkins and Roberson of Oklahoma in charge. Nineteen have been saved and 16 have received the Baptism. Crowds are increasing."

## PROSPEROUS ASSEMBLY

Pastor C. C. Garrett, Revere, Mass., writes: "The Lord has graciously helped us during the past year. In spite of adverse conditions He has saved and baptized the hungry ones. The membership has doubled and the church which will comfortably seat 300 or more, is well filled at Sunday services. Brother Thos. Twiss was with us in a meeting recently, and the work was much benefited by his ministry."

## REMARKABLE HEALINGS

Pastor E. H. Osborn, Easton, Ohio, writes: "We are in the midst of a wonderful revival conducted by Elder David Lewis and wife of Massillon, Ohio. During the afternoon meeting on Sunday, Nov. 13, a sister was instantly healed of a large tumor, also of a stiff limb. Another sister was healed of neuritis and a complication of other diseases. As she was prayed for she fell under the power of God and came through speaking in tongues. She was a member of the United Bresiren Church, Kenmore, Ohio. The people are mightily stirred for God."

## OHIO MEETING

Pastor Delmar Johnson, Uhrichsville, Ohio, writes: "Just closed a 3 weeks' revival with the blessing of God upon it. An old-fashioned Methodist preacher assisted. The power of God was upon him, and he says he will never be satisfied until the Spirit speaks through him in other tongues. Four were saved. Many members of other churches came in and are hungry for more of God. God is leading out in revivals within 20 and 30 miles of
this place. Doors have been opened in churches which have been closed for years, and we trust that God will establish old-fashioned Pentecostal assemblies in these."

## A FORWARD MARCH

Pastor C. M. O'Guin writes from Granite City, Ill.: "The Spirit of God has been resting upon us here in a marked way the past few weeks. The special meetings with Rev. J. N. Hoover, a former Baptist pastor of Santa Cruz, Calif., were a time of blessing, strength and salvation. Dr. Shreve of Washington, D. C., just closed a revival with us. Souls were saved and baptized with the Spirit and the saints were built up. Our Sunday school is well past 300 in attendance and still climbing."

## A NEW WORK

Pastor Earl W. Winand writes: "Having been pastor of an assembly near Mercerburg, Pa., for five years, I felt that the Lord would have us open a work in the town. We purchased a tent and opened a campaign in the center of the town. The Lord gave us favor with the people and they came from all the churches. Some of the older fathers and mothers said, 'This is the old-time religion.' About 50 were saved and 24 baptized with the Holy Spirit. We rented a hall and have services Sunday, Tuesday and Friday evenings; Sunday-school Sunday afternoon. We have splendid crowds and people are getting saved in nearly every service."

## IN MEMORIAM

Nov. 10, 1927, my beloved wife and colaborer in the gospel, Ethel M. Winand, was stricken with paralysis. On Nov. 12, she went to be with the Lord. She was a faithful worker in the Master's vineyard and I know not how to go on without her. Still I would not question the wisdom of God in transferring her from the church militant to the church triumphant.

Five little girls are left motherless. Words are inadequate to express our loss. We can only comfort ourselves with the thought of our Lord's soon coming when we shall be reunited in Him.-Earl W. Winand.

## PERSONAL TESTIMONY OF A CONVERTED CATHOLIC MONK

(Continued from Page Nine)
if I had died there and then I would go right straight to heaven (no purgatory in between, praise God). Oh, what assurance to know that it is so; not only believe but to know.
I was baptized in water, three days later, according to the command of God, by immersion, and God blessed me yet more for this obedience unto Him. I felt so happy that evening after I had been baptized in water that on going home, I went through a deserted street shouting with joy, not having learned to praise God properly, I cried, "Hurrah for Jesus!" But Jesus understood, praise His name.

Three days later, I received the glorious Baptism of the Holy Spirit, in the same manner as the apostles did on the
day of Pentecost, almost 1900 years ago. Acts 2:4

Yes, the promises of God are all true, and this is one of the promises which our Lord Jesus has given us. He said, "Nevertheless I tell you the Truth, it is expedient for you that I go away; for if I go not away, the Comforter will not come unto you; but if I depart, I will send Him unto you. Howbeit when He, the Spirit of Truth is come, He will guide you into all Truth; for He shall not speak of Himself. but whatsoever He shall hear, that shall He speak; and He will show you things to come." St. John $16: 7,13$.

Please note the personal pronouns used when referring to the Holy Spirit. He is not a manifestation, but a person, the Comforter, Him, He, the Spirit of Truth, Himself and He, again and again and not "it." Praise the Lord!
I was under the mighty power and presence of God from three in the afternoon until ten in the evening, when the Holy Spirit began to speak in other tongues as in Acts 2:4. This continued for one hour, after which the Lord gave me a vision and called me into the ministry.

He has given me a companion who has been baptized with the Holy Spirit nineteen years and whom God has been using in a wonderful way. She had been preaching in Italy four years before I met her twelve years ago, souls being saved and baptized in the Holy Spirit. But we will leave her testimony for another tinue, D. V.

God is using us at present as pastors in Burbank, Calif., giving us many precious souls. God has been working in a precious way in saving, baptizing and healing power. But our prayer is for a greater vision, a deeper work in our sonls and life, so that He can use us in a greater way in these closing days of this dispensation of grace. We desire to lift up Jesus and Him crucified and be true to Him until He comes. Pray for us to this end.-J. D. Lewen, pastor-evangelist, Full Gospel Church, 500 Cypress Ave., Burbank, Calif.

## A TESTIMONY

(Extract from letter to Dr. Lilian B. Yeomans)
I had the pleasure of attending your meetings in our town last spring. I praise the Lord each day for sending you for I was healed of a terrible disease I had had many years. I was in an awful condition when you came, and all that winter I had prayed to die. I could neither eat nor sleep and could hardly walk. I prayed day and night to the Lord to help me, and I spent a forttune on doctors. For the last three years much of my time was passed in their offices waiting for treatments. But I grew worse year by year and was dying by inches.
The terrible disease I had was a blood disease called syphilis, which I contracted about 15 years ago when out in $\sin$. I was ignorant of this and did not go to a doctor until about eight years ago when I had a blood test and found out what my trouble was. It almost killed me to discover such a terrible thing, and
all these years I have been keeping it a secret because I was ashamed to let my people know. About one year before you came I had a complete break down, and I promised the Lord I would surrender, get saved, and prepare to die. I did not know anything about this wonderful healing Christ then. I just praise Him for the glorious things He has prepared for His children. Then He sent you to Duluth and you unfolded the Scriptures to me; I was prayed for in your healing services and claimed the promise of God, on which I have been standing ever since.
It is seven monthis since I took this stand and I am feeling just wonderfully well ever since. I threw all my medicine away, including my pills, and I never expect to take any more. I hope that this letter may prove a blessing to some one who is suffering from the same disease.

## OUR MONEY-WISE GOD

"Recently we received a letter from my sister and her husband, who have a large family and live in S. Dak. They were sick and in great financial distress. The letter asked us to help them. I was out of a job and had no money we could spare. The Lord laid it on our hearts to write them to join us in prayer that the Lord would open up something here or there. I told them I had an oil stove that we were not using which we would sell, and send them the money. After writing the letter my wife and I were talking of how little the stove would bring at the second hand store, not over two or three dollars. But we were praying and God answered. He laid it on the heart of a man in N. Torrington to want an oil stove. He visited the second hand stores but could find nothing he liked. A dealer told him of our stove and he came and was glad to pay $\$ 5$ for it, saying it was just what he wanted. My brother-in-law found work and I am promised a job in a few days. We give God all the glory and expect to pray on until the fire falls in Torrington. -Mr . and Mrs. Hugo H. Blumenthal, Torrington, Wyo."
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OPEN FOR CALLS.-As evangelist in new fields. I have a good tent and want to begin revival campaigns as early in the spring as the
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FLORENCE, COLO.-The Morton Sisters evangelistic party will conduct a revival campaign at the Gospel Tabernacle, West Second St., Dec. 4-18. The new tabernacle will be dedicated.


ST. LOUIS, MO.-Elder S. A. Jamieson will conduct a Bible School in Trinity Tabernacle, beginning about Jan. 1. For particul
Pastor Fred Lohmann, 5736 Etzel Ave.

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.

HOUSTON, TEX.-The Woman's Missionary Council will hold a rally at Full Gospel Mission, Dec. 6, 1927. All Councils in this section are expected to take part. Lewisitors, wec'y.
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PLANT CITY, FLA.-Evangelist Powatan T. Huffman of Malden, Mo., will conduct a three
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will be held in the Assembly of God Church, Jan. 1-22, Evangelist Adolph Peterson of Chicago, in clarge. For further information write Pastor Minnie Steel, 706 N . Cherry.

ST. LOUIS, MO.-Special revival services at Trinity Tabernacle Nov. 27 to Dec. 4. Raymond T. Richey will pray for the sick Nov. 29 and
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CALIFORNIA MEETINGS.-Fellows, Nov, $6 \cdot 20$; Coalinga, Nov. 22 to Dec. 6. To be conducted by Evangelist Frederick W. Childe, chart lecturer on "Daniel and Revelation compared." John
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TULSA, OKLA.-There will be a two days' Fellowship meeting at Full Gospel Tabernacle, E. are expecting some of the bretlren 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 Hutsell, Slick, Okla


WILMINGTON, DEL.-Brother Harvey McAlister will conduct an old-time revival in the new church at 23 d and Pine Streets, Nov. 27 to Dec. 14. All are cordially invited. Provision will be made for those who come from a distance. If
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EASTERN DISTRICT COUNCIL MEETING.District Council, Jan. 10-12, inclusive, will con vene at Pentecostal Tabernacle. Cor. W. Orange and Concord Sts.. Lancaster, Pa. The credentia committee will meet Jan. 10 . Candidates for ordination or license are requested to meet the arranged for at local hotels. For other modations write the pastor, Rev. Vernon $G$ Gorther, 44 Parkside Ave. Meals will be served on the free-will-offering plan. Every minister
and licensed preacher of the district is strongly urged to be present. Delegates from assemblies will be welcome.-Harold H, Moss, Sec.

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CAMDEN, N. J.-Pentecostal Missionary Convention will be held at Calvary Tabernacle, 2nd and Pearl Sts., Dec. 2-11. Pastor Geo. Bowie e the principal speaker, assisted by a staff of missionaries and ministers. For further in216 Strawbridge Ave., Westmont, N.

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    Satisfied fully to shine in His likeness,
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    Speak to me, Jesus,
    Here I am waiting-
    Secrets of grace reveal to me more.

[^1]:    "Anything which lessens the hunger for a knowledge of God and His truth or a realization of His presence-that is $\sin$,

