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## The Laugh of Faith

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GOOD laugh is a very healthful thing. There is no better digestive—"Laugh and grow fat!"

"A merry heart doeth good like a medicine, but a broken spirit drieth the bones." Prov. 17:22.

What a lot of dry-bone religion there is! Go and stand at the door of almost any place of worship, and watch the faces of those who enter. How many look as if they were going there for enjoyment? Honestly! Do not the vast majority look as though they were going rather to a funeral than to a feast? To the dentist rather than to "God, my exceeding joy"?

"That's just reverence," says somebody. "Oh, indeed!" "Yes, sir, and a lack of reverence is one of the chief sins of today." Agreed, irreverence is a great sin, but what is reverence? Surely not a long or gloomy face! True reverence is obedience, and disobedience is irreverence in its worst form. Court, not fancy, dress is required when one enters the King's presence; and the court dress prescribed by the King Himself and published in His orders is "JOY." "O come, let us sing," "Let us make a joyful noise," "Let us come into His presence with thanksgiving," "Let us make a joyful noise unto Him with psalms." Thus should all loyal subjects appear before their King.

Look at the smile on the faces of the sons of Korah as they go to church singing: "How lovely, how pleasant are Thy tabernacles, O Lord of Hosts. My soul longeth, yea, even fainteth for the courts of the Lord." Where the heart thus sings the face must needs dance for joy. "As the hart panteth after the water-brooks, so panteth my soul after Thee, O God. My soul thirsteth for God, for the living God." Watch David as he enters his pew, the joy on his face says audibly, "One thing have I desired of the Lord, that will I seek after, that I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life, to behold the beauty of the Lord, and to enquire in His temple"; and here I am "satisfied."

The wise men came to the house where Jesus was, rejoicing with exceeding great

joy. Of course! Had they not seen His star? and were they not sure that He was inside the house? Faith was the cause. Joy is the child of faith, and the fruit of the Spirit of God. "Without faith it is impossible to please God." Faith sees the Son and the Son gives a sunny countenance.

The Lord is a great God, and loves to do great things for His people, and when He does them, their tongues are filled with singing and their mouths with laughter, while all men see that they are glad.

Faith has a large family. Laughter is one of his children. The laugh of Faith is a merry child brightening every heart and home that entertains his parent.

There are two children bearing the name "Laughter," but born of different parents, and wholly unrelated.

The one is the child of Faith, the other the child of Doubt.

The one is the laugh of Joy, the other the laugh of Scorn.

The one is the child of God, but the other that of the devil.

Abraham laughed the laugh of faith, but Sarah the laugh of doubt, but, experiencing a sudden conversion, she later produced and enjoyed the fruit of faith, bearing a child, and calling him "Laughter" (Isaac).

The wise woman of Proverbs laughed at "the times to come," having faith in God, and so in the good times coming.

The minstrels of Jairus laughed the laugh of scorn, doubting the Son of God, and were promptly turned out of the house, thus losing the presence of Jesus Christ, and the wonderful sight of a resurrection from the dead. The Athenians laughed the laugh of doubt on hearing of the resurrection of Christ, and so lost the Apostle Paul, and their best chance of salvation.

The laugh of faith abides for ever, but the laugh of doubt or scorn dies of fear and shame at the Judgment Day or at the Throne of God, if not before.

Faith is a microscope revealing the things of earth as they really are, and not as they seem to be; a telescope magnifying the

things of God and heaven; an eye specialist giving sight to the blind: aye! and faith is the greatest humorist alive, the drollest of the droll; he would conjure a laugh out of an Egyptian mummy, could he only get inside.

Faith makes all the difference in a man's life and death. Look at that man about to die—he has no faith, he may "die game," as they say, but where is "Joy." He dies as a candle goes out, flickering, flickering, and failing, as the end of a thing at auction, Going! Going!! Gone!!!

No comfort there, no hope, no peace, no joy, and no laugh, but that of the devils of hell at the expense of yet another of their dupes. How different had he but had faith. "No place this for a child," you say. "Of course not, for where there is no faith, there is only gloom, and gloom is poison to children."

But look at that man there! He is also nearing the gates of death and knows it. He can't be dying, his face is so bright and his heart so full of joy, he talks like a maid on her wedding morn when she is going to find her heart.

"What drug then has made him take this turn?"

Or is he out of his mind?"

"No, it's just the result of a dose of faith, Clearing the eyes of the blind.

He says he doesn't want to live,

At least not here on earth,

For, though poor here, he's over there

A prince by his second birth.

He's going to court to see his King,

And wear a crown of gold;

A sheep in the arms of the Shepherd good

Entering the fold!"

"Ho! bring my children in to see

This grand and glorious sight,

Of death transformed to paradise,

By faith in the Lord of Light."

"Have you long been a Christian?" I once asked a doctor. "No, I was an unbeliever until a few years ago." "What made you become a Christian?" "Seeing many deathbeds," he replied. "It so happened that the duty of telling parents that

their case was hopeless, and that their days were numbered, very frequently devolved on me, and I observed that while some feared and others were brave and died game, the Christians were filled with joy as though I had told them some piece of rare good news. Assured that the faith that could do that must be the true one, I became a Christian.

*Do you see that man there?* He has lots of money, but just now he has to part with a comparatively small sum; it won't make any great difference to his style of living, and he will hardly have to deny himself one of his wonted luxuries, yet there he goes with woe depicted on his face, as though he was about to have four wisdom teeth extracted at one go, and that without gas. What is the matter with him? He has not faith. This world is his all; to lose anything is a dire calamity; poor rich man!

*But look at this merry fellow!* He's well on in years, but frolicsome as a schoolboy; he is laughing from morn till night. He laughs at everything and with everybody; at danger, disease, death, devil and all; he's a center of perpetual mirth. Some of the straiter sect of the Pharisees take upon themselves at times to reprove him, affirming that perpetual mirth ill becomes a Christian. To which he replies that he really can't help it, that the leopard can't change his spots, that the fruit of the Spirit is joy, that Paul commanded his converts to rejoice *always*, and that the Lord Jesus Himself told His disciples that He spoke to them "that their joy might be full."

"Was this fellow always thus? or how did he become so?" "No, but when he was young, he read in a certain Book that Jesus once told a rich man that, if he wished to have a good time on earth, he should part with his all, give to the poor, and then come and follow Him, but that the young man begrudged to obey; and that Book added that as a result the man went away sorrowful. So this young gambler said he'd like to try and see what would be the result to the man who dared to do as Jesus said! He promptly did it. These are the odd results, a merry heart, a continual feast, and perpetual mirth, instead of a gloomy old age.

When they tell him that he will bring himself and his family into want or starvation if he doesn't look out, he replies that he is so busy "looking up" that he has no time to "look out," that his Father does the "looking out," and He is so good a Coachman that he sees no sense in fear or in taking the reins out of His hands. Yet everybody knows his father has been dead these many years; finally, he'll tell you with great gusto a queer story about a certain five loaves, two fishes, 5,000 men, and twelve baskets, and then affirm that

"Jesus is the same yesterday, to-day and for ever."

He readily admits himself to be about on par with a bird, and then he has to choke down a laugh before adding with a very audible chuckle that "his Father feeds the birds of the air." As regards clothes he says he always expects at the very least to be clad as well or better than King Solomon was, less gaudily, perhaps, but neater. He insists on turning everything upside

Of course nobody believes what he says, and all go away tapping their foreheads with their first fingers, saying, "Poor old fellow! What a pity!"

Now if another man were to suggest he knew a sound going concern that would give 20 per cent, everybody would be running after him and inviting him to dinner to try and pump the secret out of him. It's a wonderful thing is faith; it changes a man's vision, face, brain, heart and desires. In fact, faith makes a man into a New Creation, and it's sober fact that the laugh of faith is the merriest laugh there is. Religion without laughter is like a marriage without love—the result is the same in both cases—"Sourness."

(To Be Continued)

### FROM THE CLOSET

*Fresh from thy closet, God's light on thy face—  
A strong man rejoicing to run in God's race;  
Through holy communion with Jesus thy Lord  
Thy heart is made bold to believe in His Word.*

*Grave fears are forgotten,  
Grim doubts left behind;  
Thy trust is unbroken  
New victories to find.*

*Ah blest is the secret, such power to know—  
To all who will seek, He doth freely bestow.*

*Fresh from thy closet—God's peace in thy heart,  
So deep that no turmoil can make it depart;  
For as thou dost sit in His presence divine  
His very own peace He doth freely make thine.*

*The storm winds that blow  
To shiver thy barque,  
And danger clouds low  
With their threatening dark*

*Can bring no distress to thy peace-anchored heart;  
For in seeking His face, thou hast rest from each dart.*

*Fresh from thy closet—God's grace on thy brow—  
Poured forth through thy spirit His fragrance is now;  
And service is sweet, with no strain or no fret,  
For all of thy need He hath wondrously met.*

*His life more abundant  
At last thou dost know,  
While blessings redundant  
To others now flow.*

*And this is the secret—such wealth to impart;  
When hid in thy closet—God's grace fills thy heart.*

*Fresh from thy closet—with heaven's own ray  
Illuming each turn of thy long pilgrim way;  
In darkness thy path down the valley may wind,  
But light, for each step as it comes, thou wilt find.*

*The glimpse of His face  
In thy blest closet room  
Will surely efface*

*All the shadows that come  
Oh, wondrous assurance of guidance each day  
Is theirs who have hidden in silence away!*

—Alice Reynolds Flower

Scranton, Penn.

down and inside out, and says "that is what every Christian ought to be doing, for did not the Apostles turn even the world upside down?"

Sometimes he will tell you with a sort of knowing Stock Exchange wink that he knows of an unbreakable bank which gives all depositors 10,000 per cent, a "hundred-fold" he calls it, though, all things considered, there are wonderfully few large depositors in it up to the present time, doubtless because the world and the church are mostly filled with faithless folk who don't believe the promises of Christ.

### "DOWN WITH THE JEWS"

It has long been maintained by the Soviet Government that anti-Semitism does not exist there to any appreciable degree. It is now recognized by the Communist Party that some of its sections are permeated with it. "Save Russia! Down with the Jews!" is the slogan being used in many of the factories in Leningrad. The students in Kharkoff are especially active against the Jews who have been beaten without provocation. The leader of these attacks is the Secretary of the Communist group, and the Communist Rector of the Geodesical Institute sympathizes with the movement. The measures taken to suppress anti-Semitism are rather mild, since the government wishes to avoid giving the impression that it is a particular champion of the Jews.—*Allyance Weekly*.

An oil well has been struck near the site of ancient Nineveh, and the works are flooded with 15,000,000 gallons of oil. King Feisal (Babylonian Government) will receive a percentage on every gallon of oil sold.—*Jewish Age*.

The Old Testament closes "with a curse." The New Testament with "no more curse." Between, Christ was "made a curse for us."

### A JEW ON PALESTINE INDUSTRIES

"The development," says Sir Alfred Mond, "of the Palestine Electric Corporation, of which I am a director, under the energetic leadership of Mr. P. Rutenberg, is making magnificent progress, by far exceeding the original anticipation of the founders of this enterprise. The time is not distant, when large new capital will be made available for Palestine enterprises and rapid advance made possible. There is no doubt that business enterprises, well planned and commanding sufficient capital, could earn as big profits in this country as in any other."



## The Victory of Submission

Chas. E. Robinson

In God's Word we read, "Wives, submit yourselves unto your own husbands, as unto the Lord."

This has, to many women, seemed a very grievous command, and it has been even looked upon with contempt and disfavor by some who have considered themselves daughters of the King.

Again in God's Word we read, "Submitting yourselves one to another in the fear of God."

Many—it seems to me most—saints in their spirits, rebel against this scripture, even though it is backed up by that other strong one, "Obey them that have the rule over you and submit yourselves." They are not going to "be bossed by any one." They want it to be understood that they do not take orders even from the minister, and that they can read the Bible for themselves.

The apostle Paul speaks of the household of Stephanus, who "have addicted themselves to the ministry of the saints," and beseeches the Corinthian brethren to submit themselves unto such. 1 Cor. 16:15, 16.

The apostle Peter, speaking by the Holy Ghost says, "Likewise, ye wives, be in subjection to your own husbands."

A perfect man will have his children in subjection, for we read among the other characteristics of a man worthy to be a bishop in the church that he has "his children in subjection in all gravity."

If any who are dead in trespasses and sins have read this article so far, or if any carnal Christian who is not yet dead to sin is reading it, I presume they are saying, "Well, that may be Bible, but it surely doesn't sound good to me." The natural man, the flesh, abhors the idea of submission. Pride is strictly contrary to submissiveness, and pride is one of the most common of all the traits of the flesh.

To "come under," or to "knuckle" to another goes mightily "against the grain" with the man or woman whose self life is much in evidence. Even the six-year-old boy, when he has to mind, grumbles to himself about what he will do when he is big. "I'll do as I please then," he says. A girl, maybe in her teens, in the home, if she is forbidden some pleasure, is likely to say with petulance, "Looks like I could do what I want to some of the time!"

Doing as they please and pleasing to do wrong is what fills the jails with mothers' boys. Children and young people set themselves to have their own way, that is not be in subjection, and they either make a hell out of the home or break their parents' hearts by running away and going to the devil. Members of the assembly refuse to be under authority, and when the pastor would set wrong things right in the church and calls on them for a change in their ways, they not only will not obey, but will run around and say bad things about the pastor, if possible creating a schism in the church. Some saints who prate loudly about being holy will act this way.

Let no one suppose or claim that he is living a life pleasing to God when he is

headstrong and refuses obedience to those who have the rule over him. God's way is for us to submit ourselves. The devil's way is to refuse obedience. Reader, dear, in which way are you?

The apostle James says, "Submit yourselves therefore to God." Some one says, "Now that is more like it. I am willing to obey God; but when it comes to obeying man, that's where I draw the line." But do you not see that if you obey God you will submit yourself to man, for it is God who says, submit yourselves "one to another."

We have seen in this article, and every one has seen in actual life, how not submitting ourselves breaks up homes and breaks up churches. The divorce courts work overtime because of the lack of submissiveness. It is not necessary for me to call your attention to the heartache and woe that come to men and women through broken homes and broken-up churches. Most of us have had some experience with the bitter, woeful fruit of non-submissiveness. Who could measure the oceans of grief and heartbreak caused by broken homes? Only God knows the staggering total. But that is not all by any manner of means. A non-submissive spirit not only brings woe in this life with broken hearts and grief unutterable, but anyone who will give it a moment's thought knows that the man who will not submit himself is not pleasing God—he is not obedient to Christ. Therefore on top of all the misery he has here because of not being submissive, in the future, unless he learns obedience, he must endure the torments of the damned.

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Now look with me at the other side of this dark, dark picture. Children in a home make a practice of giving up their own way and of doing as they are bidden. There will be an occasional tear, it may be, because of some hope not realized; but they have a happy home to live in, there are other pleasures which will come to hand, and when the day or week is past the sacrifice involved in the submission, as they look back on it, appears very small. Moreover it gets smaller and smaller as the days go by. In due time they are a grown-up company of happy children, with happy parents in a delightful and happy home.

In the assembly it is the same way. When the members submit themselves their pride is humbled, and they feel their rights have been interfered with, but the church runs smoothly, every one else is pleased, the pastor's heart is rejoiced, the Spirit of God smiles on the church, sinners see how lovely everything is and they get hungry. Soon a revival is on and the children and loved ones of those who submitted, are brought into the fold, and the grief that came from submitting passes out of mind and is soon lost sight of altogether in contemplation of the joys with which the Lord showers us.

The wife submits herself. Maybe friend husband is wrong and possibly overbearing, but humble submissiveness on the part of the wife, while it brings the momentary hurt to pride, leaves her a happy home in which she can smile on every one, train up her children, entertain her friends, and feel that her life is a blessing to all about her. How different, how tragically different it is when she stands out and has her own way, breaking up the home or at least the unity of it. How strongly, as we meditate on these things, are we brought to realize the truth of God's Word where it says, "For this is the love of God, that we keep His commandments; and His commandments are not grievous."

But even submission, if it is with an ill look or worse yet, ill words, does not bring the peaceable fruits of righteousness. If you are right and husband is wrong, sister, explain to him so he can understand it, why he is wrong, and how it would be better the other way, but if he will not hear, do it his way and try your best to make his way succeed. It may be his way is best after all, and if not best it may be that by an extra effort you can help him make it succeed well. When you get done you have a happy union, your work with him has been at least somewhat successful, and he admires your salvation. If he hasn't any, he is being exposed to it and is likely to catch it soon.

Of course I am not speaking of something that he wants which God forbids. We must obey God rather than man. But such cases are very few and far between.

When I finish this article it will go to another of the editorial staff to be read. It is likely to be criticized. It may even be "scrapped" altogether, and by a woman at that! This has happened often since I've been here. What will I do? I shall submit, with a smile, and write another. I shall forget it at once as not worth being given an instant's attention. If my co-workers can see any way to approve my

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## A Visit to the Gordon's Faith Home at Elyria

By Max Wood Moorhead

The outward aspect of the Faith Home is very pleasing, having a frontage of 200 feet or more, with spacious grassy lawns and kitchen garden in the rear of the 18 roomed house that has a broad front veranda. The interior is cheerful and attractive, with its oak paneled hallway, and broad staircase, containing also living rooms, assembly room and dining room, all on ground floor. "We had Mr. and Mrs. Kreuck in our home," said Brother Gordon to me, "when we lived on Broad Street. As my wife passed by and saw this home which we now occupy, surrounded then by high grass, the Lord said to her, 'You will be in that home'; but she said nothing to me about it. She ascertained that it was for rent or lease at \$40.00 per month. We were paying \$30.00 per month where we were living. We decided to rent the house, but had nothing in hand when we made the decision. A very few minutes before the time had come to pay the \$40.00, the amount required came in by post, and having paid it we had the price of a postage stamp in hand."

Sister Gordon said: "The securing of the place in Elyria was through the supernatural power of God. After we had rented this mansion for a number of years we were informed that it was going to be sold for a clubhouse. The home was full at the time. As we prayed, the Lord led us to write to the owner to enquire the price. There was nothing in sight. We never went into debt. The landlord in his reply to the letter said we were to have the refusal."

"In answer to our prayers, a woman who had been healed through our ministry sent a thank offering of one hundred dollars, which sum we sent as earnest money of the purchase. Before the first payment of \$4,000 was due, a woman of our assembly who had sold some property and had received its value in money was dealt with in a dream about the payment of tithes and as a result she gave us one thousand dollars; and when the payment of \$4,000 was due we had it all in hand in the bank, and from that time whenever subsequent payments have been due we have had the money in hand."

*How one bucket of coal did the work of three*

"A family," said Brother Gordon, when speaking of his business life before they came to Elyria, "whom we knew in Waukegan, were in the coal business and on a certain occasion we gave him our order; but he forgot to send the coal and it was past the hour for delivery. So I went to the basement to get the coal and found there was one bucket full and I needed three to heat the oven. Looking to the Lord, I said, 'Now since you multiplied the flour (See Tract, "The Multiplication of the Loaves," published by the Gospel Publishing House, 5c per dozen), cause one bucket to do the work of three.' I put one scuttle full of coal into the fur-

nace and went ahead with the baking as if I had three and I expected the Lord would make it warm enough to bake all the bread and pies which had been ordered. It turned out beautifully; for the Lord did not disappoint my expectation. I had two experiences of that kind.

"The Lord made it clear to us that we were to leave business and to return to Zion City. We had been in the grocery and bakery business. I felt to ask Him where He wanted me to go and what He wanted me to do. On Sunday night when in the bake house, the Lord said to me, 'Arise, go up to this city and I will tell you what to do.' Accordingly we left business, sold out and went to Zion. We took with us some groceries, and a sack of flour weighing 24½ pounds. A lady offered us to live rent free in her house. She did not know that we were going out of business. The Lord indicated that we were to live in this house. The first thing the Lord gave us to do was to look after a Jewish lady who had lost her mind. The Lord healed her three weeks after we took her on our hearts. There was no work in sight. Provisions were getting low.

"A friend told me I could have some work in weaving rugs. I accepted the job. I expected him to take the rugs off the loom, and the next day I intended to take them home to finish the work, for which I expected twenty dollars. But my friend forgot all about the rugs. Knowing that provisions were low, I prayed, 'Father, You know I have done the best I know how. You will have to provide.' While I was praying, my wife was making a grocery list of the things which were needed. When she completed her list there was a rap at the kitchen door and a man with a basket exclaimed, 'Your groceries, madam!' My wife was astonished. Yes, there was our name plain enough on the card. She took in the articles and examined the packages one by one. Everything she had written on the list was there, and a box of soda crackers as well and some milk checks and a sack of flour.

"This small sack we brought from Waukegan lasted over 6 weeks and during that period the members of the household which ranged from seven to fourteen members were all fed out of that one sack of flour.

*Brother John Gordon's Reminiscences*

"At the age of 18 I was in the bakery business. One day the foreman asked me to bring him some pans of bread, and while endeavoring to do so, I strained my back. This was about Christmas time and I did not know what was wrong with me. I did not get better, but never spoke to any one about the disorder until the following April when I visited an old lady who had been a hospital nurse for 40 years. She had noticed that I was looking pale and said to me, 'Are you sick? What is the matter?' Twice in response

to her repeated enquiry, I said, 'I don't know.' When she asked the question the third time, I said, 'I fear I have a growth.'

"She said, 'No, you are ruptured.' She advised me to consult a doctor which I did, and as a result spent six weeks in a hospital and gradually gained in strength. As the rupture had not healed, I consulted a specialist. The truss which I then wore afforded me no relief. By this time I was almost blind. I was living then in Edinburgh and visited the Royal Infirmary where the doctor examined my eyes and I was requested to return in 4 days to have them burned. Away from my home people, feeling sad and discouraged I said, 'Father, I know you saved me, surely you could do something for my body' I fell asleep crying. In the morning, intending to go to church, I reached for the truss to put it on. The Lord said to me, 'What is the use of putting it on when it does you no good?'

"The next day, starting again to reach for the truss, the Lord said to me again, 'What is the use of putting it on when it does you no good?' I arose and went to work and was occupied all the morning without the truss. I said to myself, 'Can I go all day delivering bread without wearing the truss?' I decided to dispense with its use.

"On Tuesday, the Lord reminded me that I was going without the truss and that I could see better. Before Wednesday dawned the Lord healed me of rupture and blindness and He has kept me healed for about 35 years. Afterwards we had the teaching of the Word on Divine Healing.

"In 1914 my wife and I accompanied by our son Hugh returned to Scotland on a visit, and in the course of our travels we stayed with a family in Kilmarnock. Our host had meetings for down and outs and on a certain occasion asked me to give my testimony and I told him how I got healed from rupture and threatened blindness. After having cocoa and biscuits at 10 o'clock, about midnight I had a pain in my side. My wife said, 'What is wrong?' In anguish of pain, I rolled on the floor. It was warm, for it was the month of July, but I was cold. Friends in the house prayed with me until 4 a. m. I said, 'I cannot stand this pain.' My wife called Mr. and Mrs. Magill in, for I was deathly sick. Putting his hand on my head, Brother Magill rebuked the devil. I knew the sickness meant death. I felt my face stiffen and my eyes set as the sweat poured off me.

"I said, 'Lord, I know this is death, but you are Resurrection and Life.' It was two days after this that prayer was answered and the death curtain lifted. I slept three hours and the pain was all gone, and the same day I hoed the garden and cleaned it up.

"After my return to America, I had a second attack of gall stones which lasted from Wednesday to Saturday, day and



night. We had special meetings on at this time. In my distress the Spirit directed me to 1 Cor. 1:4. 'Who comforteth us in all our tribulation that we may be able to comfort them which are in any trouble, by the comfort wherewith we ourselves are comforted of God.' I fell asleep until 7 a. m. It was communion Sunday, and so I got things ready for the Communion Service. Went to bed feeling weak. Wednesday I passed gall stones and was relieved and completely healed. We stand on Jer. 1:9 and Psalm 37:1."

#### THE LORD'S SURGERY

*Leila M. Conway*

The mother had told me, as she sometimes did when wishing prayer joined to hers, that her son was having another severe attack. Why did these attacks come at different intervals, though the Lord delivered in every one? Strange that they should keep recurring. What was the cause? The poor man's head was bandaged—due to a dreadful mill accident several months before. My heart went out to him in a bit of Christ's compassion and love. The Christ of Galilee! The Christ of to-day! The Christ who shed His blood for the remission of sins! The Christ who was beaten with many stripes, "by whose stripes ye were healed!" The Christ who is soon coming again!

Falling on my knees I besought Him to remove the ailment, whatever it was, the desire also arising unto Him that the man might have no more of those spells. Quickly came the assurance from heaven that it would be done. O Modernist, tell me not that the day of miracles is past! Let it be the assertion of those who have departed from the old beaten paths of the gospel, but as for us who have tried and proven this ever-the-same Jesus, ah, we know better! And if ever you, skeptic, get into a time of despair, drop me a line, and we will join you in prayer to the wonder-working Jesus.

The next morning a large piece of metal was protruding from the open wound in the man's forehead, pushed to the surface by an unseen hand from some place where it was deeply imbedded in the skull. Physicians had failed to locate it at the time of the accident. Here was the answer as to the cause of Mr. P's head attacks. By appointment I went on my journey. On my return the glad mother met me with the news that the piece of metal had come out. "I know it," was my happy reply, thinking of Him who is true and faithful. "Hath He spoken, and shall He not make it good?" Num. 23:19. Believe Him, praying ones, for

"They that trust Him wholly  
Find Him wholly true."

The metal had been expelled sometime during the night, and while Mr. P. relieved of his sufferings, was sleeping. It was lying on his pillow when he awoke in the morning. There it lay, a rough stone with ugly, jagged edges; a mute, but powerful testimony to the great Surgeon's skill. My heart did melt within me! The infinite Lord, high and lifted up, "who hath

measured the waters in the hollow of His hand, and meted out heaven with the span, and comprehended the dust of the earth in a measure, and weighed the mountains in scales, and the hills in a balance," had stooped to help a weak mortal man in his dire need. Truly, words fail in His holy presence. "Without controversy great is the mystery of godliness," yea, "the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ," reaching down to the smallest detail in life. Phil. 4:6.

"How did he live with that in his head?" was the astonished query, when the ugly thing was seen, the inquirers not stopping to think of the "God with whom all things are possible," for much prayer in His name had kept the man from succumbing to any of the sicknesses while the missile was in his head. Within a few hours the work was done, and from that day to this, there has been no recurrence of Mr. P's head attacks and he is constantly employed in his field of toil. Blessed be the name of the Lord!

This wonderful Jesus, yes, He lives, the very Christ of Bible days. His great heart of love beats in sympathy and yearning for you, needy one. He speaks to you from the Word. He draws near in your closet of prayer. He is to be found in believing praises. O sufferer, haste you to Him, drop your doubts and fears in the way as you go, and let faith spring up in your soul, for "He is a rewarder of them that diligently seek Him." I see a whole line of the grief-stricken, the tempest-tossed, the thirsty, the burdened, along life's walks. Lift up your heads, all ye, for a message of cheer I bring you from the dear Book; a message that should put hope within every troubled breast and make you to sing for joy. "And a Man"—even the very same Jesus—"shall be as a hiding place from the wind, and a covert from the tempest; as rivers of waters in a dry place, as the shadow of a great rock in a weary land." Isa. 32:2. Stretch forth your hand now and lay hold upon Him. Sinner, won't you turn to Him, too? for He canceled the debt of your sins on Calvary's cross, if you will but accept Him through faith in His blood. Rom. 3:24, 25.

#### HEALED OF ECZEMA

I just love to tell of the goodness of God and of His wonderful works among His children. I was afflicted with weeping eczema on my hands and wrists for over four years and it would itch so bad at times that I would turn deathly sick and forget everything except my affliction. In the winter time it would always be worse and my hands would swell so that I could not bend my fingers.

In November of last year I became helpless so far as my hands were concerned, couldn't even bathe or dress myself. Sleep had almost gone from me. There was no rest to be had when they were so bad. Before I was saved and baptized in the Holy Ghost two years ago, I had tried everything that I knew of and had twelve doctors during that time with no results whatever. Some doctors would tell me

I would carry it with me to my grave; others said they just could not cure it but that they might give me some relief. But after using their medicines I would find I was no better and became discouraged again.

So many times I tried different remedies only to see they were not even relieving me for a short time. Then I'd become so disheartened that I would cry and beg God for relief. But, of course, there were conditions to be met.

At last, after getting a wonderful experience from our dear Saviour, I knew that He loved me too—and I would pray and ask others to help me pray, but somehow I was not completely healed until now. For when I thought my faith sufficient, Job's miserable comforters would come along and make such remarks as to how terribly bad my hands were looking and prescribe different medicines to me, what they thought would cure my hands and then my faith would weaken and down I would go worse than ever. I am now living in a country where there are no Pentecostal people at all.

I could see no other way than just giving up to suffer the remainder of my life with a dreadful disease, that had already ruined my nerves completely. But a few weeks ago I had letters written to several of God's children in my home town, Milton, Florida, also my mother who has been in the evangelistic work 20 years, also a sister and sister-in-law who too are blessed children of God, and asked them to fast and pray with me till they knew and had the assurance from above that I would not only be relieved but be altogether healed. And thanks be to Him who died for me, my hands to-day are as well as they ever were and I don't know how to praise Him enough for it.—Mrs. Dessie Hendon, Norfield, Miss.

#### HEALED OF T. B.

For the past five years I have been devoting all my time to the ministry and am pastor of the Olive Branch Assembly of God. Before I began preaching and from the time of my healing I was a laboring man. I was a sufferer from T. B. for seven and a half years, never knowing what it was in all that time to draw a well breath. I would spit up chunks of my lungs, and I would have hemorrhages until I could not lift my hand to my head. Many doctors tried but failed to do me any good. Finally one told me no one could help me but the Lord. I was a sinner and this made me think. I began reading the Bible, beginning at the first. I read to the 28th of Deuteronomy and there the Lord graciously healed me. I had no one to pray for me and had not at that time found that God tells sick folk to send for the elders and be anointed and prayed for. He just heard my own feeble cry and healed me. This was in the spring of 1899, and I have been living for the Lord ever since. Praise the Lord!—George B. Fowler, Olive Branch, Illinois.

## Speaking With Other Tongues

Pastor Ernest S. Williams, Philadelphia, Pa.

Much controversy has arisen during the past few years as to whether one might speak with other tongues now as at the beginning of the Christian era, and many interpretations have been given to those scriptures which refer to this manifestation of the Holy Spirit. To all these interpretations we would like to add our little contribution.

There is a speaking in other tongues as a sign. Our Lord Jesus, in His last commission, said, "And these signs shall follow them that believe: In my name . . . they shall speak with new tongues." Mark 16:17. In harmony with this promise of Jesus, St. Paul says, "Wherefore tongues are for a sign, not to them that believe, but to them that believe not." 1 Cor. 14:22. He quotes from the Old Testament, in support of his claim. "In the law it is written, With men of other tongues and other lips will I speak unto this people; and yet for all that will they not hear Me, saith the Lord." v. 21. Turning to Isaiah 28:11, 12—the scripture from which Paul quotes—we find it is written, "For with stammering lips and another tongue will He speak to this people. To whom He said, This is the rest wherewith ye may cause the weary to rest; and this is the refreshing." From this we learn that, if tongues are for a sign, it is a sign of rest and refreshing.

Peter, in the third chapter of Acts, exhorts the Jews to repent and be converted that so seasons of refreshing might come unto them from the presence of the Lord. He, and the disciples, knew what this refreshing was, for they had just received it in the Baptism with the Holy Ghost and fire, and, when they were filled, they all received the sign, for, they "began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance." Hence the unknown tongue is a sign of the rest and the refreshing received in the Baptism with the Holy Ghost. Acts 2:4; 10:46, and 19:6.

But we would like to quote this scripture to you as it is given in the Revised Version, as it seems a little clearer there than in the Authorized, "Repent ye therefore, and turn again, that your sins may be blotted out, that so there may come times of refreshing from the presence of the Lord: and that He may send the Christ who hath been appointed for you, even Jesus: whom the heaven must receive until the times of restoration of all things, whereof God spake by the mouth of His holy prophets that have been from of old." Acts 3:19-21. Here Peter witnesses that, upon the ground of repentance and having one's sins blotted out, God will send these seasons of refreshing from the presence of the Lord.

But Peter, in this same scripture, also connects such refreshings as an experience that should be manifest in those days immediately preceding the return of our Lord Jesus Christ, "That so there may come times of refreshing from the

presence of the Lord: and that He may send the Christ." Believing this, and believing also that the coming of the Lord draweth nigh, thousands of earnest souls are seeking and finding the rest and refreshing, such as was enjoyed by the church in the beginning. And the same sign is attending this blessing now that attended it then. And this manifestation of the Spirit is likely to become more manifest as we draw nearer the hour when our Saviour shall appear, since the refreshing has such a close association with the promise of His return.

And to this agree also the writings of our beloved brother James where he says, "Be patient therefore, brethren, unto the coming of the Lord. Behold, the husbandman waiteth for the precious fruit of the earth, and hath long patience for it, until he receive the early and the latter rain." James 5:7. The early church received the early rain; the church living near the time of the return of Christ shall receive the latter rain. It is this rain of rest and refreshing from the presence of the Lord that is now falling.

And since tongues are a sign of this refreshing (1 Cor. 14:22 and Isa. 28:11, 12), is it not readily to be seen that this sign should attend being filled with the Spirit to-day?

But many sincere Christians stumble at this and confuse the *sign* with the *gift* of tongues. "To another divers kinds of tongues." 1 Cor. 12:10. Here Paul is speaking of the gift of tongues, which is the same in kind with the sign which attends the rest and refreshing, or outpouring of the Spirit upon the believer's heart, but is different in its operation and permanence.

It is not the part of wisdom to entirely sidestep the speaking with other tongues by quoting the one statement of Paul, "Do all speak with tongues?" (1 Cor. 12:30), as though that dismissed the subject, without giving any consideration to the experiences found throughout the Book of Acts, or comparing statements made elsewhere by this same holy apostle.

For example, we are clearly taught concerning the gift, that it is to be controlled, the speakers being at most not more than three in any public meeting, and these to refrain unless some one be present who

has the gift of interpretation, so that what they have spoken may be interpreted to the understanding of the hearers. 1 Cor. 14:27, 28. Yet, when the Spirit fell on the believers, in every instance they *all* began to speak with other tongues. A difference of some sort consequently must exist. And this difference must be defined, else the instructions given by Paul are found to contradict what the Holy Spirit invariably did. And this distinction is simple to find.

In the speaking in tongues as the Spirit gave utterance there is the direct operation of the Spirit upon the believer, in keeping with the words of Jesus that when the Spirit was come, "He shall testify of Me" (John 15:26), and with the prophetic promise of Joel, "I will pour out My Spirit upon all flesh" and they shall prophesy. Joel 2:28-32; Acts 2:16-18.

But in the matter of the gift, we must take into account the human spirit, and a gift largely under its direction. "If I pray in an unknown tongue, my spirit prayeth, but my understanding is unfruitful." 1 Cor. 14:14. In the speaking as the Spirit gave utterance, we have a speaking which is the immediate result of being filled with the Holy Ghost. But in the speaking as a gift, we have the speaking left largely to the volition of the one blessed with the ability. If such were not so, confusion could not have resulted in the Corinthian church as it did, for the Holy Ghost is not the author of confusion. Yet we know that confusion did result, consequently it must be acknowledged that the gift of tongues is imparted to the human spirit, and needs the guidance of the Scriptures lest its purpose be abused and, instead of proving the blessing intended in its bestowment, it becomes a hindrance to the work of God. But the blessing and richness of this gift upon one's personal devotional life can only be known by personal experience for, "He that speaketh in an unknown tongue edifieth himself." "Howbeit in the Spirit he speaketh mysteries." 1 Cor. 14:2, 4. In no place is God's purpose in bestowing this gift revealed to be for the evangelization of the world, but Paul, who thanked God that he spake with tongues more than they all (1 Cor. 14:18), knew the wealth of blessing resulting from its use in consecrated communion with God.

In our public service all should agree with Paul, "Yet in the church I had rather speak five words with my understanding, that by my voice I might teach others also, than ten thousand words in an unknown tongue." 1 Cor. 14:19. While provision should be made for the possibility of this gift being used in the church as a sign to the unbelievers (1 Cor. 14:22), yet, to use it for display, is rigidly discouraged. 1 Cor. 14:7-12, 16, 17, 23. Moreover, since it is plain that, "He that speaketh in an unknown tongue, speaketh not unto men, but unto God," one should be careful about interrupting a sermon going forth in the interest of men (which the hearers can understand), with a message in a language unknown. Too often it has happened where an untaught, though earnest, Christian, possessing the

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gift, has, instead of helping, hindered, by interrupting the preaching of God's word, with a message in an unknown tongue, diverting the minds of the hearers away from the message from the holy Scriptures, to the word unintelligible to them, being spoken in a language which they could not understand, and, in the confusion which has followed, the purpose of the sermon has been frustrated. Yet a hard and fast rule, prohibiting all instances of such character, must not be rigidly followed, for, "Who knoweth the mind of the Lord that he may instruct Him?" All that one can urge is that all seek to follow the Holy Spirit, and not the inclinations of their own human spirits. "Brethren, be not children in understanding: howbeit in malice be ye children, but in understanding be men." 1 Cor. 14:20.

Sacredly do we need to value the gifts of God, but assiduously do we need to study to hold them in their proper sphere, and use them for the purpose for which they are given. Do not think it will hinder your liberty, nor retard your progress in God, if you hold these blessings in the relationship intended by our heavenly Father. "Wherefore, brethren, covet to prophesy, and forbid not to speak with tongues. Let all things be done decently and in order." 1 Cor. 14:39, 40.

Yet, let all remember, it were better to endure some confusion in the church of Christ than to suffer the impotent formality found in so many gatherings for Christian worship. That which is of paramount importance is that Christian believers be filled with the Holy Spirit, and the patterns of such infilling are recorded for our learning that we, through patience and comfort of the Scriptures, might have hope. Acts 2:4; 10:46; and 19:6.

#### HEALED OF HEART TROUBLE

I thank God for healing me. For a long time I had suffered in my body, but was unable to find the source of the trouble. I consulted a physician who diagnosed the case as valvular heart trouble, resulting from tonsillitis, the poison from the infected tonsils having invaded the blood stream, causing the valves of the heart to become weak so that they ceased to function properly, hence the blood was not held in the heart chambers until ready to be discharged at the proper time. I would experience "sinking spells" and physical exhaustion. I was prayed for and anointed according to James 5:14-15 and was instantly healed. I have not suffered from this ailment since.—Mrs. W. M. Lyons, 3401 8 Ave., Beaver Falls, Pa.

Do not blame circumstances for your weakness. Joseph kept pure in an idolatrous household; Hophni and Phineas became foul and false in the Temple. His grace is sufficient for the place in which you dwell.—Dean Farrar.

Whatever man may do, the gracious Master trusts again the man who has failed and repented and who nevertheless has love left.

The following story is told by Mrs. Rounds, the well known Jewish worker.

When my little son was about ten years of age, his grandmother promised him a stamp album for Christmas.

Christmas came, but no stamp album, and no word from grandmother. The matter, however, was not mentioned, but when his playmates came in to see his presents Christmas morning, I was astonished after he had named over this and that, as gifts received, to hear him add, "and a stamp album from grandma." I heard it several times, when I called him to me and said, "But, Georgie, you did not get an album from grandma. Why do you say so?" There was a wondering look on his face, as if he thought it strange that I should ask such a question and he replied, "Well, mamma, grandma said, so it is the same as." I could not say a word to check his faith.

A month, however, went by, and nothing was heard from the album.

Finally, one day, I said, to test his faith, and really wondering in my heart why it had not been sent, "Well, Georgie, I guess grandma has forgotten her promise that she would give you a stamp album." "Oh, no, mamma," he quickly and firmly said, "she hasn't."

I watched the dear, trusting face, which for a while, looked very sober, as if debating the possibilities I had suggested. Finally a bright light passed over it, and he said, "Mamma, do you think it would do any good if I should write to her thanking her for the album?"

"I do not know," I said, "but you might try it." And a rich spiritual truth began to dawn upon me. In a few minutes a letter was prepared and committed to the mail, and he went off whistling his confidence in grandma.

In just as short a time as a letter could reach us, the answer came.

"My Dear Georgie: I have not forgotten my promise to you, my little son, of an album. I tried to get such a book as you desired, but could not find the sort you wanted. So I went on to New York, but it did not get here until after Christmas, and it still was not right, so I sent for another, and as it has not yet come, I send you three dollars to get one in Chicago.

Your Loving Grandma."

As he read it, his face was the face of a victor. "Now, mamma, didn't I tell you?" came from the depths of a heart that never doubted, who "against hope believed in hope" that the stamp album would come. As the case was self-evident, there was no controversy on the occasion. The simple facts were that while Georgie was trusting, all in the dark, grandma was working, and in the "due season" faith became sight. My own heart was rebuked, and I saw in it a wonderful illustration of these truths: "We walk by faith, not by sight." 2 Cor. 5:7. "All things whatsoever ye pray and ask for, believe

that ye have received them, and ye shall have them." Mark 11:24, R. V. "And this is the confidence we have in Him, that if we ask anything according to His will, He heareth us; and if we know that He hear us, whatsoever we ask, we know that we have the petition desired of Him." 1 John 5:14, 15. "Be careful for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving, let your requests be made known unto God, and the peace of God, which passeth all understanding, shall keep your hearts and minds." Phil. 4:6, 7.

#### A VICTORY OF LOVE

In a rescue mission in one of our cities a cultured, delicately reared young woman went to sing at the evening service. Back on the very last seat sat one whose life had gone to the depths of sin. Her clothing was foul and tattered. Her breath reeked with the fumes of whiskey. She was covered with vermin, and deep marks of sin marred the face beyond recognition.

The young woman sang the old hymn:

"Down in the human heart, crushed by the tempter,  
Feelings lie buried that grace can restore."

As she sang, she noticed the bleared eyes fastened on hers with a cynical expression that was a challenge to her song. As soon as she had finished singing she went to the woman and, bending near, she said, "Jesus loves you, dear." The woman uttered an oath that turned the young woman's heart sick; but not to be repulsed she said, "Yes, He loves you, and wants to help you."

"How can I believe some one I never saw loves me when you standing right here, a so-called Christian, do not love me?" the woman sneered.

"But I do love you. That is why I came back to you. I want to see you happy."

With defiant voice the woman answered, "If you love me so much, why don't you kiss me?"

The singer turned faint at the vile odor of the whiskey, every detail of the horror of unloveliness burning into her consciousness; but, closing her eyes she prayed, "Thy grace, Lord, is more than enough," she pressed her lips against the sinning one. A cry rang out, "O God, can anyone love such a vile wretch as I am?" And hurrying up the aisle the sinner bent at the mercy-seat where the Saviour met her in welcome and pardon. She was saved, and she lived a life of service to the King; and again and again as she gave her testimony she would say, "I never would have believed in the love of God if the dear young woman hadn't kissed me."

All man's religion, without exception, is man seeking after God. Christianity is God seeking man.—Joseph Parker.

A wound will not heal till the dirt is taken out. So it is with the wound of sin. God does not heal it till it is cleansed by confession.

## Pentecost in South Wales

At the age of 25, I was a desperately wicked man and a stakeholder for those betting or making wagers. On two different occasions I had made up my mind to murder two men; one of whom was a policeman who had insulted me, the other was my stepfather, who had been cruel to my mother.

Because of friendship for a neighbor, I endeavored to recover her son, a young man from the snare of drink. One night when it was extremely cold weather, I induced this young man to attend a meeting in the Congregational Church, not from desire for spiritual things, but to seek shelter from the cold. I hated to be in this meeting but because my friend was there, I would not leave him alone. At this period, I felt that if there was a God and heaven and hell, that God would not be so unkind as to put me in heaven; for I hated everything that was good.

Reflecting upon eternal things, I began to pray, "O Lord, if there is a hell, reveal it to me." One morning when about to go down to the mines to my work, the Lord saved me all through from my head to my toes; something went through me, and I was absolutely sure my sins were forgiven, and I went to my work thinking that all my companions would get saved and believe in Jesus. But they said I had religious mania. I was then living in Machen.

I was soon after my conversion, instrumental in the salvation of a very wicked man, and through our united prayerful efforts, numbers of the ungodly were brightly converted. The greatest enemy to the spread of the gospel in those parts was the minister who was addicted to drink.

After I was converted, I believed there must be something more for me than the new birth. While by God's grace my conduct was unblamable, the devil sometimes would gain an advantage over me through eye gate. I felt God must have a remedy for this besetment. Having heard of the Keswick Convention, I attended from time to time the meetings in connection with the Keswick movement, but somehow I failed to master the secret of deliverance from inbred sin.

My mother had died of heart disease at the age of 44 and I too was suffering from the same complaint. Having heard that Pastor Howton's ministry for the sick was attended with a considerable degree of success, I went to his place and was anointed and healed of heart disease. This dear brother warned me very earnestly of a delusion called Pentecost which he assured me was a counterfeit, and he told me to beware of the influence of a plausible man called Tetchner who belonged to the Tongues Movement. I reasoned if there is a counterfeit there must be the real thing somewhere. I said to my son, "The devil is far too wise to forge a counterfeit if the real thing does not exist." So I said to Tom, "I am going after the real thing."

Having made the acquaintance of Brother Tetchner, I promptly invited him

to come to Cross Keys to preach Pentecost. Cross Keys is an important mining center in South Wales with a population of 7,000, the most of whom are connected with coal mines. The saints who gathered believed the teaching given to them by Brother Tetchner and numbers speedily came into the experience recounted in Acts 2:4, myself included; though I did not receive so quickly as some of the rest. In the Cross Keys assembly we stand for the verbal inspiration of the Bible, Divine Healing, Holiness, the Gifts of the Spirit, the Lord's Second Coming, and Pentecost with the sign of tongues.

We decided to have a receiving meeting one Sunday morning. Though a deacon in the church, I was as ignorant as a donkey of how such a meeting should be conducted. Early in the proceedings, four or five present were prostrated. I saw that this manifestation corresponded with Acts 2, when some said on the Day of Pentecost, "These men are full of new wine." I danced for joy, since in our ignorance God had met us so wonderfully and a member of my own family spoke in tongues.

One young man who was present in this meeting had a burden for his family at Llantwit. His mother got saved and also some of his relatives. We went there to carry on meetings. From Llantwit as a center, three other assemblies have been established, the Pentecostal revival having spread to Rhydfelin, Pontyclenn and Peterstone.

A young man in the last stage of consumption could obtain no remedy in his native place, Machen. He came to our meeting in Cross Keys and got healed. As a result of this healing, meetings were held and many received the Baptism, and the revival spread to Bedwas, and from there to Abergold. Also in Thomastown and in Caerphilly assemblies were planted.

In Newport a woman named Mrs. Williams was miraculously healed of heart failure. Propped up in bed with pillows, she could scarcely move. So complete was the work of healing that shortly afterwards she cycled 20 miles to another village to tell her mother the good news and after her return the same day did a hard day's washing. She was soon afterwards baptized in the Spirit. There are now four different assemblies in Newport.

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In the early days of the Pentecostal outpouring in Cross Keys in one of our meetings a sister who was a Congregationalist cried out as if some one were murdering her, "I am not saved! and none of my brothers and sisters are saved!" She invited a sister in another village to visit her. This woman got saved and upon her return home, her husband said, "I'll have what you have at all costs." In the church in this village there had been no additions in 16 years. When this man was converted, in a short time 19 others were brought into the fold. There was great power in this revival, and on one occasion a man seated near the table where the Communion was being administered, fell to the floor and a demon crying with a loud voice came out of him. Those present were for a time panic-stricken; but were quieted when the man who had been delivered, with a beaming face said, "I feel a different man altogether."

A woman whom I knew who had suffered from a complication of diseases was anointed and instantly healed. Her father-in-law insisted upon taking her to a specialist mentioning her many complaints and stating she had been advised by doctors on no account to walk up a hill. After examining the patient the specialist said to the gentleman, "You and those doctors are all deluded. Your daughter-in-law is perfectly able to run up a hill. Tell those doctors that my name is Dr. Richards and I say that this woman is entirely healed."

In Newbridge, a market town, from time to time, literally thousands have gathered in the open air to hear the gospel, the crowds being so dense as to interfere with traffic. A woman in this place was operated upon for cancer unsuccessfully, for the disease in great virulence returned. A Pentecostal brother prayed for her and she was healed and as a result of her testimony, numbers were brought into the experience of the Baptism in the Holy Ghost, and an assembly formed and a chapel purchased costing between three and four thousand dollars.

Thirty-six assemblies have directly or indirectly been formed as branches of the mother assembly in Cross Keys.

The average attendance at Cross Keys on a Lord's Day morning is 120. The congregation is composed of working-class people. We preach tithes and freewill offerings and in eleven years the sum of approximately \$16,236 has been contributed to foreign missions alone, which does not include considerable amounts contributed for home needs.—Sidney Mercy.

When George Rhoad, of the Africa Inland Mission, was about to leave for Africa for the first time, he paid a farewell visit to an old colored mammy who lived near Philadelphia. He expressed to her his feeling of inadequacy for the task before him, when the old colored saint replied, "Sonny, you can't hold much; but you can spill lots."

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### IN PERILS OF WATERS

J. E. Perdue

The day before yesterday I returned from a business trip to Canton. Arrived at Hoh Hau, and boarded the boat "ON LEE" expecting to return to Lo Pau, but suddenly without word of warning the boat took fire. It started in the doorway which was our only means of exit and seeing the danger I immediately ran out onto the running board with the hopes that a sampan would come to our assistance. None came, and in the meantime, the fire began to spread owing to the fact that the oil had caught fire. The Chinese quickly became panic stricken, and some jumped into the water, while others called for help and after throwing their luggage into the water jumped in after it. I waited for a while hoping that help would come, but the fire was increasing and there was nothing else for me to do but to jump into the water which I did, grasping my grip in one hand and a Chinese paper umbrella in the other. I swam for a bit and was picked up by a sampan later and taken to shore where the customs men invited me to their home. However, since we have a Mission here in Hoh Hau, I went there instead. The Chinese pastor in charge gave me some dry clothing, after which I went to Sainam which is not far distant and in that place we have our missionary home "Peniel." Mr. Kelley was away on business, but Mrs. Kelley was there and others so with their help some clothing was given me and I was made as comfortable as possible. About twenty souls were lost in the fire, including those who were drowned and some were badly burned. At Sainam there was a little stir on account of the robbers coming in that evening and robbing, or rather entering a Chinese school and taking some twenty-nine students for ransom. In returning home the next morning I was the talk of the place, and the remarks were humorous as to the "foreign devil" who with the help of his "Sheung Tai" (God) was able to get ashore, much to the amusement of the onlookers. My only loss was a hat and cheap watch. My grip and umbrella having kept afloat, the contents of the former although partly soaked with water soon dried out afterwards. Praise the Lord for His keeping power and preserving grace, who protects us from dangers seen and unseen.

### DISTRICT COUNCIL MEETING

The recent session of the Northern California and Nevada District Council, held in the First Pentecostal Church of Oakland, Calif., was according to the general consensus of opinion of those who attended the very best session ever held since the organization of the District. The usual routine of business was attended to, but during the business sessions the Spirit of God hovered over the saints in a most precious way. Numerous messages in tongues with interpretation were given, and the joy of the people was great. Brother M. T. Draper was re-elected to the office of District Superintendent, and Brother Thommen was chosen to succeed himself in the of-

office of secretary-treasurer. Brother J. W. Welch addressed the ministers who were about to be ordained. One evening was given over to the Glad Tidings Bible Institute. Members of the student body sang and spoke, and it was a never-to-be-forgotten night. This Bible Institute is one of the very best, and the Lord has been very greatly blessing Brother Craig and the work in San Francisco. The last evening of the session was devoted to foreign missions, and several addresses were delivered by young people who are soon to take their places in "the regions beyond." When the altar call was made a large number of young people bowed before God and consecrated their lives to His service. The meeting closed with a floodburst of glory, and the workers departed to their respective fields of labor, rejoicing in the fact that they have been accounted worthy to be put into this ministry. The feeling was expressed that this might prove to be the last session of this District Council. It seemed that the Lord was so near that His coming must be very nigh, even at the doors. Before another year shall have passed into history the rapture may take place, and the saints may go up to meet Jesus in the air. Even so, come Lord Jesus!—Pastor J. Narver Gortner.

### PRAYER ANSWERED

The Morton Sisters, Cornville, Ariz., write: "We are in the interior of Arizona, many miles from the railroad. We are in the first week of the revival, and hundreds of people fill the tent and grounds, many driving 25 and 30 miles on week nights. Altars are filled every night. One dear mother has prayed under her 'willow tree' every day at 10 o'clock, winter and summer, for 3 years, for a revival, and the revival is on!"

### A CORRECTION

The three converts reported as a result of the fifth Sunday meeting at Nelda, Okla., were saved at the Assembly of God shed, Province, Okla., the night after the all-day meeting at Nelda. Beg pardon, Brother Comer.

Make the most of me, O Lord, that can be made for Thy glory.—Dr. Thomas Chalmers.

### FIFTY THOUSAND

*We have sent out 50,000 copies of the eight-page edition of the Evangel of April 28. These eight pages contain articles on Salvation, Healing, the Baptism in the Spirit, Holy Living and the Signs of the Times. This EXTRA number is a splendid one for general distribution. The price is, 100 copies for \$1.00, 25 copies for 25 cents. When 1,000 copies are ordered, the name, address and times of meetings of assemblies are printed on the front page of the paper without additional cost. We have printed an additional 35,000 copies of this EXTRA edition. Order a good supply and sow down your neighborhood.*

### THE VICTORY OF SUBMISSION

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articles they will do so. Friendliness will prevail among us all. How different it would be if I got cross or rebellious or felt myself aggrieved. Soon there would be a feeling of constraint between us here, and the great joy of living and working together would be gone.

In my home do you suppose I am going to allow my wife to get ahead of me in the grace of submissiveness? Not I! I'm going to try my best to keep up with her. There is development and growth in grace in being submissive. I find out which way my wife wants to go and I help her in going that way. It may not be my way—often isn't. It may not seem to me the best way,—sometimes it isn't,—but by helping her the best I can to put her idea across, even if it isn't the best way, we can succeed pretty well and when it is all over we will still be friends. No divorce courts for us! Nothing that looks toward the divorce court, or that could ever possibly do so; but smiles, and joy in the Holy Ghost, and conjugal felicity such that it makes our life a thing by which the relation between Christ and His church can well be illustrated.

But, some one is saying, "You do not submit to your wife do you? The Word says for wives to submit to their husbands." Quite true, but the Word in the same chapter, and before it commands wives to submit to their husbands, commands us to submit one to another. So you see I have Bible for submitting the same as my wife has, and thus she cannot run off with all the blessings that come from submission.

"There's millions in it," my brother, as my old father used to say, when we would be talking of some wonderful plan for succeeding financially. If you have been having your own way and have not been submitting, I hazard the guess that others about you have been drawing dividends from God's bank while you have been having to "come across" with further investments to save the investment.

Even Jesus came not to compel others to do His way, but to submit. He came not to be ministered unto but to minister, so "leaving us an example" that we "should follow His steps." 1 Pet. 2:21.

You may not know what the theologians mean about sanctification, or holiness; you may not have an opinion as to whether we are to have a second definite work of grace; but better far, you will actually be living in holiness, and on the way to heaven, if you will heed the things here written and a few other things that might be written. Come on, let's go.

### HEALED OF TOBACCO CRAVING

I am sixty-two years of age and have used tobacco since I was eleven. Two years ago the 12th of April God took from me all desire for the filthy stuff. How I do praise His precious name for His wonderful grace bestowed on me! I ask your prayers that I may be able to express myself just right in my responsible place in the Sunday school.—C. A. Taylor, Route 1, Box 4, Carthage, Ark.

# The Gospel in Foreign Lands

Missionary News

In the second row from the back at the extreme left is Brother Kvamme; standing beside him is Brother Lloyd Creamer.

At the extreme right in the back row is Brother Baltau, and at the extreme right of the second row from the back is Brother Creamer's co-worker, while to his right is Brother Baltau's son, Fred. In front of these two young men is Brother Anglin.

In the front row at the extreme right is Mrs. Baltau, and in the front row seated on the ground with the children is Mrs. Kvamme. In the middle of the second row from the front is Miss Petterson. The other people are Chinese workers and converts.

## EARTHQUAKES IN GREECE

Harry Mamalis

On the 22nd day of April, God shook the city and state of Corinth with a great earthquake which practically destroyed the entire city and many villages around. A number of people were killed and from ten to fifteen thousand rendered homeless, without food or clothing.

Many came together after the earthquake and knelt in the open air, crying unto God for mercy. At the same time

that the earthquake took place in Corinth, the city of Athens was also shaken and many of the inhabitants spent the whole night in prayer, fearing that the end of the world had come.

On a later date our brother writes: "God is working mightily in this country and earthquakes are continuing in different parts of the country. Last Sunday, April 29th, the entire city of Athens had united in prayer that God would stop the earthquakes and even while they were praying, the city was shaken twice and two great crosses appeared in the sky, according to the witness of many. Are not these signs that the coming of the Lord is near?"

"We want to thank God for enabling us to open another station near Areopagus where Paul preached in early days. Five months ago we started meetings in Athens with twenty or twenty-five believers and by the Lord adding to the church we now have between sixty and seventy. Praise God for the people who are hungry to hear God's Word."

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

## WORK AMONG THE THONGAS Austin and Carrie Chawner

The Thongas are a tribe of people inhabiting the Southern portion of Portuguese, E. Africa, among whom God has called us to work.

Sometimes we have difficulty in presenting the message of God and His love to these people, owing to the fact that the

huts, we hear voices and soon come to a group of people sitting around a large clay pot. The pot is full to the brim and a newcomer might wonder, "What is that thick foaming liquid?" but to these Thonga people it is by no means strange. One man sits in the center dipping it out into a calabash, while a boy carries it around serving the people. Each one takes a good drink from the calabash, and then it is passed on to the next one. This is a beer-drink; they continue in this fashion until they are well beyond the natural state. Beer-drinks are not only frequent social gatherings, but also serve as remuneration for work in the fields. One will arrange a beer-drink as an incentive to his neighbors to help him plant or reap his fields. This practice makes beer-drinking extremely excessive during the planting and harvest seasons.

The Thonga people are certainly bound

in sin and superstition, but we are glad to say that there are some who have made a decided stand for Christ. We praise God for them. It is not easy; for some it means severe persecution; while for all it is exceedingly hard to give up the customs and practices of heathenism. Superstition is imbedded deep in their hearts and it takes the power of God to break its hold. Oh, for a real wave of



Farewell Meeting for Mr. and Mrs. Kvamme and Miss Petterson at Tientsin, N. China.

only word in their language for God is "Sikwembu Nkulukumba" which means the Great Spirit. The word "sikwembu" really means "ancestral spirit" and these "sikwembu" (ancestral spirits) are the gods of the Thongas. They are a strong contrast to our God of love and compassion, since the Thongas believe these spirits to be the cause of sickness, distress, and many misfortunes. They continually try to appease them with offerings of food and sacrifices of fowls or goats. The message of God's love in sending His Son to give life and liberty, is all so strange and different from their conceptions.

All around us are needy people; their villages can be seen in every direction. Night after night, the din of the drums accompanying their witchcraft performances, sadden our hearts, as also do the sights we see when visiting their villages. Truly, great is the power of sin upon them. Frequently, when approaching a village, there seems to be no one about, but when entering and passing among the

power to break down the strongholds of heathenism and liberate these darkened and sin-bound souls.

We are trusting God for strength and help as well as for means to establish the work. We have been living for the past months in a little two-roomed mud house which is in very poor condition. Owing to the grass roof leaking badly and the walls giving way, as well as the ground floor being damp from the rains, we have been exposed to very unhealthy conditions; especially in these parts where malaria is prevalent; yet we have been wonderfully kept, for which we praise the Lord. The Lord has opened the way for us to obtain a site on which to build the mission station about twenty miles from here and we are erecting a temporary house. We would be glad if you would stand with us in earnest believing prayer that all the needs may be supplied and that we may be enabled to go ahead with the work. This place is 70 miles from the railway and one very urgent need is a conveyance for transporting



provisions as well as for spreading the gospel among the villages. The need of native workers is also very urgent, as different places are opening up. We do want to spread the gospel among these needy people and we need co-workers to assist us through prayer. Please remember the Thongas when you pray.

#### A DEVIL'S CAPTIVE

Sister Blossom Cook of Travancore, India, writes: "I do praise the Lord for healing me so that I can continue in the work of the Master. I love the people and I love to work among them. A little scene that I witnessed has made me more zealous than ever to win souls. While in Bangalore, I saw a man who no doubt had committed some sin and was punishing himself by rolling along in the sun on a dusty road. His hair was all matted and around his loins was just a little dirty loin cloth. The noise he was making was heart-rending; frequently he would stop and call out these words, 'Iswarin (a name of one of their gods), why do you punish me in this way?' This was told me by one who knew a little English, however, she did not know enough to interpret for me. I should have liked to talk to him about the Lord. Oh, I wish that more would get under a burden for lost souls. This case is just one of many.

"While staying there I was taken to a poor home to speak to the people and five raised their hands for prayer after the message. Please remember to pray for them that they might be faithful witnesses in that place. 'A city that is built on a hill cannot be hid,' but the people are always able to see the light. We can be lights that shine forth brightly for the Master who did so much for us. Jesus says we are the light of the world and just as He is the Light, we His children, His followers, should be the same."

#### LIFE AND DEATH

Mrs. Anna Richards of Transvaal, Africa, reports victory. In a recent letter she says: "We praise God for His blessings upon the work. Recently we had a notable healing at Prospect which has caused the ungodly around to inquire into things. A woman who had been in the hospital for months and under treatment by several physicians, was at last sent home incurable, but after prayer was offered she was graciously delivered by our wonder working God. On Wednesday when our native worker and myself prayed for her she was seriously ill. On Sunday, although reduced practically to skin and bone, she was able by leaning upon a stick to walk about two blocks and attend service. As soon as she entered the hall on Sunday morning the power of God came upon her and she began to praise God aloud. Since then she has been gaining in strength daily and desires to be baptized. This is indeed a real step forward for one who has been stumbling around so long in the darkness as she has. Her husband who is a heathen is also interested. Another woman who came to the church for a time and appeared to be seeking God when

who are young in the work found it very hard indeed in this new field. This year we asked Mr. Chen and his wife to go out there and work with them until the Ferns could come back. They have two fine little schools, one for boys and one for girls, which bid fair to be self-supporting in a few more years. Mr. Chen is a tried worker and has proven faithful in every work in which we have placed him. A few have been saved and a few have received the Baptism in the Spirit since the work was opened. The most remarkable case is a woman who was formerly possessed with demons. She was delivered of these demons, saved, and baptized in the Holy Spirit.

There are many villages near by to which the workers go and preach the gospel and on market days they open the street chapel and preach to all who come in to listen. This is a prospective field and we hope all the Evangel readers will earnestly pray for the work and workers.

—L. M. Anglin.

#### THE WORK AT LUNG SHAN

Lung Shan is a market town about 15 or 20 miles east of Tsinon on the Kias Hi railway. A few years ago Brother Olaf Ferm, Mr. Chen, and I went there to look over the place with a view of renting a house to open mission work. There was some work being done in that district by the Chinese of the Baptist mission in Tsinon, but it amounted to very little. The result of our visit was that a house was rented in Lung Shan and after Brother Ferm and Sister Pauline Gleim were married they went to live there. Soon after they went we let Mrs. Chang, one of the workers in the Home of Onesiphorus, go to help them. They found so many open doors they were not able to do all the work alone, so we sent one of our oldest boys, Chang Shing You, and his wife, You Chung, to help them.

Last year Brother and Sister Ferm returned to America and the dear Chinese

who are young in the work found it very hard indeed in this new field. This year we asked Mr. Chen and his wife to go out there and work with them until the Ferns could come back. They have two fine little schools, one for boys and one for girls, which bid fair to be self-supporting in a few more years. Mr. Chen is a tried worker and has proven faithful in every work in which we have placed him. A few have been saved and a few have received the Baptism in the Spirit since the work was opened. The most remarkable case is a woman who was formerly possessed with demons. She was delivered of these demons, saved, and baptized in the Holy Spirit.

#### BROTHER PLYMIRE IN SHANGHAI

The Department of State have sent us the following communication dated May 22d, 1928.

"Referring to previous correspondence regarding the case of Mr. V. G. Plymire, the Department takes pleasure in advising you that a telegram has just been received from the American Consul General at Hankow, stating that Mr. Plymire came out of Tibet safely and is now at 10 Quinsan Garden, Shanghai."

#### A NEW ARRIVAL

We are happy to announce the arrival of Gordon Paul who came to the home of Brother and Sister E. A. Elliott of China on May 21st. Brother and Sister Elliott are home in this country at the present time and may be addressed at 234 Covert St., Brooklyn, N. Y.



Lung Shan Workers

# In the Whiten'd Harvest Fields

Home Missionary News

## TWENTY-TWO SAVED

Brother Clyde H. Elwood, Glencoe, Okla., writes: "Just closed an 11 days' meeting at Fairview, near Glencoe. Twenty-two were saved and baptized in water."

## A PASTOR MOVES

Brother Roy E. Crane writes that he has resigned the pastorate at Sikestos, Mo., and is now pastor of the Assembly at Campbell, Mo. He invites all Council ministers passing that way, to stop and see them.

## LARGE CROWDS ATTEND

Mrs. E. P. Read, Lufkin, Texas, writes: "We had a most glorious meeting in Lufkin, Brother T. E. Rhea in charge. Large crowds came every service. Thirty-two saved, 19 baptized in water and 12 baptized in the Holy Spirit."

## MARIONVILLE REVIVAL

Mrs. Selthy Bray, Marionville, Mo., writes: "We have just closed our revival with Brother R. S. Fowler, of Crane, Mo., in charge. Six were saved and 8 received the Baptism in the Holy Spirit. We welcome any Council minister into our assembly."

## EIGHTEEN BAPTIZED

Sister Doris Cain, Cederdale, Okla., writes: "The Lord is still in our midst at the Mayfield Assembly. We began a revival here Jan. 11, which continued 8 weeks. There were 32 saved and 18 received the Holy Spirit. We organized a young people's meeting with an enrollment of about 25; these meetings are fine and a great blessing to the assembly. Immediately after the revival we began planning for a church building, as the schoolhouse was too small to accommodate the crowds. Sunday, May 20, we dedicated our new church to the Lord; Brother Bates of New Mexico was with us for this service. Sufficient pledges were given to pay all cost of the church. The work is progressing nicely and we have a large band of saints."

## DEDICATION SERVICE

District Secretary Glen Millard writes: "We are still rejoicing over the way God blessed the service at Apache, Okla., Saturday night and the all-day meeting Sunday. I was visiting the place in the interest of the Southwestern Bible School. Pastor E. G. Kenedy, who has been much used of God in this place, took advantage of my being with them and announced a business meeting Saturday night and the dedication of the church Sunday. We set the assembly in order Saturday night; as they were signing the roster the power of God swept over the congregation in a wonderful way. Sunday many were in attendance, even from near-by towns. There was blessed fellowship, the power of God coming like billows. Surely there is a real future for Apache."

## FIRE STILL FALLING

Pastor Lewis A. Worley, Kissimme, Fla., writes: "We concluded some evangelistic meetings April 15. Sisters Mayme Williams and Eunice Symonds were the evangelists. About 40 were saved and restored. Several received the Baptism in the Holy Spirit. The fire is still falling and people are receiving the Baptism. Praise the Lord."

## BEST MEETING IN YEARS

Pastor Ernest Polhemus, Madera, Calif., writes: "Our spring campaign came to a close Sunday evening, May 13th, with a full house and interest at high tide. Sister Olive E. Humphreys was the evangelist and her messages were very effective. This is one of the best meetings held in 3 years; the attendance was splendid and there were conversions, healings and Baptisms."

## THIRTY-SEVEN SAVED

Brother Gus Powell, Coffee Springs, Ala., writes: "Just closed a 2 weeks' meeting. The Lord was with us in a very wonderful way. Thirty-seven were saved and 14 filled with the Holy Spirit as in Acts 2:4. The Lord healed a man of pneumonia and saved his wife. A woman suffering from pellagra and who was losing her mind, was healed through prayer. We left Brother John King in charge of the work."

## MIRACULOUS HEALINGS

Pastor R. F. Ashworth, Oswego, Kans., writes: "We praise God for the way He has demonstrated His power among us during the past two years in Oswego. In answer to prayer people have been healed of various diseases; among others, lock-jaw, poison from brass, deafness, rupture, broken leg, eczema, pneumonia, appendicitis, tuberculosis, rheumatism, heart trouble, and one very bad case of insanity. The Voight evangelistic party were with us for 4 weeks in a very precious revival which closed Sunday night, May 27th. This meeting was far-reaching and was one of the best we have had for a long time. Good crowds attended, several souls were saved and reclaimed, 4 received the Baptism with the Holy Ghost. Many marked cases of healing were witnessed. One young woman brought in on a bed was immediately raised up and walked out. For years she had been in poor health, could eat no substantial food before, but after being prayed for she has been eating 3 good meals a day. She has no further need for glasses which she had had to wear for 4 years. A man was healed of rupture. A woman who had lost her kneecap and could hardly walk, was made able to walk well; a girl who was to undergo an operation on Saturday was prayed for on Friday night and has been well ever since. A case of milkleg of 15 years' standing was healed. There were many other healings of different diseases. To God be all the glory."

## HUNGRY FOR TRUTH

Evangelist Clarence Love writes: "Just closed a 3 weeks' meeting at Norwood, Mo., with 23 conversions and 3 or 4 Baptisms. People would stand for hours listening to the Pentecostal message. The saints were refreshed and encouraged. They have purchased a building site and are planning to build a stone church this fall."

## CROOKED ARM HEALED

Pastor D. H. Minton writes: "We have just closed a 4 weeks' revival at Concord, Fla., with Sister Nancy Miller in charge. Eight were saved and 5 added to the church. A woman with a sprained and crooked arm was healed, and saved. Pray that we may have a church in which to worship; just now we hold meetings in a private home."

## FELLOWSHIP MEETING

Pastor R. V. Carter, Pickets, Okla., writes: "Ten preachers were with us in the Fellowship meeting held the 4th Sunday in May 15 miles north of Broken Bow, Okla. God was with us in power. In the morning the writer gave a message on 'Holiness'; in the afternoon an Indian brother brought a message after which the power of God fell and the Holy Spirit spoke, calling His people to a stand for Bible truth. Then Brother Farris O'Neal brought a message to the sinners followed by an altar call. People fell in the altar and a man 64 years old was saved. We are planning for a Fellowship meeting at our place the 4th Sunday in June. We have a nice church on No. 21 Highway from Broken Bow."

## CHURCH GIVEN

Pastor A. J. Jenkins, Newburgh, N. Y., writes: "Glad Tidings Assembly was founded some years ago with Brother Ira Theo Johnson now superannuated as the first Pentecostal pastor. Brother and Sister Johnson's faithful service was rewarded by God in the saving of many precious souls, Baptism of believers, and quite a number of remarkable healings. The assembly followed the shepherd who was a man of prayer, and through storm and tempest the Lord has mightily delivered His saints in this part of His vineyard. To Him be all the glory. A short time ago Brother H. V. Mackey, (a Pentecostal farmer) obeyed the Spirit, and bought the church and parsonage property, gave it to the Lord as an offering, deeding it to the trustees of the assembly. Praise the Lord! In February the writer was invited to hold a meeting here, and the Lord is blessing in a very sweet way, a few souls have been saved, and quite a number are seeking the fullness of the Spirit. Services Lord's Day 9:30; 10:30 and 7:30. Tuesday and Friday 7:30 p. m. Glad Tidings Assembly, 4 Avoca St. Phone 968."



GENERAL COUNCIL FELLOWSHIP

The following names were added to our ministerial list in the month of May 1928.

- Bauerlein, Geo. H., Hammond, Ind.
- Campbell, L. E., Tampa, Fla.
- Evans, Barkley B., Mesa, Arizona.
- Henry, Miss Culia A., Dayton, Ohio.
- Hosanna, Elisha B., Joliet, Ill.
- Hudson, Sharon J., Toledo, Ohio.
- Johnson, Jesse F., Canton, Ohio.
- Jordan, Elon A., Orlando, Fla.
- Loustaunau, Octavio, Douglas, Ariz.
- McNeely, John L., Elkhart, Ind.
- Miller, Robert A., North Baltimore, Ohio.
- Morgan, Chonita, Oakland, Calif.
- Morrison, James Clifford, Alliston, Ont., Canada.
- Nash, Oscar E., Cincinnati, Ohio.
- Netza, Louis, Detroit, Mich.
- Payne, Mrs. G. W., Bad Axe, Mich.
- Sargavak, Mrs. Ruby, Long Beach, Calif.
- Scott, Robert J., Seal Beach, Calif.
- Shank, Irwin A., Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio.
- Shie, Charles C., Sidney, Ohio.
- Stoneham, Lillian N., Hagerstown, Md.
- Tilson, Clarence, Barberton, Ohio.
- Watts, James W., Kennett, Mo.

The following names were removed from our ministerial list in the month of May, 1928.

- Anderson, Lorence R. (withdrew), Homassassa, Fla.
- Flick, G. F. (withdrew), Denver, Colo.
- Halwe, Herbert F. (withdrew), Galesburg, Ill.
- Lawson, H. V. (withdrew), Davis, W. Va.
- Nichols, Gladwyn N. (withdrew), Los Angeles, Calif.
- Rosselle, J. D. (withdrew), Grand Prairie, Texas.
- Shrader, R. E. (deceased), Panama, Okla.
- Stephens, Joseph F. (withdrew), Cuero, Texas.
- Stephens, Mrs. Emma E. (withdrew), Cuero, Texas.

NEW FIELD

Pastor F. D. Lee, Seminole, Okla., writes: "Just closed a revival at Riverside Mission. Brother O. Jarrell was with us two weeks and the Lord blessed his ministry. As Brother Jarrell had to go on, Brother E. H. Henegar carried the meeting on. His messages were inspirational and the Lord saved two souls and baptized two in the Holy Spirit. We then moved to a community where the Pentecostal message had not been preached. Many were made to say, 'We've never heard it on this wise.' We thank God that these brethren came our way."

GROWING CHURCH

Pastor Henry Hoar, Bethel Temple, St. Louis, Mo., writes: "We praise God for the many blessings He has given us. The church is growing in numbers, as are the Sunday school, and the Young People's department. Strangers are present at every service. We thank the Lord for the definite answers to prayer, in the saving of souls, healing of the sick, and the outpouring of the Holy Spirit. Our street meetings are going to be a blessing to many in this community. Brother A. A. Wilson held a four days' meeting with us this last week.

GOSPEL-HUNGRY

Pastor W. J. George of Meckling, S. D., writes: "Just closed a successful two weeks' meeting with Brother Adolph Peterson of Chicago. We are thanking God for sending into our midst this useful servant of His. Even though the second week of the meeting was very rainy, 9 were saved and 3 received the Baptism of the Holy Spirit. Sunday, the last night of the meeting, found the tabernacle crowded to the doors. God is working in adjacent towns. So hungry were these precious folk that they made every effort to be on hand.

Tuesday evening we had with us Sister Hattie Hammond, the 19-year-old girl evangelist, who had just closed a wonderful meeting in Sioux City, with Brother Joseph Terlizzi, and we were glad to have her stop over a night with us. We made every effort possible to handle the crowd, but after every seat and all the standing room was packed we opened all the doors and windows and even the prayer rooms. As far as the eye could reach from the platform, one could see hungry people. We are praying for a mighty revival to sweep the Northwest. Pray for us, dear ones. Wednesday night here is what we call "scatter night." The live and on-fire young people are going out two and two into the 6 near-by towns. Tabernacle friends in these towns have opened their homes to the full gospel."

OPEN FOR CALLS

As evangelist. Am in full fellowship with the General Council.—W. A. Bishop, 5046-A, Page Ave., St. Louis, Mo.

As evangelist. Have been in fellowship with General Council since 1917. Have also had experience in pastoral work.—William Sanford Moore, Spiro, Okla.

As evangelist.—Clarence Love, Koshkonong, Mo.

As evangelist or pastor. In fellowship with General Council. Have been pastor here the past year. Reference, Secretary Mack Webb, Miami, Okla.—John Linn, Box 22, Miami, Okla.

As evangelist or pastor. In full fellowship with Council. My wife and I constitute the family and she is also a preacher.—John B. Hedricks, Box 75, Farmersville, Tex.

NOTICE.—Will pastors kindly address communications regarding dates for campaigns, to me at 7431 Rising Sun Ave., Philadelphia, Pa.—Alexander Gibson, evangelist.

WANTED.—A tent, seating three to five hundred persons. Must be in good condition.—Evangelist A. J. Jenkins, 4 Avoca St., Newburgh, N. Y.

NOTICE.—The Assembly of God, of Sauk Center, Minn., welcomes any servant of the Lord to stop for a few meetings. Services every Sunday at 11:00 a. m. and 8:00 p. m.—Geo. Rulmann, secretary.

WANTED.—Back numbers of Gospel Gleaners. Will pay postage on same.—Mrs. Carl B. Luckey, Woodston, Kansas.

FOR SALE.—One 20 ft. center strip to fit 40 ft. round tent and 7½ ft. side wall, block and tackle and collar and chain all complete in good shape. For quick cash \$40.00.—Wm. D. Bowers, R. 5, Box 600, Atlanta, Ga.

Forthcoming Meetings

Spend your vacation at a camp meeting. Write ahead for tent or rooms, and cot accommodations. Take bedding and toilet articles with you. Pray for all forthcoming meetings. Notices of meetings should be received by us three full weeks before the meeting is to start.

SPRINGFIELD, MO.—Tent meeting July 8-29. Stephen Jeffreys and party from England, in charge.—W. E. Moody, pastor, 1918 N. Franklin, Springfield, Mo.

PILOT POINT, TEX.—Our summer campaign will begin July 28, to continue indefinitely. Evangelist "Billy" Black and wife of Los Angeles, Calif., have promised to help us if possible.—Pastor B. B. Moland.

ELGIN, TEX.—Old-fashioned camp meeting beginning July 1, continuing 2 weeks. Brother W. A. Mercer of Pasadena will do the preaching. Come prepared to camp.—Pastor T. A. Beard, 1401 E. Ave., Austin, Tex.

CAIRO, ILL.—Evangelist Meyer Tan Ditter and wife will conduct a revival campaign in our church, 36th St., and Washington Ave., July 4-27. For further information write Pastor W. E. Thurmond, 613 37th St., Cairo, Ill.

AMARILLO, TEXAS.—Sectional camp meeting for the northwest section of Texas District Council, July 26 to August 5. Fuller notice will be given later.—Mrs. R. L. Miesse, 500 Cleveland St., Amarillo, Texas.

MCGREGOR, TEX.—The W. K. Aber evangelistic party, of Elcampo, Tex., will conduct an old-time revival at McGregor, June 9-30, and at Godley, Tex., beginning July 1, as long as the Lord leads.

DYER, TENN.—District camp meeting for Tennessee and Western Kentucky, July 1-15. Evangelistic services and Bible teaching. For particulars write Geo. Presler, Dyer, Tenn., or to A. T. Hickman, Box 111, Milan, Tenn.

PROVINCE, OKLA.—Our summer revival at the Assembly of God shed at Province, Okla., will begin the third Sunday in July, continuing until the first Sunday in August. Saints feeling led of the Lord, come over and help us.—Pastor C. C. Comer, Mannsville, Okla.

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**SANTA CRUZ, CALIF.**—Camp meeting July 1-31. For information write W. E. Coates, El Rio Auto Camp, Santa Cruz, Calif.—Ben F. Smith, pastor.

**COFFEYVILLE, KANS.**—Our new church building at Seventh and Linden Streets, will be dedicated June 17th. Brother P. C. Nelson, of Enid, Okla., will bring the message of the hour. There will be three services, 11:00, 2:30 and 8:00. A number of ministers and workers are expected.—Pastor F. L. Doyle.

**SLAY, TEX.**—Sister Tennie Smith and workers will conduct a two weeks' meeting beginning July 6. Near-by saints are invited to come and help us. Slay is 3 miles northeast of Frost, Tex. For further information write Mrs. T. H. Gilmore, R. 2, Frost, Tex.

**TOLEDO, OHIO.**—Evangelistic campaign will be conducted by Evangelist Loren B. Staats, June 3 to July 1, inclusive, at Bethel Tabernacle, Dorr Street and Lawrence Avenue. Services every afternoon and evening except Monday. Address Pastor Herman L. Harvey, 840 Fernwood Ave., Toledo, Ohio.

**WARSAW, IND.**—Camp meeting through the month of June beginning on the 1st, at Full Gospel Temple, 2234 E. Center St. Meals on freewill offering plan and rooms at reasonable rates—shop and street meetings in near-by towns. We are on street car line. Write early to Pastor Flora F. Miller, 2234 E. Center St.

**VERDUGO CITY, CALIF.**—The Gospel Mission will put on a tent campaign here June 3-July 1. Tent will be located on Honolulu Ave., just west of La Crescenta Ave. Evangelist Edna M. Goodwin will be in charge June 3-17; Evangelist E. G. Copley, June 17-July 1st.—Pastor S. W. Squier.

**SAN BERNARDINO, CALIF.**—On or about June 1, 1928, we will launch a large summer camp meeting. We expect to continue in this effort 3 or 4 months. The services of the Williamson evangelistic singers, of Denver, Colo., have been secured for the entire campaign.—J. Edgar Freeman, 232 S. Arrowhead, San Bernardino, Calif.

**PORT LAVACA, TEX.**—Old-time Pentecostal camp meeting June 10-July 1, conducted by C. A. Lasater, of Ft. Smith, Ark. Table will be run on free will offering plan. Bring bedding and toilet articles and come prepared to stay through the meeting. A special invitation is extended to missionaries.—Pastor J. S. Elswick.

**OBLONG, ILL.**—City-wide tent campaign, July 1, to Sept. 1st. Workers: Mrs. West, her daughter Nola, Evangelist Jas. Roland Hummel and his wife, of Philadelphia, Pa. We invite the assemblies of Mattoon, Terra Haute, Robinson and other near-by places to come over and help us. For further information write, Mrs. Martha Rhodes, R. D. 2, Oblong, Ill.

**LOS ANGELES, CALIF.**—Revival campaign beginning Aug. 4, continuing through the month, under the auspices of the Southern California District Council. Brother Stephen Jeffreys, of England, whom God is using for the conversion of thousands of souls and the healing of every kind of disease, will be with us. Tent to seat 5,000 secured.—A. G. Osterberg, District Superintendent, 243 W. 59th Place, Los Angeles, Calif.

**SUMMER CAMPAIGNS.**—Evangelist Wm. F. Kirkpatrick and wife, of Modesto, Calif., will conduct a city-wide revival May 20-June 4, at Oroville, Calif. Other dates: Escalon, Calif., tent revival, June 5-17; Auburn, Calif., June 19-29; Santa Rosa, July 1-15; Rohnerville, July 17-29.—Wm. F. Kirkpatrick, 126 Spencer St., Modesto, Calif.

**VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL, LACKAWANNA BIBLE INSTITUTE.**—The Pentecostal Assemblies of the Lackawanna and Wyoming Valleys, have combined to offer a vacation Bible study course from June 4 to August 31. The Bible Institute, located high on West Mountain, overlooking Scranton, offers unusual opportunities for rest, recuperation and spiritual help. Full information from the secretary, Ralph B. Thompson, P. O. Box 260, Scranton, Pa. The Bible Institute referred to above is not sponsored by the Eastern District but by local Assemblies of God.—J. R. Flower, President.

**EUREKA SPRINGS, ARK.**—Arkansas, Louisiana, New Mexico, Oklahoma, Kansas, and Missouri District Councils will hold their annual camp meeting in the new building now under construction and being rushed to completion, Aug. 30 to Sept. 9. Write either your district superintendent or E. J. Bruton, secy-treas., 1200 Dodson Ave., Ft. Smith, Ark.

**CHANGE OF ADDRESS.**—The permanent address of Elder E. J. Bruton, secretary-treasurer Arkansas-Louisiana District Council, is 1200 Dodson Ave., Ft. Smith, Ark.

**WESCOESVILLE, PA., CAMP.**—The Ninth Annual Pentecostal camp meeting of the Eastern District Council will convene at the camp grounds at Wescoesville, near Allentown, Pa., July 20 to August 12. Cottages are available for those booking early. Tents will be provided for all those unable to secure cottages. Further information can be obtained from the secretary, J. R. Flower, 825 Green Ridge Street, Scranton, Pa.

**ELDORADO SPRINGS, MO.**—Beginning June 10, to continue 3 weeks or longer, a tent meeting will be conducted by Evangelist R. S. Peterson, of Pelican Rapids, Minn. We would appreciate the co-operation of other neighboring assemblies. The tent will be just two blocks off of Main Street, east of Venter's Garage. We expect to dedicate our new church here before these meetings close.—Pastor H. E. Ross, 206 W. Olive St.

**DENVER, COLO.**—Evangelist Jacob Miller and wife will begin a revival in the Radio Prayer League Church, E. 37th Ave. and Gilpin St., June 10, to continue three weeks, or longer. Take street car No. 66 at Central Loop. Meals in the basement of church on free will offering plan. Two services a day and all-day meeting Sundays. Services broadcast each Sunday morning, 9 to 10 o'clock, and Wednesday evenings over radio station KFXF.—S. H. Patterson, pastor.

**NORTHWEST DISTRICT CAMP MEETING AND ANNUAL DISTRICT COUNCIL MEETING.**—At Portland, Oregon, June 17th to July 15th, with District Council meeting June 19th to 23rd. All persons looking toward General Council affiliation, should be present at this meeting. The location for these meetings is a very desirable one, at 82nd Street and Sandy Boulevard, directly on the Highway from the East, also can be reached from the south by going north on 82nd Street to the Big Union Tabernacle.

Elder W. T. Gaston, General Superintendent, will be present for the first week, and Elders A. G. Ward and Frank M. Boyd, June 24th to July 8th, with others, who will be announced later. Those expecting to come and desiring information, may write to Pastor Irl J. Walker, 5522 65th Street, S. E., Portland, Oregon, or J. E. Rasmussen, 808 West Spofford Avenue, Spokane, Washington, Dist. Secretary. Tents, cots and other camping accommodations will be available on the camp grounds.

**SEATTLE, WASH.**—God is moving in these parts. We are fortunate in this city in having several strategically placed assemblies teaching the same doctrines and in precious fellowship. Three or more of these are cooperating this summer in putting on a union tent meeting and conference, from July 15 to Aug. 12. The city authorities have graciously allowed the use of an excellently located piece of ground on the West Green Lake Boulevard, on the west shore of Green Lake. Many are coming from the South and from the East by auto, planning to make it a real vacation camping trip and spiritual feast.

This is the first tent meeting in Seattle operating on the basis of Council fellowship doctrines and practice, and is being looked forward to with great interest. Prominent Council brethren from the East are expected and others that the Lord may directly send. Any wishing further information, address Brother Frank Lindblad, 6526 Latona Ave., Seattle, Wash.

**KANSAS DISTRICT CAMP MEETINGS**  
The Annual Camp Meeting for Eastern Kansas will be held in Topeka, July 12-22. Brother Harold Moss, Missionary Field Secretary of the General Council, will be the main speaker, assisted by other ministers. Take Oakland Bus, get off at Norton and Seward, walk east to camp ground. For further information, write Pastor Chas. Sheall, 407 Burgess Ave., N. Topeka, Kansas.

The annual camp meeting for South Central Kansas will be held at ATTICA-SHARON, July 26-Aug. 5. Evangelist Ben Hardin, will be the speaker. The Hymes family orchestra of Ottawa, will furnish special music. The camp ground is located six miles west of Attica, and five miles east of Sharon on State Highway No. 12. For further information write Pastor A. R. Farley, Sharon, Kans., or Pastor C. W. Safford, Attica, Kans.

The annual camp meeting for North Central Kansas will be held at Woodston, Aug. 9-19. Evangelist Ben Hardin of Chicago, will be the leading speaker. The camp ground is located three miles east of Woodston, on Highway 40 N. For information write Pastor Oria Bray, Woodston, Kansas.

**CHRIST'S AMBASSADORS RALLIES**  
There will be a service daily for the Christ's Ambassadors at all the camps. Evang. Claude Utley, Secretary Sunday schools and young peoples' societies, will be at the Attica & Woodston camp. Other prominent young people will be present at all the camps. These rallies in the past have proved to be a great blessing to all attending.—Fred Vogler, Dist. Supt., Ottawa, Kans., 748 S. Mulberry St.

**KANSAS CITY, MO.**—A daily vacation Bible school will open at Faith Temple, Assembly of God church, 13th and College Ave., Kansas City, Mo., June 18th. Mrs. Josephine Gilmore, a trained worker, will have charge of the school together with other volunteer workers. All children are requested to attend. A cordial invitation is extended to all visitors. Write W. F. Gray, 1134 Troup Ave., Kansas City, Kans.

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1.10 Moreland Assembly of God S S Moreland Ark	
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3.25 Christ's Ambassadors of Assemblies of God Carthage Mo	
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5.00 Pent'l Pilgrim S S Smoke Run Pa	
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5.00 Truesdale Assembly Salinas Calif	
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12.50 Assembly of God Sauk Center Minn	
14.67 Gospel Tabernacle Assembly Oceanside Calif	
15.00 Full Gospel Assembly Livingston Calif	
15.00 Assembly Hattiesburg Miss	
15.25 Assembly Chambersburg Pa	
15.50 Full Gospel Mission Palo Alto Calif	
15.53 Goose Creek S S Assembly of God Goose Creek Texas	
16.47 Four Fold Church & S S Bellflower Calif	
16.64 Pent'l S S Dunsmuir Calif	
17.00 First German Pent'l Assembly Akron Ohio	
19.00 Word of God S S Grand Rapids Mich	
21.00 Pent'l Prayer Band Assembly of God Allentown Pa	
21.50 Pent'l Church Gary Ind	
22.42 Assembly of God Mission Williston N Dak	
25.00 Pent'l Assembly Jamestown N Y	
25.00 Glad Tidings Tab New York N Y	
27.00 Saints in Bradford Pa	
27.50 Assembly Wichita Falls Texas	
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30.00 Mission of Assembly of God Minot N Dak	
30.15 Young People's Union of Full Gospel Tab Granite City Ill	
35.00 Church of Philadelphia Los Angeles Calif	
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Total amount for May	\$19,646.06

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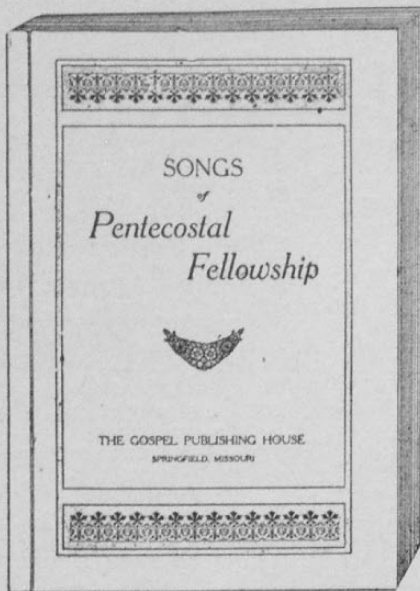


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