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## :-: Finish Your Course :-:

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"I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course." 2 Tim. 4:7. It is a wonderful thing to have the testimony that you have "finished" your course. I believe that the Spirit of the Lord is pleading with His people to-day to not let go, but to "hold fast" and finish what they have begun. How many start on this course but never finish it? In Hebrews 12 we find that to successfully run this course we must *lay aside every weight*. Every one of us knows what it is to have a *weight* tied to us—one of those things that hinders our progress, that has a tendency to hold us back from reaching the goal. God, however, through the power of the Holy Spirit, would have us change these weights for wings.

As I have seen among God's people, and in my own experience, how we are hampered and weighted down by conditions, circumstances, and cares of this life, it has brought a realization to my heart of how very few have appropriated the power to exchange those weights for wings, that we might be lifted above the petty cares of this life, instead of allowing them to hold us back. Paul says to "*lay aside every weight and the sin that doth so easily beset us.*" While weights do not necessarily mean sins, yet by letting them control us and hinder our progress in this race, they can easily become such.

When Abraham came to the place where he and Lot were to separate, Lot chose the well-watered plain and pitched his tent toward Sodom. This choice of his was no sin, but the influence, the power of Sodom, was so great that it lured him on until that very thing became an awful weight in his life. That selfishness, that greed, that something that starts very small in our everyday life, soon becomes a wedge that opens wider and wider, until we find that all our desires and ambitions are for the things of this world and life. God would have

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## -:- The Hardness of God's Love -:-

DR. A. T. PIERSON

A lesson on "The hardness of God's love" has been left for us by one who was for years laid on a couch of suffering:

"I kept for nearly a year the flask-shaped cocoon of an emperor moth. It is very peculiar in its construction. A narrow opening is left in the neck of the flask, through which the perfect insect forces its way; so that a forsaken cocoon is as entire as one still tenanted, no rupture of the interlacing fibers having taken place.

"The great disproportion between the means of egress and the size of the imprisoned insect makes one wonder how the exit is ever accomplished at all, and it never is without great labor and difficulty. It is supposed that the pressure to which the moth's body is subjected in passing through the narrow opening is a provision of nature for forcing the juices into vessels of the wings, these being less developed at emergence from the chrysalis than they are in other insects.

"I happened to witness the first efforts of my imprisoned moth to escape from its long confinement. Nearly a whole forenoon, from time to time, I watched it striving and struggling to get out. It never seemed able to get beyond a certain point, and at last my patience was exhausted. I thought I was wiser and more compassionate than its Maker, and resolved to give it a helping hand.

"With the points of my scissors I snipped the confining threads to make the exit just a very little easier, and lo! immediately, and with perfect ease, out crawled my moth, dragging a swollen body and little shriveled wings. In vain I watched to see that marvelous progress of expansion in which the wings silently and swiftly develop before our eyes. As I traced on the wings the exquisite spots and working of divers colors, which were all there in miniature, I longed to see these assume their due proportions,

and the creature appear in all its perfect beauty. It is one of the loveliest of its kind.

"But I looked in vain; my false tenderness had proved its ruin. It never was anything but a stunted abortion, crawling painfully through that brief life which it should have spent flying through the air on rainbow wings.

"The lesson I got that day has often

Father's love is too true to be weak. Because He loves His children He chastens them, that they may be 'partakers of His holiness.' With this glorious end in view, He spares not for their crying. 'Made perfect through suffering,' as Christ was, the sons of God are trained up to obedience, and brought to glory 'through much tribulation.'

### DO YOU PRAY?

He said, "Men ought always to pray." Here is an obligation laid upon every one of us who names His name. When we *ought* to do something, if we fail to do it, we are guilty. Samuel cried, "God forbid that I should *sin against the Lord* by ceasing to pray for you." Have you sinned against the Lord? Are you sinning just now against the Lord? And yet are you claiming to be a holy man?

If you want anything just ask for it and I will give it to you, is what Jesus says in John 14:14. Passing the *obligation* to pray, we come to the profit in prayer. When Dr. Chapman was holding a revival in Shrewsbury, England, he was having a hard time. The meeting was dragging. He received word that an American missionary named Hyde was coming to help him. Mr. Hyde arrived about five at night. He did not show himself, but that night the atmosphere of the meeting was changed when Dr. Chapman rose to preach. Sixty people came forward at his invitation. The meeting lasted five days longer and people were swept into the kingdom in large numbers. It was the effectual working of the fervent prayer of a righteous man that had brought about the change. Please stop right here and plead with God to forgive your prayerless helplessness. Hear Jesus saying to you, "If ye shall ask anything in My name I will do it." Do you believe Him? Come, Brother, let us make our actions show that we believe

### "Sit Still, My Daughter!"

"Sit still, my daughter! Just sit calmly still!  
Nor deem these days—these waiting days—as ill!  
The One who loves thee best, who plans thy way,  
Hath not forgotten thy great need to-day!  
And, if He waits, 'tis sure He waits to prove  
To thee, His tender child, His heart's deep love.

"Sit still, my daughter! Just sit calmly still!  
Thou longest much to know thy dear Lord's will!  
While anxious thoughts would almost steal their way  
Corrodingly within, because of His delay—  
Persuade thyself in simple faith to rest  
That He, who knows and loves, will do the best.

"Sit still, my daughter! Just sit calmly still!  
Nor move one step, not even one, until  
His way hath opened. Then, ah then, how sweet!  
How glad thy heart, and then how swift thy feet  
Thy inner being then, ah then, how strong!  
And waiting days not counted then too long.

"Sit still, my daughter! Just sit calmly still!  
What higher service could'st thou for Him fil?  
'Tis hard! ah yes! But choicest things must cost!  
For lack of losing all how much is lost!  
'Tis hard, 'tis true! But then—He giveth grace  
To count the hardest spot the sweetest place."

—J. D. Smith.

stood me in good stead. It has helped me to understand what has been called 'the hardness of God's love.' I have thought of it often when, as I have been watching with pitiful eyes those who were struggling with sorrows, suffering, or distress. It had seemed to me that I was more merciful than God, and I would fain have cut short the discipline, and given deliverance. Short-sighted fool! how know I that one of those pains and groans could be spared? The far-sighted, perfect love of God which seeks the perfection of its object, does not weakly shrink from present transient suffering. Our



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us free from these things that clip our wings, that we may *go on*. God has shown us how we may drop these weights, these besetting sins, and that is by looking unto Jesus, the "Author and Finisher of our faith."

Beloved, are we losing the vision? Paul said that he was not *disobedient to the heavenly vision*, and therefore he could go on finishing his course. To lay aside every weight in order to finish his course, meant anything but a "flowery bed of ease" to Paul. He had his choice between that which this world could offer him and that which following in the footsteps of the lowly Nazarene would mean to him—but he counted the treasures of this world as nothing, that he might *win Christ*. He considered the pleasures and comforts of this world as *weights*, as shackles, that would retard his journey and cause him to stand still, instead of moving on into God.

Paul has given us the secret of how to run this race so that we shall win it, and that is to "*Run with patience*." The course is open to every one, but the race must be run with patience if we would win. God knows the course that is best suited to each one of us, even though we might prefer another. The great need to-day in the Christian life is "patience." No matter what comes across our path to stir us up, there is a patience that we can appropriate; and when we do, we can run this course with joy. Jesus, who is the Author and Finisher of our faith, for the joy that was set before Him, endured the cross, despising the shame." For the "joy" that was set before Him—what a vision the Son of God possessed, a vision that could see beyond the cruel cross to where the "joy" awaited Him. The only thing that will give you and me the patience to run this course, is to get the vision that enables us to see beyond our cross—that vision that will give us the desire to reach the goal *at any cost*; that we may be worthy to be partakers of the "prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus,"

God. Come on, Brother. I am guilty. Are you? Come, let us pray.

The clutch in an automobile is the device for bringing the motor's power to bear on the driving mechanism of the car. Prayer is the device ordained of God for bringing the power of God to bear on the things that hinder men's getting saved under our influence. Do you pray?—C. E. R.

worthy to partake of the divine nature of Jesus Christ.

When Jesus realized that His "course" took him to Calvary, He did not stand and gaze at the cross and dread the journey; He looked way beyond the cross, way beyond Golgotha, and beheld that joy that was to be His. Not only was He to be back in the glory with the Father, but He was to "lead many sons to glory." There would be countless multitudes that would share in His glory. Paul *gloried* in the tribulation that brought him nearer to the goal, saying that it was "not to be compared to the glory that would be his" at the end of the race; therefore he could say when he saw that the time of his departure was at hand, "*I have finished my course. Henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness.*" Beloved, "Let no man take thy crown!" Stand true! FINISH your course!

When I speak of joy, I do not mean merely an outward manifestation of some passing pleasant experience, but a joy anchored deep down in the soul, a joy that the world cannot give nor take away. You have never tasted the depth of this joy until in the secret closet you have wept before God in prevailing prayer that some soul might be born into the kingdom. It will bring a joy that will never leave you. There is a course marked out for you, brother; there is a course marked out for you, sister; and I beseech you in Jesus' name not to fail to run it, even though you may see the shadow of the cross hanging over it. Happy are you if you endure and go through, for without the cross there can be no crown.

You perhaps may say that you have seen those who have apparently swept along without any trials or tribulations,—well, perhaps they were not in their course. But, beloved, if *you* have the shadow of the cross over your course, thank God for it! that He has counted you worthy to suffer with Him. Perhaps the others could not suffer and endure. God knows to whom to give the cross. We are admonished to "*Consider Him who endured*"—just to look at Him is to inspire us to hold fast. Do not let that difficult circumstance, that trial, that business, hide the vision. "My son, regard not lightly the chastening of the Lord, nor faint when thou art rebuked of Him." All this is in our "course" and we are admonished not to turn aside, but to be exercised thereby.

No matter what our predicament may be, no matter what circumstance you may find yourself in, IT IS GOD'S HAND, for we are His chosen. If you are a child of God, and especially if you have been baptized in the Holy Spirit, there cannot anything come to you that has not first passed by Him. Job, covered with boils from the crown of his head to the sole of his foot, could not have been touched by the enemy if God had not permitted it. God ALLOWED the hedge to be taken down from about him—but that was in Job's course. God allowed it because He saw something in Job that would not fail in the test, and he became a living witness to the world of what God could do for a man who would stand true. Did you ever have a test like Job? Did you ever go out and sit on an ashheap? Did you ever have your friends pass by, look at you, wagging their heads, wondering how it was possible that *you* could have failed God; for if you hadn't failed Him, He would never have allowed such a thing to happen to you? If you have not had that experience, you have not been tested quite as bad as Job. If your course means sitting on an ashheap, consider the latter end of Job's life and what faithful endurance brought to him. Has any one said of you, "My! Look at that sister! Did you ever think that *she* would do such a thing?"—you are sitting on an ashheap now. Do not look at the instrument, but SEE GOD. Do not scorn that brother, or this sister, for what has overtaken them might, were it not for the grace of God, have overtaken you; and you perhaps would have been found pitching your tent toward Sodom. Have you ever, because of what this one or that one has done, said you were "through with the whole thing"—through with Pentecost? I have heard people say that; but let me tell you, if you have ever been guilty of such a thing, brother, sister, you have not fully lived up to the experience of Pentecost. When you have it down deep in your soul, in your being, it is real; it is *power!* It is not an easy thing to throw aside this wonderful gift of God.

We may not understand the chastening of the Lord, but God knows what He is about and understands what kind of chastening to send for our particular course. If you will let God deal with you as with "sons" and take the chastening as from His hand, not lightly, but reverently, and say, "Lord, I do not understand, but I know it is you"—you may be sure that there will be a crown of glory laid up for you. Some one may ask, "Don't

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## GENEROSITY

"There is that withholdeth more than is meet, but it tendeth to poverty." A miserly spirit is like a gray, chill day. The damp piercing atmosphere has the tendency of so depressing our spirit that we cannot appreciate our surroundings. A generous spirit is like a cozy, warm fire upon the hearthstone. In its glow and warmth we soon forget the uncomfortable atmosphere about us.

Miserliness is by no means confined to mercenary things. There is a withholding of kindness, good will, thoughtfulness of others, and willingness to do some little thing to lighten another's burdens in life, where there is no other compensation than the joy of serving and of seeing others made happy. The subject is not alone philosophic, it is most practical, for it involves the principle of profit and loss. We all possess the potential elements of generosity—love, kindness, good will—but if we withhold them, looking to be served rather than to serve, we shall bankrupt our own soul, we shall become shriveled and mean. Like the man with the one talent whose only interest was himself, hence he buried his talent, we shall reap the loneliness of outer darkness. Shut out because of our miserliness from the warmth of friendships, we suffer the heartache of the shunned. The Scriptural way is to give and it shall be given unto us—to cast our bread upon the waters, and we shall find it after many days.

The Lord Jesus made the commonplace uncommon. He lifted life from the dull and drab because He gave Himself unstintedly to His fellowmen. The common people heard Him gladly for in His contacts with them His generousness and unselfishness banished their discouragements and ills, and left them with a song of rejoicing. He came not to be ministered unto but to minister, and to give His life a ransom for many. Calvary stands as an eternal proof of His generous love and service to man, and His full contribution to their salvation and happiness. Even in the hour of His glorious triumph over all His foes, the resurrected Christ thought not of His glory or triumph but of giving. His last words on earth began with these, "Ye shall receive."

The true spirit of generosity is certainly lacking among many Christians. Perhaps this accounts for much of the poverty of spiritual power with them. This world of ours needs the spirit of Christ manifested in His followers, that spirit of generous, unselfish, whole-hearted, lowly service to others.

## GENEROSITY SAVES A CHILD

One cold rainy night a woman in very poor circumstances trudged over hill and dale to get a physician to come to look after her baby, who was lying dangerously ill. Although the doctor knew of her poverty, knew that there was little chance for her to pay him for his services, he left with her to attend the sick baby. He was not money-mad, but his generous heart sympathizing with the broken-hearted mother, bade him face the midnight

with its storm and chill, and go to her humble abode to minister to the child.

He might not have thought that he had done much, for the generous man never does feel that he has done much; he would simply have said he had done his duty—though generosity is both a duty and a privilege. In this case the life of the babe was saved, and eventually it grew into stalwart manhood and became the prime minister of England. That child was Lloyd George.

## GUARDED SPEECH

Many otherwise excellent people run riot in talk. There is a lightness, extravagance, thoughtlessness and oftentimes unkindness in speech. It's so easy to talk; just open the mouth and the words roll out. How careful people ought to be as to the character of words they thrust on the world's market. Harriet Beecher Stowe's suggestion is worthy of adoption. She said: "Let us resolve, first, to attain the grace of silence; second, to deem all faultfinding that does no good, a sin; third, to practice the virtue of praise."—*Living Water*.

Dwight L. Moody said: "Look at Daniel. He had the whole, or nearly the whole, of the king's business to attend to. He was prime minister, secretary of state, and secretary of the treasury—all in one. He had to attend to all his own work, and to give an eye to the work of lots of other men. And yet he found time to pray—not just now and then, nor once in a day, nor just when he happened to have a few moments to spare, but three times a day."

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### Care and Control of the Voice

Having learned through practical experience some helpful lessons, and having witnessed among the ministry a great need for a little advice in the care and control of the voice, I am submitting a few brief suggestions gleaned from varied sources, boiled down and hammered into shape for this corner.

The voice has so much to do with our efficiency that no one called of God to minister the Word can afford to neglect or abuse it. Folks seldom appreciate health until they have lost it through constant transgression of nature's law. Likewise many preachers never think of their voice until finally they awaken to find that this, their greatest physical asset, is forever gone, and all because of persistent strain and abuse.

We can do much to improve the quality and volume of our voices by learning, and religiously practicing, abdominal breathing. Many who are bothered with huskiness and continual cold in the throat can relieve the strain and develop a clear voice by strengthening the lungs and respiratory organs by daily deep breathing exercises.

The voice should be natural. It is strange that many preachers get the idea that their voice should sound like some particular minister whom their childish fancy has put on a pedestal as the last word in preacher efficiency, or that in order to give their voice a true religious setting they must develop a holy, sanctimonious tone. Some one has remarked that "a preacher's tone is about as much use to a preacher as a pair of stork's legs would be to a sitting hen." Noise is not synonymous with effectiveness. "When I first began preaching," said an old minister, "I thought it was the thunder that killed and so I tried to make all the noise I could in my preaching, but after a while I found out it was the lightning that did the business, and since that time I have tried to thunder less and lighten more."

"Some preachers," remarks Dr. Biederwolf, "preach as though the particular purpose of their appearance in the pulpit was to paralyze the eardrums. If there is the slightest occasion or even excuse for italics they will stand on their toes, get red in the face, swell up in the neck, pull in their diaphragm and push out their chest and yell as if they were trying to reach the Island of Madagascar by a wireless telephone that was out of order."

Those of us who are afflicted with the habit of reaching for the highest possible note in preaching should study carefully the pulpit manners of our Lord. Surely none could be more in earnest than He. His appeal was impassioned and intense, yet no one can imagine the Lord Jesus assuming what might be characterized as a ranting manner. How beautiful to see Him sitting quietly upon the mountain side unfolding His message to the multitude.

*Pitch.* If we wish to speak well we must have a due regard to the pitch or key of the voice—not too low or the people cannot hear. It is impossible to hold the attention of an audience unless we make them hear what we are saying. To pitch the voice too high is to strain it and render it rasping and unattractive. This also results in our losing all control and government of the voice. If we pitch in a medium key we can modulate the voice higher or lower with equal ease according to our subject.

*Pronunciation.* The manner of sounding our words. It is said that Demosthenes, upon being asked what was the first principle thing in oratory, answered, "Pronunciation." Being asked again what was the second and third, replied, "Pronunciation." There is no doubt that careful effort at distinct and clear-cut pronunciation will improve and reward those who yearn to be their best for God.

*Articulation.* Most of us speak too fast. Even men are guilty of this.

We clutter up our words and do not distinguish the syllables from one another. It is quite hard for some of us to overcome this tendency, but a little effort will improve our manner at this point. All speech to be interesting must have in it the glow of life, and in our effort to overcome a manner that is too swift we must guard against losing the touch of fire and animation.

*Emphasis.* This serves to mark and distinguish the meaning and force of what is said. I would not attempt to give rules further than to suggest that proper emphasis depends largely upon understanding the subject. When we know what we are talking about, and our hearts feel keenly the weight and import of the truths we are preaching, we shall naturally put the emphasis at the right place, and in the right proportion.

*Pauses.* Pauses are both essential and ornamental. Essential both to the preacher and his hearers. "The heavenly bodies may incessantly perform their respective revolutions, the earth may continue her motions until time itself shall be no longer, but such is the state and constitution of its inhabitants that they stand in absolute need of repose time after time. The weary traveler needs rest to restore his strength and refresh his spirits, in order to hold out to the end of his journey; so does the preacher to recover his voice and relieve his lungs. But this is not the only reason. Without proper pauses the hearers are often left in uncertainty, darkness, and confusion so that they neither understand the sense nor enter into the spirit of the subject" (Eades).

*Variation.* If we are to be heard with pleasure and profit, we must learn to vary our manner agreeably. Perhaps the preacher who is hardest to listen to, is the one who goes along the even tenor of his way in the same dull monotone, with no more variety of sound than a buzz saw.

The subject matter of our sermons should rise in weight and importance to the end, and just as the sun rising in the eastern horizon, begins by scattering the fogs and gradually proceeds to lighten and warm the earth, so let the preacher begin to warm when he begins to preach, increasing in light, heat and energy until he reaches the climax, where he should burn and glow with all the vehemence and ardor of his soul.

Carrying the figure of speech further, I would add that the sermons which are most effective, are those that are finished with the heat of high noon. But alas! too many of us refuse to stop until the sun is down and we feel the darkness coming on.

## -- In the Clutches of the Tempter --

Elder C. C. Schmidt

Some months ago a splendid man, a member of my church asked me a question on the subject of temptation that really puzzled me; so I began to search the Scriptures.

### *Temptation Is Universal*

There is not a soul that is not at times subject to temptation. I have met but one man in my life who claimed he was free from temptation. His claim was false and I told him so. Not long after that we met again. He recalled our former conversation and said, "You told me the truth. I was simply swept off my feet by fanaticism." Temptation is universal. When once we realize this we are not so liable to discouragement when the tempter comes to us.

Not long ago a woman came to me and said, "I don't believe I am converted." And when I asked her why, she replied, "Because I have more temptations now than I had before." She was actually thinking of having her name taken off the church roll.

### *Jesus Was Tempted*

The Lord Jesus Christ, who knew no sin, was tempted. There is a difference between sin and temptation. And if He, the sinless one, experienced temptation, how much more shall we, who are shapen in iniquity, be subject to temptation. When our Lord was in the wilderness being tempted of the devil, as each temptation was suggested He answered with the Word of God. The Lord Jesus defeated the devil by quoting Scripture. And if He had to rely on the Word of God to conquer the enemy, how much more do we need to rely on it. It is a sad fact that many people do not know the Word of God, and how can they hope to have victory over temptation. I tell you, we will never learn to live a victorious life until we know the Bible.

Our Lord's temptation came just after His baptism, after the Spirit had descended upon Him as a dove, and the Father's voice had been heard from heaven. And it seems to me that the enemy invariably adopts this method of discouraging a Christian. Some years ago, after one of our Bible conferences, a splendid Christian came to me and said, "I have had more trouble since that conference closed than I had before; I have had a harder fight with sin than I ever had before. I thought when I was filled with the Holy Spirit I would not have any trouble about living a holy life." This

saint had received a great blessing at the conference, and had been filled with the Spirit.

### *At the Weak Point*

At the end of a fasting period of forty days, when our Lord was weak and hungry, Satan was ready with a temptation just suited to the occasion. He said, "If Thou be the Son of God, command that these stones be made bread." The devil always knows our weak spot, and he knows just when to strike it. He appealed to the Lord's hunger. He appeals to others on the line of strong drink, or tobacco, or maybe a big Sunday dinner. I have had some fights on that last mentioned line. I am never tempted to curse or steal, but I am tempted along the line of my weakness.

When the devil found he could not tempt the Lord Jesus on the line of His appetite, he attacked Him at another point. He took Him to a pinnacle of the temple, and said, "If Thou be the Son of God, cast Thyself down; for it is written, He shall give His angels charge concerning thee; and in their hands they shall bear thee up, lest thou dash thy foot against a stone." In other words he said, "If you are the Son of God, you can jump from this pinnacle and you won't get hurt." Oh, "Go and do a fool thing, and God will take care of you?" Let me tell you something: If you do a fool thing, God will let you be a fool. I am reminded of the old saying I used to think was in the Bible—"The Lord tempers the wind to the shorn lamb." That is not true. If you want to try it out, put a shorn lamb out some cold winter night and see what happens. It will be dead in the morning.

My brother, my sister, do not tempt God by doing foolish things. Thank God, He does take care of us when we are in the line of duty, when we have a "Thus saith the Lord" back of us. And God will uphold us in the seemingly impossible tasks that we undertake for the glory of His name.

### *The Vital Spot of Pride*

Seeing he cannot break the Lord Jesus down on the line of His appetite, and cannot induce Him to be presumptuous, the devil attacks at the point of pride. He shows the Lord all the kingdoms of the world, and the glory of them, and says, "All these things will I give Thee, if Thou wilt fall down and worship me." Oh, how many precious men and women are yielding to the temptation of wealth.

How many are coveting the money they have not got and never will have.

Some people say, "Jesus was the Son of God, and it was not hard for Him to resist temptation." Yes, He was the Son of God, but He was also the Son of man; and as a man He met and conquered Satan.

### *Temptation a Blessing*

When temptation is properly met it becomes a means of grace. The Apostle James declares, "Count it all joy when ye fall into divers temptations;

Blessed is the man that endureth temptation, for when he is tried he shall receive the crown of life." No man ever grew in grace who did not face the tempter.

### *When Does Temptation Become Sin?*

If temptation is common to all, and is also a means of growth in grace, when does it become sin? The Apostle James answers the question. He says, "Let no man say when he is tempted, I am tempted of God; for God cannot be tempted with evil, neither tempteth he any man; but every man is tempted when he is drawn away of his own lust, and enticed. Then when lust hath conceived, it bringeth forth sin." Temptation becomes sin even before the act is committed; it becomes sin when it is conceived in the heart. Not when it is suggested to the mind, for we cannot always help suggestions coming; but we do not have to welcome the suggestions and give them a place. Some one has said, "We cannot help the birds flying over our head, but we can keep them from making a nest in our hair." So we cannot help suggestions coming, but we can refuse to harbor them.

### *An Illustration*

Supposing the devil comes to me and says, "You go down to the back door of the Neal Loan and Banking Co. The cashier failed to lock the door, such and such is the combination to the box, and you can help yourself to the money." I need money. I answer, "Devil, are you sure nobody will ever know anything about it?" I start to get the money. On arriving at the bank I find the door locked and the watchman on guard. Through fear of consequences I turn back and do not attempt the robbery. Am I innocent of robbery? Why my brother, in my heart I committed the sin when I decided to do the thing—the failure to accomplish it did not change it at all.

If the devil comes and tempts you to tell a lie about a man, you cannot help it; but you do not need to yield to the suggestion. If you refuse to tell the lie, you have not sinned. Look up, and God will provide a way to escape out of the temptation. "God is faithful, who will not suffer you to be



## -:- How to Pray for Missionaries -:-

By Dr. Northcote Deck

THE VOICE SAID PRAY . . . WHAT SHALL I PRAY? Yes, what shall you ask for us in the Mission field? What benison, what benediction would you bestow on isolated missionaries through your prayers? We on the field know that life in the homelands is so full, so overful, of duties and distractions that prayer is scarce, and very precious and needs to be conserved and rightly directed, that it may produce the greatest results. *What then, shall you pray for us?*

Why, there is nothing more profitable, more priceless that you can ask for us, than that, in spite of physical weariness, and "often infirmities," and the care of many churches among multiplying converts, we may be *enabled to remain upon our knees*. For there is a praying in detail that has to be done, if the infant churches are to grow and prosper. And that detailed praying can only be done by those on the field. Only *we* can know the names, the lives, the temptations, of the converts. Only *we* have seen the little churches nestling in the hidden bays, or perched among mountains. Only *we* can follow the hundreds of teachers in detail, in life, in mind, and can know and prayerfully meet the sudden perils and cries of the churches. And we? We fall asleep upon our knees! To our shame, often "He cometh and findeth" us asleep. (True there are worse places to sleep, and I am sure the sleep of weariness will never invalidate true praying.) Yet we would not shirk this most fruitful, most essential service, nor seek to abandon it to others. For "prayer must ever be primary"; all other service even in the field, is but secondary. *But we earnestly desire "through your prayers, and the supply of the Spirit," that we might be given enough spiritual energy to "make full proof" of this most vital ministry.*

*But we need your help.* For "who is sufficient for these things"? For effectual praying is no mere pastime. It will be arduous; it must ever be toilsome. "Virtue" must go out, and much spiritual energy. For there

tempted above that ye are able; but will with the temptation also make a way of escape, that ye may be able to bear it." If you keep looking up, you can live a victorious life, victor over every sin.

must needs be something of that "resisting unto blood" in this "striving against sin" and the powers of darkness, if we are to "turn the battle at the gate." And more, for our own soul's welfare and development we need to be instant, urgent in prayer. For prayer so wonderfully enriches all other activities. And, "if any will not work, neither shall he eat," is true also of this "work" of prayer. If there is not in our lives that quality of urgency which *must* find an outlet in the "conflict" of prayer, then neither shall we know the rarest, richest fruits of God, of the Spirit. It is your prayers which can best strengthen us to fulfill this unique service.

*Your prayers can make our praying specially cogent and powerful.* It is an accepted fact that the effectual preaching of the gospel owes its convincing effect largely to the concentrated prayers of many saints. So, many prayers, focussed on a preacher, give his words and *preaching ministry* a supernatural and extraordinary power, not his own. Yet, though not generally realized, this is even more true of the *prayer ministry* of the one prayed for. There is a cumulative effect in prayer. To produce an electric spark, a low-tension current of electricity is passed through a "coil," and induces in the coil a high-tension current of greater intensity, which is used to flame out and set on fire the gas or ordinary motor cars. This low-tension current is thus concentrated, focussed, as it were, to produce in the instrument, the coil, a flaming spark. And I believe the same effect is literally true of your prayers for us, unworthy though we be in ourselves. Many prayers, so focussed on one life (as is often the great privilege of the missionary or preacher) may reissue from his life in prayers of *greater intensity*, which will be able to set on fire many hearts, and be greatly used of God.

*This cumulative intensive effect is true of all who are much prayed for.* In this compound ministry, each has his own appointed function. But as it is the "low-tension" prayers of many saints focussed on one life which make possible the "high-tension" preaching which is "mighty" to the conversion of many souls, even so it is similar prayers, focussed on one life which make possible the "high-tension" prayers which set hearts and villages afire. Thus each supplies the lack of

the other, another blessed instance of that compacting of the Body of Christ, which "every joint supplieth." Only so can we explain the many wonderful and circumstantial answers to our poor prayers, on subjects quite unknown to the church at home, which constantly rejoice our heart and send us afresh to our knees.

So, when you seek God's face for us, above all, *ask that we may be enabled to pray and to go on praying.* You can ask nothing more profitable, more potent. Pray that the Spirit may so store our hearts with blessed urgings, and "groanings which cannot be uttered," that *relief must be found in persistent, unwearied prayer.* Pray that we may indeed be "straitened" in spirit, till this exacting ministry be accomplished. So, most surely will Christ's church be edified, and His coming hastened.

Lastly, may one thankfully testify, on behalf of many, that your prayer-labor is "not vain in the Lord," and that constantly the remembrance of the prayers of those in the homelands is the greatest cheer and encouragement to the isolated missionary, when "troubled on every side." How many times we are only "led in triumph" through "strong crying" in quiet rooms in the homelands, when, unnoticed by the world, there rises the continual incense of many heart-meant prayers, and the throne of grace is besieged by those who will not let God go until He bless us. So then, may each of us, in this most blessed partnership, be faithful and fruitful and "abounding" in the ministry God has committed unto each.

*"Finally," then, "brethren, pray for us," above all, that we may be enabled, by His grace, to continue steadfast in prayer.*

### POWER IN PRAYER

A woman came to a missionary at Bangalore, India, asking him to interfere and prevent a certain native Christian from praying for her any more. When asked how she knew that the Christian was praying for her, she replied, "I used to perform my worship to the idols quite comfortably, but for some time past I have not been able to do so. Besides, he told me at the time, he was praying for my family, and now my son and two daughters have become Christians, too. He is always bringing things to pass with his prayers. Somebody must make him stop."

Impatience is sin. It is the result of sin. It will cause you to sin more. It will cause defeat in your life. You need tribulation to work patience in your life (Rom. 5:3).—R.



## "Ye Must Be Born Again" John 3:7



Mrs. John Cole

A great many people in the world to-day are paying slight attention, I fear, to that word "must" in the heading of this article. They seem to think the word got there by accident and really does not have the same meaning in this passage of Scripture as Webster gives it in his dictionary. But we believe that to the person who is striving daily to understand the truth, this word is imperative, positive and commanding.

We believe that when Jesus spoke the words of this scripture to Nicodemus He was very positive about it and did not even try to infer or leave the impression that there was no great need for his being "born again." He did not say, "maybe," nor "perhaps"; neither did He say, "Now, Nicodemus, you are a good fellow and very intelligent and of course, you know as much about this as I do. You can have this wonderful experience if you want it; but now, if you do not care for it, you are all right anyway." No, positively. He said no such things, but instead, He said: "Art thou a master in Israel and knowest not these things? Verily, verily, I say unto thee, we speak that we do know and testify that we have seen." Then we believe He spoke the words again: "Ye must be born again," with more impressiveness than before. But, with all His earnestness and positiveness, He had to say to Nicodemus, as no doubt He is saying to the people of to-day: "And yet ye receive not our witness."

We have not a doubt but that this scripture has been used as a text by ministers of the gospel more times than any other one in the blessed old Book. It is said of John Wesley that at one time he had, by actual count, used this same text three hundred times. One day a friend of his asked him the question: "Mr. Wesley, please tell me why you use the text 'Ye must be born again' so often." Mr. Wesley's answer was, "Because 'ye must be born again.'" We can imagine that he did not hesitate to put great emphasis on the word "must" either, for that is where the emphasis undoubtedly belongs, according to Wesley's meaning and also as Jesus meant it, for He said, "except a man be born again he cannot see the kingdom of God."

The idea seems to be prevalent to-day that salvation is obtained by our works; by the good deeds that we do; but if people will read their Bible closely they will find that this is not the wonderful plan of salvation.

A short time ago a friend of mine and his wife, who live in another state, were called to our town by the death of a near relative. While making a short visit in my home, I took advantage of their feelings due to their recent bereavement, to inquire as to whether they would be ready to go if this same grim experience should be theirs. I said to them, "How is it, Tom? Are you and Mary Christians?" "Well, now," he replied, "we are doing the very best we can and trying to do all the good we can."

"But," said I, "are you saved? Do you know that your heart is right with God?"

"Well, now, I do not see things just as you see them probably, or as a great many other people do, so far as that goes. I believe that my wife and I do the best we know—are good to the sick and help the needy, pay our honest debts and live peaceably with our neighbors—that a just God will not turn us down."

"All that is good, Tom, as far as it goes," I said, "indeed, it is fine, but you are trusting your works to save you and you cannot find anywhere in God's Word that our soul is saved by our works, and indeed that is not the plan of salvation. 'By grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God. Not by works, lest any man should boast.' And, Tom, you can go on working hard every day of your life at these things you speak of, and they will never, never save you, for 'ye must be born again.'"

They went away without anything more being said on the subject. But I was made to see just how prevalent with the majority of people to-day is the idea of "works."

Dear reader, have you had this wonderful experience of being born again? Has Jesus come into your heart to abide and is He all in all to you? You can answer these questions with a "yes" or a "no." If it is "no" please read the text again and try emphasizing the word "must." For "ye must be born again." No matter what man teaches, even if it is the pastor of your church teaching it, if it does not measure up to the gospel standard, he is trying to get you to climb up some other way besides the true gospel way. John 10:1, says, "He that entereth not by the door into the sheepfold, but climbeth up some other way, the same is a thief and a robber."

I find many people who when asked if they are saved, say: "Oh, yes, I

joined the church when only a child, was sprinkled (or immersed as the case might be) and my name has been on the church book ever since."

But when one puts the question to them: "Do you know you are saved?" more times than I can tell of they have answered, "No, I can't say that I know." I cannot understand why people will go on year after year with the terrible feeling of doubt! What good is there in religion if it does nothing for you?

Dear reader, let Jesus perform a work in your heart. Quit striving to keep up with the forms and fads of man's teaching unless it corresponds with the Word of God. Surrender your soul fully and wholly to the Lord and you will have the witness of the Spirit within you and will know without one single doubt whether you belong to the Lord.

We read in 2 Cor. 5:17 these words: "Therefore if any man be in Christ, he is a new creature: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new." When Jesus does the work for you He does it right, and, you will know just when it is done, too. Your pastor or your friends will not have to tell you that you are saved for somehow you know it. There are no doubts there any more. You are born again, a new creature in Christ Jesus. The old desires are gone; the things that you once loved you now hate, and things that you once hated you now love.

A story is told of a child who would continually fall out of bed each night. Why he did so was a mystery to the household. One day the little sister explained it all by saying: "Mamma, he falls out because he doesn't get in far enough." So it is in getting salvation; if we get no farther than just some man-made plans in which is no power from above, we will be continually backsliding and "falling out." But, get the real thing—a salvation that does something for you and you will stay in.

Are you satisfied? Have you received a real and satisfying evidence of positive conversion? If you cannot say, "yes" to these questions and to the commands of Jesus, read again the words of His in the heading: "Ye must be born again."

"I believe in a heartfelt religion,  
That brings joy to the soul every day;  
The assurance of sins all forgiven;  
Through the Blood they are all washed  
away."



## ? Questions and Answers ?

Conducted By E. S. Williams

1. (a) *Is the pastor of a church the elder? If so, why is the word "elders" always used, and if not, what place do the elders fill, as Paul ordained elders in every church? Should there be more than one elder in a church, or mission? The elders are to pray for the sick.*

(b) *What is a bishop?*

(c) *Are the deacons the elders spoken of by James? James 5:14. And are the deacons to act with the pastor in praying for the sick?*

1. (a) The pastor is an elder, but there might be more elders than he in a church; if the church so chose. In Bible times there seems to have been more than one appointed in each church. Acts 11:30; 14:23; 15:2-4; 20:17. They were to be regarded with utmost respect. 1 Tim. 5:1, 17, 19. Some, while assisting in the spiritual oversight of the church, were not preachers. 1 Tim. 5:17. They labored together in praying for the sick. James 5:14. They were never selected from the untried, or unstable of the church, the very word "elder" meaning aged. The Biblical qualifications for filling such an office are described in 1 Tim. 3:1-7 and Titus 1:5-9.

(b) A bishop, in Biblical meaning, seems to be the same as an elder. Titus 1:5-7. It is thought, however, by many that a bishop held a higher office than the elders, rather that of a higher elder, and that the elders were his presbytery who labored with him. Some of the scriptures which are believed to teach this are Acts 15:13 and 21:18, where James is regarded as bishop of Jerusalem, surrounded by the elders.

(c) The deacons are generally believed to be those who were appointed to look after the temporal affairs of the church. Acts 6:2-6. The pastor may at any time use his deacons, or any others, to pray for the sick (Acts 6:8; Mark 16:20), but that does not make them elders.

2. *While there are a goodly number of people who preach sanctification through the blood of Jesus, and yet reject the Baptism with the Holy Ghost with signs following, is that sufficient reason for a church which would have it known that it preaches the whole Word of God abandoning the preaching of holiness? I know some "Latter*

*Rain" preachers who fight holiness. Will you make plain your position?*

Christian perfection as taught by John Wesley was one of the greatest blessings ever brought to the Christian church, the approval of God upon it being evidenced in some of the most glorious revivals in the history of religion. It would be a great blessing to every Christian could he read "Wesley on Perfection." Where the majority of Pentecostal believers differ from the general run of Holiness people is in teaching that all sin and self is eradicated by a second definite work of grace. We believe that all believers should put on "all holy tempers and dispositions," but at the same time must see that the Christian walk is a continual denying of self, crucifying of the flesh, and putting on of the Lord Jesus Christ. No believer, however, should make provision for the flesh to fulfill the lusts thereof.

3. *As Scripture shows that "By one Spirit we are all baptized into one body," can they be Scriptural who say, "Baptized in the Holy Ghost"?*

I would not wish to assume that no one was in the body of Christ save such as have received the Holy Spirit with signs following. Surely all down the ages God has had, and still has, many precious and consecrated saints who are in the Body of Christ.

When one speaks of being baptized "in the Holy Ghost" his meaning is that he has received the Baptism with the Holy Ghost, that he has been immersed in the Holy Ghost, while when speaking of being baptized into the body of Christ, the meaning is to become a part of that body.

4. *Will the Holy Ghost come into a heart that is not cleansed from idols? Many claim the Holy Ghost yet tell me they still have the old lusts in their hearts.*

I believe we should be more and more insistent on believers in Christ making an entire consecration of their lives to God, and on their coming out from the world and being separate; also that a greater emphasis should be put on the power of Christ to cleanse and preserve from all sin. This teaching should not only be given to young Christians, but to all. Mr. Wesley said that wherever the teaching of holiness was not strongly and explicitly taught the believers soon drifted away from it. We must, how-

### FINISH YOUR COURSE

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you think that the devil is at the bottom of a lot of things?" Of course he is. He is the agent who brings these trials to you, as he did to Job; but first God has to permit him to *take down the hedge*, for God may be saying of you as he said of Job, "Here is a perfect man." However, if you keep the vision before you and realize that God is permitting it all, there will come such victory in your soul that nothing can upset you. Take it from God's permissive hand! Get the blessing from it, and the enemy will soon have to go. For the present it may not seem joyous, but grievous; it may bruise your soul, may bruise your heart—but "for the joy that was set before Him *He endured*."

Have you ever "leaped for joy," when evil things were said about you falsely? When persecuted for righteousness' sake, have you leaped for joy? That is the course laid out for the overcomer. Our Captain has never lost a battle. He will "perfect that which concerneth us," if we are willing to go through in His way.

Joseph gained that marvelous and wonderful blessing in his life that placed him on the throne, because he saw God in all his trials. He said to his brethren, "You did not do this; it was *God*." They had sold him down into Egypt, but he saw the hand of God sending him on ahead to preserve life for you and me. Joseph would never have reached that place on the throne if he had fussed and quarreled with his brethren over what they had done to him and had said that he would make them *pay good* for all the mean things they had done to him. Instead, Joseph saw *God*; he bowed his neck under the chastening rod and became "exercised" by it. Beloved, let us say Amen to God and "kiss the rod," for God knows what is best to include in the course that He has given us to finish.

ever, bear in mind that inconsistencies were found in the churches founded by the apostles themselves, which churches were certainly "Pentecostal," and large portions of the epistles are devoted to seeking to correct these conditions. Thankful should we be that we have the Book of God to guide us, and if we will be faithful and prayerful searchers of the Scriptures we shall avoid following sinful lusts. The prayer of Jesus will be answered, "Sanctify them through Thy truth, Thy word is truth."

"Because thou art lukewarm and neither cold nor hot, I will spue thee out of My mouth." Rev. 3:16.

## News From Many Lands

### GOD'S BLESSING IN TAIANFU, CHINA

*Grace Nicholson*

My heart is filled with praise this New Year's morning as I think of the goodness of our Lord, and of His great kindness to us at the Home of Onesiphorus this past year. How He has fed and clothed this family of some eight hundred people during the months of war and famine.

My mind goes back to the time the Kuomintang army were marching on Taian to meet the Northern forces who had fortified the city. God enabled me to keep up my teaching all through this period. The fear which I had felt the year before when the Kuomintang were in Nanking was entirely gone as the Lord had spoken to me so definitely at that time and brought such perfect rest and peace. After examinations were over I was taken very ill. My heart and nerves just gave out. It was very hot in Taian at that time although only June. The little sparrows would sit panting with mouths open and wings dropping. The iron of the cot on which I was lying was so hot I could hardly bare my hand on it. A Baptist missionary who had gone to Tsingtao offered me the use of his mountain home. How I did long to go. I prayed much about it, but God said, "I will raise you up RIGHT HERE. I will glorify my name RIGHT HERE." And truly He did work a mighty healing, and upheld me so precious when the sinking spells came on. Wednesday morning I was very ill. Our Chinese evangelist came and prayed for me. God gave me a very precious message in prophecy through him. That night I could go to sleep and slept the entire night. In the morning I awoke feeling well and wanted to eat. It was a precious lesson to the Chinese who had stood with me in prayer.

The Lord then began to open the way for me to go to the mountain and provided a cook and supplied my every need. While there many of the students at the Home of Onesiphorus came up and we had opportunities for giving out tracts and Gospels to pilgrims and sightseers who were going up the mountain. This Tai Shan mountain is the most sacred of the five sacred mountains of the Chinese. Pilgrims often come from long distances to worship in the temples on the mountain top.

One day two boys came up from the

Home of Onesiphorus. Ching Yuen, my organ pupil was ill. His lungs were affected and he was very pale and weak. After he had rested and taken some nourishment we talked of the Bible way of healing and had prayer together. He stayed on the mountain some little time, and God precious-ly met him. He had charge of our prayer service and gave out tracts on the mountain road. Sometimes pilgrims would follow him into our compound to hear more of the gospel. After returning to the Home of Onesiphorus the sores on his lungs were still discharging, but he continued to look to the Lord and he is now perfectly well. He plays the organ for our sight reading class. The other night he played very sweetly at the New Year's eve service in

been worshiped for many years and the people are at a loss to know where to turn. Oh, that it may be to the only true and living God and to His Son Jesus the Christ for "there is none other name under heaven given among men whereby we must be saved." Acts 4:12. Do pray for us, dear friends, that we may be given strength and grace to enter the open doors. My Amah is so eager to get the gospel out that after finishing my work she goes calling in the homes of the people. She came home yesterday just radiant with joy and could hardly wait to tell us how kindly the people had received her, and best of all of their willingness to hear the gospel and to come to the services at the Home of Onesiphorus.

Alas—our church is too small to receive them. However, we can have services in some room in the compound. Do pray with us that money may come in to build a church. The present one is too small to seat our own people.

### DAYS OF HEAVEN ON EARTH

*Mrs. G. M. Kelley*

"Call unto me, and I will answer thee, and shew thee great and mighty things, which thou knowest not." Jer. 33:3.

Surely the Lord is doing great and mighty things for us in South China today and this is just the beginning, the preparation days for a real revival. But

thank God we don't need to say, "It is yet four months to harvest." Right along with the sowing there is the reaping too.

During the past year over 60,000 tracts have been distributed from Sainam, more than 7000 Gospels sold and 350 Testaments placed in the hands of inquirers. Our bread cast upon the waters is being returned to us. Hallelujah! To those who have gone through two years of bloodshed, hair-breadth escapes, expecting any moment to have to flee for our lives, "these days are like the days of heaven upon earth." It has only been brought about through prayer; a revival is on the way.

December 12-19th, we had a meeting with the workers from the different stations; over 90 were in attendance; such a sweet spirit of unity prevailed. Three were baptized in the Holy Ghost, the evangelistic meetings in the evening were splendid. Ninety-six heathen sought the Lord.

Last Sunday Brother Kelley was in Canton. He preached, baptized seven converts, administered the communion, dedicated a



*Sister Grace Nicholson and her boys' singing class*

the chapel. Please pray very definitely for this young life; and also for the other boys of the sight-reading singing class. There are over 20 boys in the class. One boy is preparing for the ministry. Three other boys of the class have spoken of their desire to become native missionaries. One boy is ill at present and God is working deeply in his life. Pray very much for these boys that the Lord may have His way in their lives.

These are days of priceless opportunity in China. The old temples are being torn down and in their place other buildings will be erected. The Tai Miao, a very old temple here in Taian, lies a mass of debris. A public bath, reading room, and restaurant where the poor people can obtain refreshment at low price will be built there. One of the large bells from this temple was brought to us and now rings out from a Christian home. The Buddhist Hell, where hideous looking gods have for centuries been worshiped and feared by the people, is now a thing of the past. The Kuoming-



dozen babies, and prayed for the sick until he was exhausted—just a day's work for Jesus.

Oh, what a joy to go out into the homes of the people and bring them to Jesus. Yesterday we stood in one place, a small alley way for four hours, just telling over and over the simplest things concerning Christ and His great love. There were hungry hearts who just begged to hear it over and over—some boys about 10 years old came with bugles and stood beside us blowing bugles with all their might to keep the people from hearing, they also kicked up the dust until we were nearly choked, but patience and grace won the victory and the Word was given to hungry hearts who had never heard before.

Last Friday we walked more than 10 miles to the villages, came home with blistered feet, but a happy heart. We visited a Christian lady 89 years old who is nearly blind, all alone, and destitute. She has tiny bound feet, wears shoes not over 2½ inches long. Ten years ago she heard the gospel, believed, and was baptized. She is the only Christian for miles around and never see a fellow Christian more than once or twice a year. Her dear old wrinkled face just shines with the glory of the Lord. She has His peace which passeth all understanding.

In a small market town still farther on we found a Christian woman who is boldly witnessing for the Lord. Over two years ago she was prayed for here in Sainam. Then she was helpless, couldn't move herself, had spent hundreds of dollars in idol worship and in paying doctors. She believed what was told her of Christ and although her husband had her moved away from Sainam, yet one day alone she got up and began walking in the Name of the Lord.

Although she is persecuted bitterly the people come in every day to hear the story of her miraculous healing. How happy she was to see us. She ran around the room several times to demonstrate for us that she was fully delivered. She has two small children and lives in such poverty, such a place to call home. We just couldn't live in such surroundings, yet she is the happiest person I have seen for a long time.

You will rejoice to know how the Christians are sacrificing to give to the famine sufferers in North China. One of the churches which we call "The Church of Beggars" (as it is near an old people's home and many of the Christians are blind, lame, old, or decrepit) has raised more than \$60.00. One of the Fat Shan Christians gave \$100.00. Surely it is the love of Christ that constrains them to give out of their poverty.

A young business man, saved on our last trip to Shek-Kok, is preparing to enter Bible school to prepare for the Lord's work. Some of the tent-meeting converts are developing into promising workers. How we need a Bible school to train these young men and women for the work. Please pray for a Bible school to be established. If we had the teachers it could soon be brought about. Prayer will solve every problem for us. Will you hold the prayer ropes?

How poor are they that have not patience!

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#### ARRIVED SAFELY

Sister Bonney writes from India of her safe arrival. She states:

"All the way across the ocean every time a storm would arise I would have that safe feeling that underneath were the everlasting arms, and no fear would enter in. How I love Him to-night, bless His dear name.

"I am very happy to be here in the land of my adoption, and am starting on the study of the language. I know God is helping me in this as in everything I have done in His name. It is such a comfort to know that Jesus never asks us to do anything that He does not fit us to do and, although I feel that I am the least of all His children, yet I know that the place He has put me in He will enable me to fill, and so I know this language will come even though it be by hard study, but praise God, it will come, and I am glad."

#### CAUSE FOR THANKSGIVING

Brother Boyce writes from Siswa Bazar, India: "Just a few lines to let you know that the Lord is blessing us with souls in Siswa Bazar. We do praise Him for answering prayer. To God be all the glory.

"We have held six baptismal services for adults this year, thus making this our banner year for adult baptisms. Among those who participated were three more converts from Hindooism for whom we have labored these past nine years to bring them to the Lord, a mother and her son, about twenty years of age, and an older man.

"Last August when baptizing three other adults, the young man presented himself for baptism. I then told him to wait a little longer until I had had opportunity to talk with him about the seriousness of the step he was taking and also the consequences that would follow, in that he would be made an outcaste by his co-religionists. He replied, 'My mother is now willing for me to become a Christian, but she will remain and die in the Hindoo religion.' He was very disappointed that I did not baptize him then with the others. However, praise God, in the meantime his mother has also surrendered to the Lord, and they have boldly confessed Christ together in baptism in the little creek that flows at the bottom of our mission compound.

"Joy was added to joy when the older man also surrendered to the Lord and was baptized two Sundays following, but not without a great fight against the powers of darkness, because it was hard for one so old to be cut off from all his relatives. They have already told him not to darken their door again with his presence. Such is the price that these converts still have to pay in India once they become followers of the Lord Jesus Christ. There are no

half measures in this country. Such is also the case with the young Mohammedan that we baptized Christmas day, 1927. His father and two brothers have come to visit him during the last few months to try to get some money from him, but they have absolutely refused to eat with him. To them he is as one of the untouchables.

"We ask your earnest prayers for these new converts that they may grow in grace and in the knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ, for there are many wolves around who are ready to destroy these lambs of His fold. We thank God for much help on the buildings, but all is not clear yet. There is still a balance to be met. Our hearts have been greatly encouraged notwithstanding all our trials. His grace is sufficient, is our testimony."

#### NEWS FROM MANY LANDS

TEL-AVIV, PALESTINE

*W. J. Fuchs*

We spent a very blessed holiday season and trust you did also. Our festivities included a midnight pilgrimage to Bethlehem, and from there to the Shepherds' Fields under the full-moon light. One of the Jewish inquirers went with us to the Field, where we had a little service. The friend later told us that it was a night long to be remembered and we say the same as she.

The work here in Tel-Aviv is going on nicely, and God is giving new signs to show that He is working among the children of Israel, praise His name! One of the Jewish believers here is a veterinary surgeon. For sometime past he had been suffering with a sort of eczema on his hands. Prayer was offered for this need and the Lord graciously touched his hands and healed them. Thank God for this, and for other encouragements along the way.

NINGPO, CHINA

*Nettie D. Nichols*

We had a very precious day yesterday (our Lord's day) and the meetings were well attended. There was such a sweetness of His presence during the services. We have gotten in touch with a new heathen family, two brothers and their families, and we believe God is going to do a real work in their hearts. Praise the Lord!

We now have a demon-possessed woman here who came to us Saturday night and asked us to pray for her. The demons were cast out and to-day she is sitting quietly doing some work with one of our helpers. She came of her own accord to us and said she had eight demons and was sick and tired of them and wanted them cast out. She has been telling fortunes and delving into spiritualism. The poor woman was in a miserable condition but already the expression on her face has changed. The battle has been fierce, but our God always triumphs.

#### GOOD MEETING AT RAMONA

Pastor G. W. Trisler, Ramona, Okla., writes: "Just closed a 5 weeks' revival with 12 souls saved and the saints greatly revived. Several people were healed. God wonderfully poured out His Spirit. We have taken the pastorate of this assembly for the present."

## -:- In the Whitened Harvest Fields -:-

### LULING, TEXAS, BLESSED

Evangelist A. F. Gardner has just closed a 4 weeks' meeting with Pastor J. A. Scurlock, Luling, Tex., ministering to capacity crowds. Sixteen were saved, 8 baptized with the Holy Spirit and 4 baptized in water.

### JAMESTOWN REVIVAL

Secretary Vena P. Curtis, Jamestown, N. Y., writes: "January 11, Brother C. Stanley Cooke, Eastern District evangelist, came to the Full Gospel Mission and God visited us with a gracious revival. In nearly every meeting sinners were saved and backsliders reclaimed and to date 18 have received the Baptism of the Holy Ghost. 'And the end is not yet, praise the Lord.'"

### HUNGERING AFTER RIGHTEOUSNESS

Pastor V. A. Graham, Redding, Calif., writes: "God is blessing here in the salvation of souls, and saints are being baptized in the Holy Spirit. We had a wonderful fellowship meeting here last week in the midst of a revival and the glory of God was present; seven received the Baptism. The saints are hungry for God and tarry before Him until late at night."

### CONTINUOUS REVIVAL

Pastor G. L. Rose, Denver, Colo., writes: "God has been pleased to visit us ever since we opened the work at 525 East Mississippi Ave., last August. To begin, He healed me of a serious affliction just a few days after I opened the work, for which I shall ever praise Him. Scarcely a week passes now but that from one to five are converted in the old-time way. Since the holidays 14 have received the Baptism with the Holy Spirit. The altar is full at almost every service. We have installed our baptismal fount and last night 14 were buried with Christ in baptism."

### REVIVAL FIRES BURNING

Pastor Ray S. Armstrong, Brooklyn, N. Y., writes: "We recently closed a most blessed campaign at the Lighthouse Pentecostal Church, with Sister Hattie Hammond as evangelist. God came among us from the very first of the meetings in old-time Pentecostal power. The glory of God was so great in several of the services that there was no need for preaching, and the people were moved on by the Holy Ghost in such a mighty way that the ministers could not have ministered if they had tried. Several were saved; many of the young people who had been in a backslidden condition for some time, were gloriously reclaimed, and others were filled with the Holy Ghost as on the day of Pentecost. Every one has been greatly encouraged, and best of all, the revival fires are still burning. Souls are being saved and the power of God is manifested in a most blessed way in our regular meetings. This has been considered a hard field, but we are glad that nothing is too hard for our God."

### ELKHART IS STIRRED

Pastor Hermon R. Rose, Elkhart, Ind., writes: "Evangelist Loren B. Staats of Blue Rock, Ohio, just closed a very successful 3 weeks' campaign for us. This city was stirred for Pentecost as never before. The stigma that has been on Pentecostal faith has been removed to a large degree, and the people are seeing that there is a reality in this Holy Ghost movement. Many people from the other churches were at the altar seeking the Baptism with the Holy Ghost as in Acts 2:4. Some were filled. The church was filled every night and some nights we had to turn the people away. Many sinners came rushing to the altar after listening to Brother Staats preach on the signs of the times and against the modern worldliness that is prevailing in our land to-day. The last night of the campaign we took in 24 new members and there will be several others taken in as a result of the meeting. Fourteen were baptized in water."

"I have a friend so precious,  
So very dear to me;  
He loves me with a tender love,  
He loves so faithfully..

"I could not live apart from Him  
I love to feel Him nigh;  
And so we talk together,  
My Lord and I."

### GREATEST REVIVAL IN YEARS

Pastor Paul V. Jones, Creede, Colo., writes: "Feb. 17, we closed a 3 weeks' revival conducted by District Superintendent F. C. Woodworth and the Heath musicians, of Ft. Morgan, Colo. Thirty-four came forward for salvation, the majority of whom were converted, and 6 or 7 were baptized in the Spirit. Creede is a famous wild-west mining town of early days, and citizens tell us that this is its greatest religious stir in many years, if not in its history. This work was started under Sister Clark. When mother and I came here there were 6 or 8 saved and one Spirit-filled adult. For several weeks we battled in prayer and God gave us the above revival. Now some 15 are tarrying for the Baptism. The Rocky Mountains contain scores of towns without ministers of any faith. These places await Pentecostal preachers who will brave hardships and give them the gospel."

### GRAFTON REVIVAL

Pastor S. A. Rayborn and wife, Grafton, Ill., write: "God has been working in our midst in a very precious way during the last year. We have just closed a 2 weeks' revival. Some were saved and backsliders reclaimed. Brother G. F. Coover, of Bethalto, Ill., did the preaching."

### CHURCH SET IN OREDR

Brother H. C. Hudson, Cushing, Okla., writes: "In August Brother U. V. Scroggins came and held a meeting under a tab-

ernacle. Prospects were gloomy, but God helped him to build a church 32x46. The Thompson evangelistic party held a 7 weeks' meeting, in which 41 prayed through to victory and 6 received the Holy Ghost. Brother F. E. Conrad set the church in order with 37 members. Brother Scroggins was re-elected pastor."

### SOUTHERN ARKANSAS CONVENTION

Pastor A. W. Tanner, Wesson, Ark., writes: "Our Sunday School and Young People's Convention for Southern Arkansas at El Dorado, was a success throughout. A number of speakers present proved a blessing to all. God set His approval on the convention by saving souls and baptizing believers with the Holy Spirit. We wouldn't forget the kindness of Pastor Simms and his assembly in entertaining the visitors. Eight Sunday Schools were represented, 7 pastors and about that number of evangelists were present."

### A NEW CHURCH

Brother Lewis Durnal, South Torrington, Wyo., writes: "Brother Guy Nickell, from Oakland, Calif., stopped with us and held revival services in a hall which resulted in calling the saints together. Brother Floyd Woodworth came over from Ft. Collins, Colo., and set the assembly in order. The construction of a new church was immediately begun under the supervision of Brother Guy Nickell, who dedicated same Feb. 3, and held a few services, preaching his farewell sermon Feb. 5, at which time we observed the Lord's Supper. We have a nice Sunday school. This church is open for a Spirit-filled pastor."

### OVER ONE HUNDRED CONFESS

Pastor Oscar E. Nash, Cincinnati, Ohio, writes: "Beginning with Jan. 2, of this year there was a 10-day prayer conference called at Christian Assembly preparatory to the prospective Delores Dudley campaign. There was such a hunger in the hearts of our people that they requested us to continue the meetings nightly for the 2 weeks that remained before the campaign, which we did and God continued His deepening work in our hearts. Miss Dudley came on Jan. 27, and from the first meeting the Lord worked. There were 8 or 9 saved in the afternoon and as many in the evening service. More than 115 confessed Christ during the meetings. Some nights scores in the place wept under the convicting power of the Holy Spirit. The assembly accommodates about 550 people, but we had 600 people in several of the meetings. On the last Sunday night we had an overflow meeting. Wonderful things took place of which, at the time, we knew nothing, but which are being told us daily. Some were healed, some delivered from habits, many blessed and encouraged. A man who had been a member of another church for years, was delivered from the tobacco habit. The presence of God is a cure for all ills."



BRIEF MENTION

Brother and Sister M. C. Henrichsen, formerly of Payette, Idaho, have accepted the pastorate at Harrington, Wash.

Word comes from Pastor Hazel Dolby, Charlotte, Mich., of the power of the Lord present in that assembly. Their mission is in an undesirable location. Pray that God will provide a better place.

Pastor Ralph Jeffrey reports a good meeting at Hagerstown, Md., conducted by the Christopher Brothers, of Connecticut, in which a goodly number were saved and healed. Several church folk from a nearby town attended and received the New Birth.

Brother S. G. Shields writes from Bayard, Neb.: "Am in a good revival; God is blessing. Thirty have received the Baptism of the Holy Spirit and about that many saved. Am closing to-night to get back to my work in Amarillo, Tex."

AN INVALID HEALED

In 1915 I hurt my back. After doctoring for a long time I was put in a plaster cast, and later in a steel and leather jacket which I wore for ten years. With it all I gradually grew worse, having to spend the last four years in bed, on my back all the time. One evening in October, 1927, some friends asked Pastor Berryhill to pray for me. As I had never before seen him he told me how the Lord would heal me when I put all my hope, faith, and trust in Him. When he finished praying I arose from the cot saying, "According to my faith, Lord, so be it unto me." I soon began to gain in strength and now I am doing all my own work. I shall answer any letters that come to me.—(Mrs.) William Lefebvre, Route 1, Glendale, Ariz.

Editor's note: We held this testimony for a time to see whether the healing would get more pronounced, and wrote to Mrs. Lefebvre. March 31, 1928, we received word from her saying:

"When I was prayed for I was not wearing any brace. I had to lie on my back all the time and the brace did me no good. Only rubbing would ease the pain. From the time I was prayed for in October till now my back has never been rubbed. Before I was prayed for I could only sit or stand five minutes at a time. I was worse for two days after I was prayed for but I kept thanking and praising God all the time. Then I began to gain slowly and have been gaining ever since. Pastor Berryhill kept praying for me."

Editor's note: Again we held back the testimony and wrote Sister Lefebvre again. January 29, 1929, she wrote us:

"Mr. Lefebvre and I covered about 8,000 miles by auto this summer. We went back to our old home in Canada. I am a living witness of God's goodness. I never wear a corset, my back is so well. I do all my own work, and last Sunday I went to church three times, morning, afternoon, and night. Gipse Smith held a three weeks' revival here in Phoenix and I signed up as a personal worker. I went to every night service and only missed one noon service. That is some difference from lying on my back all the time."

SMOTHERING SPELLS HEALED

For two or three years my wife had smothering spells. Sometimes she would think she was dying for lack of breath, and would become semi-conscious. Finally in last July we went to a doctor to see what was the matter with her. After an examination he said it was gas on the stomach. We then went to a fellowship meeting at Walnut Ridge and she was prayed for, but did not receive healing. The next night at the meeting she had another spell and we had prayer for her again and she was immediately healed. Wife told me that it appeared to her that a hole had been made in her throat. But we have delayed sending this testimony and it seems as if the thing is trying to come back on her.—Walter Ivie, Grubbs, Ark.

Editor's note: Owing to Brother Ivie's statement about the affliction trying to come back we held the testimony back from publication. The testimony was written January 13, 1928. January 24, 1929, we wrote him about the healing and he has replied:

"Wife was wonderfully healed. While it is a fact that a few times the thing attacked her again, it has been some time since any symptom of it appeared, and I believe she is healed, if we continue to walk in obedience to God's Word."

INJURED BACK HEALED

In February, on the way to prayer meeting a wheel of our conveyance ran over a stump and threw me forward wrenching my back. By Sunday morning I could not straighten my back. I grew worse and worse until I got so that I could not walk without assistance, and even then the attempt to walk gave me such pain that I could not keep from crying out. In addition my kidneys began to give me trouble. After two weeks of severe suffering while I was at prayer the Lord told me to go to Madisonville and be prayed for. It was about fourteen miles and how I did suffer on the way! When I got there just as I entered the church door the power fell, and without having time to be anointed or prayed for, I was healed. I used to just live out of the medicine bottles, but I praise God I do not need medicine now, and have not for four years.—(Mrs.) W. B. Hart, Nebo, Ky.

Editor's note: The above testimony was written May 10, 1928. We recently wrote Mrs. Hart to see how the healing was holding up. To-day we have a letter from her in which she says that she was completely healed last February and that she has never felt a pain since.

A CANCER HEALED

Mrs. Martha E. Bryant, supply pastor Full Gospel Church, Medford, Oregon, commenting on a healing testimony she encloses says it is a truly remarkable case of healing of both soul and body. This is the testimony:

Last April 3, I was told by the doctor that I had a cancer on my left breast and was in a dangerous condition. He said an immediate operation was necessary and came the next day to take me to the hospital. I inquired whether the operation would relieve me and he said he didn't know, but that that was all they could do.

I was unsaved and decided I had best get right with God. Instead of going to the hospital I began going to the Full Gospel church and God saved my soul. The evangelist prayed for me and God healed me. There were five of us at that time here in Medford that had a cancer. The other four went to the doctor and they are dead. I went to the Lord and am alive and well. I am completely healed. I gained twice—I lost my cancer and found salvation. Praise the Lord. I am nearly seventy years of age.—L. J. Dunaway, 545 N 1st Street, Medford, Oregon.

If you are a Christian, you have no right to do as you please. You do not belong to yourself; you belong to the Lord Jesus. He paid for you by dying on the cross for your sins.

OPEN FOR CALLS

EVANGELISTIC.—Haynie Nichols, c/o H. W. Woods, R. 4, Box 98, Hollis, Okla.

EVANGELISTIC.—I shall be glad to assist any Arkansas pastor in evangelistic services after March 15.—R. P. Johnston, Rush, Ark.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS

Brother Wm. Pocock is now located at 234 S. Water St., Martinsburg, W. Va.

Forthcoming Meetings

Pray for all forthcoming meetings. Notices of meetings should be received by us three full weeks before the meeting is to start.

SARATOGA, TEX.—Fifth Sunday rally, March 29-31.—M. E. Stubblefield, pastor.

QUINCY, ILL.—Revival campaign with Pastors R. A. and Adele Carmichael at the Assembly of God, April 14-28.—Zelma Argue.

ELECTRA, TEX.—Evangelist Meyer Tan-Ditter and wife will conduct a revival campaign here March 28-April 14.—E. B. Crump, pastor.

BETHEL CHAPEL, ARK.—Seven miles south of El Dorado, Sunday school and Young People's Convention, April 18-19.—A. W. Tanner.

PLAINVIEW, TEX.—Revival services March 9-17, Brother H. M. Cadwalder in charge. Dedication service March 17. All ministers are cordially invited to attend.—R. E. Ford, pastor.

GOOSE CREEK, TEXAS.—Brother Meyer Tan Ditter and wife will begin revival meeting, March 6, to run two or three weeks.—F. R. Anderson, pastor.

GARY, IND.—Christ's Ambassadors' Rally March 10. All Pentecostal young people of the state are invited. For further information write D. F. Taylor, 713 Pennsylvania St.

NOONAN, N. DAK.—Evangelist R. S. Peterson, of Pelican Rapids, Minn., will conduct a series of revival services, March 8-17, or longer. For further information write Pastor O. A. Severson.

LADIESBURG, MD.—Evangelist Homer Peterson will conduct a meeting at the First Pentecostal Church, March 1-10.—Pastor David Wilson, 112 W. 4th St., Frederick, Md.

MALVERN, ARK.—Revival, March 10-31, Evangelist J. W. Dodd in charge. Services every evening at 7:30. A fellowship meeting in connection with the revival, March 29-31.—Pastor P. F. Ramsey.

LE MARS, IOWA.—Revival campaign at Gospel Tabernacle, 302 Central Ave., March 17-April 7, Evangelist Zelma Argue in charge. Services every night, except Saturday, at 7:45.—Pastor Joseph Terlizzi.

VERNON, TEX.—Evangelist A. F. Gardiner, of Caldwell, Tex., will begin a revival Feb. 24, to continue 3 weeks or longer. For further information write Pastor R. L. Steger, Box 1284, Vernon, Tex.

FRESNO, CALIF.—Evangelist Watson Argue will hold a 2 weeks' revival campaign at the Full Gospel Tabernacle March 31 to April 14, inclusive. Nearby assemblies plan to attend. For further information write to Pastor L. R. Keys.

**RIENZI, MISS.**—Revival services at Victory Pentecostal Church, beginning March 2, Evangelist Wm. A. Bishop in charge.—Archie C. Rider.

**EGELAND, N. D.**—Revival campaign at Free Mission Church, Main Street, March 5-24, E. Elsworth Krogstad, of Albert Lea, Minn., evangelist in charge. All Christians from near-by towns urged to attend.—Elder R. S. Rasmussen.

**REGAN, N. D.**—Evangelist Elsworth E. Krogstad, of Albert Lea, Minn., will hold a series of meetings at the Assembly of God hall, March 26-April 7, or longer. A cordial invitation extended to all.—C. E. Oster, pastor, Box 84.

**SIDNEY, OHIO.**—Evangelist Wm. Emenegger and Brother L. C. Hicks will hold evangelistic services at Mission Church on West Park Street, March 14-31. For further information address, Pastor Charles C. Shie, 202 North Main Ave.

**MANSFIELD, OHIO.**—Evangelist Delores Lee Dudley, of New Philadelphia, Ohio (the child evangelist), will conduct a campaign, March 10-24, at the Four-Fold Gospel Hall, 2 S. Diamond Street. Services every night at 7:30. Sunday 3:00, p. m.—Oliver P. Brann, pastor.

**DENVER, COLO.**—Old-time Pentecostal revival, March 3-24 at Radio Prayer League Church, E. 37th Ave., and Gilpin St. Street car No. 66. Brother Loren B. Staats, of Blue Rock, Ohio, evangelist. Rooms near the church at reasonable rates.—S. H. Patterson, pastor.

**NORTH CUMBERLAND, MD.**—Four weeks' revival campaign beginning March 10, at the Assembly of God, North Cumberland, will be conducted by Pastor Nimrod Park, of Pittsburgh, Pa. For further information write Pastor Ralph McMakin, 304 Wallace St., Cumberland, Md.

**FREDERICK, MD.**—Evangelist Homer Peterson will hold a series of meetings in the First Pentecostal Mission, 22 North Market St., March 13 to 31, or longer. For further information address Pastor David Wilson, 112 West 4th St., Frederick, Md.

**SAN JOSE, CALIF.**—Evangelist A. Watson Argue will be at the Upper Room Mission, Fourth and San Antonio Streets, March 20-31, inclusive. Services every night, except Saturday, at 7:30; Sunday, 10:45, 3:00 and 7:30.—Pastor Max Freimark.

**NEWBURGH, N. Y.**—Easter Convention at Glad Tidings Assembly, 4 Avoca St., March 24-31. Services—Sundays, 10:30 and 7:30; every evening 7:30. Special evangelist F. Webster Tyler, returned missionary from British East Africa. A welcome to all.—Pastor A. J. Jenkins.

**OKLAHOMA C. A. RALLIES.**—Bigsby, Feb. 15th; Duncan, Brother Fortenberry, pastor, March 23; Oklahoma City, 1813 W. 2nd St., Brother Kullman, pastor, March 24. Three services each day.—M. J. McClellan, 316 E. Cherokee, Enid, Okla.

**OAKLAND, CALIF.**—Evangelist A. Watson Argue, of Winnipeg, Canada, will hold special evangelistic meetings at the "Glory Barn" of the Oakland Evangelistic Association, 2946 E. 14th St., March 3-24, inclusive. For further information address the pastor, R. H. Moon, 1260 E. 34th St., Oakland, Calif.

**MOOSIC, PA.**—Evangelist Delores Lee Dudley will conduct a 2 weeks' campaign at the Full Gospel Tabernacle, Springfield Ave., March 31-April 14, inclusive. Meetings every night at 7:45, Sundays, 10:30 a. m., 7:45 p. m. For further information write Pastor John E. Jenkins, 608 S. Blakely St., Dunmore, Pa.

**WASHINGTON, D. C.**—Evangelist Christine K. Peirce of Evangel Temple, Toronto, Canada, assisted by her mother, Mrs. M. Kerr, will conduct evangelistic meetings at the Full Gospel Tabernacle, North Capitol and K Streets, March 3-17, inclusive. For further information address the pastor, Harry L. Collier, North Capitol and K Streets.

**MIDLAND, PA.**—Gospel meetings at Pentecostal Church, corner 7th Street and Pennsylvania Ave., Feb. 24-March 17, inclusive. We are expecting the ministers of near-by assemblies to help us. Three services on Sundays, of which the Johnson brothers—Ruel, Jesse, and Delmar—will have charge. My wife will assist in the preaching through the revival and will sing each night.—Pastor Delmar Johnson, 713 Virginia Ave., Midland, Pa.

**CLEVELAND, OHIO.**—Evangelist J. N. Hoover, of Santa Cruz, Calif. (for many years active in the Baptist denomination) will hold a 3 weeks' campaign at Pentecostal Church, Lexington Ave., at E. 55th St., March 17-April 7. Meetings each evening (except Mondays) 7:30; also 4 afternoon meetings weekly at 2:30. Out-of-town visitors cannot be entertained (as to lodging) unless they have first written ahead and made arrangements.—Pastor Harry J. Steil, 451 E. 143 St.

**KANSAS CITY, MO.**—Revival campaign at Faith Temple, 13th and College Sts., Feb. 27-March 17, Zelma Argue in charge.—J. E. Perkins, pastor.

**GRAFTON, W. VA.**—Revival campaign in Pentecostal Church, 101 Beech St., Feb. 17 to March 17, inclusive. Brethren of near-by assemblies are cordially invited.—H. A. Nunley, pastor.

**PHILADELPHIA, PA.**—A revival campaign will be conducted at Highway Mission Tabernacle, 19th and Green Streets, by Miss Hattie Hammond, March 17-31. Meetings every night except Mondays, at 8:00. Young People's Rally Saturday night, March 30th.

**MANSFIELD, MO.**—Pentecostal revival at the Christian church, beginning March 15, to be conducted by Brother and Sister J. McGuire, of Kaw City, Okla. We also expect Brother A. A. Wilson in some of the services. For further information write, Henry Moody, Mansfield, Mo.

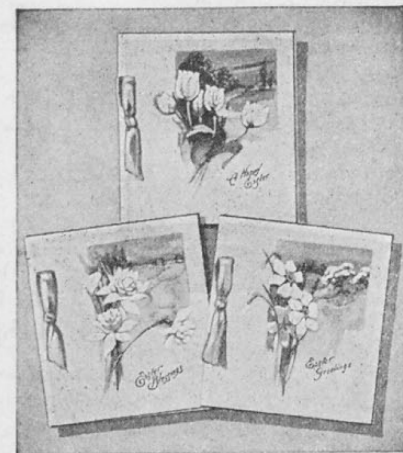
**LAWRENCE, KANS.**—Evangelist Evelyn D. Becker and Helen J. Engle of Baltimore, Md., will conduct a 2 weeks' revival at 14th and Rhode Island Sts., beginning March 17. A cordial invitation extended to nearby assemblies. Musicians, bring your instruments.—Pastor B. A. Farrell, 1344 Kentucky St.

**PROVIDENCE, R. I.**—The next quarterly convention of the New England District Council will be held March 15-17 at Pentecostal mission, 128 Point St. Meals will be served on the free will offering plan. Those desiring rooms should address the pastor, Miss Grace Hunter, 114 Woodward Ave., East Providence, R. I.

**SECTIONAL COUNCIL MEETINGS.**—Southwest Section, Duncan, Okla., March 22-23. Pastor E. M. Adams, of Anadarko, has been appointed to fill the vacancy of that section, as Presbyter, Northeastern Section; Collinsville, Okla., April 18-19. South Central Section, 405 Elm St., Shawnee, Okla., May 2-3. All ministers and assemblies of these sections are expected to attend. Those wanting license, ordination or renewal, will make application in person.—James Hutsell, district superintendent.

**WORLD MISSIONS CONTRIBUTIONS**  
Feb. 15th to 21st inclusive

- All personal offerings amount to \$1,112.25.
- 1.00 Assembly of God Apperson Okla
  - 1.40 Elbethel Assembly of God New Brockton Ala
  - 1.50 Waller Ridge Assembly Shubuta Miss
  - 1.75 Assembly Hertford N Carolina
  - 1.85 Brown Spring Mission Glenrock Wyo
  - 1.85 Graceville Assembly Graceville Fla
  - 2.00 King Ave & Walnut St Assembly of God Indianapolis Ind
  - 2.25 Pleasant Hill Assembly Mt Ayr Ia
  - 2.30 Full Gospel Church Pescadero Calif
  - 2.33 Morris Assembly Morris Okla
  - 2.50 "Your Prayer Room," Knoxville Tenn
  - 2.50 Pentecostal Holiness S S Boise City Okla
  - 2.50 Busy Bee Band Agra Kans
  - 2.50 Vernon Assembly of God Fearn Springs Miss
  - 2.50 Young People's Class Gridley Calif
  - 2.54 Assembly of God S S Wright City Okla
  - 3.00 First View S S First View Colo
  - 3.00 Berean Class Ewing Mo
  - 3.43 Assembly Davis City Iowa
  - 3.50 Full Gospel Mission & S S Weskan Kans
  - 3.50 Pent'l Assembly of God Roanoke Ohio
  - 3.81 Assembly of God S S Arcadia Kans
  - 3.85 Mehida Pent'l S S Canaan Center N H
  - 4.00 Assembly of God Mission Beggs Okla
  - 4.00 Huiscamp Pent'l Mission Palmyra Mo
  - 4.00 Bay City Full Gospel Assembly Bay City Ore
  - 4.00 Assembly Bonifay Fla
  - 4.07 Glad Tidings Tabernacle St Charles Mo
  - 4.40 Busy Bee Missionary Band Lamesa Tex
  - 4.40 Busy Bee Missionary Band Walthill Nebr
  - 4.41 Thelma Assembly Tribune Kans
  - 4.75 Pentecostal S S Grafton Ill
  - 5.00 Assembly of God Lawton Okla
  - 5.00 Young People's Society Fourfold Tab Bellflower Calif
  - 5.00 Assembly of God Seadrift Tex
  - 5.00 Lynden Pent'l Church Lynden Wash
  - 5.00 Full Gospel Assembly Brea Calif
  - 5.00 Full Gospel S S White Plains N Y
  - 5.00 Electra Assembly Electra Tex
  - 5.00 Ladies S S Class Goose Creek Tex
  - 5.00 Edgemont Full Gospel Mission East St Louis Illinois
  - 5.30 Full Gospel Mission National City Calif
  - 5.30 Busy Bee Band Bethel Assembly Arifton Ala
  - 5.50 Full Gospel S S Burbank Calif
  - 5.74 Evangelistic Full Gospel S S Salem Ore
  - 6.00 Assembly of God Inkerman Pittston Pa
  - 6.00 3 S S Classes Bethel Tab Lodi Calif
  - 6.00 Christian Co-workers Millville N J
  - 6.03 Full Gospel Tabernacle Huron S Dak
  - 6.21 Latin American Bible Institute San Antonio Texas
  - 6.30 Assembly Dyer Tenn
  - 6.41 Assembly Essex Mo
  - 6.50 Assembly Busy Bee Band Ringling Okla
  - 6.66 South Side Pent'l Church Wellington Colo
  - 6.75 Christ's Ambassadors Wesson Ark



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Home missions fund	\$121.87
Reported as given direct for home missions	10.76
Expense fund	73.54
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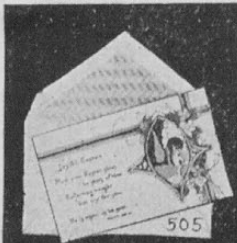
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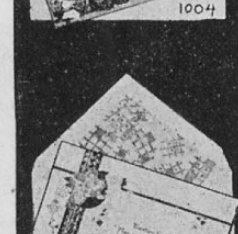
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