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Far Above Rubies

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NOT long before the death of John Quincy Adams, a man said to him, "I have found out who made you!" "What do you mean?" enquired the former. "I have been reading the published letters of your mother," was the reply. The old man's eyes flashed brightly. He rose and said: "Yes, sir, all that is good in me I owe to my mother!"

"I suppose," said a little child, "God could not look after everybody, so He made mothers to help Him."

"A kiss from my mother," said West, the artist, "made me a painter."

A student was about to enter a theological college. "Through what minister's preaching were you converted?" was one of the questions put to him. "Through no man's preaching; but through my mother's practising," was his reply.

"My mother? 'What was she like,' do you ask?" said an old sailor. "Ah, a better mother never lived! She taught me to pray as a little chap at her knee, and, though she died as

long ago as 1875, and I am a gray-haired man now, I have never forgotten the prayer she taught me! Yes, I pray that prayer still. A good mother she was, and no mistake! I owe so much to her teaching."

A youth lay dying in a miserable attic. He was the child of drunken parents. He told the kind visitor the story of his life, and said: "You see, it was just this way—I never had a chance."

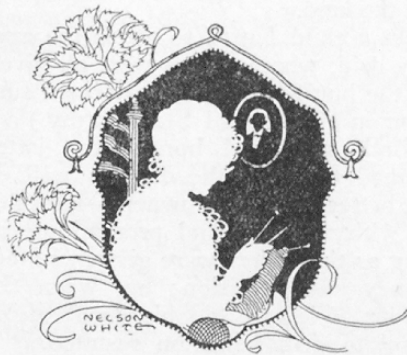
Said a drunken mother angrily to her sickly little boy, "I hate you!" "Mother," answered the child, "I didn't ask you to born me!"

"My mother!" exclaimed a young soldier, to a Christian worker. "Don't talk to me of my mother! I wouldn't

cross the road to see her. I wish I could forget her existence. She has never been anything but a curse to us, with her drinking ways. I wish she was dead!"

There are good mothers in the world today—thank God for it! Pure, loving, wise, and godly mothers! The world owes them a debt it can never

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Mother



MAN is given courage to go among strangers, breast opposition, and overcome indifference to the cause which he represents, if he has with him proper credentials, a letter of introduction from some one in a position of undoubted pre-eminence.

He presents his testimonials, holds up his head, and looks everybody square in the eye.

More and more we, as workers together with God, are beginning to realize that the ministry of healing, exercised in the power of the Holy Spirit, is a God-appointed letter of introduction to a gainsaying generation. It is an "Open Sesame" before which barriers melt away, bolts shoot back, and doors long barred fly open.

When God bears witness with signs and wonders you are not asked for references.

The only question is, "How long can you stay?" or, if you are compelled to leave, "How soon will you return?"

Not long ago an evangelist stopped over between trains in a strange city, and upon being asked to preach, spoke on "Jesus Christ the same yesterday, today and forever," and prayed for the sick. A man, well known locally as a hopeless cripple, was healed, and hearts and homes flew open immediately. That evangelist needed no further introduction in that city.

Some time ago Dr. Finis E. Yoakum, who used to live in Los Angeles but changed his address to "Heaven" a few years since, came to hold a campaign in a town where he was a stranger to everybody. Some of the best people there were inclined to be exceedingly conservative about countenancing or supporting him.

But he had not left his credentials behind him, and before long a man who had been deaf from childhood, or early youth—following scarlet fever—received his hearing so he said he believed he could almost hear the grass grow. I was there and can personally testify as to the genuineness of the case, and also as to the permanence of the cure.

Then a messenger boy who was suffering from inguinal hernia was healed, and a young lady who was brought a distance to the meeting, looking like a lily with a broken stem, suddenly bloomed out like a rose and plunged at once into the thick of work for the Master.

A brother who had stood aloof from the campaign was meditating on these, and other similar happenings, when the Holy Spirit called his attention to these

Our Letter of Introduction

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words in the twenty-second verse of the second chapter of Acts:

"A man approved of God among you by miracles, and wonders and signs, which God did by him in the midst of you, as ye yourselves also know."

As a result of this he called upon Dr. Yoakum and expressed his regret at the attitude which he had assumed towards him and his work, and turned right about face. He recognized his credentials.

As ambassadors for Christ we are accredited, but only as we faithfully deliver the definite message committed to us. To this end we must be filled with the knowledge of God's will concerning our bodies, filled so full that there is no room for human opinions and reasonings.

There must be absolute certainty in our note as we sound forth the trumpet of jubilee and proclaim liberty to the captives of sin and sickness throughout the land.

As a child I used to watch the cavalry drill, where orders were all given by the bugle. (My father was a surgeon in the United States army.)

Both men and horses—the latter seemed to know the drill as well, if not better, than their owners—responded with accuracy and promptitude as long as the orders were given with accuracy and precision; but when the bugler failed to "do his stuff" right, absolute demoralization resulted.

"If the trumpet give an uncertain sound, who shall prepare himself to the battle?" 1 Cor. 14:8.

And it is a real battle, a "good fight of faith" in which we are engaged.

It is always God's will to save and heal, "Who healeth all thy diseases." He is not willing that any should perish. "By whose stripes ye were healed." 1 Peter 2:24.

There can be no uncertainty about our message if we speak as we are commanded, "as the oracles of God."

Do not, I implore you, go to pray with a sick one for healing, pressing them out on the promises of God, which *cannot fail* if we will only release Omnipotence by believing them, and after prayer join in a discussion as to whether they had better wear a black or white dress to be buried in! To such a pass have things come in some quarters.

Listen to the clarion call of the Scriptures summoning all who thirst, all who are burdened: "Ho, every one that thirsteth, . . . Come ye." "Come unto Me all ye that . . . are heavy laden and I will give you rest." Echo the message clearly and sweetly and you will see them coming.

Make the message so plain that no one, no matter how sick and sinful, may have any excuse for delay or doubt.

Never forget how all important it is that you should blow the right command, the "Thus saith the Lord" through your bugle.

In the year 1896 a terrible collision occurred, just outside of New York City, between two express trains travelling at a terrific rate of speed. There was tremendous loss of life and the whole metropolis was plunged into gloom by the tragedy.

The engineer of one of the colliding trains lay dying, pinned under his engine. He was in awful agony, blood spouting from his head, tears raining down his face, but he seemed almost unconscious of his condition, desperate as it was. He spent all his ebbing strength trying to draw the attention of pitying bystanders to a scrap of yellow paper which he held tightly clutched in his hand.

"This shows that some one gave me the wrong orders," he gasped as his life passed away.

Don't let any one be able to say that you failed to give them the right orders, to declare unto them the whole council of God.

For ages men have grappled with the problem of disease; for centuries they have sought a "Panacea" or cure-all for all the ills that flesh is heir to.

They have hunted it in earth, air, fire, and water. They have delved into the mineral kingdom in search of it, have extracted the juices of plants, the sap of trees, have dissected animals, studied gases, investigated the operation of various forces, such as light, electricity, etc., but all in vain.

You may ask, "Is it reasonable to expect one remedy to cure everything?"

I think it perfectly logical, for a real remedy would do nothing less than this.

A medicine that would effect a perfect cure of disease of the liver, for instance, would necessarily put every organ of your body into perfect working order, for the different organs, and systems of organs, which make up the

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IN NAHUM 2:1 we read "The disperser"—I am introducing the marginal reading which competent Hebrew scholars tell us is the correct rendering—"is come up before thy face: keep the munition, watch the way, make thy loins strong, fortify thy power mightily." The words undoubtedly had an application in the days in which Nahum lived and prophesied, but that they were to have a farther, a future, and a fuller application, there can also be no question. Read the last verse of the preceding chapter, and the third and fourth verses of this same chapter. That they have reference to this gospel age, and to these last days, "the day of His preparation," seems quite clear.

The disperser spoken of in the text quoted may be regarded as a type of Antichrist, and Antichrist will be indwelt by Satan. Satan is the great disperser.

He attempts to disperse, and often succeeds in dispersing, the people of God. His object in so doing is that he may weaken them. He knows there is power in union, and that if he can scatter them it will be easier for him to accomplish his purposes and overthrow them. Happy are the people who can say, "We are not ignorant of his devices."

Sometimes he tries to create a gulf between a faithful pastor and the people of the congregation to which that pastor ministers.

Sometimes he injects envy or jealousy or evil surmising into the minds or hearts of God's children.

Sometimes he instigates false reports which, if scattered, tend to destroy harmony and divide the saints.

Sometimes he promulgates false doctrine in order that he may precipitate a controversy and cause division. If he can introduce no worse doctrine he will bring somebody along who will preach that the saints will have to go through the tribulation, and he will convince a lot of them that it is true, and will make it appear that the teaching is well nigh fundamental.

Sometimes he endeavors—and succeeds in his endeavor—to drop a mantle of indifference down over some who have been awake and armed for the conflict and upon whose courage, consecration and continuance God has been counting.

Satan not only attempts to disperse, and often succeeds in dispersing, the people of God; he attempts to disperse, and sometimes succeeds in dispersing, the angelic legions commissioned by God to come to the help of

The Disperser Is Come Up

By Pastor J. Narver Gortner

God's praying people. Daniel prayed for three full weeks. At the end of that time there appeared unto him one whose "body was like the beryl, and his face as the appearance of lightning, and his eyes as lamps of fire, and his arms and his feet like in color to polished brass, and the voice of his words like the voice of a multitude." Daniel tells us that when he saw the vision he was alone, and there remained no strength in him, and his comeliness was turned into corruption. He had been fasting and praying for twenty-one days, and his visitor informed him that at the beginning of that time his prayer had been heard, and the messenger with a message from God had been dispatched from the courts of heaven. "From the first day that thou didst set thine heart to understand, and to chasten thyself before thy God, thy words were heard, and I am come for thy words. But the prince of the kingdom of Persia withstood me one and twenty days: but, lo, Michael, one of the chief princes, came to help me."

If Daniel had stopped praying at the end of a week, or at the end of twenty days, he might have been defeated; the answer might never have reached him. But he prayed on, co-operating with God and the messenger God had dispatched, and the enemy was defeated. Angels are God's messengers; they have been appointed to minister unto the heirs of salvation; and there are reasons to believe that often Satan succeeds in dispersing these angelic legions that have been commissioned to come to the rescue of praying saints. He succeeds for the reason that the saints fail to hold on in earnest, importunate, prevailing prayer.

We are informed what attitude we should assume, what course we should pursue, in view of the fact that the disperser is come up before our face.

We should *keep the munition*. God has provided us with weapons, and they are not carnal; they are spiritual, and mighty through God to the pulling down of strongholds. The munition we should keep is the munition God has provided, not the munition we may have manufactured. It may have looked foolish to some of the people for David to discard Saul's armor and to go forth to meet Goliath with

a shepherd's sling and five smooth stones that he had picked up out of the bed of the brook; but if he had gone in Saul's armor the giant would doubtless have killed him. We often fail in a conflict with the enemy because we meet him in human armor, armor of our own manufacture, instead of with "the weapons of war" our Captain has provided for us. "Keep the munition."

We should *watch the way*. What way? The way the enemy is likely to take, the way to our hearts. Watchfulness is repeatedly enjoined in God's Word. It is easier to fight than to watch. But if we recognize the importance, the necessity, of watching, it will not be so hard. A young man who was a soldier in the Philippines in the days when difficulty was being encountered in overthrowing the rebellion of Aguinaldo told me that he was assigned one evening to duty in a place where the night before a man had crept up on the guard and brutally murdered him. Several guards in fact had been murdered there. It was a very dangerous post, one of the outposts, and not far from the enemy's camp. The young man had no disposition to sleep that night. The rustle of the leaves startled him. Every time he saw a bush move he imagined that the form of a foe was creeping towards him. He was almost afraid to wink. His eyes were wide open all the time; he had no difficulty in keeping awake; every nerve was tense. But the night passed and nothing happened. How glad he was when the morning came, and he was relieved! No enemy had appeared, but if one had appeared he would have found the young man ready, for all through that never-to-be-forgotten night the young man was watching, his gun in his hand, and his finger on the trigger. The young man had kept the munition, and had watched.

We should *make our loins strong*. This is another way of saying that we should gird ourselves with strength. How can we do it? God is strong, and we can be strong only as by faith we appropriate His strength; and that strength we can appropriate by reading His Word until we become saturated therewith, and by waiting upon Him. Read Isa. 40:28-31.

We should *fortify our power mightily*. Jesus said to the disciples, "Ye shall receive power after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you." Did they receive it? They certainly did. And that power equipped them for service.

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Sudden Destruction Cometh

"And whereas thou sawest the feet and toes part of potter's clay and part of iron, the kingdom shall be divided; . . . and whereas thou sawest iron mixed with miry clay, they shall mingle themselves with the seed of men; but they shall not cleave one to another, even as iron is not mixed with clay. And in the days of these kings shall the God of heaven set up a kingdom which shall never be destroyed: . . . but it shall break in pieces and consume all these kingdoms, and it shall stand forever." Dan. 2:41-44.

Degeneracy is thus seen in the latter days. Man sees ascendancy in the latter days. God and unregenerate man never saw alike.

Daniel saw what the magicians could not see and what the king did not see until it was explained to him. In the latter days the image was to be so deteriorated that the feet were to be iron and clay, though the head was gold. Evolution is not taught here. Devolution! In the last days the ten toes were to be of iron and clay. It was miry clay! That slippery clay! And the great image was supported by this deteriorated foundation.

When was it to be? In the latter days. Men don't see it. Why? Because they don't believe the Word and they won't take the trouble to inquire of it. Men take infinite pains to find out the secrets in the air, in the heavens, on the earth, in the sea, and under the earth; but as to the times and seasons and God's plans for the world, they don't take trouble. They are interested to find out about the construction of the earth, but not interested to find out what God says about the destruction of the earth and the kingdoms of the world.

When the kings are set up, are reigning, and the clay also is prominent, each seeking its place of pre-eminence to support the whole fabric, then the stone cut out of the mountain without hands (vs. 45) is to be cast down, and God will set up His kingdom.

How will it fall? With sudden destruction. An avalanche gives but scant warning, and so there will be scant warning when God's avalanche falls. Why? Because there has been a warning for thousands of years.

The prevalence of clay in earthly governments is bringing a foreign element into world government. The lowliest of men in morals, in vision, in honesty, are trying to establish governments. This is a sure evidence that the miry clay has come into the feet of the world governments. It is the terminal of the image and it will be the terminal of man's endeavor to govern.

The loud boast of what these people can and will do is just the clay trying to oust the iron from the feet. They do not mix, and never will. The iron will stick into, penetrate, and irritate the clay. Man is proud of his efforts, but these efforts are to end in disaster.

The stone cut out without hands will be irresistible in its power of destruction and irresistible in its progress to fill the whole earth; but it cannot fill the earth until after the image has been destroyed.

When is it to be? When there is enough clay to fill up the necessary places in the toes and the feet. Is the clay increasing? Are governments becoming more democratic? Watch Europe. Sometimes the clay is violent as in Russia. In other cases it is orderly as in Britain. But the clay will have to be dealt with, also the iron; and the Lord Himself, the Stone, the Rock of Offense, will smash, overthrow, grind to powder, the world empires, and Christ the true King shall reign. God will set up His kingdom. The contrast will be so great that words fail to describe it. Sufficient it is to say that God will give His Son a kingdom worthy of the God who gave it. Amen.

"Faith has one answer to ten thousand 'hows'—GOD."

The Conversion of an Infidel A True Story

Peter Cartwright was at one time in West Tennessee and met a wealthy and popular practicing physician. At the close of a camp meeting Mr. Cartwright visited this doctor and had a talk with him. The doctor said to him, "Suppose you were called upon as a judge or juror to decide a case and there were five witnesses introduced, all of them honorable, high-minded men, whose veracity was never called in question; and suppose a matter in controversy were brought before you, and one of the witnesses deposed to the facts as stated by the plaintiff A, but the other four came forward and with equal clearness deposed to the facts as claimed by the defendant B. Now how would you decide the case? Would you not instantly decide that all the probabilities and all the possibilities were in favor of the four who deposed to the facts as stated by the defendants, and that the one lone witness who deposed to the facts claimed by the plaintiff must, to a certainty, be mistaken?"

Mr. Cartwright thought for a moment and replied, "It is altogether likely I should give judgment for the defendant B."

"Well now, Sir," said the doctor, "you contend that the Christian religion is an experimental fact. Man has five senses, namely, seeing, hearing, tasting, smelling, and feeling. Now, Sir," said the doctor, "permit me to ask you a few solemn and serious questions. Did you ever see religion?" Mr. Cartwright answered, "No." "Did you ever hear religion?" "No." "Did you ever smell religion?" "No." "Did you ever taste religion?" "No." "Did you ever feel religion?" "Yes." "Now, then," said the doctor with apparent triumph, "I have proved beyond a doubt by four respectable witnesses that religion is not seen, heard, smelled, or tasted; and but one lone, solitary witness, namely, feeling, has testified that it is an experimental fact. The weight of evidence is overpowering, Sir, and you must give it up."

Mr. Cartwright was perplexed for a moment but then put this question, "Doctor, are you willing that your practice shall be tested by the same array of testimony as you have used to overthrow religion?" "Yes, Sir." "Well, Sir, you have had, and now have, a large and lucrative practice. You profess to have cured various diseases and to have relieved many pains, and you have amassed a princely fortune by your practice." "All true," said the doctor. "Well, Sir, do you not know that you have been playing the hypocrite, and practicing a most wretched fraud on the gullibility of the people?" "No, Sir," replied the doctor fiercely. "Why, Doctor," said Mr. Cartwright, "a man of your profound science must know that there is no such thing as pain in the human system, though ignorant people have thought so. You have visited poor dupes who thought they were in great pain and have administered medicine to them thus persuading them that you, by your medical skill, had removed their pains. You charged them large bills, although you knew you were practicing a fraud on them, and getting their money under false pretense, for you certainly knew there was no such thing as pain." "I certainly know no such thing, Sir," said the doctor fiercely.

"Well, Doctor," said Mr. Cartwright, "I will ask you a few questions, if you please, and I demand honest and prompt answers." "Very well, Sir," said the doctor. "Well, Sir, did you ever see a pain?" "No, Sir." "Did you ever hear a pain?" "No, Sir." "Did you ever smell a pain?" "No, Sir." "Did you ever taste a pain?" "No, Sir." "Did you ever feel a pain?" "Certainly I did." By this time Mr. Cartwright had well nigh taken the wind out of the doctor's sails. He continued, "Do not be alarmed, Doctor; four respectable witnesses have testified that there is no such thing as pain in the human system, and but one lone witness has deposed that there is; therefore the idea of there being pain in the physical system is fallacious, there is no reality in the thing, and you ought to go and restore the money you have taken from your patients and acknowledge the fraud you have practiced on them, doing so no more. I charge you, as an honest man, to do it, and quit those fraudulent practices."

Just at that moment the Lord, in a very powerful manner, blessed the wife of the doctor and she shouted aloud and blessed God for revealed religion. She ran and threw her arms about her husband's neck and exhorted him with streaming eyes and words that burned

to be reconciled to God. Mr. Cartwright suggested prayer and the doctor fell on his knees and wept like a child and prayed fervently. The great deep of his heart was broken up, his infidelity gave way, and, for the first time in his life, he wept and prayed. He fled to the woods and earnestly sought salvation. That night, after prayer, he retired to bed, but not to sleep, for he prayed as in an agony; and about midnight God spoke peace to his troubled soul and the whole household awoke and joined in prayer and praise. Mr. Cartwright said, "Such thrilling shouts I seldom have heard from lips of mortal man. His conversion was the beginning of a glorious revival in the settlement, and many were the souls saved by grace."

A Wonderful Discovery!

Last December the *London Times*, which boasts of being a very accurate paper, reported the discovery of a Dinosaur (prehistoric reptile), half buried in Moroccan sands, which men of science on the spot computed to be fifty million years old. In February last the same paper announced that the supposed Dinosaur was a hay making machine, stamped with the name of its Canadian manufacturer, which had been left derelict in 1917. When trained scientists of the modern age mistake the spikes of a twentieth century hay making machine for the ribs of a Dinosaur "fifty million years old," we need to be very cautious of their other interpretations of "nature" and their evolutionary hypotheses. He who stakes his soul on science and not on Scripture builds on the sand that buried the Dinosaur.

Professor J. MacMurray told the Science Federation a few years ago, "Science has become as full of pride and prejudice as ever religion was. Modern science is very liable to superstition, and tends to breed superstition in its devotees."

What Hinders Revival?

Dr. Goforth in his book, "By My Spirit" fearlessly diagnoses the disease that is making the church of today weak and anemic: "We cannot emphasize too strongly our conviction that all hindrance in the church is due to sin. It is sin in individual church members, whether at home or on the foreign field, which grieves and quenches the Holy Spirit. I imagine that we would lose much of our self-righteousness if we were to find that pride, jealousy, bad temper, back-biting, greed, and all their kindred are just as heinous in God's sight as the

so-called grosser sins. All sin in the believer, of whatever kind, mars the redemptive work of Christ. The most piercing cries that I have ever heard have come from Chinese Christians, when the Holy Spirit made plain to them that their sin had crucified the Son of God afresh. 'Behold the Lord's hand is not shortened that it cannot save; nor is His ear heavy, that He cannot hear; but your iniquities have separated between you and your God, and your sins have hid His face from you, that He will not hear.' Isa. 59: 1, 2. The filth and blood-guiltiness of the churches can only be swept away by the Spirit of Judgment and of Burning."

Restitution

We can "whiten our robes" when soiled after conversion. Charles Finney tells of a young woman who came to him in great distress; for she was guilty of that scripture which says: "Exhort servants to be in subjection to their own masters, *not purloining* (not pilfering) but shewing all good fidelity." Titus 2:9. What, she asked, was she to do? Mr. Finney answered, "You must restore the stolen things, and confess your sin to those you have wronged."

She started on her path of self-humiliation, one guilty memory raising another: some laughed at her, others felt for her, but all forgave. She came at last to the episcopal palace, for the unhappy girl had stolen a shawl from Bishop Hobart's daughter. She wrapped it up, and handed it in at the palace gates, without a word of explanation. Conscience whispered, "Someone else may have been suspected: you must go in and confess." She immediately went back, and sought admittance. She was shown in to the Bishop; and she told him all the truth. The old man wept aloud, and, laying his hand on her head, prayed God to forgive her, as he did. Peace came to her, in a flood past all understanding: her life, ever after, says Mr. Finney, adorned the doctrine in all things.

He Gives His Angels Charge

John Knox was always wont to sit at the head of the table with his back to the window. On one particular evening, without being able to account for it he would neither sit in the chair himself, nor permit any one else to occupy his place. That very night a bullet was shot in at the window purposely to kill him; it grazed the chair in which he usually sat and made a hole in the foot of a candlestick on the table.—*Life of John Knox.*



The Prophet

HERE is considerable haziness in the minds of many people concerning the real nature of the office and ministry of a "prophet" in the church.

Some would have us believe that the "prophet" is simply another name for the preacher, and that all true preachers are prophets, and all their preaching is prophesying. There is an element of truth in this, but it plainly does not meet the case for the obvious reason that it completely fails to recognize the essential place in the prophesying of the New Testament of direct inspiration and immediate revelation.

Others simply think that a "prophet" has little to do but foretell the future. This also has an element of truth, but is very far indeed from the complete picture.

Others again have unfortunately distorted the office by trying to make its chief function that of guidance in church or private affairs; and their exaggeration and abuse of the office on this line has only added confusion, and prejudiced people against the truth. Here also there has been an element of truth, in that the Holy Spirit DOES guide at times through this channel, when He so pleases in sovereign grace; but it is never "to order," and the New Testament gives no such all-important place to prophets in the conduct of affairs.

It is unfortunate from one aspect that we no longer generally use the title "prophet" in describing the ministry of certain brethren, because this lack gives the impression that the office has ceased to exist in the church today, or is limited to those who actually use the title. As a matter of fact we believe it is still present among us in considerable measure, and one would only expect a revival of an inspirational nature to produce a corresponding increase in this type of ministry.

The Ministry of Prophets Defined

A "prophet" in the New Testament sense is one who speaks "from the impulse of a sudden inspiration, from the light of a sudden revelation at the moment ('apokalupsis')—1 Cor. 14:30). The idea of speaking from an immediate REVELATION seems here to be fundamental, as relating either to future events, or the mind of the Spirit in general" (Robinson). "Prophets" are particularly distinguished from "teachers" (Acts 13:1; 1 Cor. 12:28; Eph. 4:11) in that the latter exercise a more logical ministry in the Spirit, appealing principally to the reasoning faculties of the hearers; while the former appeal

The Ministry- Gifts of Christ

Donald Gee

to the conscience more generally through the emotions. "Prophets" are distinguished from "evangelists" in that while these may be powerful emotional preachers, yet they do not necessarily minister from an immediate revelation at the moment.

The Prophet as a Preacher

In the early church the prophets undoubtedly provided a large part of the preaching ministry, and gave it a distinctive note of divine authority and power which must have been tremendously arresting to the hearer. 1 Cor. 14:25. In this they were worthy successors of John the Baptist, and the great prophet-preachers of the Old Testament.

To recognize this ministry today we have to look among those preachers who speak very largely by inspiration as they go along. We personally know, and highly esteem, certain brethren who have a singularly powerful and uplifting ministry in the Spirit; and yet avowedly hardly know what they are going to say when they step on to the platform! Some Scripture becomes illuminated to them, and provides a thought from which to start; or some line of immediate need in the company present brings divine revelation as to the word applicable. Their utterances are usually without any attempt at logical reasoning and sequence (sometimes they are even hopelessly illogical!)—and yet they captivate the heart by a declaration of truth which is convincing to the conscience. Often also they bring real enlightenment to the understanding, but it is usually through the intuitive rather than the logical faculties. Thank God for such ministry! It is often a powerful agent to promote revival.

Silas, who was a "prophet" (Acts 15:32) found a valuable place in apostolic missionary labors with Paul: and in evangelism this type of ministry has a powerful and legitimate sphere.

A word of warning is required lest this truly God-given gift and ministry should be confused with the lazy, slipshod habits of some preachers who waste precious hours which should be spent in preparation, and then expect the Holy Spirit to help them out by a last-minute revelation. Such often quote, "Open thy mouth wide and I will fill it," but their messages are

usually not such as to bring much glory to the supposed divine giver. A true prophet DOES need preparation, as much as any preacher, but it is the preparation particularly of the heart. He has to "prophesy according to the proportion of faith" (Rom. 12:6), and his faith must be

kept living, strong and enlightened by hours of communion with God.

It is the privilege of the prophet to very often interpret to the people the very emotion of the Spirit, entered into by a walk with God of the closest fellowship in which he shares the very "feelings" of God, if we may reverently so put it. So we may expect a prophet to be somewhat emotional. As a rule; this is a distinctive feature of his office. This may likely make him very sensitive to the spiritual atmosphere around him—reacting most favorably to a responsive audience. Yet perhaps it is one test of a prophet's true measure of divine unction if he has the power to bring the Word home convincingly to those who are unsympathetic. Such were the great preacher-prophets of the Old Testament.

The Prophet as a Fore-Teller

The New Testament also indicates that there was a ministry of prophets which we should hardly call "preaching." It was too spontaneous, and—perhaps—fragmentary. There were inspired utterances in the assemblies which brought "exhortation, edification, and comfort" (1 Cor. 14:3); or voiced some immediate "revelation" at the moment (verses 6 and 30). These were probably brief, for "two or three" could speak in one meeting (verse 29); perhaps even the whole company (v. 24). Among those who thus exercised the prophetic gift in this form were believers who spoke with tongues and interpreted, for in this case the dual gift was esteemed as equal to prophesying (v. 5).

Then there were cases of distinct foretelling, conspicuously illustrated in the case of the Prophet Agabus (Acts 11:27-30; 21:11). The Early Church evidently had confidence in the prophetic gift of Agabus, and rightly so, for that which he foretold came to pass, thus fulfilling the Old Testament test. Deut. 18:22. Even fulfilled prediction however is not a final proof of a prophet's divine inspiration, if he deviates from the commandments of God. Deut. 13:1-5.

With regard to this type of prophet, it should be carefully noted that in the present dispensation there is no suggestion of "enquiring" through such a gift, or of systematically apply-

ing to it for guidance. The prophecies of Agabus obviously came quite spontaneously, and without any seeking. It is evident from the New Testament that this was not the regular way by which the Holy Spirit guided the church, although He used it on occasion.

The Prophet as a Foundation

During the period covered by New Testament history, the canon of Scripture such as we now possess was incomplete. In the Early Churches there were practically no Scriptures at first that dealt with the very truths of the New Covenant which were especially vital to them. They were even then only in process of being finally "revealed unto His holy apostles and prophets by the Spirit." Eph. 3:5. The ministry of prophets who spoke forth genuine revelations of divine truth from the Holy Spirit were plainly of incalculable value. The church was in a very real way being "built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets." Eph. 2:20.

It is a serious error however to presume that this necessarily places the prophetic gift and office on an equality with the Scriptures for infallibility;—as is proved by 1 Cor. 14:29; 1 Thess. 5:19-21. Discernment as to the source, and the relative value of prophetic utterances was needed, and divinely given. 1 Cor. 12:10.

In the midst of all the prophetic ministry in the Early Church; much of it doubtless transient in interest, local in application, and apparently sometimes questionable in veracity, there was growing up a lasting body of "Prophecy of Scripture" (2 Peter 1:20) which is infallible and not of any private interpretation, and which came at an early date to be rightly so regarded. It was given to Paul and John, along with the other New Testament writers, to pen those matchless writings under the direct personal inspiration of the Holy Spirit which finally completed the glorious and infallible revelation of the written Word of God.

Henceforth the office of the prophet remains, not to add anything to the perfect revelation of the Scriptures, but for the building up of the body of Christ through an inspired and an inspiring ministry-gift that interprets and applies those Scriptures with new light and life and power to every generation and circumstance by a fresh and immediate operation of the Holy Spirit.

Far Above Rubies

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pay. Christian mothers are a nation's most valuable asset. In fact, no na-

tion can rise higher than its motherhood. It is still true, "The hand that rocks the cradle rules the world."

"An ounce of mother," says a Spanish proverb, "is worth a ton of priests." "A good mother is worth one hundred schoolmasters," said George Herbert. But, alas! all mothers are not godly. God help the children who go out into life carrying with them the memory of a bad mother! They have sustained a loss for which nothing can compensate. They have lost a precious heritage which all the wealth of the world cannot purchase. The good mother—the bad mother. Compare the above stories, which are all true. Then, if you are a mother, ask yourself before God, which are you?

There is no finer description of a good wife and mother in all literature than in the last chapter of the Book of Proverbs: "Who can find a virtuous woman? for her price is far above rubies." And the crowning verse is verse 30: "Favor is deceitful, and beauty is vain; but a woman that feareth the Lord, she shall be praised."

Just one word more. Jesus Christ can take a mother who is all wrong, and put her all right! In other words, He "came into the world to save sinners." So there is no need whatever for a bad mother to remain bad. He can gloriously save and make anew all who come to Him. He is able to do it for any poor sinner this very day.

An Old Mother's Faith

A True Story

Through no fault of his own, Jacob Polruan, a farmer, had experienced a very anxious time. Both he and his wife had been sick for months, and he had lost much cattle through disease. Ere long he found himself heavily in debt. His farm, too, was mortgaged up to the hilt, and the interest had fallen seriously into arrear. He struggled to make his prospects better, but his efforts were of no avail. He confided his troubles to his wife, and also to his aged mother, who was dependent upon him for food and shelter. Then the inevitable happened. His creditors, realizing that he was practically penniless, decided to sell his property, and the auction was duly advertised. On the day of the sale hundreds of prospective buyers came from various parts of the county. Just as the auctioneer was about to offer the first lot for sale, the farmer's mother, a frail old lady whose saintly face was beautiful to look upon, and whose hair was silvery white, tottered out of the house and made her way to the auctioneer's stand. In her gnarled hands she carried a huge family Bible,

the weight of which seemed almost too much for her. Every one watched her curiously, wondering what she was going to do. At last she reached the auctioneer's stand, and holding out the Bible, said to him, in a tremulous voice, "Sell that first, sir. It is of more value than all else on this farm."

Her voice had a strange effect upon the assembly. The auctioneer seemed uncertain what to say or how to act. A sense of hush brooded over the would-be buyers, who only a few moments before had discussed in excited tones the farmer's worldly goods.

"Do you mean to say that that Book is worth more than everything else?" The auctioneer's voice disturbed the silence, and all eyes were forthwith turned to the old lady, who firmly stood her ground. "Yes, sir," she replied. "It is worth more than everything else put together. Sell it first, sir, for this has been a matter of much prayer."

A light of unquestioning faith shone in her eyes. Her words were charged to the full with meaning, and she spoke feelingly. So great was the impression she made upon her hearers that one by one the creditors came forward and with tears in their eyes declared that the sale should be cancelled, and that they would be content to wait until such time as the farmer was in a position to clear his debts. Remarks of approval were expressed on every hand, and before long the farm premises were cleared of all save the farmer, his wife, and his mother.

Prayer was again resorted to, and before long Jacob Polruan was able to settle his financial obligations. God wonderfully blessed him, and he prospered so well that past sorrows lost their bitterness; past disappointments were swallowed up in the victories of the future. All this was the outcome of the earnest, heartfelt prayers of the farmer's saintly mother.—L. M.

"I Don't Want It"

A mother had taught her little boy, "The Lord is my Shepherd, I shall not want" as a morning text, and in the evening she asked him if he could repeat it. He immediately complied with "The Lord is my Shepherd, so I don't want it." It was not the text, but how wonderfully true it is that those who can say, "The Lord is my Shepherd" from heart-knowledge of Him do not want the countless things that others crave for. They do not want the world: they are not attracted by the glamour of it. They have heard a sweeter story, and found a truer gain."

"The measure of love is to measure without measure."

Victory Over Demons

"Behold, I give unto you power to tread on serpents and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy." Luke 10:19. This commission was given before Pentecost, not to the twelve apostles only, but to the seventy.

"These signs shall follow them that believe." Mark 16:17. Here there is no limit to the number; and the promise is to all those who believe. "In My name shall they cast out demons"—empty out undesirable tenants, usurpers. Every class of demons cast out in the NAME.

When Christ said, "In My name shall they cast out demons," He did not designate any particular kind of demons. There are some kinds that the Lord does designate, and these are particularly hard to get rid of—hard for the disciples but easy for the Lord. On the occasion when they were not able to deliver the boy who was a lunatic, who often was cast into the fire and into the water, the Lord upbraided the disciples, not for their lack of power but for their unbelief. The demonstration in the possessed boy, of the power of the enemy, obscured faith. The Lord did not rebuke them for their lack of power but for their lack of faith. They saw the power of the enemy; and their faith in the power which the Lord had given them, failed them.

Unbelief! How is it expelled? By prayer, and if necessary by fasting. Christ said, "Bring him hither to Me." Then there was a fresh exhibition of demon power tearing the boy. There must have been mixed feelings in the disciples as they saw this further demonstration, this supreme effort of the demons. The remnant of their faith must have entirely gone. But this extra power manifested by the demons in the boy, and the mixed belief and unbelief of his father, did not hinder Christ. He *commanded*—and out they came.

Imagine the feelings of the disciples. No wonder they said, "Why could not we cast him out? We used language, and He used language." But His word was *with authority*. There was victory, there was faith, and there was life. The disciples lacked authority and power, but after Pentecost there was no lack of authority and no lack of power. It was then that Ananias and Sapphira were handed over to death itself. In the case of Dorcas and others, death itself was also commanded to give up its victims—and commanded with authority.

The authoritative word is the need of to-day, and can be had. How can it be obtained? By conscious union with Him who has all power in heaven and in earth. But with this proviso, that He is THE authority all the time. He is the spokesman, you are the mouthpiece. You are the instrument, but He handles the instrument. Re-

member continually that these demons possessing human bodies, the bodies of those for whom Christ died, are enemies to Him. He died for those whom the demons are possessing.

"Ye shall receive power after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you." Acts 1:8. Never get out of the realm of power. Move in the realm of the Spirit. Let the Spirit Himself move, guide, control and dominate you at all times. But especially seek the activity of the Holy Spirit if there is an activity of the evil spirit. In other words, when a Spirit-filled person is coming in contact with a person filled with evil spirits, look for and expect that there will be activity on both sides. This was the experience of Paul, of Peter, of the apostles and especially of the Lord Himself.

In these last times in which we are living there will be increasing activity of the powers of darkness, but God Himself is making provision to meet this onslaught. God's people in general have a hard time and the enemy gets an advantage. But when the saints wake up to their weakened position and cry to God, victory is certain. The history of the saints in the Old and New Testaments, of the early church, and of the church and all down through the ages, proves this. "When the enemy comes in like a flood," a flood that sweeps all before it, then the Lord will raise up a standard. How? Through Spirit-filled individuals. No angel, no arch angel, no seraphim are requisitioned, but common people, filled with uncommon power to meet the common enemy.

The Holy Spirit is likened to the wind. It blows where it listeth and thou canst not tell whence it cometh nor whither it goeth. Unlimited and uncontrolled! Christ allowed Himself to be limited; He was limited when He was born—there was no room for Him in the inn. But the Holy Spirit is never limited. He is uncontrolled like the wind as far as man is concerned. The sails of the ship can be turned and hoisted to meet the wind and the great sailing ship is driven through the angry sea by an unseen force. The same wind drives many ships and its force is not diminished. Connect yourself submit and allow yourself to be controlled and moved by the unseen Spirit—it may be through angry seas. The ship does not operate the wind, but the wind the ship. You do not control the Spirit but the Spirit controls you. A mighty wind came upon the hundred and twenty on the Day of Pentecost, and the source from whence it came is not exhausted. The promise "I will send" is as fresh to-day as when given by Christ while He was on the earth.

The Disperser Is Come Up

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Peter preached; the other disciples prayed, and I suppose corroborated with their testimony the truth Peter proclaimed, and the result was the conversion of three thousand souls in a single day. But the disciples afterward felt the need of having the power which they had received fortified. Read Acts 4:23-33; 5:12-16. Here is where many of us have failed. We received the blessed Baptism in the Spirit, and had power for service. We were effective for a while. But we failed to fortify the power which we had, and today many of us are well nigh powerless. We might just as well face the facts. Not all who have been baptized in the Holy Ghost are rendering effective service today; some have actually backslidden, and are in sin. Others have not altogether backslidden, but they are doing little or nothing for God; they are as powerless as they were before coming into this blessed experience. The reason is that they have failed to fortify their power.

The early disciples fortified their power mightily, and what notable victories they were able to achieve! The enemy was everywhere driven back; victory perched upon the banners of the saints on every battle front. Despite the most bitter persecution, despite the fact that the saints were imprisoned, banished, burned at the stake, thrown to wild beasts, crucified, and forbidden almost everywhere, under penalty of death, to meet to worship, the cause of Christianity prospered, the church grew, and it was not long until the Roman Emperor openly professed to be a Christian for the reason that the Christians had become so numerous and so influential that he felt he could best advance his own interests and strengthen his kingdom by turning from paganism to the new faith that had spread so rapidly and seemed destined to soon claim as its adherents all the people of the earth.

The enemy is not attacking us today as he attacked the early church; his tactics are different. He is not instigating persecution now; that may come later; be on the lookout for it, if the devil's present tactics fail. Today he is injecting indifference into human hearts, and endeavoring to create discord in our ranks, and trying to make us satisfied with ourselves, and in various other ways is putting forth efforts to prevent our presenting a solid front to the enemy. We need to fortify our power mightily lest we sustain defeat. This seems to me to be a crisis hour. There is a sense of course in which every hour is a crisis hour.

But a condition is almost everywhere prevailing in our ranks at the present time that ought to arouse us to a sense of the great danger that is confronting us, and to a consciousness of the critical character of the situation that exists.

We are in a conflict. Against us are arrayed the powers that are marshalled under the leadership of Satan. It is not a time for us to take our ease; it is not a time for carelessness. He who shirks his responsibility in the day of battle is a slacker.

During one of the hard fought battles of the Civil War, General Grant, who was the commander of the Union forces, had occasion to look down over the bank of a creek, and there he saw a number of Union soldiers concealed. They were protected by the bank, and were smoking their pipes and talking and having a good time while their comrades in the heat of the battle were being exposed to shot and shell. Others were risking their lives for their country and doing their utmost to save the day and drive the enemy back, but these men were taking their ease, and were seeking their own pleasure and safety, at a time when the fate of the republic, the future of the nation, was in the balance.

Shall we who have been saved from sin and who have come into this blessed experience of the Baptism in the Holy Spirit in these marvelous days of the Latter Rain, these days in which our Lord is making ready a people for His coming—shall we allow ourselves to become settled on our lees, and fail God at the crucial moment when every soldier should be out on the firing line and doing his best for God? Peter was sure that he was ready to die for his Lord, but in the garden where his Lord was wrestling with the powers of darkness until He sweat as it were great drops of blood, Peter slept. Jesus, finding Peter and James and John asleep, for their eyes were heavy, inquired, "What! could ye not watch with me one hour!" I wonder what He is saying to some today?

Listen, my soul, to God's exhortation to thee: "The disperser is come up before thy face: keep the munition, watch the way, make thy loins strong, fortify thy power mightily."

Our Letter of Introduction

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human organism, are so intimately associated, so interdependent, that no one organ can be perfectly normal unless all are.

So this dream of a "Panacea" is not all a dream. The only trouble is

that men have failed to look in the right place for it.

Do not think I am disrespectful to men of scientific attainments; far from it!

But Thomas Edison, one of the greatest of them, who was greeted the other day on the occasion of the fiftieth anniversary of his discovery of the electric lamp by earth's intellectual, political, and financial giants, said recently, "We do not know a millionth part of one per cent about anything!"

So I may venture to say that they do not know where to look for a "Panacea" for sickness.

It is to be found in God's Word, which teaches us that Jesus Christ healed, and *heals*, everything and all.

"And Jesus went about all Galilee, teaching in their synagogues, and preaching the gospel of the kingdom, and healing all manner of sickness and all manner of disease among the people. And His fame went throughout all Syria: and they brought unto Him all sick people that were taken with divers diseases and torments, and those which were possessed with devils, and those which were lunatick, and those that had the palsy; and He healed them." (Moffat adds "all" to the end of the verse.) Matt. 4:23, 24. There is the "Panacea," the dream come true.

"But is this power still available, operative on the earth today?" you may ask.

Yes, because the Lord Jesus Christ is operating on the earth today through those who believe.

"All power is given unto Me . . . in heaven and in earth. Go ye therefore, and teach all nations . . . and, lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world." Matt. 28:19, 20.

"He that believeth on Me the works that I do shall he do also; and greater works than these shall he do." John 14:12.

This includes the healing of everything and all who come in simple faith.

How is it to be accomplished? John 14:13-15, answers this enquiry. By asking Him to do it and believing He answers your prayer.

The book of Acts is the only unfinished one in the New Testament. "Jesus began" (Acts 1:1), and we are to carry on.

The very last chapter says, "All the other sick people in the island came, and were cured." Acts 28:9, Weymouth.

Not long ago I stood in the vestibule of Johns Hopkins Hospital, Baltimore, gazing at the colossal copy of Thorvaldsen's "Christus."

As I looked into that noble face beaming with love for fallen humanity I said to myself:

"If the poor patients could only see Him as He is, Saviour and Healer, they would need to go no further and the magnificent wards and glittering operating rooms would be vacated."

As I mused thus some one said to me: "Let me tell you a pretty little true story about this statue. It happened one day that a great tall man and a tiny girl were standing side by side looking at the work of art. The tall man found much fault with it, while the tiny child was entranced at its beauty and benevolence. After listening to his criticisms for several minutes the little thing plucked up courage and said: 'O Mister, I know what is the matter, you're too big to see it right. If you would just kneel down you would see how lovely He is!'"

That's the solution of the problem. Give Him His place of undisputed supremacy and almighty power, and take yours in humble submission and unfaltering trust at His feet, and you will find in Him all you need for spirit, soul, and body, for time and eternity.

"Adoration has its roots in vision and its fruit in service."

"His will is our peace."

"Lowliness and faith go together."

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We are reprinting the first eight pages of the April 26 issue of the Pentecostal Evangel in a special eight-page edition. This number contains articles by E. S. Williams, Donald Gee, and others, on the Pentecostal testimony, and also gives the testimonies of Evangelist P. C. Nelson and Dr. Lilian Yeomans concerning their receiving the Baptism with the Spirit. Send for a large number of this special edition for local distribution. This year is the 1900th anniversary of the outpouring of the Spirit on the Day of Pentecost, and people in the various denominations are open for literature telling of Pentecostal truth. The price of the special edition is 25c for 25 copies; 50c for 50 copies; \$1 for 100 copies.

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.: The Gospel in Foreign Lands .:

The Missionary Secretary's Mail

Letters from all parts of the world strew my desk. Some have come in comparatively quick time, having traveled part of the way by airplane and then on swift ocean liners, making connections with express mail trains, while others have been nearly two months on the way, dusky carriers have transported them through tropical jungle, along winding paths, threading their way through tangled vines to a point where faster methods of transportation could be used. Others have come in the hands of men on horseback through bandit-ridden mountains or across arid plains, but in spite of all these difficulties very seldom do we learn of letters being lost. Our hands join those of our faithful missionaries in the uttermost parts of the earth through these various means of contact, but more effectively still through the throne of our heavenly Father. This means will never fail even though the earthly lines of communication break. What a wonderful time we should have if we could all get together as is recorded of the early church in the acts, "and when they were come and had gathered the church together they rehearsed all that God had done with them." Perhaps we shall have to wait until we reach the glory for such a meeting but let me tell you of a few things that are in the letters before me.

Blessings on the Work

I could not begin to tell you of all the places where revival fires are burning but it seems that the countries which are suffering most from persecution or lack of what we consider the necessities of life are enjoying the greatest outpouring of God's blessing and power. In Russia, Poland, Hungary, Bulgaria, and other countries of Eastern Europe, our missionaries are experiencing great opposition from the authorities and sometimes from religious leaders. Also in Liberia and parts of China the devil seems busily occupied trying to frustrate the progress of the gospel.

Russia

Reports are coming to us from various sources regarding the significant developments which are taking place in Soviet Russia.

Everything would seem to indicate that the spirit of Antichrist is rapidly gaining sway in the earth. We are hearing from reliable correspondents of many who are being cruelly put to

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death because of their refusal to accept the sign of Communism. What this sign is we are not sure, but such startling facts are surely a call to prayer to every watchful child of God.

In spite of this serious condition of affairs we have learned indirectly that God is continuing to draw souls to Himself in Russia and when a decision for Christ may mean severe persecution and possibly death none are going to step out but those who are absolutely sincere. With material like this to work upon, the fire of God will always burn and one encouraging aspect of the situation as reported to us by Brother John G. Warton of Persia is that "Because of the bitter persecution of Christians in Russia, about one hundred of the Pentecostal brethren, native born Persians, who were resident in Russia have escaped to Persia recently. They were not allowed to take any money with them so that consequently they are very poor and needy. It may be, however, that as in the scattering of the saints at the persecution at Jerusalem, the coming of these brethren may mean the spread of the gospel in Persia. Let us pray that it may work out to this end."

Bulgaria

In Bulgaria where every effort seems to be made by the nominal church to suppress the ministry of our Pentecostal missionaries we find the people just crowding together to hear God's truth and they refuse to be dismissed until at times the meeting has continued until the early hours of the morning. Their thirst for God's Word seems insatiable.

Hungary

For a time it seemed as if we might have to withdraw our missionaries from Hungary but God graciously intervened and Brother Raroha writing of the last conference of the Assemblies of God which they held says, "In the month of March we had our third conference in Hungary. God blessed in a real way and five more assemblies were added to the conference. Many

came to the conference from a long distance, some from Roumania and some from Jugoslavia. We had a very blessed baptismal service in which 34 were immersed, among them was a medical doctor and a member of the state police. A remarkable healing took place. A girl who had not been able to talk or walk for eight years was healed and is now walking. She is now waiting for the Baptism of the Holy Spirit. The more we are persecuted the more God is working for us. The only trouble we have now is that we have not room for the people who want to tarry for the Baptism."

China

One of our missionaries in South China writes, "Communist activities are alarming in some parts of China," while a letter from Brother W. W. Simpson gives a lurid picture of conditions in Kansu Province. We quote a part of his letter. He writes:

"At last there is prospect of getting a letter to the Coast. Such a long time we have been shut up in this remote corner of the world with bandits and brutish soldiers chasing and fighting each other and devouring all the food they can get hold of, carrying off the girls and young women, after killing their husbands, torturing any one supposed to have money and making a very hell of a once peaceful district. Last winter was bad enough but this has been ten times as bad. The horrors are simply indescribable. We were warned a month before the greatest danger threatened by numerous prophecies and messages in the Spirit, as to what was coming and when it would come, how long it would last, and when relief would arrive, and also told to put away all sin, to repent and pray for mercy. We had meetings every day in which scores of our famine children confessed their sins and were baptized in the Spirit. Practically every one in the Girls' Industrial Home received the Spirit. Also many others who had never before sought in earnest, received. There was a marvelous outpouring and great joy and blessing but always messages of warning that the danger was drawing nearer every day. Finally, December 23rd, the bandits 20,000 strong arrived. I dared not refuse the demand of their General Ma Ying-piao to give him and his guard rooms, fuel, horse feed, and food. All work had to cease and everybody was busy waiting on them. Often I was called from my

meals to serve them and look after various matters relating to them. On New Years Day, they seized and bound the Chinese General Wang who held the city with 1500 troops. They sent me to demand the surrender of this army and the opening of the city gates. I persuaded them to give up their arms and save the city from destruction in the siege. The bandits, mostly Mohammedans, sacked the city and carried more than 100 young women and girls into the vilest slavery. I interceded for six whom I knew and got them released but later two of them were retaken.

"From January 2nd to 7th the bandits received many reinforcements until they numbered nearly 30,000. They tortured hundreds of men to death for money. One of them searched our dwelling with his automatic pistol cocked, ready to shoot. Twenty young women were hidden in a room at the head of the stairs on the second floor but he didn't see the door although he passed it twice. He searched every other room in the house but that. We had marvelous deliverances every day. Some of the most wicked of the General's guard discussed the matter of killing me and our three little girls and taking my wife captive but the Lord prevented it.

"January 7th the Kansu army approached on the very day the Spirit had given a month before. Most of the bandits went out to fight General Kao who was ten miles east of the city, leaving General Ma Chuen-pao with one division to hold the city against General Li Song-kuen who came from the west. But by 2:00 P. M. General Li took the city, the bandits fled east and we had a short breathing spell but the mail could not function. January 29th the bandits returned and stayed another day, leaving again January 31st pursued by the Kansu army. General Li had no food for his army and took more than 250 bushels of grain that I had stored up for our own and the famine children's use. He promised to have it returned to me later but we have not yet received it."

Africa

A missionary from the South of Africa reports that the spirit of rebellion is rife in the land and that some of the government officials are also manifesting antagonism to the gospel, but God is working. Some interesting illustrations of the simple faith of the natives is brought out in a letter from Brother J. A. Barney of the Belgian Congo. He writes:

"We have sent two of our Gombari boys to the evangelists' school at Aba this year. They arrived at Aba about

a week before the school began and just at that time one of the white teachers lost his little baby, and as the boys were total strangers and did not know any one, they suffered a bit, partly from homesickness and partly because the white teacher was not able to give them attention during his bereavement. Mbungu writes back pathetically: 'We arrived with only three francs between us. I was sick for two days. Mori went and bought 31 sweet potatoes with the money. I did not tell Mori or anybody else but each day I went away alone in a large field where none would see or hear me, and prayed. I prayed the first day, and the third day, and still survived on the potatoes. I prayed the fourth day and the fifth day and the sixth day, but nothing happened and even the potatoes were about gone and we did not have a pot to cook anything in, nor a pail of water, nor even a cup of our own (such is the way the native travels). I prayed the seventh day in the boiling sun and cried to God to save us as we were actually hungry. That night we were about to give up, but I determined in my heart to pray one more day out in the field. On the eighth day a man gave me some bananas. I prayed on the ninth day and the white man came and gave us a pot for cooking and something to bring water in and some plantains. I prayed on the tenth day and the white man came and gave us each eight francs with which to buy food. And I tell you everything has come out fine!'"

And again, from Liberia a missionary tells us of a native convert who was earnestly seeking God and who also was in need of food. He therefore asked God to send him some meat.

"As soon as he had finished praying he supposed there was nothing else to do but to go and see if God had sent the answer, and there in his trap was a little bush pig. The young man came back to give thanks to God."

Remarkable Healings

Some remarkable healings have also taken place in Liberia. Miss Ada Gollan writes: "An old woman came to the mission and asked prayer for the healing of a cancer which she had on her breast. A few days after prayer had been offered she came back and reported in her way that her sickness was all over, and as a proof of it she began to pound her breast where the cancer had been, and at the same time looked up to heaven saying in the native tongue, 'Glory, Glory Glory.'" "

While Miss Bertha Dommermuth writes of another case as follows: "Jonah is one of four sons that the king from this tribe (Palipo Tribe)

has put in the mission. About one year ago the terrible disease of leprosy broke out in terrible sores upon his feet. It looked as though his toes were going to drop off and the odor from them was terrible. We then noticed the light spots all over his body. Our mission people told us that this was leprosy. Jonah told us that he had had the disease since he was a child. It was necessary to send him away to another place so that he would not contaminate the other children but he came to us every Friday afternoon to have us pray for him that the loathsome disease might leave him. One day he came to us and said that the previous night as he lay on his mat, a beautiful light came and filled the room and two men stood by in white. One stooped and took his feet in his hands while the other laid his hands on Jonah's head. From that time on his feet began to heal and in a few weeks' time they were perfectly healed, all spots had disappeared from his body. Since his healing Jonah has walked to the coast several times which is a journey of eight to ten days, thus proving that his healing is real."

Thank God for all that He is accomplishing. I feel before closing this little talk together I ought to tell you of some of the needs.

Needs for Prayer

A very urgent request has just come to us from our dear brother and Sister Finkenbinder of Porto Rico. Their little eight months' old baby is afflicted with cataracts on its eyes and unless God does a miracle it will never be able to see beyond a dim ray of light. Let us share this burden with our brother and sister and unite in prayer for the deliverance of their little one.

Pray for the new station opened at Sendagayo, Japan which is on the outskirts of Tokyo.—C. F. Juergensen.

Pray for the new stations at Mukden and New Chang, Manchuria.—Martin Kvamme.

Pray for the raising up of native workers in Mongolia.—Thomas Hindle.

Pray that a piano may be provided for the services in Santurce, Porto Rico.—Lena S. Howe.

Pray for new missionaries who are needed in so many countries, especially in South and Central America, Western China, the Tibetan Border, Southern India, and the French Sudan.

Pray for an increase of funds that the work of evangelism may go forward continually.

Noel Perkin,
Missionary Secretary.

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NEW ASSEMBLY ORGANIZED

Sister Lucille Parton, Apache, Okla., writes: "The Lord has given a precious revival meeting at Stecker, Okla., conducted by the pastor, L. D. Parton, and Evangelist Ethel Musick. Many were saved, and filled with the Holy Ghost; 13 were baptized in water. Shortly afterward a new assembly was organized with 36 names on the roll."

"RAIN" THE FIRST NIGHT

Pastor Noel Dodd, Fayetteville, Ark., writes: "We have had a successful revival campaign, conducted by Brother McDonald, of Monte Ne, Ark. Scarcely had the meeting started when drops, and then showers of Latter Rain began to fall. About 15 gave their hearts to the Lord, and 4 received the Holy Ghost. Brother McDonald is now in full fellowship with the Council."

GOD'S BLESSINGS OUTPOURED

Pastor B. R. Hall, Madison, Ill., writes: "Brother T. B. Chronister, of Chaffee, Mo., has just closed a 3 weeks' revival which has been very fruitful in gathering home the unsaved and blessing the saints. More than 20 were converted, 11 were baptized with the Holy Ghost, 14 followed the Lord in water baptism, and 15 names were added to the church roll. We are still praising God for His blessings poured out in our midst."

32 WEEP AT THE CROSS

Evangelist D. E. McGinn and party of Oklahoma, write: "We have just concluded an 8 weeks' revival here at Alamogordo, N. Mex. Drawn by the Holy Spirit, 32 came weeping to the cross, and there found pardon; and as the Pentecostal showers descended, 22 received the precious Holy Ghost as in Acts 2:4. The church was organized as a regular assembly of the General Council, set in order by the State Presbytery."

40 OUT OF THE MIRY CLAY

Brother H. E. Hardt, Falling Waters, W. Va., writes: "We have just held one of the best meetings I have ever attended, in Orbisonia, Pa. About 40 sought the Lord, rejoicing that He had taken them 'out of the miry clay, and put a new song in their mouth.' A general awakening came to the town, and many from different churches got in closer touch with God, and said we were a God-send to their city. As the Word was preached against formal religion, many turned to seek the Holy Ghost, and a number were Baptized. Brother Robert Ashcroft, evangelist, and Brother E. F. James, pianist, also Brother George W. Henson and wife, pastors, assisted in this meeting. Those present from Mount Union, Pa., 10 miles distant, rented a large skating rink and offered to back the work financially if we would come there. Meeting begins in this new field April 20, to continue 5 weeks."

BACKSLIDERS RETURN HOME

Pastor Donald W. C. Persing, Yuba City, Calif., writes: "We offer praises to God for the rich way in which He has blessed in the recent meetings in this part of the Sacramento Valley, held by Evangelist A. C. Valdez and his mother. Every assembly within a radius of thirty miles was benefitted. Many of the saints were awakened to the need of a fuller experience, 16 were baptized with the Holy Ghost, speaking with new tongues and magnifying the Lord; hardened backsliders got back home to God, and a general reconsecration to the Lord was evident. The favor of God continues upon the services."

50 PERISHING RESCUED

Mrs. Mary Doss Danforth, Minister, Lyons, N. Y., writes: "The Lyons Full Gospel Church has just concluded a 4 weeks' meeting in which the presence and power of God was greatly manifested. The evangelist, Miss Dorothy L. Kunzman, preached under the power and anointing of the Spirit, and from the first, conviction of sin and need of salvation rested upon the people. News of the meetings reached surrounding towns 18 to 40 miles distant, of which Lyons is a center; and night after night the church filled to capacity and more, with people who at first may have come out of curiosity, but who before the meetings were over yielded to the call for salvation. No account was kept of the number, but it is believed more than fifty were saved or reclaimed and some filled with the Spirit; several also were baptized in water. Surely God is waiting to pour out His Spirit upon a hungry and thirsty world."

ILLINOIS COUNCIL BLESSED

Brother Guy Phillips, East Saint Louis, Ill., writes: "The annual session of the Illinois District Council held in the Granite City Tabernacle, April 8-11, was a time of refreshing from the Lord. His sacred presence was felt in every service. Among those who gave the Word were Brother J. R. Evans of Springfield, Mo., Brother Guy Phillips, Brother Thurmond, of Galesburg, Ill., Brother Knisely, of Paris, Ill., and Brother William A. Coxe, of Zion, Ill. Brother Arthur Bell, of Mattoon, Ill., was elected District Superintendent, Brother Guy Phillips, Secretary-Treasurer. The following ministers were elected as District Presbyters: William A. Coxe, Zion, Ill., Marvin D. Hartz, Wood River, Ill., C. M. O'Guin, Granite City, Ill. The Council was attended by more than 100 ministers and lay delegates, the largest delegation in its history. Visitors were present from Missouri, Arkansas, Oklahoma, California, and other Districts. The tabernacle, which seats over 700, was at times overflowed by the large crowds. We thank God for the presence of His Spirit, and a keen sense of unity and co-operation among the brethren."

ON THE FIRING LINE

Pastor D. Z. Little, Lamesa, Tex., writes: "We have had a blessed revival with Brother W. D. Hall, of Big Springs, in charge. This was in many respects the very best revival Lamesa has ever had. The power of God was present to convict men of sin, and almost every service closed with shouts of victory. People crowded the house to overflowing, and many hungry hearts are still yearning for the experience they learned of through the preaching. Altogether 42 prayed through to victory, 28 received the Holy Ghost, 19 were baptized in water, and several more expect to follow. There was but one service in the entire 15 days in which someone did not get to God. The saints are still on the firing-line, and a good Young People's class has been organized. On March 30, as we started singing for Sunday school the power of God began to fall and people came weeping to the altar. This service did not close until 1:00 P. M. Three were saved and 6 received the Holy Ghost Baptism, but there was no Sunday school or preaching. We are praising God for working His wonders in our midst."

SIX DEAF PEOPLE HEALED

Pastor Willard C. Peirce, of Toronto, Ont., writes: "Brother Harvey McAlister has brought to a close another victorious revival in Evangel Temple. This is the 4th series of services he has conducted here in the past two years. The messages anointed with fresh oil from heaven, inspired faith in the hearts of the people until the prayer services each night were a veritable deluge of glory. In one family a little girl of ten was the first one to receive the Baptism, and to date 11 of her immediate family and relatives have in like manner received the Holy Ghost, including the mother and father and six out of 14 children. It is refreshing to see the early days of the outpouring repeated night after night. In all about 61 were baptized with the Holy Ghost in the 2 weeks, and the altar was plentifully sprinkled with the tears of penitents seeking their Saviour. Numbers of sick were prayed for at the close of each service. Among these were 6 persons that we know of who were totally deaf in one ear, who were instantly healed. One had been deaf since childhood, one for 10 years, one for 15 years, and after prayer was offered each could hear a whisper, whereas before prayer none of them could hear at all in that ear. Many were instantly delivered from various sicknesses and pain. To God be all the praise. Tuesday night following the revival a most exhilarating testimony meeting, fired by the Spirit of God, was enjoyed by the entire audience, as newborn converts and those newly consecrated rejoiced in the sweetness of God's love."

By bearing the pangs of soul travail, the child of God can save others from bearing the pangs of hell.—Shaw.

NURSE INSTANTLY HEALED OF SEVERE CASE OF ADHESIONS

For almost two years I was never free from pain. I had two operations in less than eight months for removal of gall bladder and freeing of adhesions. I spent \$1,300.00 in one year for doctor's bills. The doctors who performed the operations said, "Worst case of adhesions we ever saw;" and "Will probably never be well." But somehow I always felt a blessed assurance, and had strong faith "that all things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are the called according to His purpose."

One night in December, Pastor Prucia and Pastor Fyles were holding a revival meeting at Inch, Wis. God spoke to me, and I believed that whatsoever you ask in Jesus' name, you shall receive. In simple childlike faith, standing in the aisle of the church after the altar call, I cried out to God to make me well. I can't explain just what happened in those few seconds, for I seemed lifted up above all earthly power. I was taken to the front and anointed and prayed for. God heard my cry and healed me right there and then.

Healed, healed, by His power divine,
Healed, healed, to new life sublime;
Life now is sweet, and my joys are complete

For I'm healed! healed! healed!

It seems so wonderful to be well once more and free from pain. I haven't spent one hour in bed because of ill health since that night. I also took off my glasses after being prayed for, and do not need them any more. I had worn them for ten years. Now I am back at work again caring for those who haven't faith to believe that Jesus can heal.

If your body suffers pain,
And your health you can't regain,
Take your burden to the Lord,
And leave it there.

If you trust and never doubt,
He will surely bring you out;
Take your burden to the Lord,
But leave it there.

Since my healing I have also received the Holy Ghost Baptism and have the gift of tongues. Thirty-two, at this writing, in our Methodist church have received the Baptism in the Holy Ghost this winter, with the initial sign of speaking in tongues.—Margaret Thistle, Poynette, Wis.

Note: The above testimony was sent in by R. V. Fyles, pastor of the church of the Full Gospel, Assemblies of God, Madison, Wis., and is verified by him.—Ed.

BROKEN VERTEBRA HEALED

Pastor Clyde F. Ferguson, Fort Morgan, Colo., writes: "Since taking the pastorate here in 1927, God has graciously blessed our work by sending precious revivals, and proving Himself the same wonder working God as of old by per-

forming many outstanding cases of healing. One man who had suffered intense agony from a broken vertebra was healed and went 'walking and praising God.' A lady suffering from cataracts, whose eyesight was practically gone, inasmuch that her food had to be served by another, was instantly healed, and next day she could even thread a needle with ease. In the past two years we have enjoyed the ministry of several good evangelists, Bible teachers, and missionaries. I have recently accepted the pastorate of Glad Tidings Tabernacle, Pueblo, and Brother A. J. La Beck, of Holly, has been chosen pastor here."

REVIVAL HITS "HARD SPOT"

Pastor Roy Canady, Warren, Ark., writes: "After praying earnestly for a revival in this 'hard spot,' God has again proved that He answers by fire. Brother and Sister Kooistra, from Oklahoma, have been with us for the last 3 weeks, and God has blessed their revival efforts by bringing many to Himself, and baptizing a number with the Holy Spirit in the old-fashioned way, Acts 2:4. Often there were as many as 15 seekers at the altar at one time, and the hungry are still seeking and being filled. The Kooistras are planning on a trip east by way of Saint Louis. They will be glad to answer calls to any assembly *en route*."

NEW CHURCH GLORIOUS

Pastor Wm. Duncan, Kane, Ill., writes: "We were called to take charge of the work here, February 26, and God met with us the first night and poured out His Spirit in such a mighty way that we were unable to preach because of the glory that filled the house of the Lord. On March 28 Brother O'Guin, from Granite City, organized this new work as a Council church, and my wife and I followed this service with a 5 nights revival, in which the Lord blessed 14 with salvation, 7 received the Baptism, and several were marvelously healed. The attendance at Sunday school has increased from 23 to 54, and the church debt is beginning to decrease materially."

HEAVENLY INCREASE GIVEN

Mrs. Charles Bowman, Chairman of Trustees, Tuolumne, Calif., writes: "Through earnest prayer God sent us our present pastor, Brother Fred Johnson, whose efforts have been mightily blessed of the Lord in building a church, and raising up a thriving congregation. In 4 months, through donations of both labor and means, the church was completed and paid for. It was dedicated recently by J. Paul Thommen, and since then there has been a mighty outpouring of the blessing of the Lord in every manner possible. People are being saved, healed, and baptized with the Spirit, others are being convicted of sin, and numbers have been immersed in water and have united with the church. We have adopted the "Busy Bee" plan of contributing to missions. We thank all who have donated either money or labor to the building of our church."

Send 25c for Sample Packet of Tracts.

HEALED OF STOMACH AND SPINAL TROUBLE

Spinal trouble developed three months after an operation for appendicitis. The doctor said the operation had been too great a nervous strain. From then on the slightest jar would send me to bed anywhere from two to eight weeks at a time. Could not walk without help and could hardly bear to ride a mile. When I could work at all it was only at the lighter tasks. I often fell, so could not be left alone for any long period of time. Three years later stomach trouble developed, and in a very short time I could eat very little, many days nothing. I grew thin and weak and partial paralysis set in. Then I began to call on the Lord for healing, and He healed my spine after I had sought Him for three weeks. Then in August my stomach was prayed for. I lost my appetite for two days, but then it returned and I could eat anything. Oh, it is peace akin to heaven when the healing waters flow. After seven years of misery I am completely healed, and I am a new creature indeed. Praise the Lord for His wonderful goodness and mercy to me.—Martha Mae Steed, Route 5, Shepherd, Mich.

GOD DOING WONDERS IN TAMPA

Brother and Sister J. L. Webb, Tampa, Fla., write: "Mr. A. G. Garr and family came to us four weeks ago to begin a meeting at our tabernacle. After three weeks of wrestling with God in prayer the walls began to crumble, and now the long altar is filled with people from every walk of life, seeking and finding God. Many Christians from various churches in the city are receiving the Baptism with the Holy Ghost, and others are still seeking and finding. A prize fighter dropped into the meeting one night, just after the fight was over, with his hands still bandaged. He sought Christ and was gloriously saved. Two nights later he was healed of a bursted ear drum, which caused total deafness in that ear. He received the Baptism with the Spirit a short time later. Another remarkable instance is that of a young man who was deaf and dumb, who was saved and prayer was offered for his healing. He can now hear exceptionally well, and can carry on a conversation. God is doing wonderful things in our midst."

BRIEF MENTION

Pastor J. C. Snyder, of McCurtain, Okla., reports the blessing of the Lord upon a 6 nights' meeting held by Brother James Hutsell, and says much good was received from the daily Bible lessons given.

"Since my wife and I resigned the pastoral work at Carlsbad, N. Mex., and took charge at this place," writes Brother N. C. Whitlock, of San Angelo, Tex., "the Lord has been wonderfully blessing our efforts. The crowds are increasing continually, and seekers come to the altar at every service. We expect to have our new church building completed by June 1. We will welcome all visiting Council ministers."

ENEMY ROUTED FIRST NIGHT

Pastor Louis E. Weston, Inglewood, Calif., writes: "We have just closed a 3 weeks' campaign with Evangelist H. Earl Winburn of Winnipeg, Man. There was a definite breaking through the enemy's forces the first night, and at every service the altars were filled with people seeking God. A large number were saved, and many received the Baptism with the Holy Spirit in the true Bible way. Numbers of 'prodigals' returned to Father's house, and joined the praises of the redeemed for the power of the blood of Christ to cleanse and keep from sin."

Forthcoming Meetings

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

TAMAHA, OKLA.—Fellowship meeting all day June 29, lunch on grounds.—Cleston Pitts, Deacon.

MOUNT UNION, PA.—Revival held in skating rink, beginning April 20, to continue 5 weeks by H. E. Hardt Evangelistic Party.

KANSAS DISTRICT CAMP MEETINGS.—At Attica-Sharon, July 24-Aug. 3. At Woodson, Aug. 7-17.—Fred Vogler, Wichita, Kans.

POTEAU, OKLA.—Southeastern District camp meeting, July 10-20. Brother James Hutsell, District Superintendent, will be in charge. Communicate with Pastor M. W. Johnson.

McCOOK, NEBR.—Evangelist Lilian B. Yeomans, M.D., at Full Gospel Tabernacle, corner of East 8th and C. Streets, May 11, for 2 weeks.—C. B. Thomas, pastor.

BINGHAMTON, N. Y.—Evangelist L. A. Hill, of Lancaster, Pa., will hold special meetings May 18-June 1. An all-day meeting is announced for May 30.—John Kellner, pastor.

ALEXANDRIA, VA.—Potomac District Council meeting, at Full Gospel Assembly, 216 Cameron Street (at the sign of the cross), June 2-4.—Guy W. Duty, Pastor.

GREENECastle, PA.—Evangelist Otto J. Klink, of Opa Locka, Fla., will begin a campaign May 11.—W. H. Myers, 104 South Allison Street.

EDMONTON, ALBERTA.—Evangelist Watson Argue will conduct an evangelistic campaign at the Bethel Pentecostal Assembly, beginning May 11.—Edgar Taylor, Secretary, 8906 113th Avenue.

WHITE CITY, KANS.—Revival services beginning May 4. Sister Inez Lasley, evangelist, will speak each evening indefinitely.—R. M. Farmer, pastor.

EUREKA SPRINGS, ARK.—Interstate Camp Meeting, Aug. 28-Sept. 7. Speakers, Donald Gee, Stanley Cooke, Ernest S. Williams, Noel Perkin, and others.—Fred Vogler, Chairman.

EASTERN DISTRICT CAMP MEETING.—At Wescoeville, near Allentown, Pa., Aug. 8-Sept. 1.—M. W. Richards, Secretary, 915 W. 29th Street, Wilmington, Del.

PASO ROBLES, CALIF.—The next fellowship meeting for the Coast division of the Southern California and Arizona District will be held May 25.—Joseph Jensen, pastor, 1233 Pine Street.

SAGINAW, MICH.—Mrs. Anna E. Kelso will hold a revival campaign at the Assembly of God church in their new location, 114 North Warren Street, beginning May 18.—Rollin M. Severance, pastor.

WHITE CITY, KANS.—Dedication of Pentecostal church, May 14-18. Some of the students from the Central Bible Institute will assist. Brother Fred Vogler, State Chairman, will have charge.

MIDDLETON, N. Y.—All day meeting May 4, opening new mission, at Prospect Avenue and East Main Street. Take Lincoln bus from Franklin Square. Speakers are expected from nearby towns.—Wm. Van Dam, pastor.

GUTHRIE, OKLA.—Oklahoma sectional Council meeting for the North Central District, May 13-14, at the Assembly of God church, corner 8th and Warner. We extend a hearty invitation to all.—C. O. Haymaker, pastor.

MAYWOOD, CALIF.—Evangelist A. C. Valdez will hold a tent campaign on Slauson Avenue, near Carlimeta, beginning May 18, at 7:30 P. M. We should appreciate the help of other assemblies.—Arthur W. Erickson, pastor.

EAST PROVIDENCE, R. I.—Annual Spring Convention of the Zion Pentecostal Tabernacle, on the grounds of the Faith Home, 846 Broadway, near Broadway Six Corners, May 25-June 1. Meetings in progress all day.—Christine A. Gibson, pastor.

LITTLE ROCK AND PINE BLUFF, ARK.—Evangelists Meyer and Alice Tan Ditter will conduct revivals in these two cities, May 18-June 28. Mail will reach them at the address below.—Pastor E. J. Bruton, 1818 Parker, North Little Rock.

GUTHRIE, OKLA.—Prophetic Full Gospel revival campaign, at Assembly church, corner 8th and Warren Streets, starting May 25, to continue 3 weeks. Evangelist Wm. F. A. Gierke in charge.—C. O. Haymaker, Pastor, 1301 West Logan Street.

WYNNE, ARK.—Northeastern District camp meeting, July 19-29. Free lodging as far as possible; meals on free-will offering plan. Write in time for living tents. Brother W. Jethro Walthall will have charge of day services. Address Pastor J. A. McPhail, Wynne, Ark.—W. H. Shands, Hoxie, Ark., Sectional Presbyterian.

NEW YORK CONVENTION.—Twenty-third anniversary revival services of Glad Tidings Tabernacle, New York City, May 4-18. Evangelist J. H. Bostrom will speak. Services each evening, 7:45, Wednesdays and Fridays at 3:00, Sundays, 10:30, 3:00, and 7:30. Singing and music by Tabernacle orchestra and chorus choir, under leadership of Ben Cockerhan.

DURANT, FLA.—Florida District camp meeting and District Council, at Pleasant Grove camp ground, 18 miles southeast of Tampa, May 8-18. Dormitory and restaurant on grounds. Bring bedding. All services in charge of the District Superintendent and the executive board. Sister Emma Taylor will be the evangelist.—I. J. Bolton, District Superintendent, Rt. 3, Plant City, Camp Pastor, A. G. Voight, Rt. 3, Plant City.

OKLAHOMA DISTRICT COUNCIL.—Fellowship meeting for the Southwest section of Oklahoma, at Duncan, May 21-22. All ministers will be cared for and visitors as far as possible. Those desiring license or ordination may make application in person on one of these dates. Write W. L. Fortenberry, pastor, or Ernest M. Adams, Presbyter, Box 281, Anadarko, Okla.

DALLAS, TEXAS.—The District Council of Texas and New Mexico will convene at Peak and Garland Streets, June 10-14, preceded by the Ambassadors' convention, June 8-9. Let every assembly send its pastor and one lay delegate. Resolutions to come before the Council may be sent to E. B. Crump, Electra, Tex., Chairman of Committee. Send offerings to defray Council expense to C. M. Ward, Grand Prairie, Tex.—Hugh M. Cadwalder, District Superintendent.

YUBA CITY, CALIF.—Semi-annual convention of Christ's Ambassadors of Northern California and Nevada, at High School Auditorium, corner Cooper Ave. and B Street. Five great meetings, Saturday, 2:30, 7:30; Sunday, 10:00, 2:00, and 7:30. A great time of fellowship anticipated. W. R. Steelburg, 1121 21st Street, Sacramento, Calif., President. Auspices of Marysville-Yuba City Full Gospel Assembly.—Donald W. C. Persing, Cooper and Spiva Street, pastor.

CANTON, OHIO.—The eleventh annual session of the Central District Council, Bethel Tabernacle, 313 Elgin Ave., N. W. (opposite Waterworks Park), May 13-16. We urge that ministers of this District attend, and that all assemblies send two delegates. Rev. E. S. Williams, general superintendent, will have charge of the evening services, and remain over the following Sunday. Rooms and breakfast will be provided for ministers and delegates from this District. Those desiring license or ordination should send their application to the chairman of the ordination committee, Rev. A. B. Cox, 347 Verona Drive, Residence Park, Dayton, Ohio, not later than May 1. Write District Superintendent Flem Van Meter, 215 Geneva Road, Residence Park, Dayton, Ohio, or Pastor G. F. Lewis, 2224 Fourth St., N. W., Canton.

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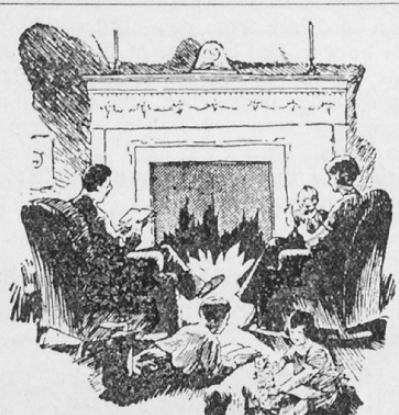
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BALD HILL, OKLA.—Dedication service and fellowship meeting at new church, June 1, at 2:30. Brother L. L. Ferguson is pastor. This church is between Okmulgee and Haskell, Southeast District. There will be no business session.—Fred Eiting.

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WANTED.—Pastor or evangelist to come here and help evangelize this country. No other assemblies that we know of within 100 miles. Church and piano all paid for.—W. M. Harrison, Hornbeck, La.

MISCELLANEOUS NOTICES

WANTED.—To rent a tent to hold a meeting in Mountain Grove, Mo.—Mose H. Pittis, Macomb, Mo.

WANTED.—Good established woman who feels called to rescue work, who would appreciate a home.—Mrs. Hilda Brown, Superintendent Mizpah Rescue Home, Zephyrhills, Fla.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS.—I have taken charge of the pastorate at this place and invite Council ministers, if passing, to stop with us.—R. E. Taylor, Enterprise, Ala.

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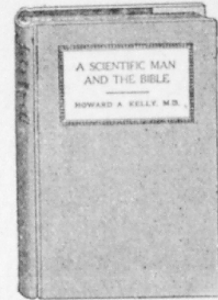
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- 5.00 Assembly of God, North Hollywood, Calif.
- 5.00 Bald Hill Assembly, Haskell, Okla.
- 5.00 Springfield S. S., Battle Creek, Mich.
- 5.00 First Pentecostal Assembly of God, Eaton, O.
- 5.00 De Leon Assembly of God S. S., De Leon, Texas
- 5.00 Assembly of God S. S., Childress, Tex.
- 5.20 Bremerton Pentecostal Assembly, Bremerton, Wash.
- 5.26 Assembly of God, Carlsbad, N. Mex.
- 5.41 Assembly of God Mission, Hillsboro, Ore.
- 5.80 Bay View Gospel Tabernacle, Milwaukee, Wis.
- 6.00 Ladies' Bible Class, Full Gospel Tab'n, Watertown, N. Y.
- 6.00 B. Y. P. U. and G. A. of First Baptist Church, Savannah, Mo.
- 6.29 Busy Bee Band, Albany, Ore.
- 6.30 Pentecostal Church, Kingsport, Tenn.
- 6.60 Assembly of God, Gray, Iowa
- 7.00 Assembly of God S. S., Conneaut, Ohio
- 7.10 Busy Bee Band, Tuolumne, Calif.
- 7.19 Grace Tabernacle, Lyman, Wash.
- 7.53 Young People's S. S. Class, Ceres, Calif.
- 7.96 Pentecostal Assembly of God & S. S., Sheridan, Wyo.
- 8.00 Pentecostal Prayer Band, Allentown, Pa.
- 8.10 Highway Pentecostal Assembly, Trenton, N. J.
- 8.65 Medicine Lodge Assembly of God, Medicine Lodge, Kans.
- 9.00 Full Gospel Mission, Napa, Calif.
- 9.00 Assembly of God, Emerson, Nebr.

- 9.46 Assembly of God S. S., Thayer, Mo.
- 10.00 Assembly of God, Saginaw, Mich.
- 10.00 Assembly of God, Olympia, Wash.
- 10.00 Assembly of God, Miles City, Mont.
- 11.10 Assembly of God, Austintown, Ohio
- 11.25 Assembly of God S. S., Pawhuska, Okla.
- 11.70 Bethel Church, Rock Island, Ill.
- 12.00 Full Gospel Mission, Palo Alto, Calif.
- 12.41 Assembly of God S. S., Canalou, Mo.
- 12.50 Sunday School, Bad Axe, Mich.
- 12.50 Assembly of God, Crosby, N. Dak.
- 12.60 Assembly of God, Grand River, Iowa
- 13.00 Pentecostal Assembly, St. Paul, Va.
- 13.25 Assembly of God, Collinsville, Okla.
- 13.30 Full Gospel Church, Deer Park, Wash.
- 13.40 Jerseyville Assembly, Jerseyville, Ill.
- 12.83 First Baptist Church, Egg Harbor, N. J.
- 15.00 Full Gospel Tabernacle, Watertown, N. Y.
- 15.00 Oak Park Holiness S. S., Tampa, Fla.
- 15.00 Full Gospel S. S., Sonnette, Mont.
- 15.00 Assembly of God, New Castle, Nebr.
- 15.00 Peak and Garland Christ's Ambassadors, Dallas, Tex.
- 15.00 Pentecostal Assembly, Clarks Summit, Pa.
- 15.50 Assembly of God Church, Westby, Mont.
- 15.50 Woodston Busy Bee Band, Woodston, Kans.
- 16.21 Assembly of God, Los Angeles, Calif.
- 16.60 Gospel Tabernacle, Fort Morgan, Colo.
- 16.80 Assembly of God S. S., Enid, Okla.
- 17.25 First Pentecostal Assembly, Savannah, Ga.
- 17.48 Portland Gospel Tabernacle, Portland, Ore.
- 17.71 Assembly of God Church, Great Falls, Mont.
- 18.85 Fairview Heights Community Church, Santa Monica, Calif.
- 19.25 Kingston Assembly and S. S., Laurel, Miss.
- 19.97 Assembly of God, Whittier, Calif.
- 20.00 The Pentecostal Assembly, Medina, Ohio
- 20.00 Bethel Pentecostal Assembly, Cortland, N. Y.
- 20.35 Busy Bee Band, Humboldt, Kans.
- 21.00 Christ's Ambassadors Rally, Galena, Kans.
- 21.42 Assembly of God Church & S. S., Wood River, Ill.
- 21.85 Pentecostal Church, Fredonia, N. Y.
- 22.00 Assembly of God S. S., Newton, Kans.
- 22.51 Assembly of God Mission, Denver, Colo.
- 23.00 Summit Pentecostal Mission, Girard, Ohio
- 25.00 Calvary Tabernacle, Camden, N. J.
- 25.00 Full Gospel Tabernacle, Moosic, Pa.
- 25.07 Full Gospel Assembly, Brainerd, Minn.
- 25.36 Full Gospel Church, Waco, Tex.
- 25.59 8th Ave. Pentecostal Church, Gary, Ind.
- 26.24 Full Gospel S. S. and C. A., Tulare, Calif.
- 26.40 Alton Assembly of God, Alton, Ill.
- 26.59 Assembly of God, McCook, Nebr.
- 26.76 Glad Tidings Assembly, Escalon, Calif.
- 26.94 Ironton-Crosby Full Gospel Assembly, Minn.
- 28.94 Assembly of God and S. S., Phoenix, Ariz.
- 30.00 South Cumberland Assembly of God, Cumberland, Md.
- 30.00 Full Gospel Assembly, Inglewood, Calif.
- 30.00 Pilgrim Class, Southern Calif. Bible School Pasadena, Calif.
- 30.00 Assembly of God, Okmulgee, Okla.
- 30.00 Bethel Assembly, Sisseton, S. Dak.
- 31.75 First Pentecostal Church, York, Pa.
- 33.00 Bible Hall Assembly, Washington, D. C.
- 34.31 Assembly of God S. S., Williston, N. Dak.
- 35.00 First Baptist Church, San Jose, Calif.
- 36.34 Portland Gospel Tabernacle S. S., Portland, Ore.
- 36.84 Pentecostal Assembly, Grenora, N. Dak.
- 38.00 Assembly of God S. S., Breckenridge, Tex.
- 40.00 Bethel Mission, New York, N. Y.
- 40.40 Mission of Assembly of God, Minot, N. Dak.
- 43.18 Glad Tidings Tabernacle, Jamestown, N. Y.
- 44.70 Pentecostal Tabernacle, Anacortes, Wash.
- 44.75 Assembly of God, Sioux City, Iowa
- 45.00 Glad Tidings Assembly, Long Island, N. Y.
- 46.42 Assembly of God, Dallas, Texas
- 47.05 Assembly of God, Alexandria, Minn.
- 50.00 Central Gospel Tabernacle, Long Beach, Calif.
- 50.00 Pentecostal Bible Class, Avoca, Pa.
- 52.42 Assembly of God, Miles City, Mont.
- 55.00 Full Gospel Assembly, Washington, D. C.
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- 58.12 Pentecostal Church & S. S., Long Branch, N. J.
- 63.10 Gospel Hall, Yonkers, N. Y.
- 74.50 Full Gospel Church & S. S., Neptune, N. J.
- 74.94 Pentecostal S. S., Russellville, Ark.
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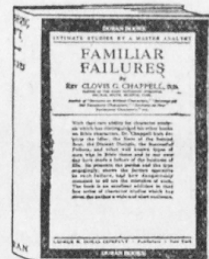
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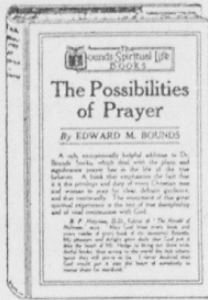
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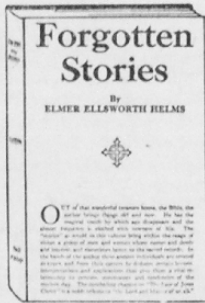


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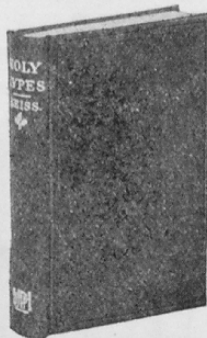


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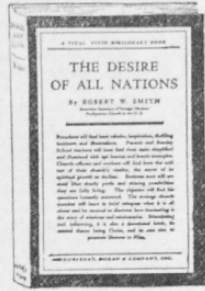
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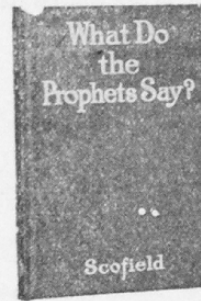


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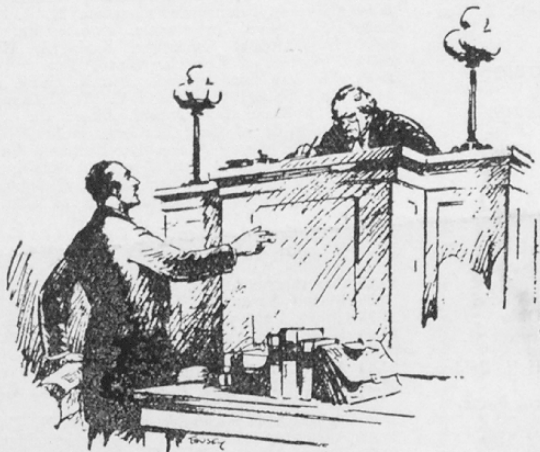
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