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ADAM was a perfect flesh and had perfect communion with God. But the moment he sinned his body was under condemnation. "Dust thou art, and unto dust shalt thou return." The very body which was the means of communication, by which he talked to God, became a barrier. The sentence of death was upon his body, and you can not seek the living among the dead. They were separated, the living God and the death-sentenced Adam. And no man can see God and live. The barrier remained, steadfast and unmovable. The veil was between God and man.

The cherubim with the flaming sword were taken away in due course, but there always remained the barrier. God sought to partially remove that veil. But the only way He could get at man was through blood. He could partially draw nigh to man. The blood of the innocent lamb and the bullock brought into the holy place by a priest specially sanctified and set apart, opened up a partial approach. But only one man once a year could enter the holy of holies.

The Veil Remained
God came towards man as far as He could and man as near God as he dare, the Holy Ghost thus signifying that the way was not yet open.


But oh the wonderful provision that God made! He approached man the only way He could get at him. He became incarnate. He Himself became flesh. God was in Christ, reconciling the world unto Himself. A body had been prepared and God dwelt in that body. The wise men worshipped, they adored the Babe. They were no fools, and they worshipped. Worshipped a babe who was apparently naught but a human being, and no one rebuked them. Even Joseph did not interfere. Oh the mystery of the incarnation, the wonder of it! The wise men saw that which the angels could sing about. The heavens were filled with the angels, but they could not come to the mangerthey worshipped at a distance. "When He bringeth in the first begotten into the world, He saith, And let all the angels of God worship Him."
"The Veil, That is to Say, His Flesh."
That incarnation spelt God's yearning to men. He remembered Adam before he fell, and He desired to hold converse with man again. And so His love and condescension was manifested in the coming of His firstborn. And by that incarnation, beautiful and perfect as it was, He, the Son, became the barrier, the (Continued on Page Eight)

# Bethlehem Ephratah Slimpses of the Dealings of God 

Ernest S. Williams

111E WILL soon be rejoicing in the Christmas Season. Anthems of praise will be sung to the new born King; sermons will be preached to His memory; and even in the Sunday school the little tots will be telling in their childish way the story of His birth.

But Christmas means more to us than an annual festival of merrymaking and exchanging of gifts. It tells us of God's gift and dealings with men.

Long before the Saviour came, the Spirit spoke through the prophet Micah telling where He should be born. Little did the prophet then consider the means that should be employed to bring God's word to pass, and the unseen course God would pursue to fulfill His prom-ise-all that was hidden in the secret counsels of God. But with certainty Jehovah could say even then, "But thou, Bethlehem Ephratah, though thou be little among the thousands of Judah, yet out of thee shall he come forth unto me that is to be ruler in Israel."

Time rolled on and men ceased to be stirred by the prediction of the prophet, when, one day the angel Gabriel approached a humble virgin in far-off Galilee and announced to her that she should conceive and bear a son, the Saviour of the world. Well might she wonder at the word, and, if acquainted with the promise as to the place where the Messiah should be born, no wonder that she marveled saying, "How can these things be?"

A virgin! far removed from the place called Bethlehem! it seemed impossible that the promise of the angel could come to pass. But the submissive maid, yielding and believing, made answer, "Be it unto me according to thy word," and pursued her onward course trusting and pondering these things in her heart. Although as much unacquainted as to how the mystery should be solved and the promise


Messiah should be cradled-if He was rocked to rest or not-fulfilling the purposes of God? Angels announced to shepherds the Saviour was born, glorious light shone round about them, and leaving their untended flocks they made their way through the returning darkness to the place where the young child lay, and, finding Him, worshiped Him and God, who had so marvelously planned, and no less marvelously carried out His purpose as to the time and place where the child Jesus should begin His life here among men.
And now we would turn our attention from the Saviour and her who gave Him birth to ourselves, to those under this great Shepherd's care. God has a time and place for every happening in our lives. We cannot always see it, but He works according to a definite plan and is fulfilling in us an eternal purpose. Even the hairs of our heads are numbered; our times are in His hands, and He watches over us even when our steps are weary. We see things in the light of a few short years; He sees them in the light of the ages. What may to us look gigantic, may to Him be exceedingly small, and what may seem to us a trifle, may have the weight of ages in its significance. It was not the great political metropolis of the world that Jehovah would select for the birthplace of His King, neither was it the great religious center that He would choose to show forth His glory. He chose rather, for reasons nerfectly understood by Himself, the simple, hillside village of Bethlehem. And it was not a princess nor a pompous
an act and Augustus Caesar make a decree that all the world should be enrolled. Without this enrollment the virgin would not have ventured in her then condition to make the journey from Galilee to Bethlehem, but, that she might abide by the decision made, she went her weary way to the little town, there, perhaps unknown to her, to fulfill the purpose of God and to confirm His word. And while there, though deprived of provision which she should have had, she brought forth her first born son and laid Him in swaddling clothes in a manger because there was no room for them in the inn.

But what mattered it where the queen that He would honor to become the mother of the King of kings, but the humble maiden, unassuming, serene, and willing to do His will.

And is this not just like God? "God hath chosen the foolish things of the world to confound the wise; and God hath chosen the weak things of the world to confound the things which are mighty; that no flesh should glory in his presence." He choose Bethlehem to become the birthplace of His Son. The simple fishing town of $\mathrm{Ca}-$ pernaum, nestled among the hills at the shore of Galilee, was chosen as the leading center in the Saviour's ministry. Humble shepherds should be
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## $\mathcal{A}$ Twenty-one $\mathscr{L}$ ound $\overparen{G u r k e y}$

A True Story

(1)HERE was one Christmas Day in Sister Abigail's little home in Buffalo, N. Y., which will never be forgotten.

A young girl, twenty years of age, had offered herself as a candidate for service for the Lord in Africa. As she would go out in dependence upon God for her needs in material as well as spiritual things, Sister Abigail was asked to receive her into her home as a worker that she might be proved in the home field first. She lived some miles from Sister Abigail but within reach by the electric cars.

Having remained in the home about three months and the holiday season drawing, near, she expressed a wish to Sister Abigail that she might spend Christmas at home with her family, saying that she expected to eat her next Christmas dinner in Africa. To test her, Sister Abigail said, "But I shall need you the day before Christmas to carry out dinners to the helpless ones." Looking up brightly, Bessie asked, "What will they have for dinner ?" "Oh, chicken or turkey." "Oh, Aunt Abbie, do you really think you will have turkeys to give away. Where and how will you get them? Don't I wish God would send enough-" then she stopped and the tears sprang to her eyes. Sister Abigail after a little talk found that she longed to be the one to provide a real Christmas dinner at home. So Sister Abigail said, "Let us tell God about it," so they went into her little room together and laid the matter before God, asking him that Bessie might have the joy of taking turkey and all that should accompany it to the dear ones she loved so well.

This occurred four days before Christmas. For the next two days, things kept coming in so that many a good basketful was sent out to cheer God's poor; coal, money, meat, and chickens came in more than had ever come before. It was a hard winter and God knew it. On the evening of De cember twenty-third Sister Abigail said, "Bessie, you ought to go home to-morrow morning on the 9:30 car so that you can help your sister, for you will have a big day."
"But there will be no turkey," Bessie replied.

"Yes, there will be one, don't you fear, but really and truly trust," said our sister.
At 8:30 the next morning, nothing had come, but says Sister Abigail, "The dear girl was full of joy believing. It was a delight for others in the home to see her. I sent her to phone to her sister to meet her at the car which would leave at $9: 30$ as she would have a load too heavy to carry alone. How her eyes shone as she said, 'This is something like trusting. I don't know how I feel but I feel
for home on that 9:30 car loaded with things for the dear ones.

Later in the day, a lady brought a large dish filled with lovely hot chicken and biscuits. This our sister and her helpers placed in a fireless cooker and carried to the County House into the tubercular ward in time for their supper at half past six. So more of the Lord's poor were made happy through God's faithfulness to this trusting handmaiden.

When Sister Abigail reached home and sat down to supper, no turkey had come for the family. They desired that dear Bessie might have a still further proof of God's goodness and faithfulness although she had gone to her home, so the dear ones lifted up their hearts to the Father of all supplies that He would supply a turkey for their Christmas dinner.

At 10:15 o'clock, after the family had retired, came a loud knock at the back door. Opening the door wondering what could be the matter, a twenty-one pound turkey was handed in, the donor unknown to Sister Abigail. Praise God, who never does small things, for He know how many guests He would send to eat that turkey.

That was a wonderful Christmas morning in that home and I am sure the greetings were many and merry, for God had so wonderfully manifested Himself in their midst.

At 8:30 Christmas morning some little lads, members of a Bible Class in the city, brought two bushel baskets, one filled with fruit, a ninepound turkey all dressed and
like flying, I think.' I asked her if she really believed she would have a turkey. 'Oh, yes, indeed I do and you will have one too." "

Nine o'clock came and no turkey. At five minutes past nine, a large box was brought to the door, brought by the expressman, sent from Virginia. When opened, right on the top lay a ten-pound turkey, then fruits, nuts, candy, everything that could be wished for. Looking longingly at the turkey, "What will you do if I have this turkey?" said Bessie. "Oh, I'll get ready, make the dressing and let God do the rest," answered Sister Abigail.

So this dear child received the reward of her faith and we can well understand the joy with which she gave testimony to her family of God's wonderful faithfulness to her. Her Father was watching her trust and he never disappoints his children, so Bessie left
prepared to put into the oven, covered with clean buttered paper. The other basket was filled with vegetables, groceries, nuts and candies. It was decided to keep the small turkey to be roasted later. God knew all about things when they came to that decision.
At 10:15 the phone rings. "Dear Mrs. L. may I come to you and bring a friend?" (Neither of these has a home.) ","Most certainly you will be welcome," answered Sister Abigail. "May we come early and help you carry around some dinners to sick people?" "Why, yes, that is just what we are needing." So the Lord had a little service for them.

Again there is a call, from two sisters who had already been invited but who had declined the invitation. "We would like to come if it is convenient
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## $\therefore \quad$ Christmas

What a time of cheer is Christmas ! The family reunions, the exchange of gifts, the tender ties of love and memory. No other season of the year touches the heart like Christmas.

But Christmas, now so marred by the impositions of mercenary men, by the lack of sacredness which should enshrine its brow, brings to the Christian heart that fondest of all memories, the hills of Judea, the manger crib, the heart throb of a mother's love, and God's message to troubled man, "Unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given."

Here is Christmas. It is found in Christ. Without Him it is often empty, but with Him not only the tender chords of earth are touched, but also heavenly harps, of holy richness, pour their music upon the soul, "Peace on earth, good will toward men."

Christmas, with your star-studded
and silent night, across your bosom fell the strain of the angelic throng. The song they sang shall never die. Another world has come to ours. A gentler love than a mother's has touched us. A Saviour has come who saves His people from their sins. This is the child that is born. This is the Son that is given.

Our human frame is weak and frail. Our spirits are sometimes burdened and heavily pressed. It may be dark, but He comes through the gloom. One touch of His love and darkness melts into a golden dawn-'tis a Christmas Day. His gifts of love, of grace, of peace, renew our hopes as through life we pass. In Him we see our richest gift-God's gift-God's Son. In Him are treasures of eternal worth, free from disappointment and decay. Jesus the Christ of Christmas Day.-E. S. W.

## Two Little Boys

Two little boys of Springfield, Mo., were overheard talking.
"I've found out something," said one, "the rabbits don't lay Easter eggs."
"Yes, and I know something too; there isn't any Santa Claus. And I just wonder if there is any Jesus."

Don't teach your children lies and then they won't doubt the truth. -Florence M. Boyd.

## "An Orange for Ma"

One Christmas evening a gentleman strolling along was attracted by the remark of a little girl to a companion in front of a fruit stall, "I wish I had a orange for ma." The gentleman saw that the children, though poorly dressed, were clean and neat, and calling them into the store, he loaded them with fruit. "What's your name?" asked one of the girls. "Why do you want to know ?" queried the gentleman. "I want to pray for you," was the reply; and as he turned away the little one added, "Well, it doesn't matter. God will know you."

## A Turkey for the Minister

A popular minister in Scotland, in the good old times, used at Christmas to be inundated with hampers filled with good things. On one occasion an enormous turkey was sent to him by the thoughtful kindness of a neighboring farmer; but as the minister's family had already provided for the Christmas dinner, the bird was sent to the market and sold. A passer-by, seeing this fine specimen of poultry, said, "What a splendid turkey! Just the thing for the minister's Christmas dinner!' To the minister it was sent. The provident wife sent it again tc the market, and sold it again for a handsome sum. Another friend, similarly struck with the splendid proportions of the turkey, purchased it and sent it to the minister. The good woman, not wishing to fly in the face of Providence, said at last, "It is clear that the Lord means us to have this turkey." And, with the approbation of the family, it formed part of the Christmas dinner.

## $\mathscr{H}$ fow God $\mathcal{A l n s w e r e d " t h e ~ R o b i n s " " ~ P r a y e r ~}$

This true Christmas story is taken from two Circular Letters of Sister Annie, one of the workers at Friedenshort, Miechowits, Kreis Beuthen, Upper Silesia, Germany. For about half a century before her recent death, "Mother Eva" von Thiela-Winckler maintained an orphanage and home for helpless people at this place. There are 27 houses at Friedenshort full of these darling Robins, Swallows, Dewdrops, and the like,
some 500 in all. God has always taken care of them in answer to prayer only. During the World War, Friedenshort was caught between the German and Russian armies, but was never struck with a shell. But one night while a barrage was being fired over the place, beautiful faces were seen looking in the upper mursery room windows. The children and sisters believe there were guardian angels.

## Friedenshort, Germany Christmas, 1925.

匹HIS letter shall be very short and contain only a Christmas story, which we have been enjoying these last days. It comes from the Robins' Nest.

For a long, long time the children in this family have been longing for a harmonium of their own! It sounds somewhat preposterous, and more than once "Mutterchen" shook her head (inwardly!) a little puzzled as to how far she ought to try to control the earnest prayers and faith of her children on such points. There were times in the last months where so many more practical needs were making themselves felt, and yet, one day, as he said: "Children! I find that so many other things are much more necessary," little Maria looked up at her and answered: "Oh, Mutterchen, I find a harmonium is so very necessary!" On being asked to explain the necessity, the child answered: "You cannot imagine what it is like to hear the 'Swallows' playing and singing in the evening, and we never can!" Maria is very musical, she sings mezzosoprano and contralto quite correctly by ear, even though only eleven years of age. Mutterchen smiled and dropped the subject, after remarking that she found mattresses more necessary.

So Maria contented herself by continuing to pray for a harmonium. Some young girls heard that the Robins had this wish, and began to send small gifts to help in buying an instrument. One was especially touching-the giver is by her own confession, an unbeliever, frankly
owning that she cannot imagine how this children's prayer is going to be answered: "for a harmonium is not just a cardboard box!" Yet she has been sending from time to time gifts of three marks for this purpose.

As money quietly began to gather, Mutterchen wrote to a firm in Barmen (the other side of Germany), and asked for a price list, and also if they had a second-hand instrument. She added that she was not contemplating a purchase at the moment, but wanted to know prices, etc. This firm had been recommended to her as being trustworthy. She told of the children's longing, and that some money had already been given for the purpose, but added that she could not order before the full sum was in hand, as we do
not make debts. Instead of receiva price-list, to her surprise came a very kind letter from the head of the firm, saying that the children were to go on saving up any gifts that might come in until November, and then send them the money-and no matter how small the amount might be, they wished to have the pleasure of supplying one of their very best harmoniums as a Christmas present for the Robins!

Mutterchen was absolutely overwhelmed. We knew nothing of the matter, but last week, as I was in bed with an attack of influenza, Mutterchen came to visit me, and in the course of conversation told me the whole story. She is young, and to see her bright, fair young face, bubbling over with joy, did one good. The harmonium is to be smuggled into the locked up Christmas room before Christmas Eve, and all that the children know at present is, that a great surprise is coming. They are wildly guessing amongst themselves, very wide of the mark, only little Maria says, quietly: "I think it must be a harmonium"-and as an older girl said to her: "But, Maria, do you know what a harmonium costs? more than 400 marks!"-she answered: "And if it were a thousand, that is nothing to the Lord Jesus-He can!" Blessed child-like faith
 -we older ones are strengthening ourselves at present on the faith of a little child-and are going over into the New Year restfully and gladly knowing that

He can!
February, 1926.
Our hearts have been most touched at the loving welcome you gave our Christmas greetings, and also the warm interest that the "harmonium story" called forth. Many requests have flowed in for a sequel, and today came a perfectly clamoring letter from my sister, begging for the details, and protesting that my New Year's letter to her contained no notice of it. So that even although there are piles of things, which seem more urgent than a new "circular" at the present moment, I am seeking refuge in it as a way of escape from turning into a hurdy-gurdy! (It is not easy to tell the (Continued on Page 7)

# "Our Christmas Dinner" 

A True Story by Mrs. Donald Gee

Nearly ten years have passed since my husband and I answered the call of God to us to "Go work in My vineyard."
We have a faithful Master; He does not forget His laborers. Much could be written of how during these years we have learned, as Elijah did, that even if the brook "Cherith" (God's supply for His needs) was drying up before our eyes, God always had a "widow woman" ready with barrel of meal and cruse of oil to sustain us (some fresh means of supply). Praise His Name!

Christmas, 1927, has been before me much today; I feel it may help and encourage some dear one to trust "Jehovah-jireh" if I tell how He supplied some of our needs then. He is just the same today.

December 24 th came-it was Satur-day-and purchases had to be made with care, taking no anxious thought. Only one shilling ( 25 cents) could be spent on meat; some sausages we carried home, with a prayer in our hearts for something "more like Christmas" to be supplied (our household numbered six persons).

It was no use going to my husband; he had not sufficient to pay 'bus fares to our branch Assembly some six miles away, where we were due that evening for a children's tea, but we had our own car and so traveled in comfort. (That is how God works with His laborers.)

In 1925 a friend from this assembly was moved of God to give us a chicken for our dinner; in 1926 this "brook" had dried, and two small birds were sent from quite another part of the country. Now, 1927, we found both these brooks dried, but God did not fail. Hallelujah!

Coming home after a good time with the saints, still no visible answer to our prayer-in fact, the dinner, etc., almost forgotten-we found a letter awaiting us, all the way from London, enclosing five pounds- $(\$ 25.00)$ a sum due to have been paid the previous spring and forgotten!

Our Father knew we wanted it then, and with full hearts we knelt together on our kitchen rug and praised Him for His faithfulness.

We thought of shops, but the hour was too late and the money in the form of a check that we could not cash at that hour. Then our faith rose high and we said, "Maybe the Lord
let us buy sausage because He intended sending a bird!"

While still praising and praying, our doorbell rang, and a sister called with apologies for disturbing us at such a late hour (after $10 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$.), bringing a duck, just ready for roasting!

The two previous years the birds had come with their feathers and we had to prepare them, but "your Heavenly Father knoweth"; He knew there would not be time this year and sent this one "dressed" ready. Praise His Name!

It was a day of prayer and praise on Sunday, continuing with a Christmas dinner on Monday. We praise God He does give "meat in due season" and satisfies the desire. He gave the meat, plus the joy of being able to minister to the needs of His servants staying with us for the New Year Convention, and a little towards that well-known bill for municipal taxes. Who is a God like unto our God?

Here we raise our Ebenezer, and by God's grace we shall continue living this happy life of service, looking to Jesus, the Author and the Finisher, the source of supply for all our needs. Hallelujah!

It is required of a steward that he be found faithful. The Lord still needs laborers in His vineyard, and the laborerer is worthy of his hire.
"We ask no other wages when Thou shalt call us home,
But to have shared the travail which makes Thy Kingdom come."

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first to hear the angels' voices announcing the Saviour's birth; humble fishermen should first declare His coming and Messiahship, and should be the first to herald Him when He had risen from the dead. And to us He says, "Even a cup of cold water given in my name shall in no wise lose its reward."

Bethlehem was honored to become the birthplace of the Saviour-King. Our humble hearts are honored to be the resting place of a Bridegroom's love. So be of good cheer, my brother. Behold we bring to you good tidings of great joy which shall be to all people. Unto us a Saviour is born, and we are accepted in the Beloved. Let
us have confidence. Let us not seek to plan our own destiny, nor make a way for ourselves. Rather may we submit and trust, and then, in whatsoever state we are, learn to be content, for, "Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword?" "For I am persuaded, that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor powers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor height, nor depth, nor any other creature, shall be able to separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord."

God teach us the secret of restful trust. May He save us from leaning to our own understanding and trying to make things bend to our own selfish desires. How many have hindered God through selfishness and selfish planning, and some have so far given themselves to self-life that they have failed entirely of the grace of God. God's plan for us means sacrifice and death. What sacrifice it meant to Mary to fulfill His word! What death she suffered as a sword passed through her own soul also! But God was in it. The fruit was to the world a Redeemer; to her a far more exceeding and eternal weight of glory. For more than thirty years she had borne the burden laid upon her by the counsels of God; and now it cost her the final price-she must stand and see Him die upon the cursed tree, Him for whom she had endured so much, and in whom her soul delighted, while she, in human helplessness, could but stand by, and with breaking heart, suffer and weep.

But it was all in the divine plan and Divine power knows no defeat. The third day her Son, God's Son, came forth. Eternal forces combined to bring Him forth, and, His death, the last grim dregs of her bitter cup, was swallowed up in victory. Has Mary lost because she suffered? Is she less happy now in the world of bliss because she drank the bitter cup? Oh, no, her joy is deeper, and richer, her glory brighter and more blessed than it ever could have been had she followed a will contrary to the will of God.

God help us as beloved followers of Christ to consecrate our all to God; to see His hand in the changing affairs of life ; to recognize even in the movement of earthly powers and earthly things that God is working in our behalf; and to trust Him even when we cannot understand. "He knoweth the way I take, when He hath tried me I shall come forth as gold."

[^0]How God Answered "the Robins'" Chtistmas Ptayet (Continued from Page Five) same story over and over again, even when it is such a sweet one as this.)

All around the three sides of the grotto, our children were standing, such a happy crowd of them-"Swallows," "Dewdrops," "Robins," etc. "Sonnenland" appeared as far as possible. The bigger girls from the "Household School" were also there, and again the bright red and white of their "peasant costumes" gave a bright, warm touch to the Christmas picture. The tinies were, of course, in the front row next to the grotto, and it was sweet to watch them, first awed by all the strangeness of it, and then gradually relaxing into natural childishness -which at times threatened to disturb the little impromptu service, of word and song, but never really did. A few promiscuous babies' voices cannot disturb, when only lovers of children are present. At the close of this wee service, the children scampered off to their different houses, and there awaited our coming with all the patience, or impatience, that such an exciting time calls forth. But I cannot detail the various visits, and the one of chief interest for the most of you is the one by the "Robins."

As we entered their Christmas room, nothing was to be seen of the new harmonium. A body-guard of three or four Sisters were standing solidly before it - the usual Christmas tables. laid out with the presents for the different children, were festively decor-ated-the Christmas tree was brightly burning (each house has its own tree; no German Christmas would be complete without one), and at the ringing of the bell, in troops the happy little expectant group. They were all led to their respective places, where their own gifts were spread out, and then most of the grown-ups were requested to clear the room, by withdrawing into the adjoining room, or into the passage on the other side-so that the children might have a clear field to hunt for the "surprise."

Soon came a shout of: "Mattresses!". They had discovered a bale of ticking for this purpose (so you see "Mutterchen" had also received her "much more necessary" articles!) But they were told that this was not allit was not the surprise. Most of the children were hunting under cupboards and tables, but the eyes of many were on Maria. She was gazing all round the room, and approaching slowly the end where the harmonium was hidden. Almost as excited as the child, I could not resist saying: "Chase the Sisters awav, Maria." At that moment one of them stepped obligingly
aside, and the whole of her little figure literally quivered with the bigness of her joy.

A loud shout broke out at the same moment from the other children, accompanied by the words: "Maria always said it would be a harmonium." Thereupon one of the Sisters sat down, and struck up a well-known Christmas carol, in which the children joined. Maria had slipped along to the end of the harmonium, and was standing in the corner by the wall. One noticed she could hardly sing, but with a sweetly flushed face she held bravely on until the close-and then, as Mother Eva said: "Now we will thank the Lord Jesus for this great joy," a little sob escaped her, and her head went quickly down on the corner of the precious harmonium. As she lifted it again, at the close of the little thanksgiving, one noticed a quick wiping away of tears.

You won't call us weak and sentimental, I am sure, when I tell you that many other eyes were not quite dry. Mutterchen has told me since that she has often seen her stealing quietly up to it, and stroking it.

It is true that the next day a wave of: "Can it be really true?" swept over her as it does with older hearts. She wanted to know if anyone would come to take it away, but, on hearing that it was absolute personal property of the Robins' Nest and would remain, she was joyfully assured again.

Little Maria has learned early in life, by personal experience, that God is a living God, and that He hears and answers His children's prayers. "He giveth us richly all things to enjoy" chimes back to me out of my childhood's days. Does not F. R. Havergal say in either "Morning Bells" or "Little Pillows": "Not only to do us good, but to enjoy." It is stowed away in some back door of my memory. And is it not gloriously true? Mother Eva and I are somewhat revelling in Matthew Henry at present-and in his commentary on the Creation, he brings out this thought again and again.


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for you." "It is always convenient," replies our Sister.
Again the phone rings. This time it is a young man who says he is a stranger and has no home. He says, will Mrs. L. allow him to come and spend the day. Of course, he would be allowed to come and be welcome.

And so with the family of ten members and guests, dinner was served in the home for seventeen persons, besides ten dinners sent out to those who were sick who had no one to cook a dinner if they had one. "By the time all were served," said Sister Abigail, "that twenty-one pound turkey looked -!"
On the following Sunday that little nine-pound turkey went into the oven and was served in that hospitable home which belongs to the Lord to a number of guests who just dropped in. What a testimony to God's faithfulness for these many blessings for the encouragement of little Bessie, the little missionary who is now a married woman serving the Lord in faith in darkest Africa.
No doubt, many times when in trial and need, she has been reminded of that memorable Christmas and takes new courage, saying "God is faithful." -From Does God Answer Prayer?

## A Good Example

An interesting passage in the journal of George Fox, the Quaker, is that under date December, 1645, as follows: "When the time called Christmas came, while others were feasting and sporting themselves, I looked out poor widows from house to house, and gave them some money. When I was invited to marriages-as I sometimes was -I went to none at all; but the next day, or soon after, I would go and visit them: and if they were poor I gave them some money, for I had wherewith both to keep myself from being chargeable to others, and to administer something to the necessities of those in need."

## The Name in Her Bitthday Book

A little girl showed a friend her birthday text book. He turned over the leaves from January 1st, and read the names of many of her friends. When he came to December 25th, he found one line very carefully written: "Dear Jesus Christ." "But, Mary," he said to her, "this book is only for names of your friends." Looking up into the man's face, the little girl quietly replied, "Why, Jesus is my very best and dearest Friend, and that is the nicest birthday of all the year."

# Does God $\mathcal{F}$ nswer $\mathscr{D}_{\text {rayer? }}$ 

亦AST YEAR we spent Christmas at a small village where lived Mrs. F- - a godly Christian woman: she was a widow, and very poor. In oider to pay her way, she took in roomers.
Mrs. F- had one daughter, a bright young Christian, who, however, against her mother's wish, had married an unconverted man.

He became a drunkard, and lost his work on this account. Consequently the poor wife and children were, at Christmas time, almost starving.
Mrs. F- could not let her daughter starve, so she invited her day after day to her cottage, and gave her what she could, often going without food herself in order to feed her child.
This went on for weeks, until Mrs. F _began to feel weak physically.
The day before Christmas I could not get away from the thought that I ought to go and see her. So I went. They were having their midday meal, if one can call it such, for there was nothing on the table but a piece of bread!

My heart deeply touched as I remembered that this woman was a true child of God.

With tears running down her cheeks, she took her Bible, and turning to the fly leaf showed me a number of promises written down, which she said she had proved in times of difficulty.
One text particularly attracted my notice, it was this: "Though it tarry, wait for it, for it will surely come." "Yes," I said, "it will surely come. God never fails those who put their trust in Him. We must still keep on praying, and the answer will come, even if it be not until the eleventh hour." With these words I left her.

As I walked down the street the tears rolled down my cheeks, and I prayed that God would speedily supply her need, and in some way use me as the instrument.

On that particular day I had only twelve cents in the world! I said, "Lord, I will gladly give her this, but what can I buy for a starving woman with twelve cents?"

I went home, and entered the dining room, where my parents were sitting.

They at once said, "Whatever is the matter?" I replied, "I have been to see Mrs. F-, and she is literally starving."
My father, who is the most liberal man I have ever met, said, "Well, why don't you give her something?" I answered, "I have only twelve cents, and that won't buy much."

Now I knew that we had very little money at this time, nothing, in fact, but what God sent to us week by week. Before, however, I could say another word, my father's hand went into his pocket, and taking out sixty cents he said, "That's to buy something for Mrs. F--, and that," putting $\$ 2.50$ beside it, "is for yourself!"
Can you imagine my feelings at that moment? I almost ran down to the village, and came back with a basket laden with meat, bread, butter, cheese, etc. The basket was very heavy to carry, but it seemed to me as light as a feather, as I hastened down that street to that dear woman's cottage.
Oh! the joy in ministering to others. There is no joy like it, especially when it costs something. Mrs. F- - s gratitude was unbounded, as she realized how God had answered her prayers by supplying her need. She did not know anything about the answer to prayer which $I$ had had. When I was willing to give Him my last twelve cents, He gave me $\$ 2.50$ in return. God is no man's debtor. I must also add that my father the very next day received more than double the amount he gave! This is no fable, but a true story.
What a wonderful thing it is to have to do with God! To tell Him every-thing-to ask, and expect, and receive.
Does God answer prayer? Yes! He does. Sometimes He keeps His children waiting for the answer in order to test as well as to strengthen their faith, but He Himself always knows what He will do.
Sometimes He does not answer our prayers in the way we expect, but His answer is always the very best for us, for He who knows the end from th- heginning cannot err,
"He never moves too late Behind the scenes for me,
His finger never moves too soon
Lest I shold fail to see.
"I'll trust the Living God, No matter how things seem,
And sing His praise in darkest, days, For 'tis all light with Him."

- H. C. s.


## The Babe Who Opened the Way

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veil. As Adam, by his sin, created a barrier in his flesh towards God, so Christ, taking the form of sinful man, took the place of the one who was separated from God. And the barrier remained as long as He
lived. It was most pronounced when darkness covered the earth at the time of His crucifixion. Christ, the sin-bearer, was for the time being forsaken, alienated from His own Father, and went into death. But by death He destroyed him that hath the power of death; and in proof of that, at His death the veil of the temple was rent from the top to the bottom. In another manner it is rent from the bottom to the top, because men down below rent the veil themselves when they crucified the Lord of glory.

The high priest went into the holiest with fear and trembling, only once a year, and then with the blood. But now the saint enters in, is commanded, entreated, requested to enter with boldness. Through the veil! The Christian's position should be inside the veil, not outside.

## Within the Veil!

Oh, the contrast! Before it was with hesitancy, with fear, a barred way. Because of the sacrifice, because of that perfect body, brought to the place of death, the representative of every descendant of Adam, because that cursed flesh which separated man from God and God from man had been brought to the cross, had been put away, a new and living way was opened, and boldness was enjoined where heretofore caution had been necessary, for as the Holy Ghost said, the way was not yet opened.
How the children of God need boldness. It is enjoined upon them. That boldness proves their faith that the new and living way has been opened. They honor the sacrifice of Calvary and they magnify the incarnation of Bethlehem.
God longs for His children to be inside the veil so that He can commune and talk with them. If the veil was real, the tearing down of the veil was just as real, and the communion and fellowship within the veil can be more real than even Adam had.
Paul had it. And he realized it so marvelously that his very sanctified flesh had to have a thorn put into it-a peg as it were-to hold him down. But Enoch never had the thorn in the flesh and the result was that he was translated. By faith he embraced the promise, he saw the sacrifice, he saw the veil rent, and he entered within; and once he entered in, he never returned. Live inside the veil as much as you can.

## The Blood and the Body

The blood split, the body rent,
gives access into the holy of holies, and there God can commune with sanctified, redeemed ones. God longs for it because He provided the way. Christ paid the price. A new and living way, in contradistinction to the old way of death.

The flaming sword, the veil of the temple, the veil on the prophecies, all done away in Christ!

It was the Babe of Bethlehem; He opened the way. The angels worshipped Him, and God wants His people to worship Him.

## $\therefore$ Ohrist's Birthday

W. R. Patterson

"Wise men worshipped Him presented unto Him gifts"
Today the Christmas season could be altogether wonderful if it were not for the worldliness that professing followers of Christ incorporate into it. If all true believers were of the same spirit as those were at the time of His birth, they alone could set a new example before the world. The attitude of believers in that day reduced to a few words was: they sought Him, fell down and worshipped Him, presented unto Him gifts, told about Him abroad, and thanked God for Him. Christ surely was all and in all that day to His faithful followers.

But how will it be the Christmas of 1930? To bring this matter down to where we live, let us suppose somewhat together. Suppose the event was your birthday? You had invited friends and relatives from far and near to celebrate the occasion, and they came cheerfully, full of glee,-a merrier crowd you never have seen; they are all laden with gifts; your heart is bubbling with delight. The party proceeds and seemingly it will be a day to be always in fondest memory. As things progress the personality of others at the party seems to be the center of attraction. The talents of others are greatly praised, the desires of others consulted and gratified,-while you are left alone at one side. The last hope of cheer for you is in that pile of gifts on the center table. When will somebody suggest that they be opened? Finally the time comes. You are chosen to open the gifts, and every package so far has been to some beloved friend of the giver besides yourself. Only a few left now, still hope; the last one comes and you have been left out,-entirely out. What a crisis! What a dark moment! What a stab in your heart! You undoubtedly are severely hurt.
"That never has happened to anybody, brother. No human friend would deal so treacherously with another."

I do not think so myself, but I must sadly confess that thousands who claim to be the Friend of Jesus Christ will be just as cruel to Him on Christmas

Day, and what I have pictured will be a living reality all over the earth ere this Christmas season passes.

The World Missions Program, better known as the Foreign Missionary work has suffered a lack every Christmas season for years. Special evangelistic meetings are usually set aside. Regular services scantily attended. Debts often running into large sums are created by God's children. What is the cause? Nothing less than the way Christians follow the world in celebrating the day. Trying to please the world and man! How can they help but be convicted of their error when they stop to sum up the facts in the matter?
Let us stand with the friends of Christ and try to live out the example set by His loyal followers at the time of His birth.

Why not give gifts unto our Lord's work? Some department is suffering lack now and will suffer still more if you follow the world this Christmas. Choose a needy cause and give towards it. Worship the Lord all through the day's events.

Hear it again. Wise men sought Him, worshipped Him, gave gifts unto Him; shepherds sought Him, told about Him, and praised God for Him ; stars guided man to Him; heavenly angels in great multitudes announced Him, and sang of Him. Blessed Saviour! Wonderful Lord!


## Missionaties Sailing

Brother and Sister Philip Shabaz are expecting to sail for Persia on January 8 by S. S. Britannic. This is the same boat on which our party of Congo missionaries will be sailing so that we are sure that the Britannic is going to ring with songs of salvation before it finishes its journey. Let us pray that our missionaries may be enabled to win the hearts of their fellow passengers for God.

Brother and Sister Shabaz are well qualified for the work in Persia since Brother Shabaz is a native of that country and therefore has command of the language. He will accordingly be able to enter immediately into effective service. Pray for this splendid couple as they set forth.

Brother Shabaz is a graduate of the Central Bible Institute and since graduation has been engaged in pastoral and evangelistic work with good results. The Kansas assemblies have taken a special interest in our brother and consider him one of their missionaries.
Brother and Sister Lawrence McKinney are at last setting sail for China. For a considerable time they felt the call of God to that great and needy land but it seemed that they had lessons of patience to learn. However, in due time God's clock strikes, if we rest in His will, and now the door seems wide open for them, so that they are booked to leave the United States on the S. S. Asama Maru from San Francisco, December 20. They are going to South China where their principal work for a time will be the study of the language. This is no easy task but for effective service it is most nec-
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## $\therefore$ The Gospel in Foreign LLands $\therefore$



The temporary mud house which the chief at Duye has built for the missionary. It is waiting for the missionaries to arrive.

## The Belgian Congo Field

The Belgian Congo with an area of approximately 900,000 square miles is centrally located in equatorial Africa. Its native population is variously estimated from $8,500,000$ to $11,000,000$ which is exclusive of the bands of pigmies whose number it is almost impossible to estimate since they are migratory, continually moving from one section to another of the country. The people, with the exception of the pigmies belong to what is known as the Bantu family, speaking a language which although varied in dialect according to locality, yet is governed by the same grammatical rules.

## Religious Beliefs

Religion is woven into the life of the Bantu family and consists of animism and ancestor worship. Anamism stands for the attribution of a living soul to inanimate objects and natural phenomena. That is to say, when the people worship before idols, trees, shrines, or any inanimate object they do not worship the object itself but the spirit which they believe inhabits it. Is not this in accord with the Scripture which states "The things which the Gentiles sacrifice they sacrifice to devils" ? 1 Cor. 10:20.

The Bantu people, generally speaking believe in survival after death. Their legends attribute man's immortality and his knowledge of it to a message from God. After God had made man, according to the tradition of their elders, He sent a messenger to tell him he was not to die. Immortality, however, in the native mind, is not connected with imperishability. He sees the continuation of life though the
body be destroyed. In private families worship is rendered to the three immediate ancestors,-father, grandfather, and great grandfather. The common conception of sin is any offense which is against "law and custom" or a break in the harmony of their customary way of doing things. "Custom" is the ultimate standard of judgment for all who are charged with such offenses.

It is difficult to ascertain fully what the beliefs of the natives are concerning all phases of the after-life, but there is apparently the thought of future punishment since among the tribes of the upper and lower Congo the common belief is that "the spirits of witches, suicides, and all malefactors are doomed to become earth-bound spirits wandering in waste places, cold, hungry, and outlawed from the society of man and gods."

Tribesmen are not given to theorizing about the experience that awaits them beyond the grave but it is not unusual to hear a chief say, in objecting to some course of action that is proposed to him, "How shall I meet my father (or grandfather) if I do that?" On the whole the spirit-land is believed to be a good land. One writer, speaking of the Tumbuka belief says, "The land of the dead is a good land where no hunger or sorrow touches them but they live as young men and women, grind their heavenly corn and dance together, and have beautiful domestic fowls. Sometimes in the quiet of the night a sound will be heard in the wood like the beating of a distant drum and the people say the 'spirits are dancing' in their village."

Until European governments took control some tribes offered human sacrifices upon special occasions but this is not now permitted. There are now approximately 670 missionaries with 327 organized churches and 2744 other places of regular service in the Congo. This means that each church has a parish of about 2800 people and each Christian 78 people to reach with the gospel. In the United States there is supposedly one Christian to every 4 members of the population. This shows that the need for preachers of the gospel in the Congo is about twenty times as great as it is in the United States, and in addition the people of the Congo are so scattered that they are naturally more difficult to reach. There are a number of Pentecostal missions in the Congo and God is blessing their ministry. The work of the General Council centers around Gombari which is the headquarters of our work


Brother J. R. Hardt on one of his trips to Duye paying his carriers money for daily food, at the end of a day's journey.
on that field. There are other promising stations occupied, one at Botongwe where God has been blessing in a real way and we are expecting, when additional recruits reach the field, to occupy two other places, one called Duye and the other Andudu.

You will notice in the picture accompanying this article the temporary mud house which the chief at Duye has built for the new missionaries. I wonder how many are ready to occupy it. Brother and Sister John R. Hardt are hoping God may allow them to go to this place.

The other picture is typical of a missionary's life in the Congo. The long line of carriers taking the place of the evangelist's automobile.

There have been numbers of blessed conversions to Christ in our work and the meetings which are held daily draw from 50 to 200 people each time. Already some of the native Christians are developng into preachers and we believe it will not be long before many Spirit-filled native evangelists will be pressing further and further into the Congo forests with this blessed gospel message.

We are glad to announce that Brother Alva Walker and family are planning to return to the Congo, sailing from New York on the S. S. Britannic of the White Star Line, January 8. Brother Walker has been endeavoring, while home on furlough, to arouse the interest of our home constituency in the great work that is before us in the Congo and would appreciate the cooperation of God's people in prayer and by such financial help as you are able to give that the balance of his fare may be provided. He is still in need of several hundred dollars.

In company with Brother Walker two new missionaries are going forth, Brother B. E. Tanner, and Brother H. L. Griffin, both graduates of the Southern California Bible School. These young men have secured the support of different assemblies and we believe they are going to make fine material for the great work of evangelizing the Congo. Pray for this field and let us also believe God to work as never before that the fire of the Holy Spirit may spread from tribe to tribe until all have heard of the power of Jesus' Name!

Noel Perkin
Missionary Secretary

## Missionaries Sailing

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essary that the missionary become master of the native dialect.

Brother and Sister McKinney are graduates of the Central Bible Insti-
tute and have been ministering since leaving Bible School in the West Central District. Pray for these young people as they set forth.

We were pleased to have a visit from two of our good workers from the great Northwest. Brother and Sister Guy DeVries have recently left Klamath Falls, Oregon, in answer to what they feel is the call of God urging them to occupy some of the unoccupied parts of Brazil. This is a field that is undoubtedly ripe for the harvest. The people of Brazil are warm-hearted, are responsive to the gospel message and already Pentecostal fires are burning in many places. Congregations of many hundreds meet together in the places which the gospel has reached, and it is stated that an unusual sense of God's presence overshadows the work. The people have a reverence for God and in their places of worship move as on holy ground. We believe there are great prospects for the work in this land of opportunity so closely linked to the United States of America.

Brother and Sister DeVries are stepping forth in faith that God will supply their needs both physical and spiritual for the task that is before them. Their work will be followed with great interest and by the prayers of a host of friends. They leave New York December 9th.

Sister Serena Hodges is expecting to return to her field of labor in Pales-

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tine, leaving New York on the S. S. Lancastria, December 6th.
Palestine, the home of God's people Israel and the land in which our Lord manifested Himself in human form is, strange to say, one of the most difficult of mission fields. Religious prejudice is, no doubt, a prominent cause of the indifference of the people. Religion abounds in varied forms but from the cold accents of religion we turn away feeling, "He is not here, He is risen." May God bless our dear Sister Hodges as she again takes up her ministry so that the Spirit of God may make her ministry one of spirit and life to those who have the outward form of religion without the satisfaction of the life of the Son of God within their hearts.

## Twenty Thousand More

We have just reprinted ten thousand more copies of the extra Pentecostal edition of Oct. 25th, and another ten thousand of the special healing number; so it is not too late for you to heed that gentle little prompting the Spirit of God gave you concerning taking some of these around in your neighborhood. You need also to put the young people in your church and Sunday school to work, so why not order 500 of these extra papers and let them distribute them. If they knock on the door and hand the paper personally to the one who greets them, it will afford an excellent opportunity for them to learn to do personal work.


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## AWAKENING AT WEST FORK

Sister Pauline Walker, West Fork, Ark., writes: "God has been mightily awakening this town through the preaching of the evangelists, J. P. Mason and wife. Interest and co-operation were splendid from the first. Many are deeply convicted and 15 have already been saved by redeeming grace; the Lord is blessing all, both old and young."

## NEW SCENES OF GLORY

Pastor F. E. Conrad, Collinsville, Okla., writes: "There has been great rejoicing in our midst as new scenes of glory have been pictured before our eyes in the glorious revival conducted by Sister Willie Conrad and her pianist, Sister Rena Towels. The church was greatly strengthened in faith and hope; 36 were saved and reclaimed through the blood; 9 were baptized with the Spirit; the town was deeply moved by the gospel message, and God is still blessing in a wonderful way."

## THANKSGIVING FOR 102

Pastor J. D. Wells, writes of the meeting at Eureka, Calif.: "Thanksgiving has rolled around once more and we are truly thankful to the Lord for the many new converts in the revival just closed, conducted by Evangelist Frederick J. Betts. These have received the joyful knowledge of sins forgiven. Of these 35 have been baptized in water. About 18 received the Holy Ghost Baptism and 50 have been received into the fellowship of the church."

## WHEN THE TIDE CAME IN

Brother Willis E. Smith writes from Sioux City, Ia.: "We have just been engaged in a very successful revival with Miss Dolores Lee Dudley, Evangelist. People began to seek the Saviour the very first night and continued to do so all through the meeting. As the heavenly tides of love flowed in, between 35 and 40 were saved and reclaimed. So many became interested it was impossible to find room for them, and some are still seeking peace through this glorious old-time religion."

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## HEAVENLY CURRENT IN ELECTRA

Pastor E. B. Crump, Electra, Texas, reports a blessed 2 weeks' revival held there recently by Brother Kenzy Savage, of Burkburnett: "The power of God in heavenly currents accompanied the Word from first to last, sweeping over the audience in convicting power and moving men and women to tears of penitence as they sought God for His great salvation. About 24 found His pardoning grace and 10 received an old-fashioned experience of the Holy Ghost descending in power. Our interest is still splendid and also the attendance."

## IN THE OLD TIME WAY

Pastor Perry W. Hadsock, Jacksonville, Fla., writes: "We have just closed our 7 th revival campaign in the city. The Lord manifested Himself in a very precious way. Many souls were blessed in hearing the old-time gospel in the oldtime way. There were several outstanding healings in answer to prayer. A man came in the service one evening with his hand swollen with blood poison; he was anointed and prayed for and the following evening came back and testified that the Lord had healed him. We were assisted in this campaign by Evangelist Walter J. Pollard and wife."

## DEEP FURROWS AT GARDEN CITY

Pastor W. E. Giles, Garden City, Kans., writes: "As Brother Salesky and wife of Westernport, Md., and Sister Oda B. Teets, of Aurora, W. Va., gave forth the Word of life in the recent revival here, the gospel plow sank deep into the 'fallow ground' of many hearts. The interest kept constantly increasing as God confirmed His Word according to His promise with signs following, and the power of the Holy Ghost descended in the midst. People came from other churches seeking the Holy Ghost as an indwelling Comforter. Some drove 60 miles to hear the precious Word. The sheriff of a near-by county came 65 miles to hear, and was gloriously saved; he is now seeking the Holy Ghost. About 22 received the Baptism, in the blessed oldtime way, and a number confessed Christ as their Redeemer. Though this is practically a new field for Pentecost, we praise the Lord for a church of more than 40 baptized saints."

## A WORD OF WARNING

We have had several letters of late from our ministers, saying that there are impostors going around trying to get into our pulpits, one of them even taking the name of a well known Council minister. We wish to warn all our assemblies of the great danger of letting into their pulpits unaccredited workers. Every Council minister will be glad to show an up-to-date fellowship certificate to prove
he is in good standing.

## GOD'S WORD BY WIRELESS

The Christ's Ambassadors of the Full Gospel church, Corner Peak and Garland Sts., Dallas, Texas, are on the air over station KRLD, 1040 kilocycles, each Sunday, 9 to $9: 30 \mathrm{~A} . \mathrm{M}$. and 11 to 12 P . M. Central Standard time. Tune in for the glorious songs, spiritual testimonies, and persuasive exhortations. These programs are supported solely by freewill offerings. -Albert Ott, Pastor and Director of C. A. program.

## GLORY IN "BLACK JACK" REGION

Evangelist Garnet Gunter, Route 6, Wichita, Kans., writes: "We have just closed a precious 3 weeks' revival in the church in Oakwood, Okla., in the heart of the 'Black Jacks.' It was blessed to see the glory of God upon the faces of those who prayed through to the sweetness of sins forgiven. Most of those who received salvation were young people, 14 in number, and 2 received the Holy Ghost. No 'high pressure' methods were used to induce them to come to the altar; they came because they meant business for God. A young woman suffering from acute appendicitis, who for 3 weeks had been under the constant care of a physician, taking morphine to render her pain bearable, sent for prayer. According to James $5: 14,15$, she was anointed and prayed for, and was blessedly saved by the power of the blood and instantly healed. The next day she was walking all about. The church had been for some time without a pastor, and is still in need of a true shepherd."

## 3 DOPE ADDICTS DELIVERED

Pastor W. C. Anderson, Springfield, Ill., writes: "We have just closed a successful revival with Evangelist Roy Foster, a converted dope addict and underworld character. There were a score or more of people saved, and a number baptized with the Holy Ghost, as in Acts $2: 4$. The attendance was remarkable; some nights the house was more than filled with, standing room at a premium. Prejudice was broken down, both among the people and the press, who gave us some splendid 'write-ups.' The editor of one of the leading papers of Central I1linois and the largest in this city became so interested in the revival that he published the life story of Brother Foster and sent a reporter and a photographer to write up and take pictures of the baptismal service the last Sunday of the campaign. A number of converts braved the icy waters of the lake, in Bunn Park, three of whom were dope addicts of 15 and 20 years' standing. They testify that God has marvelously delivered them from the dope habit as well as from many other habits. The campaign closed and Brother Foster has left for other fields, but the revival still goes on. Two have received the Baptism with the Holy Ghost since the meeting closed 'and the end is not yet, praise the Lord.'"

GENERAL COUNCIL LIST
The following names were added to our ministerial list during the month of November, 1930:
Allison, Wm. Mosbey, Miami, Okla. Bagdonovitch, Mrs. Anna, Chicago, Ill. Bell, Nathaniel A., Tampa, Fla. Davis, Millard L., St. Joseph, Mo. Day, Lawrence E., Shulls Mills, N. C. Finch, Mrs. Olive E., Bartow, Fla. Hall, Robert M., Gran Quivira, N. M. Leete, Horace C., Huntsville, Ark. Lindsay, Alexander, Scranton, Pa. Lindsay, Mrs. Wilhelmina, Scranton, Pa. Mims, Wm. P., Clanton, Ala.
Phifer, John D., Clarendon, Ark.
Robinson, Melvin, Clarendon, Ark.
The following names were removed from our ministerial list during the month of November, 1930:
Cowing, Lawrence A., Tampa, Fla.
Ferrell, Crockett, Harlingen, Texas.
"BRIGHT CLOUDS" ON RAINY DAY Brother R. Pitts, Secretary, Millville, Fla., reports: "November 15 was a glorious day with us in spite of the rain. 'Bright clouds' dropped their refreshing showers upon the entire assembly from the first to the last service. The Sunday school, morning service, and other appointments of the day were all blessed of the Lord; His presence and power were manifested in unity and love in the business meeting in the afternoon. At night His power was so upon the audience that the pastor, Brother J. B. Baldree, failed to get an opportunity to preach. Many were slain under the power; others simply looked up and received the Holy Ghost just as they did on the Day of Pentecost; some were saved; and there were such floods of glory in the entire place that none could fail to feel the mighty presence of Jehovah. All rejoiced together for such an outpouring."

## GOD'S MIGHTY ARM MOVING

Evangelist H. C. Leete and wife write from Huntsville, Ark: : "God has graciously poured out His Spirit and made bare His mighty arm of power in 3 successive revivals we have held in this state recently. At Wharton there were more than 40 hopeful conversions, and about 63 were filled with the Holy Ghost, speaking in other tongues and magnifying God. An assembly was set in order with 52 on the roll, and 4 deacons. All these are baptized with the Spirit. A Sunday school was organized, with 85 in attendance, and all necessary officers; they are using our literature. At Loy a revival was concluded on Nov. 2, where 11 were saved and 14 received the Baptism. An assembly will later be set in order at this place. A 2 weeks' revival closed at George, Nov. 28, when 25 were blessedly saved and 17 were left rejoicing in the glorious experience of having just received the Holy Ghost. All we can say is 'Glory to Jesus!'"

## GREAT C. A. RALLY

Thanksgiving Day marked the meeting of the best Christ's Ambassadors rally ever held in the Texas and New Mexico District. The Dallas and Ft. Worth sections convened at Bridgeport, Texas, in the First Baptist Church. Approximately 600 Christ's Ambassadors attended;
there was a shout in the camp from the first song till the last amen. Brother Albert Ott brought a stirring message in the morning on "Using our talents for God." Every one present seemed to be determined to do more for Jesus than ever before. There were other C. A. speakers and many gospel songs. The afternoon service was devoted to reports from various groups, telling of the things they had been privileged to do for our soon-coming Lord. Evangelist Oscar Berryhill closed the session by an exhortation to the Christ's Ambassadors to be up and about the Father's business. The next rally for this section will be held at the Peak and Garland church in Dallas, New Year's Day.-Earl Rogers, Sectional Superintendent.
HUNDREDS SAVED AND BAPTIZED
Carl M. O'Guin, pastor, Granite City, III., reports: "The Lord has graciously given us a most remarkable revival in our church. For days the glory of the Lord has been hanging over us. Hundreds of people have witnessed the acts of the Holy Ghost and the signs of God's power in operation. Edith Mae Pennington, evangelist, has been with us and God has made her simple, direct and earnest messages a blessing to multitudes of listeners. It has been the greatest revival we have experienced in years. About 105 were baptized with the Holy Ghost, and about 112 were saved. The saints were revived and brought into new places of strength and victory. Two cancers, and other incurable diseases were healed when the prayer of faith was offered. Many substantial people and Christians of other denominations are among those who received the Baptism. Deacons and their wives, singers, musicians, one lay preacher, and a man active in public affairs, of the First Methodist church, fell under the power and received the mighty Baptism with the Holy Ghost. Many marvelous manifestations of God's supernatural power, and distinctively Pentecostal scenes occurred which space forbids me to recite in this report. We give God thanks for this rich harvest."

## SCORES BORN FROM ABOVE

Pastor Benjamin A. Baur, Rochester, N. Y., reports: "We have just closed a very successful meeting, with Brother Harvey McAlister as the evangelist. His ministry of the Word was exceptionally instructive and proved a great inspiration to all the saints. Between 20 and 25 received the Baptism with the Holy Spirit and about the same number were saved or reclaimed. A number of definite healings have also been reported. As a result of the 24 hour prayer chain, begun dur-

ing the campaign, we are expecting the revival spirit to continue with increasing power and results."

## 110 FROM HIGHWAYS OF SIN

Pastor W. E. Thurmond, Mattoon, Ill., writes: "Immediately after I was so marvelously healed of tubercular peritonitis last July, wife and I came to this place to assist, for a short time, Brother Bell, District Superintendent, who was leaving to take up field work. We began a revival in October, assisted by Brother Bernard Minton, of Mounds, Ill. This is now the 7 th week, and 110 coming from the highways of $\sin$ have found Christ as their ersonal Saviour, 54 have united with the church, 52 have been immersed, and about 35 have received the Holy Ghost as in Acts 2:4. Crowds have packed the building and at times many have been turned away. We have now, at the unanimous request of the church, accepted the call to remain as pastors here as long as the Lord leads."

## BRIEF MENTION

Evangelist W. E. Atkinson, of Granby, Mo., reports a successful meeting at Webb City, in which 19 prayed through to glorious old-time salvation, and several testified to being healed.
Sister D. L. Davis, Pratt, Kans., rejoices over the results of a recent revival conducted there by Brother Chas. E. Long, of Cedar Rapids, Ia. Four were saved and one received the Holy Ghost.
Pastor N. L. Locke, writing from Sweetwater, Okla., says: "Having resigned from the work at Reydon, we came here on October 18. God has already begun to work in saving and baptizing with the Spirit. Council ministers passing will find a welcome if they stop."

Pastor Bert Talcott reports a meeting at Bayard, Nebr.: "We have had a blessed meeting with Evangelists Renfrow and Rogers, whom the Lord used to send forth the gospel of His victorious love. Freedom and victory came to a number, and one was filled with the blessed Holy Ghost. The church was also left with a greater vision of the Master's urgent need of faithful reapers."
Brother H. Birmingham and wife, Corsicana, Texas, write: "We have only recently taken the North Side work at this place; and the Spirit of God has already begun to work. Some are now seeking the Holy Spirit and some are asking for healing. One sister was baptized with the Spirit last Sunday. We invite brethren who are passing this way to stop with us."

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## Forthcoming Meetings

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weeks before the meeting is to start.
EL DORADO, ARK.-Evangelist Otto J. Klink will begin an old-time revival campaign here
January 5th.-Pastor H. E. Sims, Box 942 .
HARTFORD, ARK.-Brother "Jake" Miller will bgein a revival here Dec. 11. This place will be our address for the present.-A. H. Courtney.
SWEETWATER, OKLA.-Will begin a revival on Dec. 6 in charge of Brother Lonzo Jones, of on Dec. 6 in charge of Brother Lon
Terrah, Okla.-N. L. Locke, pastor.

BELLFLOWER, CALIF.-Evangelist Barney S. Moore and wife will conduct a series of revival services at the Full Gospel Church beginning Dec. 28.-J. K. Gressett is pastor.

## AMBASSADORS RALLY

AMARILLO, TEX.-Christ's Ambassadors raly, Dec. 28-30. Brother Floyd Hawkins, President of the Texas and New Mexico District, and other ministers are expected.-Edna Smith, Sectional Superintendent.

## CHRIST'S AMBASSADORS

WACO, TEXAS.-Christ's Ambassadors of the Waco section will hold a rally here Jan. 1. All Ambassadors of the state are invited.-Mrs. A.

EASTERN DISTRICT COUNCIL
NEPTUNE, N. J.-The 15th annual meeting at Full Gospel Church. 5th and Ridge Ave., Jan. 6.9, Pastor Irving F. Meier. Address the pastor,
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PITTSTON, PA.-Evangelist Chas. Simmonett will conduct a 10 days' campaign at the old Sts., Dec. 12-21. Services every night, $7: 30$ Sundays also at 11:00. This is a new field, and will appreciate co-operation.- $\stackrel{\text { Chas. }}{ }$ Simmonett. 58 Nicholson St., Wilkes-Barre, Pa.

NEBRASKA DISTRICT COUNCIL
McCOOK. NEBR.-The Nebraska District Council and mid-winter convention, Feb. 10-12. Brother Ernest Williams, General Superintendent, will be the main speaker. Sleeping apartments furnished to as many as possible. Assemblies should trict are urged to be present.-E. White.
WICHITA, KANS.-An old-fashioned Pentecostal convention will be held at the Pentecostal
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Bible Institute, will be the evening speaker. There will be three services daily. $10: 00, \quad 2: 30$, and $7: 30$. Local Kansas Ministers will speak at
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nernacle, P. O. Box 24 , East Rockingham, N. C.

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CHANGE OF ADDRESS.-The Latter Rain Gospel Mission is now located at 6209 Market St., Philadelphia, Pa.-Peter Sivas, Pastor.
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## Evangelistic

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    God and heaven are still my own."

[^1]:    GLAD TIDINGS IN NEW FIELD Brother Chas. Wright, Pocahontas, Ark., writes: "Many prayers have ascended for the establishing of the full gospel in this place. In July Brother Amos Sloan, Stillwater, Okla., and Brother Ernest Friend, of Seneca, Mo., conducted a revival. The Lord met with us honoring the Word that went forth, and stirring the hearts of the Baptist people and others to assist. Twenty-two took their stand for Christ witnessing to His saving power, and a goodly number received the Holy Ghost. Brother Friend is now in charge of the work and God is continuing to add souls to the number. We are expecting this church to send out the glad tidings of salvation to many others in Randolph county."

