

Our Father's Business

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UR Lord when He was only twelve years of age, after having astonished the doctors in the temple, said to His amazed mother, "Wist ye not that I must be about my Father's business?" This is the business that every child of God should be about.

God wants His children to be active. But it is possible to be active, and yet lamentably fail to please God, to be active and yet accomplish little or nothing. Many people are thus active. They are busy enough; they are doing things all the time; their time is all occupied, but their works are "wood, hay, stubble."

It is not only important that we be active, but that we be about our Father's business, that we be doing what God would have us do.

The late Joseph Cook used to tell of an unlettered but celebrated evangelist who was accused of leading audiences into excitement. The evangelist replied to the accusation by saying that he had heard of a man who had seen a woman by the roadside weeping and beating her breast. The man stopped to inquire the cause of her anguish, and she exclaimed, "My child is in the well!" The man threw off his coat and leaped into the well and rescued the child. He went on a little farther and he found another woman, and she too was weeping and wailing. He stopped to inquire the cause of her grief, and she exclaimed, "My pitcher



The Breath of God

"The wind bloweth where it listeth, and thou hearest the sound thereof."—John 3:8.

Thou Breath from still eternity
Breathe o'er my spirit's barren land—
The pine-tree and the myrtle-tree
Shall spring amidst the desert sand;
And where Thy living water flows
Thy waste shall blossom as the rose.

O Spirit, Stream that by the Son
Is opened to us crystal pure,
Forth flowing from the heavenly Throne
To waiting hearts and spirits poor,
Athirst and weary do I sink
Beside Thy waters, there to drink.

My Spirit turns to Thee and clings,
All else forsaking, unto Thee;
Forgetting all created things,
Remembering only "God in me."
O living Stream; O gracious rain,
None wait for Thee, and wait in vain.

is in the well!" Her grief did not appeal to him as the grief of the first woman had appealed to him, and he did not think the pitcher was worth going down into the well after. So he told her to dry her tears, not to be so excited, and to go and get another pitcher.

The world is full of excitement today, social, industrial, political. What is the matter? Our *pitchers* are in the well. But what should prompt concern and activity is the fact that souls are perishing all around us. Alas, what a little concern the perishing multitudes seem to be giving us!

The program of the denominational churches today is sadly at fault. It is very largely a social program. The churches are laboring for the social betterment of humanity rather than for the salvation of sinners from sin. The effort of the denominations is to educate people into piety. It cannot be done.

Mark Twain saw two children looking at "a little old wobbly calf," and he patted them on the head, and said, "Children, take good care of that calf, feed it well, and it will become a nice little pony." Of course he was joking. He knew, and everybody else knows, that no difference how good care you give a calf it will never become a pony. Things remain what they are born, unless indeed recreated, or born anew. Our Lord said, "That which is born of the flesh" (Continued on Page Nine)



THESE things I have spoken unto you, that in me ye might have peace. In the world ye shall have tribulation: but be of good cheer; I have overcome the world." John 16:33. (Jesus is speaking to His disciples here.)

"For whatsoever is born of God overcometh the world: and this is the victory that overcometh the world, even our faith." 1 John 5:4.

"Ye are of God, little children, and have overcome them: because greater is he that is in you, than he that is in the world." 1 John 4:4.

"And this is the victory that overcometh the world, even our faith." How we love that word, "Victory." *Immediately*, it has an effect upon our drooping spirits. Victory! I believe in positive, definite victory. The Word of God teaches it, and everywhere through the blessed Book God is presented to us as the God of Victory.

In 1 Samuel 15:29 Samuel calls God "The Victory of Israel," and in the 29th chapter of 1 Chronicles, after David had called upon the people to bring their offerings, and they had brought the gold and silver and all manner of precious stones, David begins to pray, and the language is simply magnificent as he extols God. He says there, among other things to God: "Thine is the victory." In the 98th Psalm it says, "His right hand and holy arm, hath gotten him the victory." This 98th Psalm is a wonderful spiritual tonic, and as you read it you say, "Yes, yes, yes," and pretty soon you find yourself saying, "Hallelujah, hallelujah, hallelujah!"

In Isaiah 25:8 we read these comforting words: "He will swallow up death in *victory*; And the Lord God will wipe away tears from off all faces." The Apostle Paul, in that wonderful 15th chapter of 1 Corinthians, where he is setting forth in no uncertain sound the reality of the resurrection, says: "O, death, where is thy sting? O, grave, where is thy victory?" The time is really coming when in its fullness the prophecy in the 25th chapter of Isaiah will be fulfilled, but even now, to us who are in Christ Jesus, comes this marvelous truth, that we can look down into the grave and say, "O grave, where is thy victory?" Has it any victory over the believer? They try to make the grave less sad by decorating it with beautiful flowers but the mourner who does not know Jesus will look down and feel the dread and the sting of the grave. But I am sure God has been faithful in making real to us the truth of these words:

Overcoming Faith

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"O death, where is thy sting? O grave, where is thy victory?"

Jesus is just closing His precious, intimate conversation with His disciples, which we find in the 13th, 14th, 15th, and 16th chapters of John. He sums up what He has said in His illuminating, comforting last words to these who have been with Him and says: "These things I have spoken unto you, that in me ye might have peace. In the world ye shall have tribulation: But be of good cheer; I have overcome the world." Notice here that Jesus presents to us two distinct realms — "In Me" — and — "In the world." "In Me—peace; in the world—tribulation." And Jesus recognizes that between the world and His followers there is the sharpest and most vital antagonism. It is the same antagonism that is between light and darkness, between life and death, between hatred and love, and it exists today, but Jesus Christ came, God's Son, made in the likeness of men, partaking of our very nature—Jesus came with the purpose and power to save out of the world and to deliver out of the world all who would accept His deliverance. "For all that is in the world, the lust of the flesh, the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life, is not of the Father, but is of the world. And the world passeth away, and the lust thereof: but he that doeth the will of God abideth forever." 1 John 2:16, 17. Notice the absolute contrast. That which is of the world passes away—he or she who doeth the will of the Father abideth forever. The man or woman who loves the world is doomed forever to disappointment. In connection with these things, we are apt to think of the redlight district or the gutter, but oh, the lust of the flesh and the lust of the eye and the pride of life live in the finest abodes. I was reading the other day about a woman who had always had all the luxuries of the world. She had lived for her own pleasure and happiness and had sought through the years only to please herself. A man of God came into her home, and during the course of their conversation she said to him: "Look at me, I am an empty-handed, disappointed old woman. All my life

I have been seeking things to satisfy me. True, I belonged to the church, but always, I was after things, things, and more things, and now I am a disappointed old woman because I have simply sought to satisfy myself." The lust of the flesh, the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life in the midst of culture and refinement! In a very short time the man of God was so able

to present the Lord Jesus Christ to that woman that she came into a new sphere and no longer was she a pitiful, disappointed, empty-handed old woman but—set free! I do not think she felt her age any more. I believe she felt quite young. And so she had the joy and liberty to serve the Lord. Hallelujah! God does that for everyone who turns from the things of the world to the Lord Jesus Christ.

How could the disciples be of good cheer simply because He had overcome the world? He had overcome everything that is listed here, as, the desire of the flesh, etc., and in looking forward to the time when His great and mighty victory was to be accomplished on Calvary, He said: "I have overcome the world; be of good cheer." And, "because I have overcome, you shall also overcome. That very same life which is in me shall be in you, and you, too, shall overcome." Oh, what a marvelous secret is this! The Holy Spirit is seeking to bring us to the place where we will see that it is "IN ME"—in and through Jesus Christ, the great Overcomer—that we are to know the overcoming life. "That which is born of the flesh produces a life that can never know spiritual victory." The Word says, "Being born again, not of corruptible seed, but of incorruptible, by the Word of God, which liveth and abideth for ever." And Jesus said to Nicodemus: "That which is born of the flesh is flesh, and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit." It is that which is born of God that overcometh the world, not that which is born of the flesh, because that is subject to the world. But that which is born of God produces *victory*! "How can a man, when he is old, be born again?" Nicodemus asked. What do you say, some of you older men? "How can a man be born when he is old?" It is the natural question to ask, but those of us who have passed from death unto life and have been lifted into a realm that Jesus says is "in Me," we know how the marvelous miracle takes place. Praise the Lord!

Every seed produces after its kind. You know that. The scientists have

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never been able to change that. God has it on record in His first Book to us, and if the seed of God, the Word of God, is in us, and we are born again, there will be that produced in us that results in an overcoming life. Last summer or the summer before, I was very anxious to have some petunias, and so I set about to get some good petunia seed and hunted up what I thought was a very reliable Seed Store. I asked for the best petunia seed, and I said, "Now I am going to have some very lovely petunias." So I very carefully planted the seeds in a box, put glass over it and watched and cared for and watered the seed; oh, how carefully I cared for it. But when those things grew up they were the raggedest, scrubbiest looking things. They weren't petunias at all. And all my care wouldn't make lovely petunias out of that seed, because I hadn't been given the right kind of seed—I hadn't gotten *petunia* seed, and so there *were* no petunias. I do not care how watched and cared for and restrained and cultivated and cultured you may be, if you are not in Jesus Christ, you have not that which overcomes the world; your true nature will sooner or later manifest itself. But if you are in Christ, and the God of victory has communicated to you, through His Son, by the operation of the Holy Spirit, God-life, eternal life; you have that life and that produces VICTORY. Praise the Lord!

If our spiritual eyes were open to know and appreciate what God has for us in the gift of His Son, we would cease our struggling. Salvation is something more than feeling. It links us to Him who lifts us up above the downward pull and the dominion and power of evil. It is the most marvelous miracle to be born of the Spirit. Man passes out of death into life. He comes into communion and fellowship with God. Wonderful truth! Not a cunningly devised fable. But in the Baptism of the Holy Spirit it seems as though this inner man of ours is broken open to God and the Holy Ghost Himself is enabled to reveal to us and to make known to us what are the wonderful things we have in Christ. I feel sorry for the man or woman who is closing his heart to the outpouring of the Holy Spirit. No matter what our experience may have been, I am sure that God has greater things in store for us. If we will just keep opened up to God, we would not have to hunt very far, for the Lord Jesus Christ is right here to fulfill the desire of every longing heart.

We should put our feet down on the promises of God and dare to say in our own hearts and to the enemy and to circumstances round about us:

"I have, through God's Son, eternal life. I have that life which overcomes the world." Now if you want what God has for you, if you want the overcoming life, the Holy Spirit will be the enabling power and will be the Revealer of truth as it is in Jesus Christ.

This overcoming faith is the faith that accepts and counts upon the triumph of Christ. Not only as a mere historical fact, but as a present power in our individual lives. Christ, the Great Triumphant One, conquered for you and for me, and the overcoming faith takes that position and acknowledges that I am in Christ, and in Christ I am an overcomer. Do you see how God is seeking by the unfolding of His Word, to bring us to that place where we know that within us, through the overcoming Christ, is that overcoming life which lifts us above the things round about and the things that pull down?

In 1 John 4:4 we have these words: (the preceding verse speaks of the antichrist spirits) "Ye are of God, little children, and have overcome them: *because greater is he that is in you, than he that is in the world.*" Overcoming faith is the faith that takes that positive position: "Christ the Great One, the Mighty Overcomer, is in me and for me." In Romans 8:2 my eye reads and my heart accepts: "For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus hath made me free from the law of sin and death." Now there is a very positive law of sin and death, and it is operated and controlled by Satan Himself, and is a power and law that we in our natural being cannot overcome. But here is a new law: "For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus hath made me free from the law of sin and death." Just as positively, and as actually as does the power of death and sin work, so positively, as we come by faith to the new law in Christ Jesus, does the law of the Spirit of life work. Let me illustrate:

I have here a piece of iron. The law of iron is to be rigid, to be black, and cold, but I take that piece of iron and I subject it to the law of the fire, and I put that cold, black, rigid piece of iron into the fire and I let it stay there until it gets to the white heat stage and becomes pliable and bendable because the old natural law of the iron has been overcome by the law of the fire. Oh, friends, I am cold, black, stubborn by nature, but I know of a new law, and I, by faith, come in touch with the living God through Jesus Christ, and lo and behold! the Holy Spirit works a change and that which was cold becomes hot, that which was black becomes white, and

that which was stubborn and unbendable becomes pliable and yielded. What we need is to stay in the control of the Holy Spirit and He will work a change. Glory to His Name! But our attitude is one of faith. God says to us: "This is the victory . . . even our faith." Not that mental conception of truth that assents to the letter of the Word, but that faith that has entered the heart by the Holy Spirit, that faith which is aggressive and active and real. But if you do have a mental faith, do not give it up. Cherish it, keep it, but do not stop with a mental faith. That is what is the trouble with the Christian church today. It has merely mental faith. But if we will hold even that faith before God in prayer and communion, there is an operation that I cannot just describe, but I know from experience and so do you, that that which your mind believes, becomes, under the operation of the Holy Spirit, a living reality.

We should cherish our faith and guard it for these are the days when the enemy is seeking, by his insidious working, to break down our faith. What wonderful statements God makes, and how important that your faith and mine should accept what God says! All of us are sick and tired of our struggle, of that which is half-hearted. How are we going to have anything different? . . . "This is the victory!" Believe that Christ the triumphant One is in us now, working in us now. Faith must take the positive attitude of taking Christ as our triumph. "We are more than conquerors *through Him* that loved us and gave Himself for us." And victory will never be worked up any other way.

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Polish Hatred of Jews

According to the *Jewish Missionary Magazine*, Deputy Heinrich Rosmarin, Vice-President of the Kolo Club of Jewish Deputies, Warsaw, Poland, in a recent address, made the following statement:

"When one sees the thousands of National Democratic youth, flaunting their green ribbons as a symbol of their sympathy with the agitation against the Jews; when one hears their venomous attacks upon the Jews; when one observes their shameless betrayal of every ethical and humane standard, one shudders with horror to think that these are the people who will one day stand at the helm of Poland's destinies. One is filled with unutterable dread when one realizes that in the near future these people will constitute the spiritual and cultural *élite* of Poland in whose hands will repose the fate of Jewish life."

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*The Editor's Notebook**Wheels Within Wheels*

In the visions of God given to the prophet Ezekiel we see wondrous "wheels within wheels." A careful study of the Word of God will show us many "wheels within wheels." Read the first two chapters of Genesis and see that wonderful picture—the river, the trees, including the Tree of Life, the gold, and the perfect pair, the first Adam and his bride. Turn to the last two chapters of Revelation where the wheel or cycle is completed, and there it will be seen that as it was at the beginning of the wheel or cycle, so it is at its completion; for once more we see the river, the trees, including the Tree of Life, the gold, and the perfect pair, the last Adam and His bride. This in itself is just one wheel within the great wheel or cycle of God's eternity. Within these wheels we have many wheels. We have the story of Israel in her peace and prosperity in the days of Solomon. Then came apostasy, and the nation was scattered. But God has promised to gather them again, and when the wheel or cycle of Israel's history is completed we shall see them back in the land with a great and wise king—the Lord Jesus Christ—reigning over them; and once more there will be peace and prosperity. There is just this difference. The Lord promised Israel, "I will . . . do better unto you than at your beginnings." Ezek. 36:11.

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The Gentile Cycle

The Bible student can trace many such wheels within wheels in the Word of God. In the history of Gentile domination we see that at the beginning of the wheel, the first Gentile king over the whole world, Nebuchadnezzar, erected a great image and demanded that all the world worship it. At the completion of the wheel or cycle we see an image of the last great Gentile king being erected, and all the world being compelled to worship the image. Said Solomon of old, "The

thing that hath been, it is that which shall be." Eccles. 1:9. The termination of each wheel will be seen to be as at the beginning. We believe that the wheel or cycle known as the time of the Gentiles is about to close and that we shall learn some important lessons for these days by a study of things at the beginning of the cycle.

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Signs and Wonders

At the beginning of the Gentile age Nebuchadnezzar said, "I thought it good to shew the signs and wonders that the high God hath wrought toward me. How great are his signs! and how mighty are his wonders!" On every highway there are signs and not one is without significance, and woe to the man who covers over or does away with these signs. God has His supernatural signs for these days—signs that He has promised to "them that believe." Mark 16:17, 18. Don't be ashamed of these signs. Don't cover them, and don't join the ranks of the modern Sadducees who would do away with them. There is a special significance in God's end-time signs. The writer was once at a convention in Winnipeg when a brother spoke a message unknown to him, a message in Hebrew. It was a sign to a Jewish under-rabbi who was present at the meeting. The Jew was interested and came to the meeting again that night and God once more spoke to him, this time giving him a vision of Calvary, the resurrection, the ascension, and of Christ's coming again. I learned that later this man turned a deaf ear to God. God declared of old, "With men of other tongues and other lips will I speak unto this people; and yet for all that they will not hear me, saith the Lord." 1 Cor. 14:21 and Isa. 28:11-13. Though this man turned away from God, the faith of many of us was quickened as we saw prophecy fulfilled before our very eyes. God had signs and wonders at the beginning of the cycle; and let us pray for them, as

did the early church (Acts 4:30), as the cycle is terminating.

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A Last Day Message

The fifth chapter of Daniel gives a picture of the last of the last days of the Babylonian kingdom. Here we see Belshazzar and a thousand of his lords in a drunken carousal desecrating the holy vessels of the temple. God came forth in a supernatural manner—the fingers of a man's hand wrote a message of judgment on the wall. None of the wise men of the day could interpret the message. Our "best minds" are incapable of interpreting what God is doing today. But God had a man who spent much time in his prayer closet. He alone could interpret the writing on the wall: "God hath numbered thy kingdom and finished it." That writing applied to the end of the Babylonian kingdom, but it seems to be equally applicable for the day in which we live, the end of the times of the Gentiles. Failure was writ large over the Babylonian kingdom and God was about to terminate it. Human government has failed in our day and God is about to finish it. The hand further wrote, "Thou are weighed in the balances, and art found wanting." That too is a message for today.

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What God Hates

Daniel preached a sermon that night to the drunken king, reminding him of the outstanding lesson God had given his father, "O thou king, the most high God gave Nebuchadnezzar thy father a kingdom . . . but when his heart was lifted up, and his mind hardened in pride, he was deposed from his kingly throne, and they took his glory from him. And he was driven from the sons of men . . . till he knew that the most high God ruled the kingdom of men. . . . And thou his son, O Belshazzar, hast not humbled thine heart . . . but hast lifted up thyself against the Lord of heaven." Pride was the cardinal sin of Babylon. It was the outstanding sin of Judah. Jeremiah had been told to take a linen girdle and put it in water and hide it in the hole of a rock. Later he was told to go and find it. He

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found it marred and good for nothing, and the Word of the Lord came to him, "Thus saith the Lord, after this manner will I mar the pride of Judah and the great pride of Jerusalem." Later the Lord said to him, "My soul shall weep in secret places for your pride." In dealing with the pride of Jerusalem God said, "Behold, this was the iniquity of thy sister Sodom, *pride*, fullness of bread, and abundance of idleness . . . and *they were haughty*." Ezek. 16:49, 50. Pride is the outstanding sin of today. Everywhere we see "pride of face, pride of race, pride of place, pride of pace, pride of grace"—and this last, spiritual pride, the most appalling of all.

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Whom Does God Resist?

Nebuchadnezzar, when he came forth from his seven years of severe judgment, declared: "Now I Nebuchadnezzar, praise and extol and honor the king of heaven, all whose works are truth, and his ways judgment: and *those who walk in pride he is able to abase*." This was the outstanding lesson at the beginning of the Gentile cycle. What is the outstanding lesson at its completion? Listen to Peter's message. He is speaking of the Chief Shepherd's appearing, who will give a crown of glory to the faithful, "Likewise ye younger, submit yourselves unto the elder (a thing pride hates to do). Yea, all of you be subject one to another (and this is a bitter pill to the proud and unteachable spirit), and be clothed with humility (that is, put on the apron of the lowest servant): for God resisteth the proud (He is set in absolute opposition to the proud-hearted), and giveth grace to the humble (the river of His grace flows deepest in the valley of humility). Humble yourselves therefore under the mighty hand of God, that He may exalt you in due time." 1 Peter 5:5, 6. Listen also to Paul, "Let this mind be in you which was also in Christ Jesus . . . who . . . made Himself of no reputation, and . . . humbled Himself." Phil. 2:5-8.

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God's Judgments of Pride

I am often impressed with the sad story of Saul. "God gave him another heart . . . and the Spirit of God came upon him and he prophesied" (1 Sam. 10:9, 10) — a pre-Pentecostal Pentecostal experience. Was that a guarantee that he would always "make good"? No! We read later, "But the Spirit of the Lord departed from Saul, and an evil spirit troubled him." 1 Sam. 16:14. What was the cause of this? Listen to Samuel's indictment, "When thou wast little in thine own

sight, wast thou not made the head of the tribes of Israel, and the Lord anointed thee king over Israel?" Saul was no longer little in his own sight. He had become big and great and independent, and no longer submissive to God's word. And so Samuel had to say to him, "Because thou hast rejected the word of the Lord, He hath also rejected thee from being king." Did Saul repent? Like many today who, when they are caught, are compelled to admit their guilt, and are very sorry—that they had been caught—so Saul said, "I have sinned." Did he really humble himself when he said this? Oh, no. His later words betrayed his heart, for he said to Samuel, "I have sinned, *yet honor me now*, I pray thee, before the elders." 1 Sam. 15:30. Obviously his heart was still proud, and God rejected him. God's word to those who walk in pride at the end-time is, "Behold, I am against thee, O thou most proud, saith the Lord God of hosts: for thy day is come, the time that I will visit thee. And the most proud shall stumble and fall, and none shall raise him up." Jer. 50:31, 32.

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Proud Flesh

There is a story in the New Testament that is the reverse of the story of Saul. Here is a younger son, proud and independent. He is not going to be a stay-at-home. Not he! He can take care of himself! And he makes his way to a far country—as far away from home restraints as he can get—and very soon he is deep in sin. That is the way of all "independent" flesh. Then days of depression come on. Now he has time to think. No longer the boasting and the strutting; but humble thoughts come to his mind. Then a great resolve, and he starts on his way back to his loving father. He makes ready his speech, and it is a very humble one. It is very much like the prayer of the publican, "God be merciful to me a sinner." This prodigal boy is not going to say, "I have sinned, honor me now." No, that is not the cry of a humble heart. This was the little speech he prepared. "I have sinned . . . and I am no more worthy to be called thy son. Make me as one of the hired servants." He is willing now to be the last, the lowest, and the least.

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No More Worthy

With that attitude of heart he starts homeward, and when he is getting in sight of the old homestead his loving and merciful father runs to meet him, and showers him with his kisses of tenderness and love. How like our God! Daniel said, "To the Lord our God

belong mercies and forgiveness, though we have rebelled against Him." That boy scarce had time to turn around before he was washed and robed and feted. Oh wondrous God of all grace, Thine infinite grace is more than my heart can fathom! Say Friend, is the attitude of the prodigal the attitude of your heart? "No more worthy!" "No more worthy!" To humble hearts there is only One who is worthy, and to Him they will ever be singing throughout eternity, "Thou art worthy!"—"Worthy is the Lamb that was slain to receive power, and riches, and wisdom, and strength, and honor, and glory, and blessing." The humble soul has no confidence in himself, but is trusting wholly and completely in the merits of the shed blood of that worthy Lamb.

Horrors of the Next War

Major Alexander De Seversky, a Russian flying "ace," who is now in this country, granted an interview to an Associated Press reporter in New York, and told of some things which he said would happen when the next great war breaks out.

"In the next war," he declared, "there will be no front lines and every resident of every belligerent nation will be actually in the zone of fighting and danger, for combat planes will take the horrors of war right into the heart of every country involved.

"Fighting planes now can carry as much as 4100 pounds of explosives, and that load may be greatly increased as time goes on.

"It would be possible to send the Empire State building, even though it is 102 stories tall, crashing in a heap of ruins. Broken water mains would cause disastrous floods. Terrible fires would break out. Tens of thousands might be killed by those 4100 pounds of explosives. Horror such as the world has never seen nor imagined would result.

"If a combat force of 50 planes get over here, they could easily destroy all of New York, Chicago, or San Francisco and kill hundreds of thousands of your people."

Happy the man who can say in those days, "The Lord is the fortress of my life. . . . If an army should encamp against me, my heart shall not fear: if war should rise against me, even then shall I have trust." Psa. 27:1, 3, Leeser.

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Nature's Signs of a Supernatural Event

Harry J. Steil



AND great earthquakes shall be in many places." Luke 21:11. "Yet once more I shake not the earth only, but also heaven . . . that the things which cannot be shaken might remain." Heb. 12:26, 27.

"And when He had opened the sixth seal, lo, there was a great earthquake." Rev. 6:12.

This old earth of ours has often been shaken by earthquakes. They were experienced in the days of Uzziah the king (Zech. 14:5), and on the day that our Lord was crucified. Someone may well ask, "How, if they have always been experienced, can earthquakes be a sign of the end of time?"

The answer is: God often used earthquakes as a warning judgment. If it can be proven that earthquakes are increasing amazingly in number, will not this fulfill our Lord Jesus' prophecy of the sign of the end—"There shall be great earthquakes in divers places"? And would not this increasing number of destructive earthquakes prove that God's warning judgments are increasing in the earth, reaching a crisis, a climax, even as He said, "Yet once more I shake not the earth only but the heaven also"?

The foremost authority on earthquakes, Professor Milne, informs us in his book entitled "Earthquakes" that earthquakes have been steadily increasing all through the ages and they have reached their highest number in our century being "most numerous in recent decades." He further states that science can advance no reason as to why these quakes should be increasing in our generation; they can see no physical causes for this abnormal increase. But Scripture gives us the reason. Remembering that God often sent earthquakes as a warning judgment for sin, the increasing number of quakes would indicate that sin is reaching its high tide of iniquity. "Because iniquity shall abound . . . there shall be great earthquakes in many places," is the Olivet prophecy of Jesus.

Scripture reveals that God often shook the earth, when some great spiritual crisis was impending. He convulsed the earth in the time of the Deluge; the earth opened to swallow the rebel Korah, who sought to divide the camp of Israel; the earth shook when our Lord Jesus, in His trium-

phant death upon the cross, descended into Hades and shattered this stronghold; and so mighty was His conquering blow that the very earth trembled and reverberated with the shock of it, and even the dead were raised. Again the Lord shook the earth when Europe was on the verge of receiving the gospel through Paul and Silas at Philippi, and the devil in great rage, attempting to prevent the evangelization of Europe, had the apostles put in jail. But "suddenly there was a great earthquake . . . and everyone's bands were loosed." Again there will be a great earthquake in that greatest crisis of all, just before the coming of the Lord to judge the nations, when the sixth seal is opened, when the heavens are shattered, when mountains and islands will be moved out of their places, and when the inhabitants of the earth will pray to the rocks (they might have prayed to the Rock of Ages), "Fall on us, and hide us from the face of Him that sitteth upon the throne, and from the wrath of the Lamb." Brethren, this time is drawing very near.

Our Lord Jesus said there would be "great" earthquakes in "many" places. Not only have the greatest number of earthquakes occurred in our generation, but the "greatest," most destructive ones have occurred in our lifetime. Let us begin with the great San Francisco earthquake of 1906, which wiped out the business section in three minutes; then, in the same year, four months later, the judgment of God travels to our sister continent, South America, and Valparaiso was destroyed by quake. Less than a year later the wicked city of Kingston, in the West Indies, was almost entirely destroyed in *thirty seconds*. Europe is next visited in the destruction of Messina in 1908 when in a few minutes the city and 77,000 lives are wiped out. North America, South America, the Islands of the Sea, Europe—"great earthquakes in divers (i. e. various or many different) places!" The greatest earthquakes of all time were the North China quake of 1920 and the quake that shook Tokio and Yokohama in 1923.

Concerning the Chinese quake, the *National Geographic Magazine* states: "Mountain ranges moved a mile in one stupendous heave, burying rivers, lakes and villages as they passed . . ." "The loss of *two hundred thousand lives and the total destruction of hundreds of towns and cities*, calls for reconstruc-

tion work on a staggering scale." "It destroyed," says the *National Geographic* writer, "10,000 miles of territory." "Probably not since *prehistoric times*," writes he, "has the physical geography of a country been so altered before."

The Literary Digest entitles the Japanese quake, "*The Greatest Disaster in History*," and says: "The area afflicted extends about one hundred forty miles east and west and one hundred ten miles north and south, covering roughly about forty-five thousand square miles, where lived seven million population in five big cities. Seventy per cent of the cities, towns and villages have been destroyed." "The Japanese Government sets the total casualties in dead, injured, and missing at 1,356,749 with 150,000 dead in Tokio alone." "A joint survey made by Secretary Hoover and the American Red Cross estimates the dead as between 200,000 and 300,000 with 1,500,000 people homeless in Yokohama and Tokio and another 1,000,000 outside these two cities."

Can the hand of God be discerned in these two visitations? Concerning the Chinese quake let us quote the *National Geographic* writer again: "Of the two or three hundred thousand dead, three-fifths are Mohammedan. The non-Moslem Chinese claim the quake was a visitation from heaven against the Mohammedans. Somehow the Mohammedans have failed to deny this accusation with their usual vigor and have suddenly become surprisingly humble. One of the most dramatic episodes of the disaster was the burial of 'Ma the Benevolent' with some three hundred of his followers. 'Ma' was a famous Moslem fanatic and had just gathered his followers to proclaim a Holy War when the cave in which they were gathered was sealed by a terrific avalanche caused by the quake . . . and they were buried so deeply that despite months of digging over an area of a mile the Moslems have failed to recover the bodies of their leaders." Think how the Christian missionary cause and native Christians would have suffered had this Satanic "holy" war been instigated. Surely God arrested it by shaking the earth even as He caused the earth to swallow Korah in Moses' day.

Concerning God's hand in the Japanese quake, it is recorded that a certain Japanese gentleman living in London, when he heard of the quake, exclaimed, "This has come from heaven. Japan was sunk in materialism and something had to happen." (This gentleman is not a Christian!) Some missionaries attributed the blow to Japan's heinous licensing of prostitutes, while

still others remind us of Japan's persecution of the Korean Christians. "Only some decades ago from a rock in the Bay of Nagasaki, in the earthquake area, 37,000 Christians were hurled to their death in one day!"

My unsaved friend, will you not pause for a moment to give earnest thought to this great fact? The greatest earthquakes in the world have occurred in your lifetime and mine. A great scientist has said: "Whereas formerly earthquakes (great earthquakes) came on an average of once every ten years now they come on an average of *every five years*." Jesus said, "There shall be *great earthquakes* in many places." Surely this has been fulfilled before your eyes. "Prepare to meet thy God!"

A French seismologist informs us that the earth receives an average of 30,000 earth shocks a year of which thirty or forty are great earthquakes. This poor old globe has become nauseated with the load of sin and godlessness which she has had to carry for the past six thousand years. She is reeling and rocking, staggering with moral autointoxication. She is giving us unmistakable omens that "the coming of the Lord draweth nigh."

My careless unsaved friend, hearken to the warnings of God: "When they shall say, Peace and safety, then *sudden destruction cometh upon them . . . and they shall not escape*." "How shall we escape if we neglect so great salvation?" is the cry of the Apostle Paul.

D. M. Panton well says: "Against hurricanes a man may well throw himself flat on his face (or dig a ground cellar); against ocean storms he can seek harbor; fire he can fight with water; but what can be done when the very earth rocks under us and opens in engulfing fissures into the subterranean fires?" We answer, Scripture says "They shall not escape." No place on earth will be a refuge in the day when the Lord "riseth to shake terribly the earth." Isa. 2:19, 21. The only escape will be to be caught off the earth—"Caught up in clouds to meet the Lord in the air, and so shall we be forever with the Lord!"

The Bible plainly associates an earthquake with the event of the second coming (in Revelation glory) of the Lord Jesus Christ. Read Zech. 14:4-5: "And His feet shall stand in that day (the day of His second coming) upon the Mount of Olives . . . and the Mount of Olives shall cleave in twain toward the east and toward the west . . . and half of the mountain shall be removed toward the north and half of it toward the south . . . *and the Lord my God shall come!*" Now it is a startling fact that in 1931 a report

from Jerusalem, where the Mount of Olives, here prophesied as doomed for earthshock, is located, states that the engineer in charge of public safety and building construction at Jerusalem, has notified all land and building holders that no more building construction would be allowed on or near the Mount of Olives. The reason for this restraining order being, that they (the engineers) see indications of a coming earthquake that may in the near future shake or crack the Mount of Olives! Isn't this thrilling? Perhaps they see coming, the very earthquake that Zechariah prophesied 2500 years ago, associated with the coming of the Lord Jesus.

At the time of the great Japanese earthquake most of the missionaries were not in the city. Almost all of them had gone out into the country on vacation and for their annual conferences. Consequently out of some four hundred missionaries stationed normally in the earthquake zone, only three were involved in the disaster. The rest escaped by being on "conference vacation." Even so, before the Lord shall give this poor old earth its final shaking He will first gather out by means of the rapture all His blood-bought ones, "His loved and His own," for the eternal "heavenly vacation conference." We shall not as Christians feel that last great earthquake, for we shall not be here, but "caught up to meet the Lord in the air."

A newly appointed pastor in a certain church made one of his first pastoral calls upon an old saint who lay dying. Taking hold of the saintly old woman's hand, he said, in a rather stilted and professional manner. "My dear sister, you are sinking." The dying old saint looked at him chidingly and said, "What do you mean by sinking? Did you ever hear of anybody sinking through a Rock? I cannot sink, I'm on the Rock of Ages!" Indeed such a person cannot sink, cannot go down; he must go up higher.

Toward the close of the eighteenth century a terrific earthquake struck the West Indies. The large mansion of a wealthy planter was completely demolished. He was outside at the time of the quake. However, his only child, a little daughter, was within the destroyed building. The desperate father, together with a large force of plantation slaves, dug frantically at the ruins of the demolished building hoping to get at his little girl's nursery. At last they reached it, and when they had cleared away the broken beams and boards and crumbled plaster he expected to find a mangled little corpse. At first glance they saw the broken

dead body of the little child's nurse lying under the debris but no sign of the girl. The horrified father lifted up this poor dead body and to his great joy found beneath it the unconscious but living form of his precious little daughter. That noble black nurse, sensing the danger, had protected her beloved little charge by shielding her with her own body from the falling timbers that would have crushed out the child's life.

Ah, my brother! Someone has done likewise and even greater, for you and for me. The judgment blows of an outraged God aimed to smite you and me were arrested by Another, our blessed Saviour. "Surely we did esteem Him stricken, *smitten of God* and afflicted. But He was wounded for our transgressions, He was bruised for our iniquities, the chastisement of our peace was upon Him, and with His stripes we are healed." My brother, while this old world reels and rocks on its way to judgment, flee to Him for refuge. "Whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved." Amen.

An Entire Village Profess to Accept Christ Through the Efforts of Native Christians Yunnan, China

The Lord Himself keeps working here, in answer to prayer. Yesterday an old man accepted the Lord so gladly, and in the evening six soldiers were converted. Some of our Christians brought a whole small village to Christ, where four brothers and their wives with their seventeen children have destroyed their idols, burning their very old ancestral tablets which they have venerated for so many years, and have posted Christian posters on their walls. This is truly a work of God, "Turning from idols to serve the living God." It was touching to see a tribesman with tears in his eyes and joy in his face accepting Christ. He said so humbly, "I am so stupid, but I want to believe in the true God." A ragged opium sot of a few months ago stood on our platform last night, transformed into a joyful preacher of Christ, instructing new believers in the way of salvation. All glory be to the God who answers prayer!—Grace Agar.

Exports from Palestine

During the year 1931 Palestine citrus growers exported one million cases of oranges. Each one contained 70 pounds of fruit.

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A Remarkable Twentieth Century Miracle

The Personal Testimony of Aron Andersson

(Continued from last paper)

Sunday, April 15, came. I was so sick that my loved ones sent for a precious old soldier of the cross, Bjork, to pray for me. Evangelists Anfors and Gustafson were there, also my parents, sisters and brothers, and another Christian lady.

Here I want to tell how the Lord led Brother Anfors to my bedside. Here are his own words:

"In the evening I did not feel well, so lay down and fell asleep. At seven o'clock I felt someone touch my side and I awakened. No one could be seen in the room. I began to pray. Then I heard a voice, 'Stand up and go to Aron. I shall this day manifest My power in him.' I jumped up from my bed and obeyed. When halfway I was filled with the Spirit and the Lord said, 'Go with full assurance. I shall heal him.'"

We waited for Brother Anfors, and presently the door opened and he stepped into the room with these words, "Aron, you shall be healed." "Yes, I fully believe," was my answer, but those around me were very doubtful as they saw how easy it would be for me to pass away at any moment.

Together we read the Word of God and they knelt to pray, but Oh, how I suffered. My suffering had been severe before, but now it seemed my body would burst in agony. A voice whispered in my ear, "It is impossible for you to be healed. Just realize how sick you are and how many physicians have been unable to help you." It seemed as though the powers of darkness were surrounding me to hinder God with their unbelief.

It was impossible for me to believe at this moment. They began to pray earnestly and while they were praying it seemed like an electric shock went through my body. Then the evil powers departed, and I cried out, "Lord, I believe." It seemed as though a thousand electric threads went through my entire being. My limbs drew together and I lost consciousness. Brother Anfors was filled with the Spirit and God said, "I am the Lord your healer and shall so continue to be."

When God's power fell over me I said, "Ouch!" I shook so that they had to hold the bed. Brother Bjork took my wrist to feel my pulse as my breathing was weak. He called out, "Now he has died." My breath stopped, the pulse ceased, and my head

fell to one side. All signs of life were gone. With the word "dead" all in the room became amazed. The room became as still as death and there was a strange feeling over all. Then God's presence filled the room. I lay awhile in this deathlike condition, and suddenly I saw a Man dressed in white coming swiftly toward me. I knew Him to be our Saviour. He stopped by my bed and looked at me, and as He stretched out His hand, He said in a commanding voice, "Stand up. Thou art healed."

I sank together and became smaller and smaller, until at last I was like an icicle in the sun, I disappeared. In an instant I was *born anew*. I felt new blood streaming through my veins. I grew and became larger and larger. The outstretched hand disappeared. I jumped out of bed and cried out, "Jesus commanded me to stand up. I am healed." When I stretched up my hands the yellow color disappeared. The breaking out that covered my body disappeared. That heavenly power shook my whole being. My parents embraced me. Tears of joy were streaming from all eyes. Never shall I forget the expression of my dear father. He was not saved, and this was too much for him. Tears were streaming down his face. He had seen the power of the living God.

I felt hungry and asked for food. Nine months had passed since I could eat solid food. I sat down with all the rest, ate, drank, and felt good afterward. We sang by mother's request, "The great Physician now is here." We thought the ceiling was lifted off and God's wonderful presence and blessing was resting over us. We parted feeling that we had had a day in the presence of the Lord. I lay down that night free from pain. I could hardly believe it was a reality. Soon I fell into a deep, strength-giving sleep. I never awoke until morning. Then I found myself glad and joyous, not a trace of sickness. Oh, how happy I was!

Mother asked me what I wanted for dinner, and I replied, "Potatoes." I had five potatoes and some meat balls for my dinner. Nothing could have tasted better. I ate, drank and thanked God.

Many of those who had seen me in my sickness were waiting for the church bells to toll for my burial. Whenever the church bells would ring they said, "Now, Aron is dead." I

had said goodbye to a great many and had written to some that I wanted to meet them where there was no sickness or suffering. Soon the entire country heard of the wonderful miracle. Three weeks before my healing Evangelist Gustafson's mother was buried. I asked to be out on the veranda while the carriages went by. Many eyes were filled with tears as they passed by and said my turn was next.

When I Was Baptized with the Holy Spirit

From the time I became healed a great change came over me. The Bible, which had seemed so dry to me, now became the most valuable treasure I had.

I began to long for more power from God and earnestly prayed for it. When I told this to a brother he told me I should thank God for what I had and to keep on praying for more. A short distance from home in the woods I had a place where I waited quietly on God. I would get lost in prayer. One Sunday morning after I had been to a young people's meeting I turned again to the precious place of prayer. I became in real travail, how long I do not know. I poured out my heart to God alone. I raised myself up but staggered like a drunken man and fell down between a vine. I felt like I was going to burst. My whole being was filled with His glory. I felt a cramp in my jaw bones. A heavenly peace streamed in my heart as I was surrounded by God. A lot of strange words came forth from my lips. I did not know what it was and I became frightened. I knelt down and prayed for understanding and had the same experience again. But now I know I was receiving the Baptism of the Holy Spirit. I sprang up and went home overwhelmed. God talked to me in visions and revelations.

I was home about three months when I took a journey to my brothers at Oland. We would gather often and have prayer and a blessed time with God. Then I began working for God. During the daytime I helped in the office. At night and on Sundays we held meetings. God's blessing rested on the meetings and people would weep their way to the foot of the cross. Many people were healed through prayer. I would tell them about my healing. I realized that I must be buried with Christ in water Baptism. It was the third wonderful and blessed experience in my life. The power of God rested on me so that I had to be carried out of the water. I was filled with the Spirit and spoke in other tongues.

At Christmas time I went home to

my parents with the thought that I would work just a little while at the railroad until I was sure of my calling. But just the thought of going back to that work made me become broken in health again. I had no trouble with my stomach, but began to cough from my lungs and lost my appetite. After fourteen days I was so weak that when I walked to one of our neighbors and back I fainted. I could hardly breathe. We all thought my last day had come, for the Lord had told me I was only to live a little while, and I longed to be with Jesus.

One night I had a dream and I could see the urgent need among the people. I could see a terrible, mighty dragon after the people and I heard their plea for help. God showed me my calling and my promise to work for Him. Brother Anfors came to see me and together with mother in a time of prayer I asked God to forgive me for my disobedience and I faithfully promised to give my life over to His service. Brother Anfors anointed me with oil according to James 5 and demanded the sickness to depart in Jesus' name. Again I felt the power of God overshadow me. God undertook when I promised to obey.

In the middle of January I returned to Kalmar through the call of the congregation. When I helped with the first revival I realized the help of God. The cough stopped and my lungs felt strong. God has blessed my efforts together with the brethren in the congregation. Many hundreds of souls have accepted God's power to save and many hundreds have been healed of many incurable diseases. The most wonderful of all is to see souls weeping their way to the cross of Jesus.

I must not forget to mention a short time after I was healed a strong temptation came over me to smoke a cigarette. I walked the floor until my father wondered what had come over me. I went into the yard and knelt down and asked God to help me. My hand reached for a match and I was ready to light my cigarette, when my hand fell. I tried it again with the same experience. I said, "Now, Lord, you have taken away the cigarette, now take away the desire." The Lord helped me and I have complete deliverance.

Jesus the living vine in Heaven and I the living branch on earth; how great my need, but how perfect His fulness.
—Andrew Murray

I know He holds my hand,
So whether led in green or desert land
I trust, although I may not understand.

—H. H. Berry

A Clean Cut

W. Hay Aitken once met a young woman whose father was a Unitarian, whose uncle was a Christian, and whose betrothed was a wealthy and avowed atheist. She was staying with her Christian uncle, and to please him she attended meetings. It was the sight of the vast masses hanging on the Word of Life which first shook the foundation of her scepticism; each night the impression deepened, until she could resist the conviction no longer that Jesus of Nazareth was passing, and she yielded her life to Him. But she saw instantly all that it would mean. She saw that she must give up the man she loved, for in talking with him, he had refused to accept her Lord. So she broke the engagement. But now, to her amazement, she found no peace. She had given up her world for Christ; yet He had not become her "exceeding great reward." So great was her darkness that Mr. Aitken began almost to despair: there was little left to do but pray.

The last night of the meeting came, and Mr. Aitken emphasized the need of full surrender. In the plate there was found a little jewelled ring. That night he met her again: her face was altogether changed. "How is this?" asked the evangelist. "Mr. Aitken," she said, "didn't you see that ring? That ring was my last link with the past. He gave it to me on our engagement day: I sent back all his costly gifts, but I asked to be allowed to keep that. When you spoke of full surrender, the question flashed itself upon my soul, 'Can you give up that ring?' An awful struggle took place in my soul: at last with a supreme effort I tore it from my finger, and cast it into the plate. As I did so, it seemed as if the storm had swept by, and there was a great calm. I had given my all, and God had accepted it, and His peace filled my heart."

Japan's Traffic in Vice

Mr. Paget Wilkes of the Japan Evangelistic Band states: "The neighborhood of some of the large Temples (Buddhist) reeks with brothels.

"The patriotic youth of New Japan wishing to pay homage at the most fashionable Shrine (Shintoist) of Ise, are compelled to reach the spot by passing along the road lined on both sides with legalized brothels.

"In spite of all the ethical teaching of Buddha, there appears nothing incongruous to the average Buddhist in Japan in this association of immorality with religion! Buddhist priests are regularly called in to the licensed quarters of vice to pray for the success of that vile trade."

According to *World Dominion* "millions are invested in the business and figures during 1930 record forty-eight thousand girls in the licensed quarters, and the annual number of 'guests' totals over twenty-two millions!"

Sowing Wheat by Airplane

The *New York Times* reports that the latest labor saving device in Russia is the sowing of wheat by airplane. "In fifteen days, 8,000 acres were sown by four planes, working on a state farm in Central Asia, flying at an average height of 85 feet, at a speed of about 62 miles an hour, with a sowing 'spray' 65 feet wide." With labor saving devices multiplied, can you understand the meaning of that scripture, "There was no hire for man, nor any hire for beast"? Zech. 8:10.

Building in Palestine

Building activity in Tel Aviv, the new wholly Jewish city in Palestine, closely approached the record of its boom period during the year 1931. Nearly \$1,500,000 was invested in new Tel Aviv building during the year according to the *Jewish Missionary Magazine*. The new buildings provide 1,500 additional dwelling rooms and fifty new stores. Building activity is also brisk in Jerusalem. More than 70 new buildings have been erected in the last few months.

Our Father's Business

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is flesh." That is the reason it is necessary for people who have been born after the flesh to be born of the Spirit, born from above. Educational processes, however good, or, however extended, are utterly inadequate.

Wicked men cannot be made better, except on the outside, by improving their environment. They must be made new creatures, a new creation; otherwise their wickedness, even though curbed, will continue; and they will perish at last.

After Augustine had been converted he met a woman with whom he had lived in sin. He turned, and fled. She called after him, "Come back! Come back! It is I!" "I know it, I know it!" exclaimed Augustine, "but this is not I; this is a new creature in Christ Jesus!"

Our business is to get souls saved. After men have been born of the Spirit they can be trained for God. But before they are thus born all such training is vain.

Order tracts today. One pound, 50 cents; 12 pounds \$5.00; 25 pounds, \$10.00.

:: The Gospel in Foreign Lands ::

God Working in Persia Philip Shabaz

We have been in Persia for eleven months now and for the greater part of that time have been in Kermanshah, Persia, where we are located for the present. The work of the Lord is prospering and going on in this country, and the light of Pentecost is reaching many hearts. Souls are being definitely saved and baptized in the blessed Holy Spirit, which gladdens our hearts and encourages us to press forward and reach out for more. So far in Kermanshah eight have been filled with the Holy Spirit with the clear Scriptural evidence of speaking in other tongues as the Spirit gave utterance. We believe that this is only the beginning of a great manifestation of God's power in this country.

We have taken a trip to Urumia, Persia, a distance of about five hundred miles from here. Oh, the villages and cities we passed on our way! It is no mistake to say thousands of them have never heard a message of the gospel. They are sitting under the shadows of a hopeless future, waiting for help. One cannot help but feel moved with compassion to see so many without Christ. The question that arises in one's heart is who will go or give or pray to reach them.

After a trip of six days we reached Urumia. Immediately we commenced preaching the gospel to the people. Although we were hindered by sickness for some time, yet we recovered sufficiently to go on with the good work. Wherever we went the Lord witnessed with His presence in our midst, and people were saved and helped. There were as many as ten people came to the Lord in one service and we were sorry that we could not remain in one place more than two nights. Everywhere we went the people begged us to remain. Oh, that we could reach more places and help more people!

In one of the villages we erected a church building with the help of the brethren, and when the building was

completed we dedicated it. The picture represents a group of believers at this place and was taken at our farewell. At the dedication service we had a crowd of over three hundred from the villages around. Our subject was Pentecost. The service and the scene that followed encouraged the hearts of us all.

The field here is broad and there is a real need for workers. Pray that the Lord may send workers, especially that native help may go forth.

Awakening Among the Older People in Liberia

"We are seeing something new in the work here, at this time. Hereto-

ing of the Spirit. Everything looked so dark, and at times our efforts seemed so useless, but we kept on praying, and believing. At last the time for the convention at Kaya came, and as many as could attended the meetings.

After a few days the long-looked-for break came, and how we wept for joy, as we saw a number of His redeemed from Mossi Land receiving the Holy Spirit even as they did at the beginning. One young man spoke in the language of the Bambaras, which is a neighboring tribe, and it was understood by some. He worshipped the Lord, repeating many times that Mohammed was dead, and still in the grave, but that Jesus had risen and is living today. He saw Jesus on the right hand of God with His arms raised as in intercession for us. The Spirit through the young man gave urgent warning of the soon coming of Jesus, and emphasized that judgment is in the earth and will increase until the Lord returns. Great joy, ecstasy, and praise filled the young man's heart and his face fairly shone with God's glory.—Ida George.



A new church building in Persia, erected by the help of Brothers Shabaz and Kamber. The picture represents a group of the believers and Brothers Shabaz and Kamber at their farewell service. Brother Shabaz is second from the right of the picture and Brother Kamber is standing next to him at his right.

fore very few elderly men and scarcely any women have been converted, but now the older men and women are beginning to wake up and to realize that this great salvation is for them too. Last Sunday quite a number from a small town in Whooya, were baptized. I was particularly pleased to note that a large number of these were women."—J. M. Perkins.

Great Blessing in French Sudan

Our hearts are overflowing with praise to our Lord for the love He is manifesting to us at this time. For two months the native Christians prayed an hour a day for an outpour-

"No investment brings such large returns as Foreign Missions." Dr. Simon Flexner, professional investigator, Rockefeller Institute.

God Saving, Healing, and Baptizing with the Spirit at Cawnpore, India

I would like to give you a report of the threefold work of the Lord at our station. Last week in our prayer meeting the wife of a welfare worker in this city, cried out to God, being under deep conviction for sin, and finally found rest in the cross of Christ. During the closing days of the old year we had special meetings for Bible study and prayer. The Lord graciously met with us, and baptized three in the Holy Spirit, among the number was the principal of the government high school. One of our

recent converts was taken with fever last night, and this morning was groaning with pains in his chest so that I feared pneumonia. As I was praying for him, he fell into a trance, and after a few minutes came to himself and said, "I saw something." Then he told me that he saw a great white light in the room. His pains disappeared, and he arose and went to work.—Niels Thomsen.

A Visit to a New Tribe in Liberia

Emily De Groat

Last week I went to one of the Blepo tribes. The paramount chief sent carriers for me and asked me to come. The town I stayed in was a good day's journey from here. When I arrived the chiefs gathered to bid me welcome and give me a dish of rice and fowl for my evening meal. The next morning they called me again and gave me a goat and another dish of rice. They said after I ate then I would be able to sit down quiet and listen to what they had to say. This is the native custom here before talking any palaver. The goat was killed and dressed and my part given to me in a dish while I sat there. That afternoon after we cooked and ate, we gathered again in the same place to talk. Their main object was to have a missionary come in their tribe. One native worker has been placed there, and a young man who had been teaching a few boys in the evening is to teach a day school. They have promised to build a church which will be used for a while for the school. They will put up houses for the teacher and native worker. They are assuming the support of the teacher by having each child pay a little each month. I told them I did not have any support for the teacher and the teacher could begin the school if they could work it out some way themselves. They begged for a missionary, but I told them there was not any at present to be placed there.

We had good meetings in the town each afternoon and evening. The people listened well, and as I looked over the crowd I could see there were many who were present at each meeting who seemed to take in all that was said. There are a few in the town who joined churches while they were working down in some of the coast towns of Nigeria and the Gold Coast. I talked with two of them who are standing for the Lord and have not taken part in any of the town affairs since they returned. They seemed in earnest and I believe are saved, but they need the deeper teaching of Pentecost.

One morning while there, we went to another section of the same tribe and visited three towns. We were up and ready to start by six and after walking a little less than an hour, we reached a large river that had to be crossed in a canoe. The canoe had been made from a tree trunk. Four of us were taken over at a time. There was nothing to sit on but our heels, and there was water in the bottom of the canoe. It took some little time to get across. The towns in this tribe were very large and we had a good crowd out to hear us. We returned to our town by eleven, tired, hot, and hungry.

Each time I left the little hut I stayed in, to walk about in the town, a crowd of children and grown-ups would soon gather. The children ran on ahead of me, laughing and shouting. Some babies who could just walk, stood and screamed with fright, while others ran and hid. The same crowd followed me to the afternoon meeting, and then back to my hut door again where they stood admiring and wondering. Some pushed and shoved to get to the front where they could see. I felt like a part of a circus parade with the whole town turning out to see the first white woman.

Just how much is accomplished in these town meetings where we do not stay long, we do not know, but God has promised that some word would fall upon good ground. Pray for this tribe that they will be in real earnest and seek God. Pray for the native worker who is working without any promised support.

Spiritual Tides Flow Deep in Porto Rico Conference

During the latter six months of the old year plans and preparations were made for the celebration of the eleventh annual conference of "The Pentecostal Church of God, Inc." of Porto Rico. Offerings had been taken and special seasons had been dedicated to fasting and prayer; and in the city where the conference was to be held, the young people were being trained for special singing and preparations made to entertain the many guests. The pastor had secured one of the large theaters of the city for the occasion and the regular house of worship was for those days converted into a beautiful and well arranged dining room.

On the morning of Jan. 18 we were all leaving our respective fields of labor to be once again united on that evening in Mayaguez. Such gatherings only come once a year so it is a time

especially longed for by all. Some came in by train and others by cars, and, as the church building which was near the pastor's home had been converted into the dining room, that seemed to be our stopping place as we arrived. Inexpressible joy thrilled our hearts as each new carload or group of saints arrived.

The first night was a welcome service at the close of which a brief message was directed to the public in general. Several came forward and gave their hearts to God. The other four nights were purely evangelistic in nature and indeed the glory of God was manifested in our midst. It is estimated that the first night there were over a thousand present and the other nights from 1400 to 1600. More than one hundred made profession of faith and a goodly number received the blessed Baptism with the Holy Spirit. When visiting this church in Mayaguez exactly one month after the date of the conference the place with a seating capacity of some 300 was filled and at least forty or fifty persons were standing throughout the service. As the altar call was given eleven persons came forth with a firm resolution to give their lives to God; so the blessing continues.

The day periods of the conference were given to those phases of business peculiar to such a gathering and all went off in the sweetest harmony. Each day was opened with a sweet devotional service held in the theater at 5:30 a. m. This seemed to keep things in tune for the day. In the morning session of the second day our Assistant Superintendent, Brother José Martínez brought us a soul stirring message which tended to bring every worker in an humble and broken spirit before God and at the same time created within us a greater determination to give our whole lives to God.

We all missed our dear Brother Lugo who has generally been a prominent figure in our conferences. Special mention was made of him and of the regret felt because of his absence. Special prayer was offered for him as he labors among the Spanish speaking people of New York and Brooklyn.

The new executive committee of our Porto Rico assemblies is as follows: Superintendent, Brother Tomás Álvarez; Assistant Superintendent, Brother José Martínez; Secretary, Luis C. Otero and Treasurer, Frank Finkenbinder. We do covet the prayers of all of God's faithful ones as we press out into the labors of a new year, and we ask you to pray that the Lord will provide means and a suitable place for a new church building in the beautiful city of Mayaguez.

∴ In the Whitened Harvest Field ∴

SPIRIT FALLS AT BAKERSFIELD

Pastor Roy Ogan writes from Bakersfield, Calif.: "We have just closed a blessed revival with Jacob and Mrs. Miller. The power of God was present to save, heal, and baptize; about 54 received their Pentecost, Acts 2:4, a number were saved, and 28 followed the Lord in baptism."

"RAINY" SEASON IN OKLAHOMA

Frank and Mrs. L. Cook, write: "We give God the glory for the showers of Latter Rain that fell during our short stay in Oklahoma City. In less than 3 weeks 29 found pardon and peace in believing, and 14 received the precious Holy Ghost, Acts 2:4. The meeting was held at Stone Mission, Ella Sparks, Pastor."

SOUL FREEDOM AT REPUBLIC

Mrs. Selthy Bray writes from Republic, Mo.: "We have just closed a revival here in which 17 were saved and one was baptized with the Holy Ghost, Acts 2:4. We have a rented hall on Main St.; Wednesdays, Saturdays, and Sundays are regular service nights. The visits of ministers in fellowship with the Council, will be welcomed."

WEARY REFRESHED AT SHADE

Pastor George W. Hanson writes from a new Pentecost church near Shade Gap, Pa.: "We have just closed a 3 weeks' revival in charge of Emma J. Heier, Cumberland, Md. About 15 sought God for salvation and the church was greatly refreshed. The sick were prayed for and a number were healed. The heaven-inspired messages found their way into many hearts. Council ministers, if passing this way, we welcome to visit us."

CHRIST TRIUMPHS OVER EVIL

Pastor R. F. Cass writes from Petersburg, Va.: "We report victory in Petersburg and Christ triumphing over evil. We have been here not a full year yet, and after more than 300 had been saved, no further count of the number was made. We have a nice frame tabernacle 40x74, all paid for but \$225. We are opening a meeting about April 28 to continue to May 15. I. J. and Mrs. Bolton, Plant City, Fla., will be in charge."

C. A.'S BLESSED BY HUNDREDS

Fred G. Eiting writes that from Houston, Tex.: "We are serving in the old Bruner Tabernacle, called the Gospel Tabernacle. The Lord is blessing and the attendance and general conditions have improved greatly during the past 2 months of our ministry. The Sunday school has increased greatly and the young people are pressing on. There are about 10 churches in the city, and very good relation exists among them. Carl Hatch and party were here recently when a Christ's Ambassadors rally was held at the Gospel Tabernacle. There were 400 present and a blessed time was enjoyed by all. Their ministry in Word and song was highly appreciated. Joe Newby is president of this District."

WHEN GOD VISITED TULARE

Pastor A. L. Casey writes from Tulare, Calif.: "F. R. Anderson, Houston, Tex., was with us in a blessed revival, Feb. 5-March 27. Large crowds attended throughout the meeting. Deep conviction rested on the people and some were gloriously saved. About 19 were filled with the Spirit, a number of backsliders came back to God, and the saints were encouraged to go forward. Nineteen received Christian baptism and some new members were added to the church."

ANOTHER "CANCER" MIRACLE

Evangelist C. E. Freeman, writes from Wilsonville, Nebr.: "We came here nearly 3 months ago and started a revival. After one week George Carmichael, of McCook, came to assist. The meeting has been going on for 5 weeks, and up to date about 37 have found Christ. Two have received the glorious Baptism of Acts 2:4. Two women have been healed, one of cancer, one of heart trouble. From the first night we had good crowds, and on Sunday nights the building was packed out. Many in the town have become aroused to their need of God and He is still blessing in the services. This is a new work."

GREAT "WELCH" REVIVAL

Eunice Prosser writes from Welch, Okla.: "J. A. McPhail, Coffeyville, Kans., has been with us for a 2 weeks' revival; about 8 wept their way through to Calvary, experiencing the joy of sins forgiven, and one was baptized with the Holy Ghost. As the Word went forth God poured out wonderful blessings upon His children, and shouts of triumphant victory arose. The little mission hall was filled to capacity most of the time, and the entire audience sat spellbound drinking in the truths of God's Word. The assistance given by the assemblies at Miami and Lancaster is greatly appreciated. The evangelist has gone to other fields, but the revival spirit remains. J. N. White, Aurora, Mo., is taking the meetings right on in the name of the Lord. We welcome visits from Council ministers."

THE GUILTY MADE TO FEAR

Lillian Pritchard, Secretary of Sunday school, writes from Gonzales, Tex.: "N. C. Whitlock and family came here about Dec. 10, and although they have labored under many disadvantages, God is blessing in every way. Our pastor has repaired some of the benches, made some new ones, painted the church building, and everything is looking well around the church now. Our Sunday school is growing in numbers and in spirituality, and every department of the work is prosperous. We have a Junior Bible school in progress, with great interest. W. F. and Mrs. Bishop have been with us most of the winter, but we are now in a revival with J. M. Reb. In the midst of one service the glory of the Lord came down and filled the house until sinners feared to leave the building unsaved. Conviction rested on both old and young. All have taken new courage and are pressing on."

THE VERY SAME JESUS

L. P. Shaw, writes from Fort Meade, Fla.: "I am engaged in a tent campaign in this new field, and the prospects for a real revival are good. The people are interested and great numbers are coming forward for prayer each evening. A little child became very ill at the school recently. The principal sent for the mother to come and get the child. She brought it directly to our apartment, and we anointed and prayed for it in the name of the Lord. It was healed and went right on back to school. People here are beginning to believe in the Christ who is the same as in days of old."

ALL'S WELL AT WELLSTON

Pastor Wallace S. Bragg writes: "We are glad to report that the blessings of the Lord have been ours at the fellowship meeting of the North Central Section of Oklahoma, held at Wellston, April 5 and 6. A goodly number of brethren met with us, and the spirit of the services was blest indeed. Several of the boys from the home church made their way home to be with us, and this added a great deal to the spirit of the occasion. We were greatly blessed to have with us Brother Callahan who is over eighty years of age, but still laboring for the Lord. In all we feel richly blessed of the Lord, and are encouraged to press forward."

16 WITNESS GOOD CONFESSION

Pastor W. A. Vanzant writes from Albuquerque, N. Mex.: "We moved here March 18 to pastor this small assembly of 12 members. We began a revival in charge of Oran and Mrs. Paris, and Cecil and Mrs. Vaughn, and in two weeks 16 were saved through the blood of Christ, 16 baptized with the Holy Ghost, and 19 buried with Christ in the waters of baptism. There are now 36 names on the membership roll. We are praying for a church building. We pay \$30.00 a month for some buildings which would be suitable for permanent use in our work, with Sunday school rooms and parsonage included. These we plan to buy when God makes it possible."

CHURCHES OF ONE ACCORD

Pastor and Mrs. H. E. Alford, Bethel Full Gospel Church, Dallas, Tex., write: "A. F. Gardiner, San Antonio, Tex., was with us for 3 weeks and we had a real revival. Fifteen were saved and 12 received the Baptism with the Holy Ghost. Brother Gardiner brought us a wonderful spirit of co-operation. All the Full Gospel churches in the city attended and several of them doing so in a body. This wonderful spirit of unity continues today. Mrs. Alford wishes to thank all her friends for their prayers for her. God has spared her to us a little longer, for which we do thank Him."

R. B. McKenzie, Church Clerk, Warrior, Ala., reports: "We closed a revival March 27. Eleven were saved, 4 received the Holy Ghost, 10 followed Christ in baptism, and 8 were added to the church."

SPECIAL NOTICE

The committee appointed by the General Presbytery during the 1931 Session of the General Council to get in touch with conditions which have developed in the Illinois District, and to recommend such action by District Council or the General Presbytery that may encourage unity and harmony in the District, will be present at the coming Illinois District Council, which is to convene at Granite City, Ill., May 10. The committee desires a full attendance of both ministers and delegates that we may find a way to adjust matters of importance and interest to all; and agree upon a true basis of harmony and unity for the District.

The committee is working in co-operation with the District Officer in making these arrangements, and intends to maintain an entirely neutral attitude toward all matters to be considered.—J. W. Welch, Chairman of Committee.

Forthcoming Meetings

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

CENTRAL BIBLE INSTITUTE COMMENCEMENT

SPRINGFIELD, MO.—At Assembly Church, Campbell and Calhoun Sts. Graduation exercises and presentation of diplomas, May 14, at 7:30. Baccalaureate address by J. Narver Gortner, May 15, at 10:45.

MILES, OKLA.—Old time Pentecostal revival starting April 16 at Lone Center assembly, J. A. McPhail, Coffeyville, Kans., in charge.—Pastor H. W. Horn.

COFFEYVILLE, KANS.—Pastor W. E. Long, Kansas City, Kans., will begin an old fashioned revival at 7th and Linden Tabernacle, May 3.—V. G. Greisen, Pastor.

COVINGTON, TENN.—James E. Hamill, Louisville, Miss., will conduct old time gospel campaign at Detroit Assembly of God Church beginning May 4.—Robert H. Delancey, Pastor.

NEW KENSINGTON, PA.—H. E. Hardt, Falling Waters, W. Va., will begin old fashioned gospel services, at the Gospel Tabernacle April 17. Services each evening except Saturdays, 7:45; Sundays, 11:00 and 7:45.—W. E. Menzies, Pastor.

FT. MADISON, IA.—Annual fellowship meeting, all day with basket dinner, May 1. District Superintendent Roy E. Scott will be with us. Neighboring churches are urged to come.—George Shepherd, Pastor, 1213 30th St.

NORTH HORNELE, N. Y.—Fourth monthly fellowship meeting of western part of this District May 3, at Glad Tidings Tabernacle. Meals will be provided. All who plan to attend please notify W. F. Voodre, Pastor, Route 5.

KNOXVILLE, TENN.—Fellowship meeting at Meades Quarry Church May 1. I. A. Smith, District Superintendent, will be present. We urge all the brethren of the District to attend this meeting.—A. T. Abbott, Pastor.

MINNEAPOLIS, MINN.—Donald Gee, of Scotland, will spend about 10 days in Minneapolis, beginning June 6. State convention also June 8, 9, 10. Three services daily. Inquire now about accommodations.—Pastor F. J. Lindquist, 3015 13th Ave. S.

CAMBRIDGE, MASS.—Watson and Hazel Argue will conduct revival at Full Gospel Lighthouse, 40 Prospect St., April 21-May 22, nightly, at 7:45, Sundays 3:00 and 7:15. Week-end meetings to be held in auditorium seating 1000.—Pastor and Mrs. R. A. Babcock, 58 Magazine St.

LANCASTER, PA.—Revival with Mary Louise Paige, 13-year-old evangelist, Uhrichville, Ohio, at Pentecostal Tabernacle, W. Orange and Concord Sts., beginning April 24, for 3 or 4 weeks. Every night except Mondays, 7:30.—Walter I. Palmer, Pastor.

LAKE GENEVA CAMP AND NORTH CENTRAL DISTRICT COUNCIL MEETING

ALEXANDRIA, MINN.—Lake Geneva Camp June 19-July 4. Annual Council meeting of the North Central District June 21, at Lake Geneva Camp. Further announcement later.—F. J. Lindquist, 3015 13th Ave. S., Minneapolis.

DURANT, FLA.—Camp meeting at Pleasant Grove camp ground, May 5-15. N. A. Bell, Secretary-Treasurer.

WILLOW SPRINGS, MO.—Fellowship meeting of South Central Section, May 2. Services 10:30, 2:00 and 7:30. Dinner provided.—Joe H. Wooldridge, Pastor.

TRI-STATE FELLOWSHIP AND C. A. RALLY AFTON, OKLA.—Tri-state fellowship meeting and Christ's Ambassadors' Rally May 2. Basket dinner. Tri-state ministers will have charge of day services, beginning at 10:00. The C. A.'s in charge of 7:30 service. Harry Sloan, of Springdale assembly, Tulsa, will speak for the young people.—E. L. Lamron, Pastor.

COLUMBUS, O.—We begin revival meetings here March 6 and will continue 6 months. Meetings each evening at 7:45, and Sundays at 3:00 also. Broadcast over station WAIU each Tuesday and Friday morning, 7:45-8:00. Wednesday evening from the Tabernacle at 8:00. Joseph Terlizzi, Evangelist, 142 Parsons Ave.

ST. LOUIS, MO.—The Dake Evangelistic Party will begin revival May 1, in Glad Tidings Church, 18th and Park Ave. Prophetic and Dispensational studies by Finis J. Dake each evening at 7:15. Evangelistic service at 8:00, Mrs. Dake, speaker. Instrumental and vocal music by Dake Quartet.—Floyd E. Heady, Pastor, 4366 Swan Ave.

FARGO, N. DAK.—Dan McNally, converted Ex-Convict, will conduct 3 weeks' revival in Gospel Tabernacle, 7th Ave. N. and 4th St., beginning May 8. We broadcast regularly over KGFK. Weekdays 9:00 a. m. Sundays 6:30-7:30; also Sunday morning 9:00-10:00 over WGAY from our own studio in the Tabernacle.—Pastor Henry H. Ness, 403 7th Ave. N.

PASADENA, CALIF.—Donald Gee of Edinburgh, Scotland, and the faculty of the Southern California Bible School will hold 2 weeks' Christian workers' Bible conference June 20-July 2, in connection with Third annual summer school session, June 20-July 30. Brother Gee will speak twice daily. Terms reasonable. Write for folder giving full information.—Southern California Bible School, 450 Avenue 64, Pasadena.

SECTIONAL CONVENTIONS OKLAHOMA DISTRICT

North Central Section, April 28-29, 12th and College Sts., Blackwell; Northwest Section May 4-5, Hammonds; South Central Section, May 11-12, 405 N. Elm, Shawnee. All conventions convene at 2 P. M., and continue through second day. All ministers wanting license or ordination may meet the board in person with recommendation from an ordained minister.—James S. Hutsell, District Superintendent.

NEW YORK, N. Y.—Twenty-fifth anniversary revival campaign at Glad Tidings Tabernacle, 325-329 West 33rd St., from May 1 to 15 inclusive. Edith Mae Pennington, former Beauty Queen and Movie star, who has recently completed a nine weeks' campaign at Springfield, Mo., at which 270 were saved and 90 received the Baptism, will be the evangelist. Anniversary services, May 5. Further particulars from Robt. A. Brown, pastor, 325 W. 33rd Street, New York, N. Y.

ILLINOIS DISTRICT COUNCIL

GRANITE CITY, ILL.—Tenth annual session Illinois District Council at Full Gospel Tabernacle, May 10-13, opening 10:00 a. m. All regular business transacted at this meeting. Those desiring license or ordination make application at once and be present with proper recommendation. The local church will provide entertainment for ministers of the District. Write C. M. O'Guin, Granite City, or Arthur Bell, District Superintendent, Box 133, Belleville.

NORTH BERGEN, N. J.—The Semi-annual Convention Beulah Heights Pentecostal Church May 15-30, every night 7:45, except Mondays. Sunday Services: German 10:30, English 3:00 and 7:45. May 21, Young People's Rally. May 22, Missionary Day. Special offering for missions will be taken. Entertainment furnished visiting missionaries. May 27, Water baptismal service. May 30, Graduation Exercises of Bible school, 2:30. Evangelistic Service 7:45. Nimrod Park, Speaker of Convention. Co-operation of assemblies in the vicinity appreciated.—J. E. Kistler, Pastor, 4741 Hudson Blvd.

COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES SOUTHWESTERN BIBLE SCHOOL

ENID, OKLA.—Commencement exercises Southwestern Bible School, May 1-2. May 1, all exercises will be held in Enid Gospel Tabernacle, opening at 9:30 with missionary program by student volunteers. At 11 J. W. Welch, Springfield, Mo., will preach the doctrinal sermon. At 3 E. L. Newby, District Superintendent of Texas will deliver the baccalaureate sermon. At 7:30 David Burris, District Superintendent of Arkansas will deliver the missionary address. Monday at 7:30 commencement exercises in Central Church of Christ.—P. C. Nelson, President, 316 East Cherokee, Ave., Enid, Okla.

SUMMER SESSION
Southern California Bible School, Pasadena, Calif., begins June 20, closes July 29. Donald Gee, Edinburgh, Scotland, will give his inspiring messages on our distinctive Pentecostal testimony, June 20-July 1. Further information on application.

OPEN FOR CALLS

Evangelistic

Barney Burns, Holland, Tex. "Mrs. Burns and a boy of six accompany me. New fields desired. Am in fellowship with General Council."

Ethel Musick writes from Stecker, Okla.: "We are here in a precious revival where the Spirit of God is blessing. Some are getting through to God in the old time way. God has laid on my heart a special message concerning the soon coming of our Lord. Those interested in hearing these special messages may reach me here."

Evangelistic, Pastoral, or Teaching

R. A. and Mrs. Miller, c/o Peniel Bible Institute, 104 Buckeye St., Dayton, Ohio, faculty members of the Peniel Bible Institute will accept evangelistic or teaching calls, or will supply a pastorate for a part of the summer.

Evangelistic or Pastoral

Elgin L. and Mrs. Smith, Sayre, Okla., 610 N. 3rd St.; both preach; 3 children; all of us play musical instruments. We have a 40x60 tabernacle. In fellowship with General Council. Have been in the work 12 years.

P. L. Underwood, Rush Springs, Okla.; 12 years in Pentecostal ministry; 3 in family; furnish guitar and mandolin music. References James Hutsell, Slick, Okla., District Superintendent; David Burris, Russellville, Ark., District Superintendent.

MISCELLANEOUS NOTICES

WANTED.—Badly in need of accomplished musician and song director. Must be live wire and capable, as singing evangelist.—Joseph Terlizzi, 142 Parsons Ave., Columbus, O.

FOR SALE.—Tent 80x160, or, with middle section removed, 50x50 made to order, of extra quality duck; poles and ropes; but no seats. Stored in the East. Original cost, \$2000. Will sell cheap. Mrs. W. K. Towner, 919 Willow St., San Jose, Calif.

NOTICE.—Special nurse wishes to care for in her own home, aged people who have no home or do not care to keep up one. Will have good home, good care, and plenty of well cooked food. Reference, Full Gospel Church.—Maude Granger, 1814 9th St., Moline, Ill.

FOR SALE.—Gospel tent, 12 oz. waterproof khaki top, 8 ft. sidewalls, with all poles and stakes. Size, 23x34 feet, seating 120. Also two sleeping tents, 4-wheel camping trailer, good tires, equipped with good double bed, bedding, refrigerator, wardrobe, book-case, and camp-stove. Will sell all for only \$210, cash.—Leon B. Mayer, 843 W. Century St., Los Angeles, Calif.

WANTED.—Good song director and pianist for campaign work. Want man who can direct song service and sing special selections, whose wife can play piano. Other musical instruments will be a help. Greatly prefer those who have the Baptism with the Spirit, and must be consecrated. We are old time Pentecost in faith and will be interested only in that kind. For those who will come on faith will make suitable working arrangements.—W. W. Bradley, Shreveport, La. With Pastor G. C. Lout at present.

A FARM DONATED TO FOREIGN MISSIONS FOR SALE

NOTICE.—A 300 acre farm in Windsor Co., Vt. Large 2 story and basement barn, about 40x40 ft., basement will hold 200 head of sheep; tie ups for 20 cows on main floor, 3 horse stalls, hay bay runs to floor on one side, high drive above for driving into barn; 100 acres seeded to Timothy hay; 150 miles from Boston, 200 miles from N. Y. City; 50 acres of hard wood timber, beech, birch, maple, ash, butternut; sugar grove of about 500 trees; plenty of pasture, running water (spring water), also brook in pasture; 3 miles to village store and school; plenty of small fruit, also apple trees. Lease on a part of the spruce timber 25 years, has already run for 16. For full particulars write to E. P., c/o Gospel Pub. House Springfield, Mo.

WORLD MISSIONS CONTRIBUTIONS

April 8 to 14 inclusive
All personal offerings amount to \$1,102.07.
.40 Assembly of God S S Yoakum Tex
.49 Pentecostal Assembly of God Holly Colo
.75 Assembly of God Church Campbell Mo
.75 Crescent S S Campo Colo
.83 Assembly of God Mannford Okla
1.00 Whatsoever Prayer Band Charleston Ill
1.00 Christ's Ambassadors Brimston Mo
1.00 Christ's Ambassadors Bethel Assembly Louisville Ky
1.00 Assembly of God S S Cushing Okla
1.00 Hagerman S S and Church Hagerman N Mex
1.00 Painter Assembly Swanton Md

- 1.00 Assembly of God Greenville Tex
 1.00 Full Gospel Mission Trumansburg N Y
 1.00 Children's Meeting Chanute Kans
 1.00 Sunbeams S S Class El Bethel Church Crown Point Dayton Ohio
 1.00 Assembly of God Newark Mo
 1.00 Green Ridge Assembly Flintstone Md
 1.10 Assembly of God S S Pearl Ill
 1.10 Assembly of God Chickasha Okla
 1.20 Pentecostal Full Gospel Assembly Sebastopol Calif
 1.22 Assembly of God Talihina Okla
 1.25 Assembly of God Greenwood Ark
 1.28 Assembly of God Winters Tex
 1.30 Assembly of God Camden Ark
 1.43 Mt Pearl Assembly North of Kit Carson Colo
 1.45 Pentecostal Assembly of God Trinidad Colo
 1.47 Assembly of God S S birthday offering Attica Kans
 1.47 Assembly of God Chapel Coleman Mich
 1.50 Christ's Ambassadors Chappell Nebr
 1.60 Assembly of God S S Humboldt Kans
 1.65 Polk Creek Assembly of God Poteau Okla
 1.75 Assembly of God Bethel Mission Melrose Oreg
 1.79 Assembly of God S S Attica Kans
 1.80 Full Gospel Assembly Elkton Oreg
 1.85 Assembly of God Caldwell Tex
 1.85 Assembly of God S S Bridgeport Tex
 2.00 Assembly of God S S Vernon Tex
 2.00 Gospel Tabernacle S S Minnewaukan N Dak
 2.09 Monticello Assembly S S and C A Class Monticello Ark
 2.00 Pentecostal Church Peach Wash
 2.00 Edge Hill S S Edge Hill Mo
 2.00 Angora Sunday School Angora Nebr
 2.00 Christ's Ambassadors Bethel Assembly of God Elkhart Ind
 2.00 Full Gospel Church S S Watts Calif
 2.00 Assembly of God S S Sapula Okla
 2.00 Assembly of God S S Cairo Ill
 2.15 Trinity Full Gospel Assembly Roodhouse Ill
 2.24 Full Gospel Assembly Skendery Calif
 2.37 Assembly of God S S Skellytown Tex
 2.40 Assembly of God Oswego Kans
 2.45 Glad Tidings Tabernacle St Charles Mo
 2.49 Tri City Park Church Granite City Ill
 2.50 Young People's Missionary Band Waynoka Okla
 2.50 Full Gospel Assembly Petaluma Calif
 2.50 Assembly of God Church Chanute Kans
 2.52 Assembly of God Loveland Colo
 2.60 Gospel Church Selridge N Dak
 2.85 Clarissa Assembly Clarissa Minn
 2.95 Assembly of God Electra Tex
 3.00 Full Gospel S S Palmer Nebr
 3.00 Assembly of God S S Drumright Okla
 3.00 Pentecostal Church and S S Sachse Tex
 3.00 Full Gospel Mission Half Moon Bay Calif
 3.00 Harpersfield S S Geneva Ohio
 3.00 Berean Class Ewing Mo
 3.00 Avant Assembly of God S S Avant Okla
 3.05 Community Sunday School Palo Alto Calif
 3.07 Mexican Women's Missionary Council San Antonio Tex
 3.11 Pentecostal S S Heppner Oreg
 3.23 Gerlane Assembly of God S S Gerlane Kans
 3.26 Christ's Ambassadors Columbus Ga
 3.40 West Tulsa S S and Assembly West Tulsa Okla
 3.40 Faithful Followers Class Full Gospel Tab'n Sacramento Calif
 3.50 Congregational Church San Juan Bautista Calif
 3.50 Assembly of God Terral Okla
 3.56 Assembly of God S S McComb Miss
 3.60 Bethel Assembly Valley Grove W Va
 3.60 Coulwood Busy Bee Band Coulwood Va
 3.60 Sunday School Central City Pa
 3.75 Assembly of God S S Whittier Calif
 3.90 Full Gospel Mission Coalinga Calif
 3.95 Assembly of God S S Florala Ala
 4.00 Sunday School Hornbeck La
 4.00 Assembly of God Lincoln Nebr
 4.00 Highway Church and S S Garibaldi Oreg
 4.00 Glad Tidings Assembly Hanford Calif
 4.00 Full Gospel Mission Livingston Calif
 4.00 Assembly of God Bristol Va
 4.00 Full Gospel Mission Hollister Calif
 4.01 Assembly of God S S Cyril Okla
 4.10 Pentecostal Full Gospel Assembly Thomaston Me
 4.31 Bethel Full Gospel Church and S S Stockton Calif
 4.37 Assembly of God S S Newcastle Tex
 4.40 Community Church Mosinee Wis
 4.48 Pentecostal Church La Mesa Calif
 4.50 Pentecostal S S Pasadena Tex
 4.50 Assembly of God Holliday Tex
 4.55 Assembly of God Galena Kans
 4.70 Lucas Gospel Tabernacle Lucas S Dak
 4.72 Tri City Park S S Granite City Ill
 4.73 Full Gospel Assembly Colfax Wash
 4.75 Sumas Pentecostal S S Sumas Wash
 4.81 Siletz Gospel Tabernacle Siletz Oreg
 4.99 Christ's Ambassadors Miller Assembly Hill City Kans
 5.00 Elm Street Chapel Waynoka Okla
 5.00 Assembly of God Jasonville Ind
 5.00 Oshkosh Gospel Tabernacle S S Oshkosh Wis
 5.00 Assembly of God Mission Emerson Nebr
 5.00 Pentecostal Tabernacle S S Lansing Mich
 5.00 Glad Tidings Mission Ceres Calif
 5.00 Boys' S S Class Irvington Pent'l Church Irvington N J
 5.00 Pentecostal Church McMinnville Oreg
 5.00 Full Gospel Tabernacle Raymond Wash
 5.00 Assembly of God S S Miami Okla
 5.00 Calvary Tabernacle Waynesboro Pa
 5.00 Assembly of God No Little Rock Ark
 5.00 Gospel Assembly Corinth N Dak
 5.00 Mossyrock Pentecostal S S Ajlune Wash
 5.00 East Side Gospel Mission Davenport Iowa
 5.00 Assembly of God Church Santa Anna Tex
 5.00 Missionary Prayer Band Assembly of God Pine Bluff Ark
 5.00 Young People's Society White Plains N Y
 5.00 Assembly of God Great Bend Kans
 5.05 Assembly of God Church Hattiesburg Miss
 5.07 Assembly of God Nacogdoches Tex
 5.20 Pleasant Hill Assembly Grant City Mo
 5.20 Exeter Assembly Exeter Calif
 5.27 Assembly of God Shawnee Okla
 5.28 Oak Park Holiness S S Tampa Fla
 5.30 Assembly of God First Pent'l Church Eaton Ohio
 5.50 North Peoria and Haskel Assembly Tulsa Okla
 5.50 Elk Street Assembly Eureka Springs Ark
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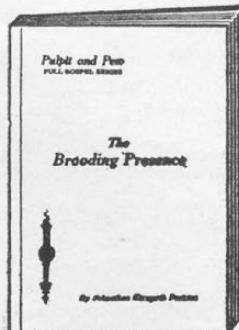


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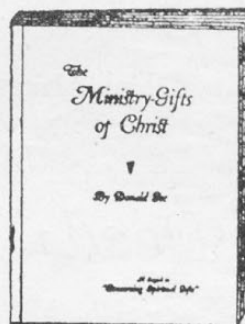


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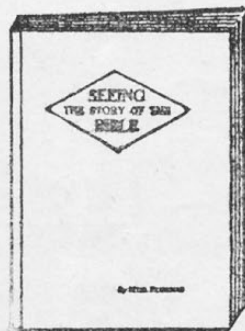
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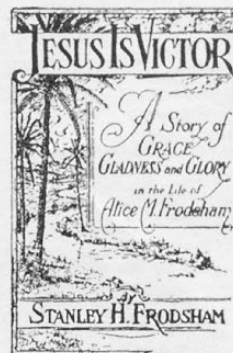


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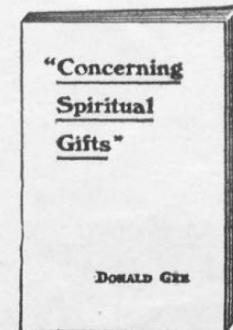


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