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A Song of Resurrection

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HE brought me up . . . out of an horrible pit, out of the miry clay, and set my feet upon a rock, and established my goings. *And he hath put a new song in my mouth.*" Psalm 40:2, 3.

Here we find a man crying to God out of "an horrible pit." A pit of horrors, indeed, for the original implies a place of "chaos, confusion, conflict, noise, tumult, dimness, darkness, disorder, despair, death and destruction." Rotherham translates it "the destroying pit," so all in it are doomed by the mere fact that they are there.

How did this man, who is typical of every man who has ever lived from Adam down, get there? Did God, who made him, put him there? *Never.* "The Lord God planted a garden eastward in Eden; and *there* he put the man whom he had formed. And out of the ground made the Lord God to grow every tree that is pleasant to the sight, and good for food." Genesis 2:8, 9.

I have gazed enraptured at gardens made by human hands, which were so beautiful that they literally took my breath away, but what must have been the exquisite loveliness of this garden, planted by the divine hand that put the shine into the stars, the majesty into the mountains, the sacred beauty into the dawn, the glory into the sunset, and tinted the petal of the rose!

Man had only to dwell there amidst noble trees, emerald green turf, gorgeous blossoms, flashing fountains, singing birds, beautiful, sleek animals, who fawned before him as their God-given head, and enjoy uninterrupted communion and fellowship with the Author of all this beauty, the Creator of the universe, and the Bestower of every good and perfect gift.

Whence then the pit?

It was Satan, that malign and mysterious being, once the "anointed cherub . . . upon the holy mountain of God" in the mineral Eden of the

twenty-eighth of Ezekiel, with every precious stone for his covering, whose heart was lifted up because of his beauty, and who corrupted his wisdom by reason of his brightness, who dug the pit of sin—rebellion against divine authority—and lured our first parents into his trap.

The bait was the knowledge of good and evil. The prize was won, but at what a cost! For Adam and Eve fell into the pit; and all their progeny, from that day to this, were born there. And from the pit there is no human way of escape.

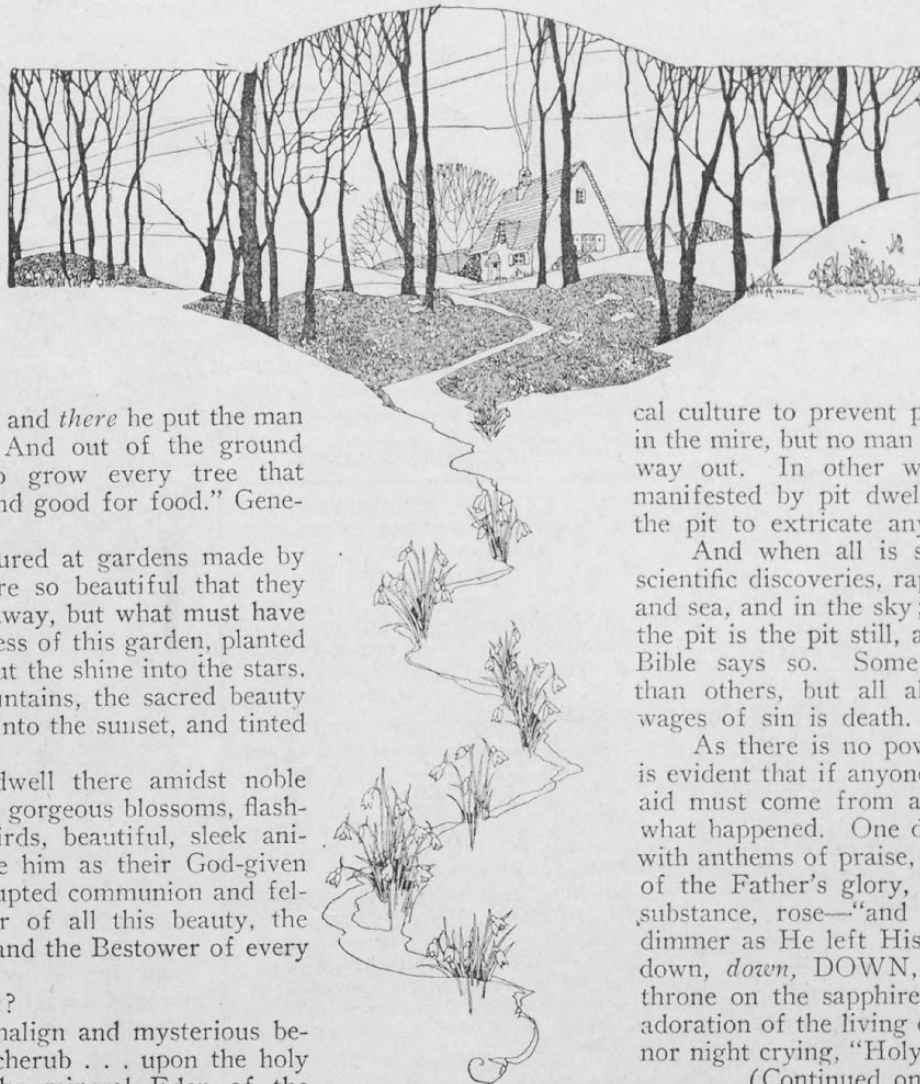
Men have sought out many inventions; embellish their pit dwellings with magnificent works of art, perfected systems of philosophy, even erected retaining walls, and laid down paving stones of ethical

culture to prevent people from sinking deeper in the mire, but no man has ever been able to find a way out. In other words, with all the genius manifested by pit dwellers, there is no power in the pit to extricate anyone from its depths.

And when all is said and done, in spite of scientific discoveries, rapid transportation on earth, and sea, and in the sky; radio, and other wonders; the pit is the pit still, and it is a horrible pit; the Bible says so. Some are deeper in the mire than others, but all alike have sinned, and the wages of sin is death.

As there is no power in the pit to deliver, it is evident that if anyone is to escape eternal doom, aid must come from above, and that is precisely what happened. One day while heaven resounded with anthems of praise, Jesus Christ, the effulgence of the Father's glory, and the expression of His substance, rose—"and the light in heaven grew dimmer as He left His Father's side"—and came, down, down, DOWN, from the rainbow circled throne on the sapphire pavement, down from the adoration of the living creatures who cease not day nor night crying, "Holy, Holy, Holy!" Down from

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God's Pilots

Donald Gee at General Council

OUR text is found in 1 Cor. 12:28, one word—"governments." The whole verse reads: "And God hath set some in the church; first apostles; secondarily, prophets; thirdly, teachers; after that, miracles; then gifts of healings, helps, governments, diversities of tongues."

I got interested in this office or ministry or gift, whatever you like to call it, not long ago and with my lexicon I began digging around and I was very interested to find that the word literally means *pilotage*. Pilots are persons who guide, and so really the gift of governments is the gift of piloting. So I am going to have a talk with pilots and those who want to be pilots.

The first gift of the Spirit that a pilot should have is the gift of discerning of spirits. Leaving that on one side for a moment we want to talk about some of the people in the church of God. The church of God is very much cumbered with backseat drivers. I am amazed at the people who are sure they have the gift of discernment, irresponsible people, dear old ladies, meddlesome men, and all sorts of people like that who are not pilots and not responsible for the passengers either before God or men. And yet, nevertheless, these people are quite sure that God has given them discernment for the government of the assembly. The church of God is not driven from the back seat!

Now let me talk to the drivers. In regard to this beautiful, literal meaning of the Greek word, in my travels all over the world I have had exceptional opportunity to study the word for piloting. Every ship must have a pilot. There are three things a pilot has to do. The analogy is very beautiful between the natural pilot and the spiritual pilot of the assembly. The first thing a pilot has to do is to avoid danger. He has to keep the vessel off the rocks and off the sunken wrecks. And we who are pilots in God's church have to keep the ship of God off the rocks. The second thing a pilot has to do is to keep the vessel in deep water. Good pilots know where the deep channels are and they keep the vessel in them, and we have to do the same. The third thing a pilot has to do is to steer the vessel to its desired destination.

I want to speak now about presiding, and especially about presiding over meetings. The government of the church as a whole is entrusted to a bigger office

than that of "governments," the office of the apostle. We are now thinking about the smaller meetings, the regular meetings of the church of God. Do you see why the gift of governments doesn't come first in the list of offices? For the obvious reason that until the apostles and prophets and teachers have done their work there is nothing for you to steer. You have to build the ship before you can pilot it. When assemblies have been planted and established then there comes the need of guiding and regulating the life and worship of the assembly. That is where this office comes in. Pilots preside over the meetings of the assembly. Let me say that one of the things I am hungry to see in our great worldwide fellowship (thank God for what I do see here and there) is the gift of Holy Ghost chairmanship. What a lovely thing real Holy Ghost chairmanship of our meetings is! There are still a few people in some places who don't believe in chairmanship at all. I went to a certain convention where they didn't believe in anybody taking the chair as "the Holy Ghost was there." Consequently the platform was left religiously vacant. The Holy Ghost was presumably in the chair, and the meeting was left open for everybody to do presumably "as the Holy Ghost should lead." But it seemed to work out a little different. People who had nothing to say said it and took a long while to do so. The first man to rush

to the platform was so afraid "the Holy Ghost wouldn't give him a chance" that he trod on the finger of a little child and set it to howling, and before we could hear the message "the Holy Ghost had given" the man, we had to stop the baby.

But I don't suppose there are very many who still hold that view. Most of us recognize the Scriptural plan that the Holy Ghost doesn't, as a rule, guide apart from man. I hope you see that. When the Lord wanted to guide Israel the Scripture says, "And the Lord said unto Moses." And I find that God guides the church through men, and I expect to see the leading of the Holy Spirit through the men that God puts in the position of pilots.

That makes the office of the pilot all the more responsible because we look to that man, and we have a right to look to him, to interpret the guidance and the leadings of the Holy Spirit in the meeting. If he is not doing it he is a failure. The measure of the success of the man of the ship is how far he interprets the leading of the Holy Spirit in the assembly. Let me say I do protest against putting a man in charge of the church who is not spiritual and who is inexperienced, especially in large meetings, camp meetings, and conventions. Whether you are the song leader, the preacher, or whatever you are you ought to be qualified for the position. If you are to be a pilot you ought to have taken out a pilot's certificate before you touch the wheel.

I was in a camp meeting once where I heard two of the responsible brethren talking together like this: "Let's see what we can do with young Brother So-and-So. He has come to the camp meeting and we must take some notice of him. We must give him something to do. We can't ask him to preach; he's not good enough. I know what we'll do. We'll ask him to lead the song service tonight." And so he was inflicted upon us. Is that the principle on which we are doing business for God? Whether you like it or not, I say, shame on us. Are we giving prominence to certain men who have so little humility that unless we make a fuss over them they get offended? I would like to believe that that young man wouldn't have given a snap if he hadn't been made a fuss over. What right have you to put any man in the place of pilot when that man has no experience or spiritual qualifications? Do you wonder that instead of getting into deep water we get into the shallowest of shallow mud?

Chairman is an important thing. You seem to think you can leave everything to the speaker. I have been in several meetings where the meeting has been ruined by incompetent chairmanship, and then when the chairman of that particular meeting has ruined all the preliminary part of the service, they insult you by

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asking you to get up and preach, and insult the Almighty by asking Him to bless when they have made it as difficult as they can for Him to do it. God give us a vision of Holy Ghost chairmanship, and the importance of having *everything* in the Spirit.

Now to come down from the general to the particular. Let us take those three things that I said were the work of the pilot and look at them in detail. First of all the pilot has to avoid danger. He has to keep the vessel in safe water. Certainly this is where we need as leaders of our meetings men with spiritual discernment. You know a real Pentecostal meeting is not like any other meeting in the world. Thank God for it. If it is, you are backslidden. And in a real Pentecostal meeting you never know what's going to happen next. If you do know what's going to happen next and everything is run by a program you are backslidden. I have been to assembly after assembly, and convention after convention, and camp meeting after camp meeting, and I find after the first night there I know exactly what will take place every night. I have been to places where they always start every meeting with two hymns. They always sit down for the first one and always stand up for the second. After the second hymn they always pray and they always call upon the minister present to lead in prayer. Then they sit down and have a message in song. They always have the collection, they always have the sermon, they always have an altar call, and they always go home. And you call that Pentecost! Oh, I love the meetings where we never know just what's going to happen next. I love the meetings that have the fresh touch of God upon them. I believe in order with all my heart, but I also believe in life. It is a grand thing sometimes to only sing one song, or start the meeting by reading one or two of the Psalms. And sometimes it is grand to sing six hymns. God help us to keep the touch of God on our meetings.

But let me say this word of warning. Whenever the Holy Ghost is having His way there is always room for the devil to manifest himself. I know some places where they have cut down and quenched the Spirit, not because they didn't want the Spirit to have His way, but because they were afraid of demon power, and they didn't know how to handle it. If you are going to pilot the ship you must be able to take care of situations that come up suddenly. If I could take you with me to some countries you would see a lot of demon power. Last year I saw things that would scare some people stiff. But God has given some pilots who are dealing with these problems. God give us men of wisdom. A girl came under demon power in a certain place, and they

took her out of the meeting to deal with her. Excellent! Some people would keep the fuss in the meeting. Cart them out like a sack of potatoes and deal with them outside. Always keep a lot of choruses ready for use in an emergency. Then you have the sacks all ready to smother it. You know very well that if I am on board a big ship and a fire breaks out in a cabin they don't ring the alarm and have fire drills and scare all the people and get the women into hysterics. They wouldn't be such fools. They quietly pick a few men and ninety-nine chances out of a hundred they put the fire out and nobody knows anything about it. Sometimes by the help of the Lord I have put out a fire in a meeting while the con-

Day of Humiliation and Prayer

Friday, December 1, 1933 has been set aside as a special day of humiliation and prayer throughout the whole Assemblies of God fellowship. We ask that every pastor shall co-operate in this special all day of prayer, and that all our Pentecostal friends gather on that day to humble themselves before God and beseech His mercies in sending a great worldwide revival.

gregation was singing, "This is like heaven to me."

If you are responsible for the the safe steering of the ship you have also to safeguard the doctrine that goes forth from your platform. This is where I thank God for the General Council fellowship. Recently I had two letters from Iowa. There was a fellow out there who was actually going around and telling the people that he knows me and has worked with me in England. He used my name as a wedge for getting in. I never heard of the man. After he has gotten into the assemblies and the harm is done they write to me to know whether I know him. That is a bit of piloting for you—let the ship get on the rocks before you make any inquiry. Why didn't they write to me at the first? When any preacher comes around wanting to get on your platform the first thing to do is to ask him for his credentials. I believe in ministerial credentials. I have mine with me and possibly you would like to see them. That was one of the reasons, after considerable hesitation, eight years ago I joined the Council fellowship, and I am very happy to be a member of it. I believe one of the benefits of the Council fellowship is that we can safeguard the doctrine that goes from our platforms. When people come wringing their hands to me with their tale of woe I say, "Why didn't you ask for his credentials?" They

say, "But he had such a charming personality. He had such wavy hair, such blue eyes, and a voice like music, and he said he had met Brother Evans or Brother Williams." I believe in letters of recommendation. I believe it is New Testament.

The second thing a pilot has to do is to keep the ship in deep water. That is so important. I remember once when I was on a great ocean liner going up the great St. Lawrence. Suddenly without any apparent need of it the pilot would give a turn and the vessel would go clean over to one side, and then over to the other side. We seemed to be taking a zig-zag course. That pilot knew where the deep water was and he kept us in it. Thank God for spiritual pilots who know where the deep water is. You will never bring a meeting into deep water if you haven't been in it yourself. You can't guide a meeting where you haven't been yourself. God give us men who are deep spiritually. It is a truism that the assembly is a reflection of its pastor.

As I go around the world I only have to be in an assembly a few days until that assembly has given me a photograph of the pastor, if he has been there long enough to impress his spirituality or lack of it upon the assembly. If you are shallow we can't expect anything from you but a shallow ministry. But our people are hungry for something deeper, and if some of you folks don't deepen you will be out of a job. I travel all over the world and my finger is on the pulse of our fellowship. Our people are hungry for a spiritual ministry, and I want to tell some of you who have only high pressure sort of stuff to give the people that the people are sick and tired of it. I know some of you hate me for saying these things, but I am saying them in love all the same. Pentecost stands for spirituality. When I go to some of your cities and see the subjects which you announce to preach on and the way you conduct your meetings I tell you I get a real pain in my heart. Lord, give us a vision of deeper spirituality. The crisis has come in the ministry, and God help us to arise to the occasion.

With regard to general meetings we have to learn that divine art of keeping the meeting in the Spirit. What a tremendous art that is! You need a spiritual gift to do it. A lot of us haven't learned how to differentiate between the soul and the spirit, between the psychic and the spiritual. May God bring us to the place where we will worship Him in Spirit and in truth. Thank God for the place of the soul and for emotions. When I hear exquisite music my soul is moved to its depths, and sometimes tears come into my eyes and I am not ashamed of them. I appreciate having a legitimate

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The Editor's Notebook



A Question of Questions

I heard Sylvester Horne say that at one time, when as a boy preacher he was giving forth the Word of God in the open air, he was interrupted by a man who asked, "Say, mister, what do you think of the Archbishop of Canterbury, who receives a salary of ten thousand pounds a year? And what do you think of the Pope of Rome, who gets as much as fifty thousand pounds a year?" Horne answered, "I am not a bit concerned about those two men and the salaries they get; the big question to you and to me is, 'What think ye of Christ?'" "Oh," said the heckler, "I take off my hat to that gentleman!"

The Son of the Living God

Our eternal destiny depends on a right answer to this question. A right thought and right attitude towards Christ will bring eternal life and bliss; but wrong thoughts and a wrong attitude toward Him will bring eternal death and damnation. You remember the question He Himself put to His disciples as they came in from a preaching tour and told what men were conjecturing concerning Him, "But whom say ye that I am?" The answer came from Peter, "Thou art the Christ, the Son of the living God." This was a revelation that Peter had from on High. And later Peter told the Sanhedrin concerning this same Jesus of Nazareth whom they crucified, whom God raised from the dead, "There is none other name under heaven given among men whereby we must be saved."

The Christ of the Bible

I once heard Dr. R. A. Torrey preach on "The Christ of the Bible." Introducing his subject, he said, "I am not going to talk of the Christ of Christian Science, nor the Christ of Theosophy, nor the Christ of Unity, nor the Christ of the Modernists, for you will find that the Christ of these people is entirely different from the Christ of the Bible." Straightway he gave us the most blessed message of the Christ who died for our sins according to the Scriptures, who was buried, who arose again the third day according to the Scriptures, and who is coming again.

A False Conception

One day I listened to a spiritualist talking in the open air. He stated that he had a clinic, numbers of sick people coming to him, that he laid his hands on them and many were healed. Opportunity was given for questions and I asked

him whether, when he laid his hands on the sick, he said the words spoken in Mark 16:17, 18. He did not know what these words were and so I quoted them to him, "In my name . . . they shall lay hands on the sick, and they shall recover." He answered, "Oh, I always say, 'In the name of the Christ, the Truth, be healed!'" When I further questioned him, I soon perceived he knew practically nothing concerning the Lord Jesus Christ and that he esteemed more highly the words of deceptive demons impersonating the departed, than those of the peerless Son of God. To this spiritualist, Jesus was a mere man whom he considered "an excellent medium," and to him "the Christ" was just "the truth" that they, the spiritualists held. I warned this man and all the spiritualists with him that what they called "the truth" was the deadliest of deadly errors against which God's holy Word warned with no uncertain sound.

"Behold Your God"

To get right thoughts concerning Christ, we must go to God's Book, the Bible; for only there can we find what God has revealed concerning Him. In the 40th chapter of Isaiah the prophet tells of a forerunner who was coming to "prepare the way of the Lord." He was to lift up his voice and to declare to the cities of Judah, "Behold, your God!" Isa. 40:9. That is what God the Father says concerning Him, declaring also the same truth in Psalm 45:6 and Heb. 2:8, "Unto the Son He saith, Thy throne, O God, is forever and ever." And so the forerunner coming, declared concerning Him, "He shall baptize you with the Holy Ghost," a thing only God could do. Skeptical Thomas held out long, but when he was invited to put his fingers into the nail prints in the side of the risen Son of God he declared, "My Lord, and my God!" "What think ye of Christ?" Do you acknowledge Him as "the mighty God?" Isa. 9:6.

"Behold Your King"

Turn to the prophet Zechariah and see the revelation he gives concerning Christ, "Behold, thy King cometh unto thee: he is just, and having salvation; lowly, and riding upon an ass," a prophecy literally fulfilled in the days of Christ's flesh. Pilate asked Him, "Art thou a king then?" To this He replied, "To this end was I born." After He was risen from the dead the disciples realized that the words of the second Psalm had been fulfilled, for truly the kings of the earth had gathered themselves against the Lord

and against His Christ. In that Psalm we read Jehovah's decree concerning His Son, "Yet have I set my king upon my holy hill of Zion," to whom He says, "Ask of me, and I shall give thee the nations for thine inheritance, and the uttermost parts of the earth for thy possession." Christ was born to be a King and His kingdom is assured. Faith even now can see the completed picture and shouts triumphantly, "The Lord reigneth!" To Daniel was given a vision of Christ as Son of Man, coming to the Ancient of Days, and "there was given him dominion, and glory, and a kingdom, that all people, nations, and languages, should serve him: his dominion is an everlasting dominion, which shall not pass away, and his kingdom that which shall not be destroyed." Dan. 7:14. "What think ye of Christ?" Is He your King to whom you yield loyal and loving service?

"Behold, the Lamb!"

John the Baptist pointed to Jesus and declared, "Behold, the Lamb of God which taketh away the sins of the world." Before we could become the right kind of subjects for the heavenly kingdom, we must first be washed, and cleaned from our sin, for no unrighteous person can enter into His kingdom. And there on the cross of Calvary Christ bore our sins, the just for the unjust, that He might bring us to God. He came first of all to be our Saviour, to purge us from our sins, to make us new creatures, righteous and holy citizens of the righteous and holy kingdom of our God. Alas, there are thousands of people who are thoroughly satisfied with their own righteousness, and they say, "Believe what you like, it does not matter. It is living rightly that counts." That is the popular philosophy that comes from the pit. We are never right until we believe aright in the uplifted Son of God bearing our sins in His own body on the tree. It is written, "As Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, even so must the Son of man be lifted up; that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life . . . he that believeth on him it not condemned: but he that believeth not is condemned already." It does matter what we believe. And it is impossible for a dead man, a man who is "dead in trespasses and sins" to "live rightly." Have you taken this Christ of Calvary to be the Saviour of your manifold sins?

"Behold, the Bridegroom"

Just one more thought. Our Lord gave us a parable in which we see Him coming at the midnight hour. The word goes forth, "Behold, the Bridegroom!" He will come for His church as a Bridegroom. A day will come when the word will go forth in heaven, "Let us be glad and

rejoice, and give honor to Him, for the marriage of the Lamb is come, and His wife hath made herself ready." What is the outstanding thing in a true bride? Her garments? By no means, even though she has been very careful concerning them. *The outstanding characteristic of a true bride is her love for the one of her choice.* Said an old friend of mine, "I did not marry my wife to wash my dishes. Incidentally in our long and happy married life there has been much dishwashing, for by her love she always

seems delighted to serve. No, we came together because we had a great and beautiful love one towards another." There is no doubting Christ's love towards us. Calvary is the gauge of that love. But the question is, Is Christ the object of your intense and continuous love? Do you often say to Him as did the man after God's own heart, "I will love Thee, O Lord, my strength"? Is your love for Him like that of a pure bride? Is He "All in all" to thee? Answer me, "What think ye of Christ?"

Stagnation

We read in the *Baptist New Yorker*: "For the past ten years and more in New York State over 40% of the Baptist churches have not reported a single accession to membership on confession of faith and baptism." Surely there is need of Habakkuk's prayer: "O Lord, revive Thy work." Hab. 3:2.

An Interesting Forecast

H. G. Wells, world-famous novelist and historian has written a book in which he makes some daring speculations concerning the future. The following are some of his predictions. He foresees a collapse of civilization. Life in Europe becomes so insecure that no woman leaves home unescorted. Politicians have to wear armour under their garments. Standards are lowered everywhere. After a time of unparalleled depression, a terrible war breaks out. After this, a Socialist World State is proclaimed under a dictatorship. Religion is suppressed, and an Act of Uniformity is passed declaring that there shall be only one faith in the world, which will be the moral expression of the world community.

Naturally, Mr. Wells bases his speculations on *observation of present conditions and trends*, and in predicting a world dictatorship he is corroborating the inspired prediction of Revelation 13.

Hitler and Communism

While we cannot approve of Hitler's treatment of the Jews we feel thankful that he has delivered his nation from the horrors of Communism. The *Evangelical Christian* quotes the following from a letter by Pastor Ernst Modersohn, one of Germany's greatest evangelists:

"During the past months God has done great things among our people. We did not realize what an abyss we faced, nor how great the danger of falling into it. At the last moment God helped and gave us the new government. Just in time! Everywhere black lists were found giving names of leaders and Christians who were to be murdered first. My name was on such a list. Certainly these plans would have been carried out if Communism had been allowed to lift its head in Germany, and the country would have become a field of ruins and a heap of corpses. In the very last hour God gave Chancellor Adolph Hitler as a deliverer. With a strong hand he quenched the revolt. Outwardly Communism is finished. How far it is inwardly overcome is a question, but we are grateful that through God's visible interference the days of grace have been prolonged. During the last years I had counted that Communism would bring us Antichristdom and our martyrdom would come. Now I believe we shall have a little more time of grace which we will use to the utmost in the service of our God."

The Passing and the Permanent

A Review of Current Life and Thought in the Light of Scripture

God in Man's Image

General Balbo, Italy's air chief, is reported to have said: "I think of Premier Mussolini as a god." A striking illustration of the hero-worship tendency in human nature that will make easy the worship of the Superman.

The End in Sight

Said Mr. Baldwin, former Premier of Britain: "I have never disguised my own view that another war in Europe will be the end of the civilization we know." What the Word describes as "the end of the age," modern men describe as "the end of civilization."

War Clouds

"Rumors of wars" continue to remind us that we are nearing the crisis of the age. According to *Time*:

"In Washington earnestly pacific Secretary of State Cordell Hull told correspondents that, without giving up hope, he 'shuddered to contemplate' the situation created by Germany's withdrawal from the Disarmament Conference.

"War Minister Rudolf Minger marched into a session of the Swiss National Council (House of Representatives) and declared, 'It has come to my knowledge that a German plan exists for the invasion of Switzerland.'"

Bible Mutilators

Hudson Taylor wrote his most spiritual book, *Union and Communion*, upon the theme of the Song of Solomon. The Song of Solomon has been eliminated from the new *Short Bible* just published by the University of Chicago. The reason given is that this book is "non-religious." The same fate has come to Lamentations, Obadiah, Malachi, 2 Peter, 2 and 3 John and Jude. Other books have also suffered from heavy mutilation.

Joseph Parker in his last published address complained of the many things the Modernist critics had taken away from the Bible, and finished with the words, "They have taken away my Lord, and I know not where they have laid Him."

A New Day for Israel

Said Nahum Sokolow, President of the Zionist organization (quoted in *Prophecy*): "We have arrived at a new stage of our development. A change must be brought about in the relations of the world with us; what has been cannot continue." Israel's crisis, like the world-crisis, is very near. The time of change is coming.

Romanism Rampant

The Catholic party in the Church of England recently held a celebration. Mass was celebrated on a massive altar, and at the elevation of the Host to the sound of trumpets, 50,000 people—the largest religious assembly ever held in England—knelt to worship. Modernism in Protestant churches is driving people either to atheism or to Catholicism—either to faith in nothing or to faith in anything.

Jewish Retaliation

The World Zionist Congress recently voted down a proposed boycott of Germany and instead invoked the aid of the nations in colonizing German Jews in Palestine. But that did not suit those Jews who favored a more forceful stand. According to *Literary Digest*, the American Jewish Congress and the Assembly of Orthodox Rabbis took the following action.

"After two large black candles were lit and three blasts blown on the shofar, or ram's horn, Rabbi B. A. Mendelson of Newark read the 'charem,' or boycott decree. 'From today on,' he said, 'we are to refrain from dealing in all basic materials such as metal, textiles, etc., made in Germany and which come to us from the Nazis.'"

It seems that the Jews are making a mistake in retaliating against Germany. One of the greatest catastrophes that befell the Jewish nation—the destruction of Jerusalem in 70 A. D.—was due to the fact that the nation attempted to solve their national problem by fighting against Rome. John the Baptist and the Lord Jesus had pointed the right way—repentance toward God.

The Gospel in Foreign Lands

A Chief and His Tribe Turn to Christ

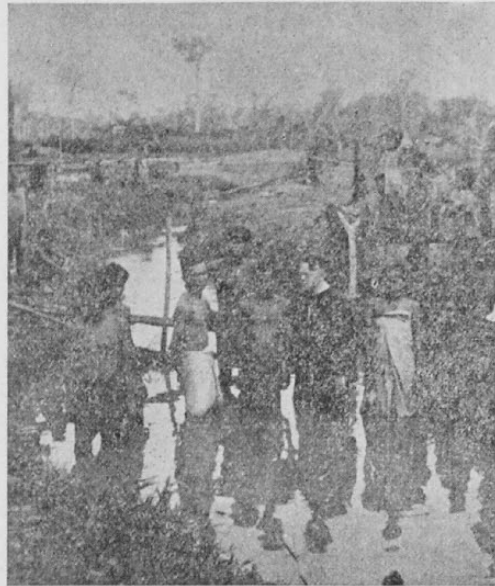
By Cecil M. Jackson

Centuries of groping in darkness; nineteen hundred years without the Christ of Calvary—such is the history of the Sakai, short, lithe, dark brown aborigines of the Malayan Jungle. Until eighteen months ago not a single ray of the sunlight of God's love had penetrated the dense forest to enlighten the hearts of these nomads as they roamed the hills, the valleys, and waste places. No song to cheer as their tireless feet padded silent jungle trails, no friend to encourage the heart and guide the life into celestial channels, no other refuge but the trees, no hiding place but the dark impenetrable thicket. Literally forgotten—but not by God.

God had his time and his man. For several years in the Dutch East Indies the Lord was preparing a Batik boy whose grandparents were head-hunters to blaze the gospel trail to the Sakai. This boy, Brother Napitoepeoloe, became a teller in a Dutch bank. Later he was saved and filled with the Holy Spirit and called to be the first missionary to the Sakai. He is sent out by our local church, without any stipulated salary, choosing a simple life of faith and trust in the Lord Jesus. God has already set his seal upon our brother's ministry by giving him many souls among these long neglected tribes.

Today the silence and darkness of the ages is broken by the Hallelujahs of a tribe turned to Christ. The chief no longer leads his people in endless wanderings but is ever pointing them to Calvary, blessed Calvary where he himself found the Satisfier of his longing. This leader of men and over a score of his tribe have been wonderfully saved, and many score more are turning to Him who gave Himself for the world. From his sick bed the chief gave orders to members of his tribe to be baptized and expressed deep sorrow in having to postpone his own baptism until a later date.

A few days ago Brother McKinney, who was visiting from Hong Kong, and I drove many miles by car, rode eight miles on mule back and walked several miles more amid the roar of thunder and flash of lightning through a driving rain to meet our brethren of the forest, and to witness the first baptismal service ever held in the history of the Sakai. At the time we did not realize that the tropical storm which so thoroughly drenched us was an act of Providence. There had not been rain for two months and water was scarce, but the Lord sent the torrents of



First baptismal service ever held for the Sakai tribe, Straits Settlements. Brother Jackson is shown ready to baptize the assistant chief.

rain just in time to swell the dry streams and provide ample water for the service.

I was indeed thrilled as I stepped down into the stream with Brother Napitoepeoloe and placed the assistant chief beneath the water to lift him again as a testimony to the wondrous saving grace of the Lord Jesus. So it was with twenty



The 24 Sakais who were baptized. To the left of Brother Jackson is Brother Napitoepeoloe, the native worker who helped bring the light to this tribe.

three other men and women, the first-fruits of a hitherto forgotten race. Brother Napitoepeoloe has influenced them to give up their nomadic lives and settle in the valley. He is teaching them farming.

In the village we have a school and chapel combined, where over thirty children and adults come daily to learn to read the Bible and hear the story of the Cross. Brother McKinney and I spent many happy moments listening to the children in their own language sing, "It is glory just to walk with Him," and many other familiar hymns. Before taking our leave we knelt with members of the tribe and commended them afresh to God.

Finally brethren pray for the Sakai. They come to us sick and afflicted and without clothing. Our forces and funds are inadequate, but with your co-operation, and by the grace of God we mean to press on and possess the land.

Hurricane Destroys Assembly

Word comes to us from Brother H. C. Ball that the great hurricane which swept over Southern Texas September 4th and 5th completely demolished the church building of the San Benito assembly. The picture, which Brother Ball took a week after the storm, shows the ruins of the building. Members of the assembly gathered the boards up from where they had been scattered over a city block. The pastor, Estanislado Flores, is seen standing in the middle of the pile of boards holding the sign "Assembly of God". The other houses are Mexican shanties that had been hastily rebuilt or repaired.

"The hurricane damaged every building in San Benito and Harlingen to some extent. The majority of our brethren around San Benito, Harlingen, Rio Hondo, and Brownsville lost their homes and the most of their earthly possessions. A hard winter faces them, as the fruit crop was almost entirely ruined. Two of our churches in other cities were badly damaged but they can be repaired without outside help. The San Benito assembly cannot be rebuilt from the old material. Let us trust the Lord together and do all we can to encourage and help these faithful Mexican saints to rebuild their little place of prayer and praise."

In Need

Our Mexican brethren have not been the only ones to suffer from these terrible storms. A letter from Brother W. B. Lane, one of our Council preachers, tells of the complete ruin of the church

buildings at Harlingen and Rio Hondo, Texas. Many people have been left homeless and in great need of clothing and the necessities of life. If any would be willing to help in sending relief to our brethren we shall be pleased to reforward the same through the District officary for distribution.

Cash offerings should be sent to the Missionary Secretary, but gifts of clothing should be sent to W. B. Lane, Donna, Texas.

Where Satan's Seat Is

James and Anna Andrews

Ho-Ching is the very seat of heathendom in this part of Yunnan. Just what Athens was to the Greeks, so is Ho-Ching to this district. Within the city there are 17 large temples; around it are 163; and there are about 300 smaller temples. Families are joined into clans and have their own private temples besides the public places of idol worship. It is in the middle of such a clan we have opened a gospel hall.

There are ten factories which employ great numbers of men day and night to beat out lead to be made into paper money for worship, while scores of men, women, and children paste this lead on paper ready to be sold to the poor, benighted people who believe that it will redeem their souls from hell. The poor trust the idols for their daily bread and the rich seek to enrich themselves on the ignorance of the poor people. It is a boast that three years in the trade makes a man rich. Is it any wonder that we have had a fight to get the gospel started here, where Satan's seat is? Years ago the plans of the mission were frustrated and this place was given up as unfruitful ground, but I dare not give it up till God has, even though the enemy has tried hard to do so again.

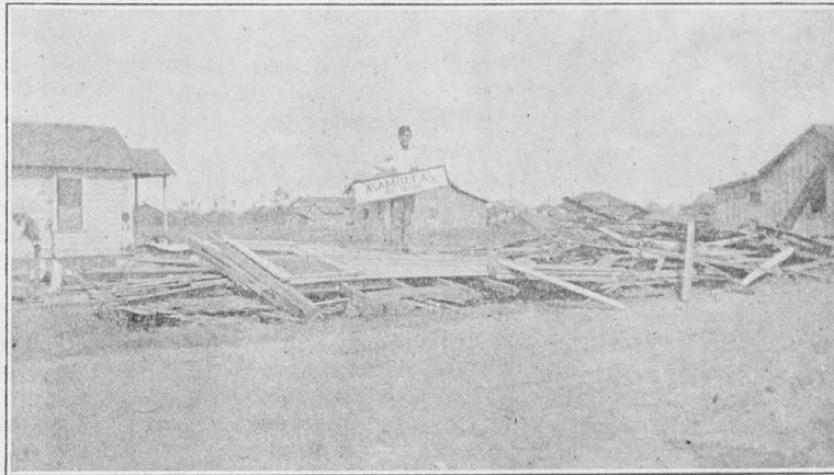
Even now during the late hours of the night the city is ringing like mad with people shouting as if possessed, and chanting until the whole place is alive with infernal spirit. Children's voices are mingled with those of adults screaming to frighten the evil spirits away. What an unholy atmosphere for a child! My friend, to what extent does your salvation and knowledge of Christ benefit this poor people for whom Christ died? What heed have you given to His last command "Go," spoken in resurrection breath as if to remind us that this command can never die. What shall your answer be on the resurrection morning?

As the meeting opened the people gath-

ered well and their idea of our teaching must have been very poor. They must have thought us one of the many cults of religion, for I found a woman down on her hands and knees in worship before our pulpit. Our first meeting lasted for about four hours and the people listened with great interest. They consented to all we said, and now we are happy to report that we have a witness for God in Ho Ching and the Lord has raised up a native worker to take charge and continue the work.

Needs of Sharannagar Mission

Our Sister Esther Harvey writes to tell us of the development in her work along evangelistic and also industrial lines which is most encouraging. Around Christmas time they are planning a special campaign to reach as many of the surrounding villages with the gospel as possible. The slogan adopted in the mission is "A Gos-



All that is left of the Mexican Assembly of God Church in San Benito, Texas

pel in the hands of every one in the district who can read." Prior to undertaking this campaign there are to be three days of prayer, then the workers will divide into four or five bands and journey from one village to another sowing the Word of God. They will live very largely in tents during the campaign. Let us pray that God will bring many souls into the truth from this work. Sister Harvey is also endeavoring to press the native Christians into greater responsibility for the carrying on of the work. One of her leading workers fitly expressed the situation when he said to a native congregation, "We Indian Christians are like a lot of babies. We have been fed with a spoon thus far and have expected the missionaries to do everything for us, but now the time has come when we must stand on our own feet and get grounded, take responsibility, and stand together to make our work self supporting."

In order to help them in this the mission is being furnished with the necessary

equipment for weaving, canning, etc. In this way the people will make the cloth for their clothing, and also help in reducing the cost of their maintenance. During this time of readjustment the mission is having considerable financial difficulty. Pray that our sister's needs may be met both for her personal support and also for the work.

A Door of Opportunity

Mrs. Mary Taylor writes from Japan, "We have found an open door without a church. After we had gathered together a Sunday school of over 50 children on the seashore, we received an invitation to come and speak to the grown-ups. We found over 300 people waiting, seated on mats under the trees in the center of the village. Our hearts were thrilled as they drank in the words of eternal life.

"One of the homes has been offered to us, if we will come again and hold meetings. We desire much prayer as we enter this open door. Not only this one village but many others along the shores of the beautiful Inland Sea are waiting for the Light. "The brother of one of our girls ran away from home and came to our 'Door of Hope' in Kobe. He was converted and baptized, returned home and is now a shining light in the village. His father is delighted in the change in his life."

"Suffer the Little Children to Come Unto Me"

A pathetic appeal comes from Brother Woolever in India, for the support of eight-year-old Abinash, an orphan. He is in Brother Frank Nicodem's school for the training of boys, but it will not be possible for him to remain longer unless same one will undertake his support. The one who formerly supported him has found it impossible to continue so, unless someone responds to this call, he will have to be separated from his two brothers and will be returned to his old surroundings. We are trusting the Lord to lay this need upon the heart of someone. \$3.00 per month will be sufficient to keep little Abinash in school and Christian surroundings. Send your offering to the Foreign Missions Department, and state that it is for the support of Abinash in Brother Nicodem's school.

Brief Notes from Far and Near Trujillo, Peru

"The work is going ahead and God is (Continued on Page Fifteen)

"I Am the Lord that Healeth Thee"

Healed When Near Death

While in meetings at Byesville, Ohio, March 1932, I was stricken with intestinal flu. The second week my heart and nerves collapsed. A nurse from that assembly cared for me, and twice the deacons were called in to pray when my heart had well nigh ceased to function. God in a very marked way undertook. This lady (who for twenty-five years had nursed patients having all kinds of diseases) said that in all of her experience, she had never seen anyone as near death, and yet live. In the natural I was beyond help. Both times when I so nearly passed away, even if a physician had been sent for and had come at once, she stated that I would have died before he could have gotten there. I had sent a telegram to my Assembly and the Bible school at Dayton, Ohio, for prayer, and I am indeed grateful for their faithfulness.

Even after His life-giving touch, I remained very weak and ill, but not impatient nor anxious, for my Heavenly Father had given such assurance that He would complete the work. He seemed to whisper over and over to me, "Fear not, only trust in Me. I still have work for you to do," and I was able to truly rest in Him.

On March 29th, I was taken to Sister Price's home in Zanesville, where it was more quiet. The nurse went with me. It was surely God who so arranged that I might have this godly woman's care and prayers. I gained strength very slowly, and by April 10th (after nearly five weeks sickness) I was able to walk across the room and sit up two or three times a day for short periods, but still unable to so much as wash my face or comb my hair.

During my illness, I had no physician or medical aid.

On this day (Sunday, April 10th) I was unusually nervous and having had company, was weary beyond endurance, and had asked to be left alone so I could rest. Late in the afternoon, I consented to their coming into my room to pray, providing they do so quietly and leave without talking afterwards. I asked to be helped up in a chair while they were praying, but felt such an urge to kneel, too. I did, and led in prayer, not praying for myself (only to pray "Lord, out of my weakness into Thy strength"), but was burdened for souls. As I prayed, I became stronger. After I finished praying, I arose and sat in the chair, and for three hours God's mighty power surged through my being until I was unable to

move most of that time, while praise unto God continually flowed through my lips, with the Spirit and with the understanding. Those around marvelled at God's mighty presence and realized that He was undertaking, but excepting myself, none seemed to know that the healing was completed. The Lord gave several messages and interpretations, rebuking us for the lack of praise and unbelief when He had finished the work. He also encouraged our hearts and urged us to tell others of His soon coming.

After a time of weeping and rejoicing before Him who had wrought such a mighty miracle, I told them I was going to dress and eat supper with them, which I did. And then until eleven o'clock, we sang praises unto Him. When going upstairs, I had to marvel, as I never stopped for rest, and it didn't seem possible in such a short time one could have such abundant strength. Praise God for such a Wonderful Saviour and Healer.

For more than twelve years I have entirely trusted in my Lord for healing. Though some were serious afflictions, and one of long standing, *He healed me of all*. Yet this one was so very different from any of the others. No one anointed me nor prayed definitely for my healing—Jesus just seemed to walk into our midst and healed me in such a wonderful way. Again we have proven that He will not fail them who put their trust in Him. Our blessed Lord surely doeth all things well.—Mrs. Anna E. Kelso, 916 Catalpa Ave., Dayton, Ohio.

I wish to say that I nursed our dear Sister Kelso during her serious illness, and can endorse every word of her testimony. I witnessed her marvelous healing—a precious scene I can never forget.—Lethe E. Hosick (Nurse).

A year has passed and our Sister Kelso seems to be in good condition physically. At the present time, she is in an evangelistic campaign at Saginaw, Michigan. The Lord has done great things for her whereof we are glad.—A. B. Cox, Pastor.

A Bad Burn Healed

October 4, 1932 my feet were so badly burned that when the burned flesh came off the bone, in each great toe was uncovered; the cord in one instep was uncovered and visible; on the ankle it was burned to the bone. Brother H. A. Baines of Petoskey with some of his flock came at different times and prayed for me. Each time there was decided improvement. No doctor was allowed to touch my feet although one was allowed to see them. The Lord filled in the hole

in the instep, covered with flesh the bones in the toes after the tip of each bone broke off of its own weight; and healed the sore spots, entirely without medical or surgical aid. My feet are not stiff in any way and they seem to have as much spring in them as they ever had. I can not only walk without discomfort but run and use my feet in any normal way. Brother Baines' address is 501 Charlevoix Avenue, Petoskey, Michigan.—Lloyd Roberts, 934 West State Street Sheboygan, Mich.

Ed. note. Below the above testimony Pastor H. A. Baines writes:

"Of all of our experience of over twenty years in seeing and praying for many sick and different kinds of burns, this was the worst one I have ever witnessed. Mortification having set in and the stench being so terrible, it would have frightened anyone if looked at in the natural; but we looked up to the great I Am, and He heard. Hallelujah! I can truthfully say, These sayings are true, and it is impossible to describe it as it really was."

A Pair of Healings

Eight years ago I was greatly afflicted with inflammatory rheumatism which, notwithstanding all the doctoring and drugs, finally got so bad I had to be turned in bed. I called on a Brother and Sister of whom I heard, to pray for me. When they prayed and laid hands on me, I was instantly healed, got up and found myself free from pain and disease. It has never returned. I sought the Baptism then, but seeing others who claimed to have it living careless lives I became critical and failed the Lord. Two years ago the dear Lord had to deal with me again. He allowed me to become very sick with nervousness and nervous chills with complete loss of appetite. I had three doctors but was nothing bettered. I got so weak that I was in bed nearly all of the time. I finally called for prayer. Brother and Sister Goodwin came and anointed me and prayed for me. I felt the wonderful healing power go all through me and I was delivered. I went into the kitchen and for the first time since I had taken sick I was hungry. I fried two eggs and some meat and had a real supper. That is now two years ago and I am still strong and well.—Mrs. H. C. Kleiwer, 1227 L Street, Reedley, Calif.

Jonahs need only to walk down to the seaside and find ships ready to take them away from their duty toward God and their fellow man, and somehow they can always pay their fare. But a Paul on a message for God finds hindrances, perils, shipwrecks, hunger, thirst, cold and nakedness, and the devil in the way. Fair winds are not always God's way.—James Andrews of Yunnan, China.

A Remarkable Healing

In 1931 I was stricken with illness and was confined to my bed for fourteen weeks, developing nine different diseases, as follows: Heart enlarged to twice its natural size, high blood pressure, diabetes, kidney trouble, dropsy, ulcerated varicose veins, rheumatism, constant headaches, and a cancer. I lost so much blood for five weeks that I was almost bloodless and seemingly in a dying condition. I called for prayer finally and on June 5, 1931 Brother McShane and others prayed for my healing. When Brother McShane laid his hands on me it seemed to me that water flowed through the pores of my body like a fountain. At five o'clock that evening a cancer dropped out of my body. Next morning the blood stopped and I was healed completely. I stepped out of bed, went about twenty miles in a car, and was on my knees for an hour and a half at a prayer meeting.—Helen Marsh, 15 1st Avenue, Huntington Sta., L. I., N. Y.

Ed. note. To make this remarkable testimony as convincing as possible we wrote to Brother McShane about Sister Marsh's healing. August 25, 1933 he wrote us about this healing testimony, as follows: "Her healing is one of the miracles of our Lord Jesus. She is now up and around and enjoying the best of health to my knowledge." Pastor McShane, 151 Gates Avenue, Brooklyn, New York.

Healed of T. B.

In July, 1929, I took my bed with T. B. I had just been saved and did not know the Lord as Healer. I called the doctor and he took 84 fluid ounces of fluid off my left lung. The heart had been pressed out of place, and adhesions had taken place which all the exercises the doctor prescribed could not release. I could not rise up in bed. About four months after being stricken down I called for prayer. Some sisters came and laid their hands on my chest and prayed. I felt as if fire were going through my lung, and I knew I was healed. All high temperature passed away at once, and I began to improve. In about a month I began to do my own work, and I have done it ever since. On this August 25th, 1933 I have no T. B. symptoms. Mrs. Fenton L. Jones.

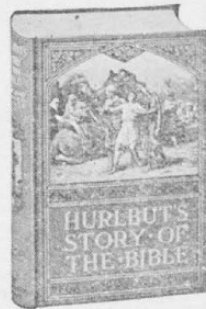
Ed. note. Attached to the above testimony is the following: "Enclosed you will find a testimony of healing of a member of my assembly. I know this testimony is true." John F. Sly, Pastor, Route 3, Windsor, Va.

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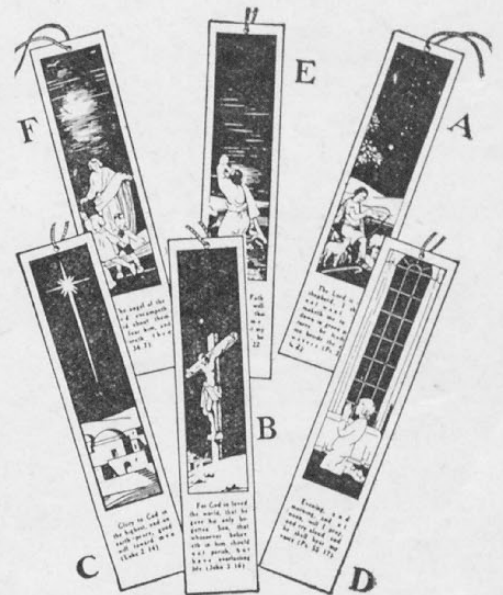


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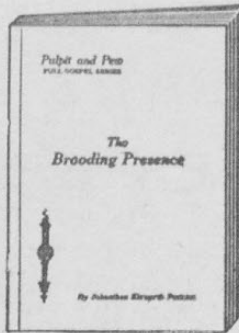
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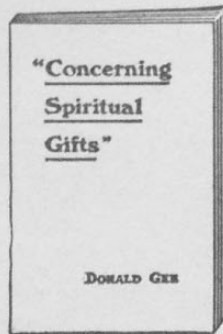
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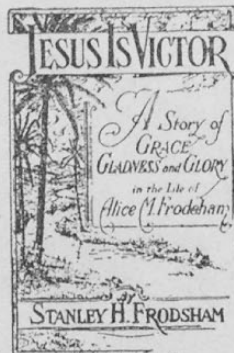
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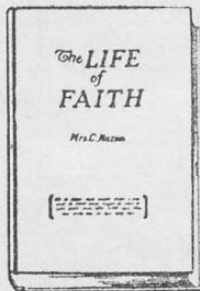
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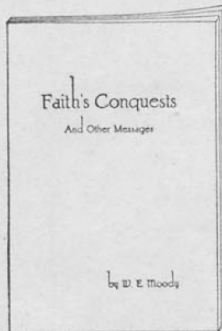
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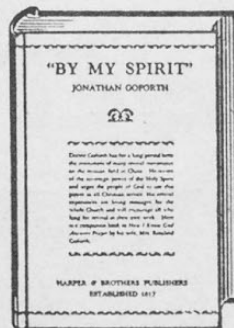
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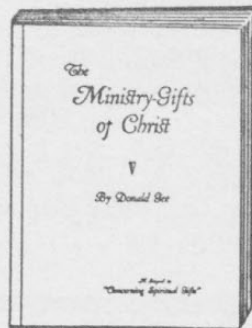


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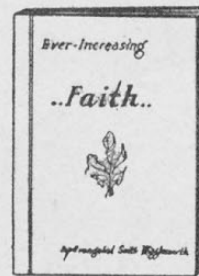
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The Jewish Problem Outlined

Recent events in Germany have again brought to the minds of thinking people the age-long Jewish problem. We may state that problem as follows: living in many countries there is an alien nation having its own laws, religion, and customs, refusing to mingle with their neighbors and sooner or later becoming a source of irritation to them. How to get rid of them? That was Pharaoh's problem (Ex. 1:8-10); Haman was bothered by it (Esther 3:8); and today Hitler thinks he is solving it.

Let us consider the following possible means for getting rid of this strange people.

I. ELIMINATION.

1. *Elimination by destruction.* Many have tried this method, and have failed. The Jew is indestructible—but not so his persecutors!

2. *Elimination by absorption.* In spite of intermarriages, freedom of social intercourse, etc., the Jew still remains indestructible.

3. *Elimination by expulsion.* England, and Spain tried it, but the Jew was invited to return. This method has failed.

II. SEGREGATION.

That is, by separating him from the Gentiles.

1. *Hostile segregation.* In the Middle Ages the Jew was compelled to live in a special section of town known as the Ghetto. The compulsory Ghetto has passed. Besides, this method leaves a sense of injustice and has therefore been condemned. It has failed.

2. *Friendly segregation.* By this we mean that the nations of the world will recognize that the Jews, no matter where they may be born constitute a separate nation whose problems can only be solved by their possessing a land of their own. It means that the nations shall co-operate in sending them back to the Holy Land. Isa. 65:19, 20.

The last mentioned is the Bible solution to the Jewish problem. The Jews will be restored to Palestine by the Lord Himself and all the nations of the world will honor them and recognize them as a great nation. Ezek. 37:20-28.

M. P.

Saved from the Jaws of a Tiger

Yan Oi, a Chinese Christian woman, tells of the protecting power of God and how, by obeying His voice, she was saved from a horrible death.

She says that one day she and another lady in her village were to go out together on the mountain side to gather wood and grass. Somehow she felt an urge to first go into her secret closet and pray. While she remained in prayer, the other grew impatient with waiting and

went on ahead. Yan Oi committed herself to the Lord's tender care and started out to follow her companion. She had hardly reached the edge of the village when she began to see pieces of clothing and a trail of blood that told all too well the sad story that her friend had been carried off by a tiger, and finally part of her body was found up on the mountain slope. How we should praise God for His tender keeping of His own blood-washed ones!

Whither Civilization?

Writes Dr. Joseph Collins, author and lecturer: "If the trend of world progress continues during the next generation as it has in the last, there will scarcely be a record of our civilization except what one might find in libraries."

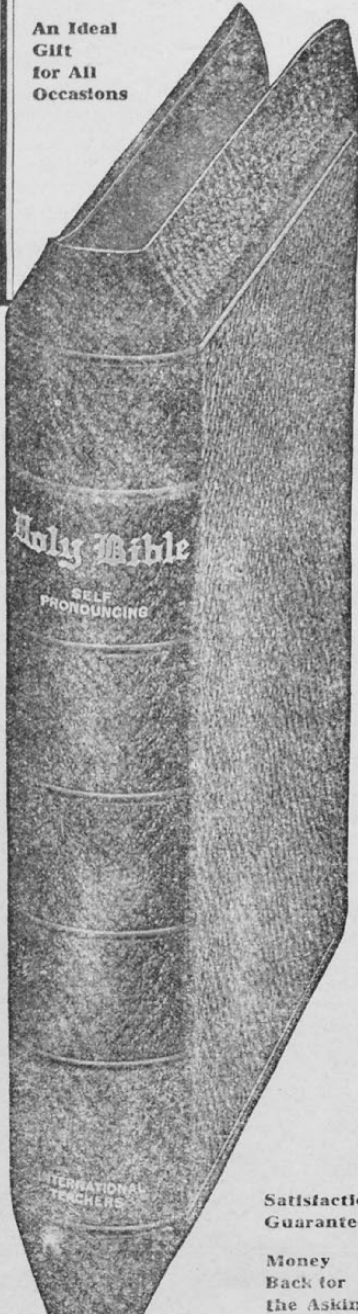
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a	Lu. 3, 23
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The Duty of Christian Parents

Ralph M. Riggs

To be a Christian means not only to be born again and to nourish that new spiritual life by constant attendance upon worship, at home and at church, but it means to manifest godliness in all the relationships of life. One of the most fundamental and important of life's relationships is that of parent to child, and the Bible not only recognizes this but carefully prescribes what that relationship should be.

One of the reasons why God in His Bible dwells at some length upon what a father should be and do toward his child is that He has ordained that this relationship should stand as a constant illustration of the Heavenly Father's relation to His earthly children. "If ye, then being evil, know how to give good gifts unto your children, how much more shall your Father which is in heaven give good things to them that ask Him?" Now if we, being human, utterly pervert and abuse our relationship and responsibility toward our children, should we not thereby entirely misrepresent God's relationship to His children and thus spoil His intended illustration?

It is also well known that the home is one of the great institutions upon which rests the whole structure of modern civilization. Many of the wiser heads of the present day are gravely concerned about the future of our country because of the rapid disintegration of the home and home life. God is concerned about the peace and prosperity of all men, and for this reason He too gives solemn instruction in His Bible about home relationships.

It is also to be observed that these children who have had the advantage of wholesome home discipline and Christian love make far better individual Christians and members of churches than those who have not had these advantages. In other words, those people who in their childhood have learned to obey and respect their parents because they trusted in their love and superior wisdom, find it far easier to obey and respect the laws of God, trusting in His love and superior wisdom, than do those people who were constantly allowed to disobey their parents when they were children. Thus, in order to have good, obedient children in His great family, God instructs that all children shall take their proper place in their own families.

What the Bible instructs concerning the duty of parents to children may be

divided into two sections, namely, their duty to teach them and to train them. "And these words which I command thee this day, shall be in thine heart; and thou shalt teach them diligently unto thy children, and shalt talk of them when thou sittest in thine house, and when thou walkest by the way, and when thou liest down, and when thou risest up." Deut. 6:6-7; 11:19-21. It was also a custom of the Israelites to gather men, women, and children together that the word of the Lord might be read and explained unto them. Deut. 31:12-13; Neh. 8:1-3. The children were not forgotten in this public teaching of God's word. It is thus the parents' duty and God-given commission carefully to instruct their children in the truths of the Bible. "When thou liest down and when thou risest up" suggests to us that beautiful practice of evening and morning family prayers. Father and mother call the children together. A portion of Scripture is read and possibly explained. And all engage in reverent prayer. Many a Christian minister and Christian worker today can thank that loving spiritual environment of the daily family altar in his childhood for the present day devotion of time and talents to Christian service. A daily teaching of the Word of God from the loving lips and godly life of a Christian father and mother sows the little minds and hearts full of gospel seeds which are sure to spring up and bear fruit unto eternal life.

And the Bible says: "Train up a child in the way he should go: and when he is old, he will not depart from it." Prov. 22:6. Here is not only a promise that

children can be molded for life but a command thus to mold and shape children's lives. No matter how godly parents themselves may be or how far back their ancestral line of respectability may run, it will be eternally true that all children left to themselves will bring their parents to shame. Prov. 29:15. "Foolishness is bound in the heart of a child; but the rod of correction shall drive it far from him." Prov. 22:15. It is absolutely necessary therefore that firm measures be taken to hold children in the straight path of obedience, respect for age, and for sacred things, and of all things that bespeak good manners and breeding. The weak young sprig of a tree is bound fast to a straight rod that it might grow straight and upright and the weak young sprig of a human life also needs at least occasional contact with a rod that it too might grow straight and upright. The prescription "Spare the rod and spoil the child" is not only old-fashioned but it is based squarely upon the perennially up-to-date Word of God. Prov. 13:24; 19:18; 23:13-14; 29:15-17.

"Fathers, provoke not your children to wrath: but bring them up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord." Eph. 6:4. "Nurture" speaks of nourishment and culture, and "admonition," of course, means faithful warning. Here is the parents' spiritual duty toward their children. It is self-explanatory but sorely needed implicit obedience on the part of parents. Of Abraham God said: "I know him that he will command his children and his household after him, and they shall keep the way of the Lord." Gen. 18:19. And this was why He took him into His confidence. Eli lost his birthright, his high priesthood, and his very life because he honored his sons above the Lord and allowed them to make themselves exceedingly vile. 1 Sam. 2:12-36. And today God is still choosing Abrahams and rejecting Elis.

Perhaps Your Last Opportunity

The times are serious in which we live and yet filled with the happy possibility of the return of our Lord at any time. What greater joy could be ours than to have Him welcome us at His appearing by "Well done good and faithful servant, enter thou into the joy of thy Lord." We now have the opportunity of earning this blessed reward and as faithful stewards let us make a special gift for our missionary brethren in foreign lands for Christmas time. Perhaps it will be your last opportunity, maybe next Christmas we shall all be together in the glory. Do not delay, send your offering now marked "A Christmas Offering for the missionaries," addressed to the Missionary Secretary, 336 W. Pacific St., Springfield, Mo.

Notice to Ministers

We have prepared the minutes of the last General Council session, and expect to print the same immediately, together with a full list of all ministers in good standing with the General Council. Some of our ministers have failed to renew their fellowship certificates. Those who want to retain a place in the fellowship and to have their names appear in these General Council minutes in good standing should send in their questionnaires not later than November 15 next.—J. R. Evans, Secretary.

At Central Bible Institute

About His Father's Business

Are you seeking to be about your Father's business? Students, during their time of study in the Central Bible Institute, have the wonderful opportunity to be about their Father's business. Some act as pastors of country churches, others as Sunday School Superintendents and teachers, and others as evangelists and helpers in Jail, Institution, Factory and Street work. In our contacts with each other there are sometimes occasions for encouragement, sympathy and help; all of which are a part of our work for the Master.—A. R. W.

New Enamel on Teeth

We were sitting around a big bonfire in an open grove behind Central Bible Institute, one gloriously balmy moonlight night. A steady stream of students, coming from many parts of the country, had been pouring into the building all day, and the faculty had planned a picnic-supper-and-bonfire-welcome. The students were all eager to tell what the Lord had done for them since school closed in the spring, or how He had led them to come to C. B. I. After a bright chorus had been sung a new student, Esther Knowles rose and said in substance:

"For more than a year and a half I had not brushed my teeth because the nerves were exposed, and brushing them was painful. But about two months ago my teeth were giving me so much pain that I went to a dentist in Battle Creek, Mich., who I knew was a specialist of note. After examining my mouth the dentist said the enamel was entirely off the upper half of one of my front teeth, and was so thin on all the rest of them that within two months the enamel would be entirely off them all.

"There was a divine healing service at the church that night and I was anointed and prayed for, and went home believing the Lord had healed my teeth. Early next morning I went down town and bought a tooth brush and tooth paste, came home and actually brushed my teeth, and I felt no pain whatsoever.

"That night I went to bed crying for very joy, but I soon awakened with a peculiar feeling in my mouth. It felt as though a lump of gold was lodged there. I turned on the light and looked into a mirror. My jaws felt so heavy and awkward but my teeth were so white and just sparkling! The Lord had covered my teeth with enamel!"

The dentist a little later saw her teeth. He looked critically at them and said, "Did you go to New York and have your teeth enameled? Well, I can tell you it won't stay on."

She told him she had not been to a dentist since she had been to him, and that the Lord had enameled her teeth in answer to prayer, and she is quite sure the enamel will "stay on."

"What C. B. I. Means to Me"

When trying to describe my attitude toward Central Bible Institute I feel like saying with Paul, "What shall we then say to these things?" We shall not know until we are in eternity all that we have gained by being here, much less are we able to tell about it now.

The words of Psalm 68:19 are especially true here at school, "Blessed be the Lord, who daily loadeth us with benefits, even the God of our salvation." His blessings are so numerous that I have to ask the Lord to enlarge my capacity, so that I may not lose the benefit of what I receive.

The morning chapel service is no small part of our school life. From 8:15 until 9 o'clock, or longer, as the Lord directs, we, as a group, come into contact with God in preparation for the day's activities.

We are learning that we are not only in training for Christian ministry at home and abroad, but also fitting ourselves for our place in the Kingdom Age, and in the Ages to come. In view of Christ's soon coming, I sometimes wonder if we shall ever be engaged in active service, but whether occupied in the harvest field, or still preparing, we need not worry, for His promises are to the overcomers.

Praise God for Central Bible Institute, where we learn to "Know Him." Praise Him for Spirit-filled teachers who fairly thrill us when they give forth the living Word of God. Praise Him for the precious fellowship of students who love the Lord and are hungry for more of Him. Praise, oh praise the Lord.—I. C.

God's Pilots

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stirring of the soul, but that is not a substitute for the Spirit.

How is real worship in the Spirit produced? There are two ways. First of all real worship is produced by the revelation of God's infinite grace to an unworthy sinner. The second way is by the revelation of truth to the believer. If

you haven't a ministry that brings revelation of grace and truth don't work up a wretched psychic emotionalism. Get down and pray until you have it.

I go to some places where they haven't any revelation of God's grace to the sinner. There is a congregation of perhaps 60 per cent unsaved. Someone gets up and says, "Everybody happy?" and the congregation is drilled to say like a parrot, "Amen." I don't think God wants to see a lot of unsaved people moved to say they are happy. The conviction of the Spirit and the power of God makes them unhappy. I want to see the meetings where they are made unhappy. We run our campaigns like an entertainment. The work of God's true ministry is not an entertainment. I go to shallow assemblies where they don't have any ministry in the Spirit that brings a revelation of truth. Some song leader gets up (and I don't blame our young song leaders so much because they only follow the older ones) and he says, "Now then friends, let's get into a spirit of worship." You see we put the cart before the horse. He picks out a song and we start singing. The dear fellow gets up and waves his arms like a windmill. But the people haven't any real worship in their hearts, and so the first song or two goes a little heavy. Then the song leader says, "Come along, you are not singing. I am sure you can do better."

He begins to perspire, and we began to wake up and get into a spirit of worship. Then after about six stanzas we are still so slow on the job that he decides to have a little competition between the brothers and the sisters to see who can bawl the loudest. I want to ask you in all seriousness before God, do you think the Lord God is interested one scrap in whether the men or the women can make the most noise? We are told that the heart of the heavenly Father is seeking those who will worship Him "in Spirit and in truth." We are not concerned about God at all. We are just working up a psychic atmosphere that will enable us to preach those sensational sermons. The heart of God is still as hungry as ever it was, and maybe hungrier, for those who can and will worship Him in Spirit and in truth. If those who call themselves Pentecostal can't do it, who can and who will? We can, that is the tragedy of it. We have the vision, we have the revelation and the anointing. Why can't we be true to it? That is what I am pleading for—that we shall be true to the vision God has given us. Why should we go back to the old wretched psychic stuff when we have tasted the Spirit and know His blessing?

I am talking about qualifications for being a pilot. God give us pilots who can keep us in deep water. It is an art, but it is an art that is worth striving for. It is simply wonderful to lead a meeting and

keep everything in the Spirit. God give us more experienced pilots. You have to be so in the Spirit yourself that you will be able to feel the spiritual condition of the meeting, and you will know where it is and where it ought to be. You will know what hymn to use. You ought to know your hymn book next to your Bible. You ought to know where to lay your finger on any type of hymn that is needed at any moment to bring the vessel back into deep water. If you are a real pilot you will keep your eyes open to see where the vessel is going. You will have your hymns all ready and you will know which one to use. If the meeting is stiff and dry and all that sort of thing you want to sing something that has some life in it. But on the other hand everybody is having a rip-zing-bang sort of time you ought to sing a song of worship, "Oh, worship the King, all glorious above," or something like that.

Prayer should be adjusted to the need of the moment. If the meeting is stiff and starchy fill your prayer with praise. But if the meeting is where there is lots of noise pray the meeting into a deeper place. I am only talking about the art of piloting. *We ought to know our Bibles. Sometimes in the meeting we need to read a few of the Psalms. I am amazed at the little public use you make of the Word of God. One of the things I deeply miss is the public reading of the Scripture. I can't understand why you don't. In Great Britain and Europe we hardly ever have a meeting but we read a portion of God's Word. We bow our heads in prayer and ask the anointing and the blessing of the Holy Spirit upon His inspired Word. But over here you don't do it. Hardly ever do I hear you read the Word of God in public. When I speak about it to some of the pastors, they say, "We can't do it. Our people think it is churchy." You may say what you like, I am going to say it is Christlike! When the inspired Word is allowed to run and have free course surely He shall be glorified.*

Last of all I want to say that the chairman of the meeting, if he is one who has the gift of governments from God, will have the power through God to bring the boat to its desired haven. But to do that he has to know where it is going. You can't steer a vessel unless you know where it is going. Leaders of meetings, you have to be so in touch with God that generally speaking before you prayerfully and reverently take your seat on the platform you know pretty well what God's will is for the occasion. I can't understand men who come into a meeting in a spirit of lightness, when they are responsible for it. Some come walking in about half an hour late. I like to be there from the very beginning. Sometimes my message has to be changed.

Now a word about preliminaries. Some people use them as if they didn't really matter. But every part of the meeting should be a vital part of the whole business we are engaged in. I protest against killing a meeting with preliminaries. I protest against excess preliminaries. Thank God for sanctified music; nobody appreciates it more than I do. But our excess programs are an insult to the Word. People infer that the music is of more importance and value than the Word of God. I was asked to speak at a young people's rally in the U. S. A. That rally was scheduled to begin at 7:45, and they had the impudence to ask me to preach at twenty minutes to ten, after about two hours of preliminaries. I consider it an insult to the Word of God and to the preacher. If you have been asked to sing or do something else see that you are so in the Spirit that you are not offended if you are not asked to perform. If you are offended you had better go back and get a deeper dose of salvation before you come on our platform again.

"Lord, give us pilots who know what Your mind is and who can bring the people to the place that You want them to be." Let us learn to bring everything to what we understand to be the mind of the Lord.

I turn my attention once more to the back seat. It is required of you to be loyal, faithful and prayerful, working with the man on the platform and not against him. If you have a gift learn how to keep it for God alone to use and not yourself. Learn to work with the man who has the job of bringing the ship to the place where God wants it. Don't stand around visiting in the doorways. Your job is to get back of the pilot and help him all the time until, thank God, you make it easy for His will for the meeting to be done. About six times a year I get into a really ideal Pentecostal meeting, but very rarely do I get into one of those lovely meetings where as we separate and go home, we feel that God and the Holy Ghost have had Their way in every detail of the service. I always go home saying, "Lord, why can't we have them like that all the time?" We ought to be able to have them all the time with the lovely Baptism God has given to us. May God keep Pentecost true to itself!

Brief Notes

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saving souls. We had a very impressive baptismal service in which ten were baptized in the great Pacific ocean. Five more were baptized in a valley stream at a later date."—Leif Erickson.

Travancore, So. India

"There have been several wonderful healings during the past month. One wo-

man was healed of consumption and another of double pneumonia. One old woman had been struck down by a bus and left bleeding in the road. Brother Samuel picked her up and took her into the home of one of our Christians where she was cared for. It is really remarkable how quickly the broken bones in her limb healed and now she can walk with the help of a cane. Now she believes in the Lord and all her family are greatly interested and have given up their witchcraft and devil worship. Praise the Lord!"—Martha M. Kucera.

Athens, Greece

Brother Mamalis reports good meetings and great hunger for and interest in the Word of God. He is again in Chalkis helping the little band of saints there who have no worker to remain with them. Brother Mamalis says the crowds are larger on the outside of the building, listening through the doors and windows, than on the inside because their meeting place is not adequate to accommodate the large crowds who come to hear the gospel. Many of them stay till past midnight, eager to know more of the Word.

Missionary News and Needs

Definite advice has been received of the sailing of Mrs. Winne Kneeland and her daughter from South India. They are scheduled to arrive in San Francisco on or about December 4.

Brother and Sister Saul Benjamin now home on furlough from Palestine are rejoicing in God's goodness to them in sending a little son to their home. David Nicholas Benjamin was born September 26.

Sister Martha Kucera is experiencing considerable opposition to her work in South India from the Roman Catholic Church. The representatives of this body are offering enticements to our native Christians to join with them. These take the form of positions with a regular salary or training for the ministry with an assured position. Pray that God may keep these babes in Christ true to the Lord.

Sister Marie Stephany has been quite ill recently and is in need of a furlough. Let us pray that God will undertake for our sister. She would also appreciate help in the support of a native evangelist and wife at \$10.00 per month.

Brother and Sister George B. Waggoner would like help in the support or part support of a native preacher. Twelve dollars per month would probably meet the need.

Send all inquiries and donations for the above needs to the Missionary Secretary, 336 W. Pacific St., Springfield, Missouri.

In the Whiten'd Harvest Field

A GLORIOUS TEN-DAY SEASON

Brother C. H. Elwood, Stillwater, Okla.: "We have had a precious revival northwest of here which continued 10 days. Many were deeply convicted and 14 sought and received pardon; 7 followed Christ in baptism. The blessing of God continues upon the work."

NEEDY FIND GRACE ABUNDANT

Evangelist Fred Hembree, Marshfield, Mo.: "My parents and I have just held a 4 weeks' meeting in Cardin, Okla., where there were 10 saved. The Lord was present in power in every service. Previous to this there had been no Assembly meeting there for more than a year. Brother Mike Mullins is pastor there now. Council brethren passing this way will be welcomed. Evangelist Rosa Rickner conducted the meeting the last week."

REVIVING TIME AT TRACY

Evangelist and Mrs. W. E. Hochmuth, Des Moines, Ia.: "The Lord has richly blessed His Word in a 4 weeks' revival held recently at Tracy. About 12 were converted, others were reclaimed, and 4 followed Christ in baptism. The mighty power of God was wonderfully manifested, reviving and blessing the saints. The attendance was splendid, also. After the close of the revival we remained as pastors until Oct. 22. We are now open for calls in the field. Address 1521 Lyon St., Des Moines."

A COVETED DWELLING PLACE

Pastor R. A. Livingston, Luling, Tex.: "We have closed a 3 weeks' meeting, conducted by Evangelist J. R. Richardson, of Waco. Many were touched by His power, and some who had been seeking the Holy Spirit for a number of years prayed through to a glorious Baptism. Many testified that this had been one of the most glorious revivals they had had in this place for years. All appreciated the basket lunch that was served. Our Sunday school record of attendance was raised. God has blessed our ministry here in Luling during the past year; the saints are dwelling in love and unity, and our assembly is growing fast."

EVERY "CORNER" POWER-SWEPT

Pastor H. D. Anderson, Humble, Tex.: "We are praising the Lord for His blessings on the work here. Evangelist Charlie Hunter, of Marlin, had conducted a 2 weeks' meeting in July, which was a great blessing to the church. Two received the Baptism with the Holy Spirit. On Sept. 16 Brother and Sister Jolly, formerly of Abilene, began a revival with us in their gospel tent. Two were gloriously saved that night. During the 3 weeks of revival 35 were saved and 7 were baptized with the Holy Ghost. Large crowds attended the services, even some nights when it was raining. The Sunday school more than doubled itself, also the young people's meetings. Brother Jolly's work among the young people, in the Sunday school, and in the song services, was also greatly appreciated."

TEXAS YOUTHS CUT SHORELINE

Pastor Clarence Love, Paducah, Tex.: "God has been working upon the hearts of many here where we have been for the past 2 years. The pastor held a week's meetings, in which 10 were saved, 4 received the Holy Ghost, and 8 followed the Lord in baptism. Brother Bates, our District superintendent, was with us over one week end. His messages were enjoyed by all and the Lord met with us in power. In our regular services there are often from 2 to 6 at the altar seeking the Lord. Our Christ's Ambassadors in this District are moving on for God. Several new bands have lately been organized."

FROM CONQUEST TO VICTORY

Pastor C. B. Thomas, Lincoln, Nebr.: "For 3 weeks Evangelist Clyde C. Goree, of Amarillo, Tex., has been preaching the Word here. The crowds were not large, but God came into our midst to bless those who sought Him. A goodly number were saved and some received the Baptism with the Holy Ghost. Many have been established in the Word. The enemy was present to oppose, but through Christ a precious victory was won. Twelve followed Christ in baptism. The meeting closed with an impressive altar service. Two out of the four who were seeking that night were saved and 9 remained to pray for the fullness of the Spirit."

30 KNEEL AT MERCY SEAT

Pastor Chas. N. Crone, York, Pa.: "We had a tent meeting of about 4 weeks' duration 12 miles north of this place, at a little town called Rossville. Evangelist I. J. Bolton, of Tampa, Fla., was with us 10 days, after which the following ministers preached at stated times: W. A. Brown, Warren C. Anthony, Brother Sutton, a Lutheran minister, and the pastor. A total of 30 penitents knelt at the altar, a number received the Baptism with the Holy Ghost, and several were reclaimed. As a result the attendance at our church has about doubled. A young people's meeting has been organized with thirty members, also a stringed orchestra of several pieces."

HOME MISSION JOURNEYINGS

Brother Wm. Burton McCafferty, Enid, Okla.: "The Lord gave us a blessed ministry during a successful period of evangelistic labors in Texas and Oklahoma. The Lord led us to Chickasha, Duncan, Seminole, Fairfax, Anadarko camp meeting, Houston, Tex., Daisetta, Freeport, and other points, and at an earlier date to Olney, San Antonio, and Midway, in Texas. During this period many were saved, and we were enabled to bring the message of God in a series of Bible studies from time to time. We could not accept all of the many calls for such service. We will not be on the field until about May of the coming spring. Until that time will serve on the faculty of the Southwestern Bible School, of Enid. Address, 316 E. Cherokee."

"SUCH WONDERFUL FELLOWSHIP"

F. D. Davis, Presbyter, Ft. Worth, Tex.: "We praise the Lord for the wonderful way He is blessing in the Dalworth section of the Texas District. We have just held our fall convention; I believe it was the best we have ever had, and wonderful fellowship prevails in this part of the District. We have about 75 ministers and the greater part of them were present. The reports of their labors gave us a good and much appreciated vision of the field. All were greatly interested in home mission work, and many pledged themselves to support the effort. The sum of \$337 was raised for this purpose. District Superintendent E. L. Newby was with us and presided at the meeting."

MY SPIRIT SHALL GATHER THEM

Pastor and Mrs. Hulett, Beardstown, Ill.: "Since our coming here 3 years ago the Lord has blessed the work we have undertaken. The saints have been gathered together, a number of souls have been saved, new members have been added to the assembly, and a new building now stands where the old one was. I am resigning as pastor here and will be open for calls in evangelistic work. Sister Velma Hamilton, of Pittsfield, Ill., has been secured as pastor. During the first 2 weeks of her stay here God has been present to bless, and a number have been saved. Brother Arthur Bell came last August and helped us to open the Christian Church in the west part of the city. Evangelists Everett Chamberlain and Samuel Bell afterward held an effectual evangelistic campaign there. Brother Harold Hamilton is continuing the services in this church; several have been saved and a number are seeking a deeper work of the Lord in their hearts. Much prejudice has also been broken down. Address 1012 E. Fourth St."

REFRESHING RAIN AT AFTON

Pastor Jesse I. Miller, Afton, Okla.: "I praise God for our good meetings and the souls the Lord has redeemed. Evangelist L. D. Parton, of Apache, was with us 11 nights. Later Evangelists Charles and Preston Roberts, of Fairland, carried the meetings on for one week, then Brother Amos Chase, of Carney, assisted for a time. The meeting covered a period of 4 weeks. It rained much of the time, and the services were hindered also by two deaths in the assembly, yet in spite of all our handicaps God moved on hearts. There were 38 professions of salvation and 28 received Christian baptism; 18 were baptized with the Holy Ghost, and 14 united with the assembly. Several times during the meeting the glory and power of the Lord were so prevalent that the preacher could not minister the Word; and at these times the greatest numbers sought God. We have a splendid band of young people. Three were saved Sunday night in the regular service. The revival spirit is still present, and we are enjoying blessed refreshings."

A Song of Resurrection

(Continued from Page One)

the glory which He had with the Father before all worlds. Down past whirling planets, burning suns, and rotating systems, to this dark world, to the very verge of the noisome pit, crying:

"Lo, I come: in the volume of the book it is written of me . . . to do thy will, O my God." Psalm 40:7, 8.

Plunged into the deepest depths of that awful abyss of darkness, a voice was heard from heaven proclaiming: "Deliver . . . from going down to the pit. I have found a ransom." Job 33:24.

"But none of the ransomed ever knew how deep was the water crossed; nor how dark was the night that the Lord passed through e'er He found His sheep that was lost. Away in the desert He heard its cry, sick and helpless and ready to die."

For He went down to the very "roots of the mountains," below your sins and mine, and from the awful profundities ascended a cry to the Father: "Thou wilt not leave my soul in hell neither wilt thou suffer thine Holy One to see corruption." Acts 2:27.

And God inclined unto Him and heard His cry and brought Him up, and set His feet upon a rock, and established His goings, and put a new song into His mouth, a Song of Resurrection. And thank God, He did not come up alone but brought with Him, out of the pit, all who through all the ages should believe on Him.

By faith we make His death ours. By faith we make His resurrection ours—ours the security, stability, safety, strength, and steadfastness of the rock, for "I hold not the Rock but the Rock holds me."

Ours the Song on the Rock, the Song of Resurrection.

Oh! There's a song I fain would sing,
A song of praise to my Saviour King;
It is high as the height where He intercedes,
It is sweet as the tone in which He pleads.
It is low as the reach of His mighty arm,
It is strong as His power over sin and harm;
To sing this song have you been set free?
He can sing it through you,
He can sing it through me.

This song of praise shall yet be sung,
In every tribe, by every tongue;
The angels desire its notes to swell,
But redemptive love they cannot tell.
Creation groaneth this song to hear,
All shackles melt as it strikes the ear;
Then the sons of God this world will see,
Shall He sing it through you?
Shall He sing it through me?

Many years ago in New York city they brought a poor degraded girl into an institution. The love of Christ in a Christian sister had won her from the life of the streets. I said to myself, "A familiar type enough!"

But was she such a familiar type after

all? Poor, despised, desolate and alone, with ragged garments, and shoes out of which the water was squeezing at each step. That was familiar enough; only too familiar. But there was a light in her eye, a purpose in her bearing, and above all a song continually on her lips that caught and riveted my attention in spite of myself, cultured heathen that I was at that time.

She seemed to have everything of the hardest—the business end of the broom and scrubbing brush. But the sweeping and scrubbing were just an obligato to the solo that she sang continually:

"On Christ, the solid Rock I stand,
All other ground is sinking sand."

Christ had raised her from the death of sin and she was singing the Song of Resurrection.

"Sarah," I inquired, "Why do you sing all the time?"

"Because I'm happy."

"I suppose you think you're saved?" (I had seen cases before and thought I recognized the symptoms.)

"No, Ma'am."

"You don't think you're saved?" I inquired, filled with wonderment.

"No, Ma'am; I know it." And off she went with her scrub pail, singing:

"On Christ the solid Rock I stand."

Well might she sing. She was on the Rock and she knew it. On the Rock she was delivered from everything that belongs to the pit—the guilt, condemnation, power and penalty of sin, and its outworkings in the body . . . *sickness and debility*. Praise God!

If the pit is not the rock neither is the rock the pit. Satan will try to pursue you with phantoms of darkness, sin and sickness, but refuse them in the power of His resurrection.

Where are you? There are but two places for mortals. The horrible pit, and the Rock of Ages. If you are in the horrible pit, cry unto God and He will deliver you, for "Whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved." Romans 10:13. If you are on the Rock, sing the new song that God has put in your mouth, the "Song of Resurrection."

This is a chapter from Dr. Yeomans' new book, *Divine Healing Diamonds*, which we shall be printing shortly. The price will be 50 cents. The book will be ready about December 10.

NUMBERS LIFTED BY LOVE

Pastor Benjamin H. Cox, Philadelphia, Pa.: "We have just closed a 3 weeks' campaign conducted by Evangelist Emma Taylor. God was present in power to bless and deliver souls. The inspiring messages given each night were a blessing to all. Many were saved and a number were reclaimed. The church was also strengthened and blessed, and many new friends for Pentecostal truths were made."

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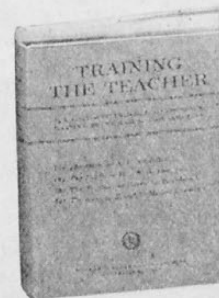
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The Sunday School Lesson

Paul in Athens

Lesson for Nov. 19: Acts 17:16-34.

I. GOD UNKNOWN

Culture without godliness. Paul had arrived in Athens the cultural center of the Roman world. What Jerusalem was in the realm of religion, Athens was in the sphere of learning. To that city came scholars from all countries to worship at the shrine of art, science and philosophy. Surely if salvation were attainable by learning, that fact would have been manifest in Athens.

But the opposite was true. While Paul waited in that city "his spirit was stirred in him, when he saw the city wholly given over to idolatry." The Athenians erected altars and shrines to everything and everybody—altars to Love, Pity, Beauty, War; idols of this god and that god, this goddess and that goddess. It went to such an extreme that a writer of those days sarcastically remarked that it was easier to find a god than a man in Athens. Paul was grieved as he saw this evidence of ignorance of God in the most cultured city of the day. After a conversation with some philosophers, he accepted an invitation to address them.

Religion without salvation. "Ye men of Athens, I perceive that in all things ye are too superstitious" (literally "very religious"). Notice Paul's tact. He did not begin with a scorching denunciation of idolatry, but commended his listeners at least for being religious. In dealing with those who differ from us or oppose us, let us be fair and kindly, for one can catch more flies with a drop of honey than with a barrel of vinegar!

The apostle was telling the truth in describing the Athenians as "religious." Man is naturally religious and must worship something or somebody. Even the atheist, is religious, for he makes a religion out of his atheism! Man's salvation depends on finding the right object of worship.

Worship without knowledge. "I found an altar with this inscription, TO THE UNKNOWN GOD." According to tradition the Athenians built this altar when a plague seemingly refused to leave the city. In order to make sure that they had not by mischance neglected one of the many gods, they erected this altar. Paul took this as a starting point for his sermon.

When Mark Twain was in Berlin he received an invitation to call upon the Kaiser. "Why papa," exclaimed his little daughter, after reading the letter, "if it keeps on this way there won't be anybody left for you to get acquainted with but God!" As in the case of Mark Twain, there is an altar to an unknown God in the souls of thousands of people today. To thousands it may justly be said, "Ye worship ye know not what." John 4:22.

II. GOD REVEALED

The presence of the altar to the unknown God was a testimony to the truth that "the world by wisdom (philosophy) knew not God." I Cor. 1:21. Paul, the interpreter of the heavenly wisdom, then said humbly but authoritatively, "Whom therefore ye ignorantly worship,

him declare I unto you." Who is God? Paul answers:

God is the Creator. "God that made the world and all things therein . . . is Lord of heaven and earth." (1) He is Creator of the universe. In the study of Henry Ward Beecher was an elaborate celestial globe, on the surface of which were raised figures of the constellations and the stars that composed them. The globe struck the fancy of Colonel Ingersoll, noted infidel, who said, "This is what I want; who made it?" Answered the preacher: "Why, nobody, of course, it just happened." A beautiful rebuke to Ingersoll who had been speaking as if the universe "just happened." (2) God is the creator of man. "He hath made of one blood all nations of men for to dwell on the face of the earth." Because of this truth, all men are brothers regardless of their nationality. We may talk of the black race, the brown race, the yellow race, the red race and the white race, but there is only one race, the human race, descendants of an original couple. Hence, speaking reverently, we may be sure that God is "color-blind. Also all men are brothers regardless of social status, for "The Colonel's lady and Judy O'Grady are sisters under the skin."

God is a Spirit. Because He is everywhere and fills all space, He does not need temples or material offerings although He condescends to honor them. This truth is a blow both to idolatry and formality. From this truth follows that of the divine unity. "How many Gods are there?" asked a little boy of his mother. "Why, one, to be sure," answered his younger brother. "How do you know that?" "Because," was the answer, "God fills every place so there is no room for any other."

God is Ruler. God "hath determined the times before appointed, and the bounds of their habitation." Said one Christian, "I read the newspaper because I like to know how God has ruled the world since yesterday." God does rule the world, as the apostle declared. His dealings with Israel and other nations, shows that He regulates the geography and history of the nations. In 1839 the Sultan of Turkey decreed that no representative of Christianity should remain in the empire. Said Dr. Hamlin: "The Sultan of the universe can, in answer to prayer, change the decree of the Sultan of Turkey." They prayed. Result: the next day the ruler died and the decree was never executed. God still rules the world!

God is Man's Helper. It is His will that "they should seek the Lord," for, "He is not far from every one of us." A cartoon once appeared on Lincoln's birthday. It represented a log cabin close to the base of a high mountain. On the mountain top was shown the White House. Against the side of the mountain rested a ladder—its foot touching the cabin, its uppermost round reaching the mansion above. The cartoon was named, "The ladder is still there." Multiplied thousands in all ages have ascended to God on the ladder of prayer and communion—and *the ladder is still there!*

God is the Father of Mankind. "For in him we live, move, and have our being; as certain also of your own poets have said, For we are

also his offspring." All men are children of God by creation, for His image is stamped on them and their life depends on His power. But, on account of man's fall, he does not really become a child of God until he is born again into the divine family. A blind girl who had recovered her sight through a surgical operation, delighted in the sight of her father. "To think," she cried, "that I have had this father for these many years, and never knew him!" God wills to be a real Father to all men, but many are too blinded by sin to recognize Him.

God is the Judge of Mankind. "Because he hath appointed a day, in the which he will judge the world in righteousness by that man whom he hath ordained, whereby he hath given assurance unto all men, in that he hath raised him from the dead." Inasmuch as the apostle was preaching, not to entertain men's minds, but to save their souls, he concluded his message by sending a shaft of conviction into the consciences of his hearers. Man must repent, for there is to be a Judgment Day. As surely as God raised Christ from the grave to be the Judge of men, so surely will every man be raised to be judged by Him. A prominent evangelist once declared that if there was no hell he would contribute twenty-five dollars to start one! In other words, justice demands the existence of such a place, and also a time, of retribution. The prospect of the Day of Judgment for all mankind is a solemn and terrible thought. Whatever questions and perplexities may arise from the limitations of our knowledge, of this we may be sure: "Shall not the Judge of all the earth do right?" Gen. 18:25.—Myer Pearlman.

WEEPING TO CALVARY

Evangelists W. F. Bishop and E. L. Smith, Dewville, Tex.: "The Lord has blessed in these summer campaigns by saving a number of souls. One meeting was held at Spring Store, near Seguin. The tent was packed to capacity, conviction fell upon many, and 17 wept their way through to Calvary. Nine were filled with the Holy Ghost. We are now in Dewville in a meeting. About 22 came to the altar for prayer last night."

MANY MAKE CHRIST A FRIEND

Pastor M. R. McCarty, Wilma, Ala.: "On Sept. 26 we began a revival with Sister Etta L. McCaskill, of Laurel, Miss., in charge. Several were saved, 5 received the Holy Ghost, and 5 followed the Lord in baptism. Throughout the entire meeting the Lord poured out His blessing upon us. The services were enjoyed by every one. The meeting closed Oct. 15. Council brethren and sisters will be welcomed by this assembly. The church is at Pierce Land."

FAITH OF 13 CLAIMS VICTORY

Evangelists Con Gumm and Louis Martin, Macon, Mo.: "The revival here which continued for 5 weeks has closed. Thirteen were at the altar for salvation, 3 received the Holy Ghost, according to Acts 2:4, and five received Christian baptism. Large crowds attended most every night. We enjoyed an all-day meeting and basket lunch. Brother Thompson, of Bear Creek, brought the message in the forenoon, and Sister Des Paines, of Bucklin, spoke in the afternoon. From the beginning the Spirit of God was present in convicting power. This place is in need of a pastor."

SUDDENLY CALLED HOME

While in a revival meeting at Kosciusko, Miss., Brother C. M. Nix was called home to be with the Lord, on October 2nd. Brother Nix was a pioneer minister in that district. We extend our deepest sympathies to the loved ones left behind.

Forthcoming Meetings

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

KANSAS DISTRICT COUNCIL

Coffeyville, Kans., November 27 to December 1.

ROCHESTER, N. Y.—Evangelist C. S. Tubby, will begin a revival meeting at Elim Tabernacle, Nov. 15.—Chas. R. Shuss, Pastor.

CEDARVALE, KANS.—Evangelist V. L. Hertweck, of Springfield, Mo., will conduct a revival Nov. 19-20.—Wesley O. Fritz, Pastor.

LUBBOCK, TEX.—Fellowship meeting in Central Plains Section, Texico District, Nov. 20-21. Beginning the night of the 20th, all day the 21st.—W. A. Vanzant, Presbyter, Lockney, Tex.

DUMONT, N. J.—Evangelist and Mrs. John T. Reed will conduct an evangelistic campaign at Glad Tidings Tabernacle, 45 E. Madison Ave., Nov. 10-26. Each night at 7:45 except Mondays. Special music and singing. Will appreciate co-operation by neighboring assemblies.—Monte C. Keeter, Pastor.

TRENTON, N. J.—Opening campaign in Trenton Gospel Tabernacle, Nov. 7-19, with Mary Louise Paige, child evangelist, in charge. Each evening at 8:00.—E. T. Quanabush, P. O. Box 192, Lawrenceville.

TOLEDO, O.—A new work is being opened on the South Side. The Lord has already begun to work. Special opening day, Oct. 29. Brethren passing this way will be welcomed. The assembly is located on Thayer and Orchard Streets. Meeting each night until Nov. 26.—H. W. Walls, Pastor, 902 Orchard St.

QUANAHA, TEX.—Christ's Ambassadors rally, Gospel Mission, Nov. 19. The church is located in the east part of town. Young people, please bring musical instruments and assist with music and singing. We request all who live in the section to be present. Services open at 10:50 a. m.—Mrs. E. B. Crump, Sectional Superintendent, Electra.

BUFFALO, N. Y.—Evangelist Harry E. Bowley will begin an evangelistic campaign at Pentecostal Gospel Tabernacle, 629 E. Delavan Ave., Nov. 21-Dec. 3. Each week night except Saturdays, 7:45; Sundays, 3 and 7:30. A great Thanksgiving rally for western New York will be held Nov. 30. Services at 3 and 7:30.—Harold J. Snelgrove, Pastor.

LOUISVILLE, KY.—Evangelist S. E. Comstock, of Sioux City, Ia., President of Christ's Ambassadors, West Central District, will conduct a revival at the Bethel Assembly, 2115 Garland Ave. C. A. rally and all-day meeting in connection, Thanksgiving Day. We urge all ministers and C. A.'s of neighboring assemblies to be present.—Pastor Theo. E. Gannon, Pastor.

LATIN-AMERICAN COUNCIL MEETS

SAN ANGELO, TEX.—The fifth annual session of the Latin-American District Council, Nov. 19-23. All are cordially invited. All services in Spanish. We expect Brother Noel Perkin, of Springfield, Mo., to be with us, Gumersindo, Ramirez, Pastor; H. C. Ball, Superintendent.

NEW YORK CITY—Glad Tidings Tabernacle, 26th annual convention, Nov. 17-Dec. 3. Speakers, Ernest S. Williams, Joseph Tunmore, and others. Meetings each night except Mondays, 7:45, Wednesdays and Fridays at 3:00 p. m. Missionary Day, Nov. 26. Young People's rally, Dec. 2, 7:30 p. m. Robert A. Brown, Pastor, 325 W. 33d St.

PHILADELPHIA, PA.—Thirty-ninth Thanksgiving convention, in Highway Mission Tabernacle, Nov. 19-Dec. 3, 19th and Green Sts. Dr. Chas. S. Price will be the special speaker. Week nights at 8:00; Sundays 10:30, 7:30; week days 2:30. Rooms and meals reasonable near church for those from a distance.—Flem Van Meter, Pastor.

WILMINGTON, DEL.—Seventh annual Thanksgiving convention beginning Nov. 19, and continuing 3 weeks or longer. Evangelist Harry J. Steil, of Ossining N. Y., convention speaker, will conduct a Bible teaching and evangelistic campaign. All-day meeting Thanksgiving Day. Dinner and supper on freewill offering plan. One night accommodations if desired. Young People's rally Monday night, Dec. 4.—M. W. Richards, Pastor, 3118 N. Harrison St.

CAPE GIRARDEAU, MO.—Evangelist Clarence Smith and party, of Granite City, Ill., will begin a revival at the Assembly Church, 1202 S. Sprigg and Hickory Sts., Nov. 19-Dec. 17.—Pastor and Mrs. Powhatan Huffman.

SALINA, KANS.—Nov. 5, All-day services in connection with the dedication of the new tabernacle, 12th and Walnut. Neighboring assemblies and individuals please co-operate, especially in dedicatory services at 3 p. m., conducted by District Superintendent Fred Vogler. Basket lunch served noon and night at the tabernacle.—Paul R. Weidman, Pastor.

SALINEVILLE, O.—Sister Florence Marker, of Canton, returned missionary from Africa, will begin a series of meetings Nov. 5, to continue indefinitely. Each evening, 7:30. Near-by assemblies please assist.—Glenn M. Torst, Pastor, Box 162.

TEXAS STATE CONVENTIONS
(Change of Date—Port Arthur)

Yoakum Section, Oct. 28-29, Port Lavaca, Port Lavaca Assembly; Houston Section, Houston, Nov. 2-5, Magnolia Park Assembly; Beaumont Section, Nov. 4-5, Port Arthur, Port Arthur Assembly; Luikin Section, Nov. 11-12, Pleasant Hill Assembly; Tyler Section, Nov. 14-15, Tyler, East Berta Street Church; Greenville Section, Nov. 21-22, Greenville, West Cornelia Street Church; San Angelo Section, Dec. 2-3, Abilene, Abilene Assembly; McCamey Section, Dec. 9-10, Crane, Crane Assembly. All conventions begin at 10 A. M. first day and continue through following day, or days. Ministers and special workers are urged to attend convention nearest to you, for a great time of fellowship and practical work for God.—E. L. Newby, District Superintendent, 2621 W. 26th St., Fort Worth, Tex.

OPEN FOR CALLS
Evangelistic or Pastoral

E. F. Crain, 6910 Walnut Ave., Kansas City, Mo.: "Have been in the ministry over 23 years, 19 of these in pastoral work. In fellowship with the Council."

Evangelistic

Evangelist and Mrs. Bert Roberson, General Delivery, Erick, Okla.: "Both of us are ordained ministers, play piano and stringed instruments. Mrs. Roberson, special singer."

MISCELLANEOUS NOTICES

NEW ADDRESS—Martin R. Brunswick, Pastor, 525 Shasta Ave., Dunsmuir, Calif.

NEW ADDRESS—The Full Gospel Assembly, 22 Cushing St., has changed its name and address to The Full Gospel Tabernacle, 842 Main St.—Chester F. Marchant, Pastor, Fitchburg, Mass.

NEW ADDRESS—H. D. Coaplen, Pastor, Morganton, N. C. "Council ministers passing this way will be welcomed."

NOTICE—We have opened a full-gospel rescue mission at Ninth and Broadway upstairs. Ministers in fellowship with the Council passing this way, stop and assist in services as God leads.—Frank Burleigh, Superintendent, 522 N. 40th St., Council Bluffs, Ia.

WORLD MISSIONS CONTRIBUTIONS

- October 20-26 inclusive
All personal offerings amount to \$755.19
- .54 Whatsoever Prayer Band Charleston III
 - .89 Junior Church Springfield Mo
 - 1.00 El Bethel Tabernacle Springfield Ohio
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 - 1.00 Full Gospel Assembly Elkton Ore
 - 1.00 Assembly of God Highbridge Ky
 - 1.00 Harmony S S Paris Ark
 - 1.15 Assembly of God Whistler Ala
 - 1.25 Assembly of God S S Anadarko Okla
 - 1.46 Assembly of God Parsons Kans
 - 1.50 Assembly of God S S Archer City Tex
 - 2.00 Assembly of God Women's Miss Council Highlands Tex
 - 2.00 Zion Hill Assembly Athens Tex
 - 2.00 Assembly of God Yazoo City Miss
 - 2.00 Mehida Mission S S Canaan N H
 - 2.00 Full Gospel Mission Central Lake Mich
 - 2.04 Assembly of God & C A's Sparks Okla
 - 2.05 Assembly of God Cedar Rapids Ia
 - 2.10 Women's Miss Council Amarillo Tex
 - 2.10 Assembly of God S S Senath Mo
 - 2.25 Pent'l S S Busy Bee Club Culpeper Va
 - 2.31 Pent'l Church Dorchester Nebr
 - 2.40 Assembly of God & S S McAlester Okla
 - 2.60 DelSol Lane Pent'l S S Lewiston Ida
 - 2.75 Assembly of God Pine Bluff Ark
 - 2.85 Elk St Assembly Eureka Springs Ark
 - 3.00 Wright City Assembly of God Arp Tex
 - 3.00 Harpersfield Community S S Geneva Ohio
 - 3.00 Oak Park Holiness Church S S Hampa Fla
 - 3.00 Full Gospel Assembly S S Lebanon Ore
 - 3.00 Assembly of God S S Brave Pa
 - 3.00 Full Gospel Assembly S S Hebo Ore
 - 3.00 Hallentown Assembly Fallen Timber Pa
 - 3.00 Children's Church East San Diego Glad Tidings Tabernacle San Diego Calif
 - 3.00 Assembly of God Lakeland Fla
 - 3.10 Glad Tidings Church Reno Nev
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