

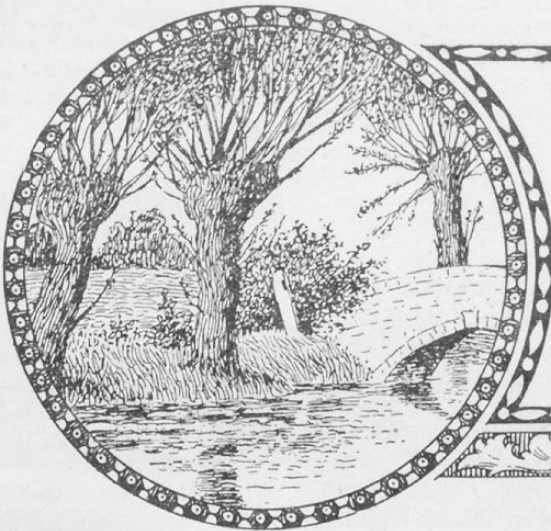


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*Love is the atmosphere that keeps
All loveless things at bay;
All evil thoughts, those foul night birds,
Love's sunshine drives away;
Love's pathway starts and ends in God,
A path no ravening beast e'er trod.*

E. F. Cox.

The Spirit of Christ

Ernest S. Williams

NOW if any man have not the Spirit of Christ he is none of his." Rom. 8:9.

May we consider for our subject, "The Spirit of Christ," and for our meditation take our Lord Jesus in His earthly life as our example? The word Spirit used in our text begins with a capital, thus referring to the Holy Spirit who begets the nature of Christ within us. But the same word is used when referring to the human spirit, "For what man knoweth the things of man, save the spirit of man which is in him?" and also of one's disposition, "What will ye? shall I come unto you with a rod, or in love, and in the spirit of meekness?" It is this latter sense that we wish primarily to consider at this time.

Consider the Spirit of Christ in home relationships. At twelve years of age the child Jesus lingered behind His parents when they had departed from Jerusalem at the close of their period of

worship there. Seeking Him, they found Him in the temple questioning with the doctors of the law, where He met their reproof with the words, "Wist ye not that I must be about my Father's business?" He was at that early age conscious that He held a relationship to God stronger and more binding upon Him than any relationship to earth, yet He went with them and was obedient unto them. And this respect and regard continued throughout His illustrious life, terminating at the cross in His final provision for His mother in the bosom of the home of that disciple whom He loved—"Woman, behold thy son!" "Behold thy mother!"

We must not forget the debt we owe to those whose blood we are. The Spirit of Christ leads us not to forget. "Honor thy father and thy mother" was God's first commandment with promise. To avoid the just claims of the law many Jews supposedly consecrated their possessions unto God, yet, through the cor-

ruptions which resulted from a religion of outward form rather than the heart, they were enabled to make this but a hollow mockery, passing with man, but strongly rebuked by our Lord, for they could still appropriate that, which they claimed as consecrated, to their own carnal purposes.

Jesus rebuked them for two things—first, for making a mockery of consecration to God; and, secondly, for thinking they could avoid fulfilling one of God's positive commandments by claiming they were doing so for Him. *Never will God accept to Himself anything that makes void some portion of His definitely defined will.* Yet how many try to pass off a service such as they prefer, rather than do that which He has said. But it is all to no avail, for it is the bringing of a blemished or maimed offering to Him, which He has emphatically declared He will not receive.

Children owe their parents respect and honor, and where the need requires,
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"Clouds Without Rain"

By Donald Gee

WHOSO boasteth himself of a false gift is like clouds and wind without rain." Prov. 25:14. When travelling in Australia, the writer was told about the times of severe drought which sometimes affect part of that Sunny Continent. "It just seems as if it cannot rain," a friend said; "the clouds and wind come up, and there is every prospect of a good shower, but they pass away again, and leave everything as parched as ever." The bitter disappointment can be easily imagined. Every promise—but no fulfillment.

It is a striking thing that Jude picks up this simile in his pungent epistle, and describes apostate teachers who are not true to "the faith once for all delivered to the saints" as "clouds without water" (verse 12). They have great swelling words, but no power to revive and bless. They are miserable boasters, making great pretence, but leaving everywhere a trail of bitter disappointment.

The Cry for "Rain"

The Bible again and again takes up the figure of physical thirst, or a thirsty land, and makes it a picture of the universal thirst of the human soul after God. "My soul thirsteth after Thee as a thirsty land": "I will pour water upon him that is thirsty": "Floods upon the dry ground": "If any man thirst, let him come unto Me and drink." Psalm 143:6; Isa. 44:3; John 7:37.

The cry for *revival* is particularly answered by promises of Spiritual *rain*. "There shall be showers of blessing": "He shall come upon us as the rain": "It is time to seek the Lord, till He come and rain righteousness upon you": "He will cause to come down the rain, the former rain, and the latter rain." Ezek. 34:26; Hosea 6:3; 10:12; Joel 2:23.

The significance of the type is revealed, and the subject thus becomes truly "Pentecostal." "This spake he of the *Spirit*": "I will pour out my *Spirit* upon your seed": "I will pour out my *Spirit* upon all flesh": "Until the *Spirit* be poured upon us from on high, and the wilderness be a fruitful field." John 7:39; Isa. 44:3; Joel 2:28; Isa. 32:15. The cry of thirsty souls is a cry for the *Spirit*; the remedy for spiritual barrenness is an outpouring of the *Spirit*. The promise and purpose of God is for a flood of the Holy Spirit's grace and power.

True Gifts Bring "Rain"

Now it is the wise plan of the Almighty that the blessing of the Spirit shall normally come to men through other men. Jesus said, "Out of him shall flow rivers of living water"; that is, out of the man who has been to Christ, and personally and believingly drunk, himself, from that life-giving fountain. And so we see how Peter and John pray for them to receive the Holy Ghost in Samaria; and Ananias is sent to lay hands upon Saul of Tarsus for the same blessing; Cornelius has to send to Joppa for Peter; and certain disciples in Ephesus tarry until Paul brings them the fuller light. Acts 8:17; 9:17; 10:44; 19:6.

The Baptism with the Holy Spirit brings resultant spiritual gifts; those gifts result in definite ministries; and the purpose of such ministries is spiritual *rain* upon God's field—the Church, that causes it to grow and become fruitful in the service of God and man. 1 Corinthians 12; Ephesians 4. Speaking of the gifted ministry of Apollos at Corinth, Paul strikingly says: "Apollos watered."

A Scriptural baptism with the Holy Spirit not only brings the divine fullness into our own hearts; it also results in the ability to pass on, either consciously or unconsciously, an overflow of blessing to others. Indeed, such an outflow ultimately becomes the test of the depth and reality of any "Pentecost"; and only by a continual outflow can we maintain spiritual health. We ought to cause "showers of blessing" wherever we go, if we are truly filled with the Spirit of God.

The form our personal and individual "flowing out" may take will vary. "There are diversities of gifts, but the same Spirit." Yet all the gifts and ministries put within the Church have this one thing in common, that they are intended to provide means whereby the living water and the heavenly showers of the Spirit of grace may reach and satisfy the thirst in human hearts all around. This should be equally true of the word of wisdom or the gifts of healing; of the gift of faith or the gift of tongues; of the ministry of the teacher quite as much as the evangelist; and of governments as much as helps. *All* should help to bring "Rain," and all *do* bring heavenly blessing and refreshing when exercised in and by the Spirit of God.

"A False Gift"

But our present proverb speaks of vain pretenders. Notice that they characteristically "boast." This is one of the infallible signs of an impostor. They "call themselves" apostles. They give themselves out to be "some great one." They delight in high titles and flattering names, implying by such titles the possession of very special gifts.

To boast of possessing any spiritual gift or office is one of the most dangerous and absurd things a man can do. Moreover, it is so uncalled for. "What hast thou that thou didst not receive?" "Think soberly, according as God hath dealt to every man the measure of faith." A genuine gift of the Spirit, if waited upon diligently, will inevitably reveal itself and requires no advertising. The faithful ministry of a gift will ultimately compel the recognition of the office it involves. There is no occasion to fret because enough fuss is not being made of us, or sufficient prominence allowed. Wait a bit; be faithful and diligent; and the Lord will see to that! Philip will become known as an "evangelist"; Silas as a "prophet"; and Paul as an "apostle"; without any insistence on their part that such and such a title should be given to them. The Church is not so blind as some think it is.

But how different is the case of the boaster of a false gift. He may take the high title of an "apostle," but we shall seek in vain for assemblies that he has planted in places where Christ has not been named. He may call himself a "prophet," but no strikingly fulfilled predictions stand to his credit, and no burst of genuine revelation enlightens his ministry.

In like manner, the brother who boastingly lays claim to the name of "evangelist," but does not possess the gift and calling, will have no blessed record to show of souls won for Christ. The self-styled "pastor," who has not been made such by Christ Himself will probably only leave behind him a stream of scattered and starved assemblies, instead of flocks sacrificially built up and prosperously increased. The false and spiritually ungifted "teacher" will only sow discord and uncertainty wherever he goes.

To recognize a man's gift and Christ-given office is very proper and necessary, and all honor should be paid to it. We have nothing but genuine pleasure in glorifying God for those ministries that truly bring showers of blessing wherever they are exercised. Let us make way for them.

But cruel disappointment and bitter disillusionment will be the only result of hastily crying-up false gifts and offices. It is surely wise to be slow in laying claim to any gift ourselves. Let others say it of us. Even if we have received a personal calling from the Lord, we do well

to humbly wait His time and way for the revelation of it to the people. And though inspired prophetic utterances may have indicated a possible gift placed within us by the Spirit, as in the case of Timothy, yet we still need to make full proof of our ministry, and diligently keep the divine fire burning, before we are in a position to lay claim to any office.

The ultimate test for any spiritual gift is its ability to bring the heavenly rain upon thirsty souls. Mere titles of office, however slavishly literal to the New Testament, are utterly vain if they lack the power.

The Man With the Withered Hand

Lilian B. Yeomans, M.D.

It is only by faith that we can please God and fulfill His will. To believe on Jesus Christ is *the* work of God, i. e. the work which He requires of us, from which all lesser works necessarily flow. John 6:28, 29. They, the lesser works, are inevitable, however, for "Faith without works is dead." James 2:20.

You can't get to heaven in a rocking chair, The Lord won't have no lazy folks there.

This is the work of God that ye believe, and it is *work* and not play.

If ever a man was certain of numerous progeny Isaac to whom offspring as the dust of the earth and the stars of heaven had been promised, and upon whose betrothed wife, Rebecca, the blessing, "Be thou the mother of thousands of millions" had been invoked—was that man. Yet it was not till the Lord was *entreated of him* for his wife, who was barren for twenty years, that Esau and Jacob made their appearance upon the stage of human history. Isaac had to take the blessing by faith.

Yes, to "turn promises into facts," as Dr. Northcote Deck puts it, you have got to work the work of God; walk the walk of faith, and it takes two feet to walk it, to "pray and take." You may hop around forever on one foot, praying, praying, praying, and get nowhere. If that is your case put down your "take" foot this moment and march on to victory. Even Isaac had to do it; it is the only way through.

In the 6th chapter of Luke, verses 6 to 11, we find a flashing faith diamond, a "gem of purest ray serene," a man who "took," though his right hand was withered and he had nothing to take with.

Jesus was teaching in a synagogue and saw him with his withered hand, power-

less, no grasp to appropriate, no grip to retain, no punch to fight. Once, when the writer was a boy in London, he secured an empty scent-bottle labelled very prettily "Lavender Water," and filled it with some imitation concoction in order to play a joke upon a friend. You may be sure the ruse was quickly discovered once the stopper was taken off! We have often been reminded of that incident by some brethren who make so much of official labels of gift and office. Let them remember that we shall be removing the stopper one day. And what then?

The worthless contents of my prettily labelled bottle as a boy were thrown down the sink!

less, no grasp to appropriate, no grip to retain, no punch to fight.

The late Dr. A. B. Simpson said, commenting on this Scripture: "So many Christians have no hands! They have no grip in their fingers, no stamina in their will, no hold in their faith."

If that be so with any of us, let us not forget that there is healing for spiritual, as well as **physical paralysis with the Great Physician.**

To return to the scene in the synagogue, we note that there was a powerful opposition present. There always is; look out for it! That is always the case when God manifests His power.

The Scribes and Pharisees were doing the work of their master, the Accuser of the brethren, and though they were silent Jesus knew their thoughts.

He knows yours and mine, too. It is not enough to keep our faces smug and our tones honied. Let us pray, "Let the meditation of my heart as well as the words of my mouth, be acceptable in thy sight, O Lord, my strength and my Redeemer!"

The Lord Jesus began dealing with this man by commanding him to do what he could.

"Rise up, and stand forth in the midst." In other words, made him take higher ground, and publicly confess his abject helplessness and utter dependence upon Divine power for deliverance.

People would rather conceal their deficiencies if possible. The ex-Kaiser, who had an atrophied arm, exhausted the ingenuity of artists, who painted and photographed him, in their efforts to provide poses that would hide the deformity.

This man, however, met the test. Faith always does what *it can*. But it never stops there. It wouldn't be faith if it

did. It goes further and does what *it can't do*.

Faith is the work of God, and He demands the impossible.

"Ye must be born again." You can't do it, but you must do it. No choice about it.

"Be ye holy . . ." You can't do it, but you must do it. No choice about it.

"Be ye clean. . . ." (As disease pollutes every drop of blood it is essentially unclean, and this Scripture involves a command to be whole, as well as holy.) You can't do it, but you must. No choice about it.

To return to the man with the withered hand, Jesus has told him to do what he can do and he has obeyed. Now comes the command to perform the impossible.

"Stretch forth thy hand!"

"And he did so; and his hand was restored whole as the other."

How did he do it?

The only way it can be done. He worked the work of God, believed on Him whom God hath sent (John 6:29); knew that Jesus never fails; that His commands are enablings.

With God all things are possible, and all things are possible to him that believeth, for faith makes room for God to work and thus releases Omnipotence.

Sometimes the simplest things serve to make the sublimest ones clear to our understandings. Nothing has ever helped me to realize just what faith is so well as my youthful experience in learning how to mount a horse when I was only a chunky child, with little length of limb, and no spring in me.

My father was a surgeon in the U. S. army and we were stationed at a frontier post in Northwestern Texas where an officer kindly undertook to teach me to ride.

I was wild with delight and perfectly fearless, so I was soon prancing around like a regular cavalryman. When my teacher arrived he always found me mounted and ready for my lesson. There was a reason for this which he never suspected. The only way I could mount the animal—a huge mettlesome charger belonging to my father, which seemed to me as high as a battleship—was to lead him round to the chicken coop and roll off the roof on to his back.

One day my teacher was expressing his satisfaction with my progress in equestrianism to another officer, when the latter replied, "Oh, she rides well enough when once she is mounted but it's a scream to see her mount. Did you teach her to roll off the roof on the horse's back?"

The next time my teacher came I met him ready mounted as usual, when to my horror, he said with the voice he used when he was drilling the troops.

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The Editor's Notebook



God's Great Sign

Certain of the scribes and Pharisees came to Christ one day and said, "Master, we would see a sign from thee!" It was a challenge for Him to do some great miracle. But the Master answered, "An evil and adulterous generation seeketh after a sign; and there shall no sign be given to it, but the sign of the prophet Jonas: for as Jonas was three days and three nights in the whale's belly; so shall the Son of man be three days and three nights in the heart of the earth." That was to be the great sign—the sign of the resurrection of the Son of man. There are many who are looking for a spectacular sign today, but the greatest sign and the greatest wonder that can take place in these days is for the risen Christ to be fully formed and manifested in the lives of His disciples.

Own Will Versus God's

Jonah was a prophet who desired to go his own way rather than God's, and that is the outstanding sin of every generation. Men glibly say with their lips, "Thy will be done," but all the while their hearts are longing for something contrary to the will of God. Did you ever offer Frances Ridley Havergal's prayer: "Take my will and make it Thine, it shall be no longer mine"? It is good to present ourselves to God for the cancellation of all our own thoughts, ways, plans, and purposes, and for the bringing in of all that is in His good and acceptable and perfect will.

A Costly Business

The love of his own way cost Jonah a good deal more than the fare to Tarshish. A storm arose. The mariners were convinced that something was wrong; and Jonah, when awakened, confessed to the fact that he was fleeing from the Lord. He said, "I know that for my sake this great tempest is upon you," and he suggested, "Take me up, and cast me forth into the sea; so shall the sea be calm unto you." The mariners were at first reluctant but finally consented to cast the disobedient prophet into the waves, and "the sea ceased from raging." It was a sign to those heathen mariners and "they feared the Lord exceedingly."

The Patience of God

But God had further use for Jonah, and He had a specially prepared fish ready to swallow him. How gracious is our God! One day Jeremiah was told

to go down to the house of the potter. He watched the potter take his clay and make a vessel on his wheel, but the vessel was marred in the making. Did the potter throw away the clay as useless? Oh, no. "He made it again another vessel, as seemed good to the potter." And that is the way with our patient God. Have you failed in times past? Go and tell Him you are sorry for every act of disobedience, yield yourself afresh as clay in His wonderful hands, and He will make of thee a vessel unto honor, meet indeed for His use, a vessel He can use to carry oil and wine to some poor needy wayfarer.

Did Jonah Die?

We have usually considered that Jonah was preserved alive within the fish, but a godly minister said to the writer: "I believe Jonah actually died and was resurrected. Read carefully his prayer in the second chapter of Jonah and you may come to the same conclusion." In this prayer we see that statement, "Out of the belly of hell cried I," and the word for hell in the Hebrew is sheol—the place of the departed. Jonah 2:7 is translated by Isaac Leeser: "To the bottoms of mountains did I go down, the earth closed her bars about me forever: when thou broughtest up my life from the pit, O Lord my God." We do not want to be dogmatic, but does not this seem to speak of death, burial, and resurrection? And if it is so, what a perfect type was this of the sign of all signs, the death, burial and resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ.

God's Infinite Mercy

The repentant Jonah was now willing to go to Nineveh. A man who has repented himself is a good one to preach repentance to others. Jonah proclaimed, "Yet forty days and Nineveh shall be overthrown." Maclaren comments, "All God's promises and threatenings are conditional. God threatens in order that He may not have to perform His threatenings." This was precisely the lesson Jeremiah learned in the house of the potter. God spoke to him right there as he saw the remade vessel, "At what instant I shall speak concerning a nation, and concerning a kingdom, to pluck up, and to pull down, and to destroy it; if that nation, against whom I have pronounced, turn from their evil, I will repent of the evil that I thought to do unto them." Jer. 18:7, 8. And thus it was when Nineveh repented, God was merciful.

Jonah's Complaint

Jonah was a narrow nationalist who begrudged Nineveh the blessing that God brought to it—"it displeased Jonah exceedingly, and he was very angry." And in his anger he complained of the very character of God. "I knew that thou art a gracious God, and merciful, slow to anger, and of great kindness." It was the revelation that Moses had had long before, after Israel had sinned, that the "Lord is merciful and gracious, long-suffering, and abundant in goodness and truth, keeping mercy for thousands, forgiving iniquity and transgression and sin." And yet by no means clearing the guilty who are unrepentant. God is merciful to men of every tongue and race who call on Him for mercy.

A Gourd, a Worm, and a Wind

Jonah made him a booth on the east side of the city where he could sit and watch what was going to happen. And God prepared a gourd to be a shade for the prophet, a shade that was very welcome in that hot climate. Then God prepared a worm. That worm performed its allotted task and the result was the gourd withered. Then God prepared "a vehement east wind" and the sun beat down so heavy on poor Jonah's pate that he fainted. He was so sick that he wanted to die. Then the Lord said to him, "Thou hast had pity on the gourd, for the which thou hast not labored, neither madest it grow; which came up in a night, and perished in a night: and should not I spare Nineveh, that great city, wherein are more than sixscore thousand persons that cannot discern between their right hand and their left hand; and also much cattle?"

Commissioning the Church

The sign of Jonah was fulfilled. Our Lord died, was buried, and arose again. He as the risen One gave a great commission to all of His own. Previously He had told His disciples to confine their preaching to the lost sheep of the house of Israel, but now repentance and remission of sins were to be proclaimed "among all nations." Luke 24:47. The whole earth was a perishing Nineveh. The disciples were now to go forth in "all the world," to preach the gospel "to every creature." But how could they go? Were they not narrow, prejudiced Jews like Jonah? A few days previous had not two of those who had been closest to Jesus requested that He bring down fire on the Samaritans? The infinitely wise Master knew all this and so He told them that they were to tarry at Jerusalem, and there they would be filled with the Holy Spirit from on high. The same Spirit, full of grace and mercy and longsuffering and compassion, that had moved Him throughout all His ministry would be giv-

en as a gift to them. On the day of Pentecost the blessed Holy Spirit came. Ah what a change! We find shortly after Pentecost the once prejudiced John, who wanted to bring down fire on the Samaritans, praying down upon them the same gracious gift of the Holy Ghost that he himself had received on the day of Pentecost.

Slow to Catch the Vision

Even though they had been commissioned by the Lord, and given the gift of the Holy Spirit, it took the disciples some while before they comprehended that the Lord really meant what He said when He told them to preach the gospel "to every creature." Peter had to have a special revelation before he would go to the house of the Gentile Cornelius. And are we not just as slow? What place has this great commission in your heart? Has God called you to go to some distant Nineveh to preach repentance, but you prefer to stay in Chicago or Los Angeles? How much do you sacrifice to get the gospel to the perishing Ninevites all around the world?

Willing Workers

It is written, "Thy people shall be willing in the day of thy power." Some to-

day are showing their willingness to go to the ends of the earth and proclaim this great gospel. Despite the depression, the China Inland Mission has recently sent out two hundred new missionaries to their field. When Charlie Studd, the founder of the Heart of Africa Mission, went to be with the Lord in July, 1931, his coworkers asked God for ten new workers within a year as a memorial to their consecrated pioneer. They got their ten and sent them forth. Then they were emboldened to ask for fifteen more laborers for the next twelve months. They got them and sent them forth. Then they began to ask for twenty-five before July, 1934, and already they have twenty of the twenty-five new candidates, and all the funds necessary to send them forth. God is able still to equip and provide for all His messengers. He tells us to pray the Lord of the harvest to thrust forth laborers into the field. Do not fail to obey the Master's command to pray, and if He bids you to be a thrust-forth-one, learn from the lesson of Jonah to go at His first call. And do not forget that the risen Lord Himself promises to personally go with you and to remain with you "always, even unto the end." Matt. 28:20.

The Fear of Dictators

A Los Angeles daily states: "In France men shiver at the thought of the German dictator, Hitler, combining with the Italian, Mussolini, helped perhaps by Russia, and Kemal of Turkey, coming down through the Dardanelles with their fleets and man power." Coming down to the site of Armageddon! Dictators are creating the atmosphere and stage for the *the* dictator—Antichrist.

Ten Thousand Shout Hallelujah!

Recently 50 missionaries of the Heart of Africa Mission and 10,000 natives met together for conference in the Congo. One missionary reports, "During the Conference the natives prayed much through the day, and the greater part of the night." Nine tribes who a few years ago were at one another's throats enjoyed each other's fellowship in the Lord. It was a great moment when 10,000 shouted Hallelujah at the same time!

Preparedness Urged

According to *Sunday School Times*: Last month Stanley Baldwin, former Premier of Great Britain, declared that if the disarmament plan failed, Britain should prepare immediately for war. But Winston Churchill, former War Minister, insisted that Britain should not even wait for Europe to reject the plan, but should take action immediately. "All over Europe this is being done," said he; "there is not an hour to lose."

Former War Secretary Newton D. Baker truly said: "Life in the world today is like living in a powder magazine." Said Christ: "These things must first come to pass."

Romanist Opposition Overturned

Romanist priests sent word through Congo villages, "Chase out these accursed Protestants. You will starve to death if you don't." They said that the Protestants brought the locusts which destroyed the native crops, and that the people must come to the priests for "holy water" to be sprinkled on their gardens. Through their talk, such ill will was created toward the Protestants that the church services were greatly hindered, and some did not dare attend. Writes W. F. P. Burton in *The Comforter*, "At last the believers went forth into the main street and called on God in public to vindicate His cause. . . . A short time afterward the sky was black with locusts. . . . In a few hours they moved on leaving desolation in their wake, but the gardens of the Christians were absolutely untouched. Even where a Christian's plantation lay between that of two Catholic's, the plantations that had been sprinkled with idolatrous 'holy water' were completely destroyed, while that of the Christian waved bright and green."

The Passing and the Permanent

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

Palestine Fruitfulness

According to Ernest Gordon, in the last four years, the export of Palestine citrus fruit has doubled from two million to four million boxes and the acreage has risen from 11,000 dunam (a dunam is a third of an acre) to 100,000 dunam. It seems that the land is responding cheerfully to its old masters!

Lawlessness

Speaking before a Senate committee, General Cummings said that America's underworld has more armed men than the United States army and navy combined. And when law-abiding England reports a serious crime-wave in their land then we may be sure that we are living in the "perilous times" described by Paul.

The Illusion of Democracy

Arthur Brisbane says, "At least 122,000,000 people out of 123,000,000 in this land have nothing to do with ruling themselves at present. They know what is to be done only when they get word from Washington. That suits them and is probably the best possible plan, but it is not self rule." When the times are "out of joint" people are glad to commit their affairs to a Strong Man. Universal instability will pave the way for Antichrist.

War Clouds in the East

According to a news flash from Peiping: a Japanese official today asked information regarding American mission property in North China "in order to avoid damage to these properties in the event the Japanese armies found it necessary to come southward from the great wall in the near future." Commenting on the Eastern situation, General Pershing said: "It is not difficult to imagine ourselves forced into a conflict, as we were in 1917, in defense of civilization." The Four Horsemen of Revelation stand waiting the signal to proceed!

If Christ Visited Germany

Keith L. Brooks states in *Prophecy* that at the close of a lecture, "In Defense of Hitler," given in the University of Minnesota, the following question was asked: "The Roman Empire was supposed to be autocratic. Most of the people enjoyed no higher status than slavery. But in that Empire at least it was possible for Christ and His Apostles to move freely to preach and to heal. But what would happen if, being Jews, Christ and His Apostles were to visit Germany today?"

The lecturer confessed his inability to answer the question.

The Gospel in Foreign Lands

GLORIOUS REVIVAL IN INDIA

Miss Flint writes from Unao that since her last letter, telling of the terrible storm which flooded the mission station, they have gone through the earthquake and another storm, "But, thank God!" she writes, "that everything is as well with us as it is.

"You will be glad to know of the visitation from God which has come to us after we have prayed so long for it. The Bible school this week has been the nearest thing to heaven I have seen in a long time. The earthquake awoke the Christians throughout the land to the fact that the Lord's coming is indeed near, and from the 15th of January there has been a calling upon the Lord that has been very real and sincere.

"Last week there was considerable hunger manifest, and on Monday night of this week three of the girls received Pentecost in a glorious fullness. That was the beginning, and since Monday we have not been able to continue classes or study, but prayer has gone up continually day and night. Such conviction of sin! Such heart searching! And such heart-broken confession, going back as far as fifteen years in some cases! Such weeping and such intercession—and then such glory! **Restoration, reconciliation, rejoicing.**

"One dear girl, a Methodist, received the Baptism on Monday night, and has been given a mighty ministry of intercession for others. She told me yesterday morning that she felt a great weight of sin settling down upon her, but not her own. All the morning she agonized before the Lord and pleaded the power of the Blood until victory came, and in the afternoon she brought another weeping girl to me to confess.

"Last night I walked from room to room in the dormitory praising Him for His wonderful works to the children of men, and though it was almost midnight and the week had been a most strenuous one, I found only one girl asleep in the entire dormitory. A few were in their beds, but sitting with arms raised to heaven, faces shining, worshipping the Lord. There were girls on their faces before God, girls alone in corners standing with the radiance of the holy place on their faces, girls in groups praying with the seekers, some singing in 'other tongues' and some groaning alone, but each pressing on to new blessing and new glory.

"Two dear teachers from the Dehra Dun Mission were with us from Monday until Thursday and were such a help and blessing, and our

own dear teachers are a great help to the girls in their seeking. I indeed feel as though we are walking on holy ground and, since in such an hour as we think not the Son of man cometh, it behooves us to *stay* on holy ground these days."

Writing a few days later, Miss Flint says, "I must write again to let you know the fire continues to burn, and the glory continues to rest upon us. The Lord has baptized eleven of the dear students with the Holy Ghost now, and those who had received the Baptism before coming here have all been refilled and requickened. There are only three now in the school who have not received the Baptism, and they are most earnestly seeking. We are truly on holy ground.

"We had a blessed service Sunday from 4:30

TRANSFORMED LIVES WIN OTHERS

Brother Boyce writes that although the missionaries in North India have found that it takes a long time, much patience and perseverance to win the people to Christ, he has been refreshed by the reports from South India of thousands turning to the Lord. He says: "In one section, and as the result of the work of six missionary societies 26,000 of the middle classes have been baptized into the Christian fold, being influenced to do so by the changed lives and manner of living that they have witnessed going on among the Christians. The report states: 'Many of these have been persecuted beyond forbearance, but when called individually before tribunes of village chiefs and officials, they have not swerved in their confession of the Lord Jesus.

"In one place a trained Indian nurse married a godly man in government service. Both exerted such an influence by their Christlike living and voluntary service, singing and talking to the people and praying with them, that within a few months' time a number of villages had decided to follow Jesus, and six hundred people were baptized.'

"The account we quote from states, 'It was not the organized church that was responsible for this, but the Holy Spirit in the heart of one man and one woman, resolved to be true to God in a difficult place.'

"Here the problem of untouchability, the problem of the caste system, and the community problem are all being solved in the atmosphere of continual revival."



Girls in Bible Training School at Unao, India, Miss Flint standing in the rear. The picture was taken on the occasion of the wedding of the couple seated in the center.

to 10:30 p. m. After the meeting one dear young woman came to me and said 'Almost I went back last year. I was tempted, sorely tempted, to leave all and become a Hindu to be with my husband again. But not now. There is no love in my heart now but for my dear, dear Jesus, and I want to see no one, to have no one but Him.' Her husband forsook her two years ago and has repeatedly threatened to kill her and take her three little boys away from her. When she came to us last year it was with a pack of playing cards in her trunk and the world in her heart, but now she has found Jesus and Pentecost has come.

"Oh, the transforming power of the Holy Ghost! How glad I am for Pentecost. We have a Pentecostal Bible school in very truth now and He is in our midst."

Note—There is an urgent need of funds for the erection of a bungalow for Miss Flint and her coworkers. God is blessing. Let us help the work forward.

SPIRITUAL HUNGER MANIFESTED

We certainly believe His coming must be near. His presence has been very real during the past weeks here in India. Last Sunday we went to a Bazar about 15 miles from here which is a coal mining district and we spoke to a very large crowd of people. It is marvelous how the people seem to lose sight of time, and simply stand spellbound for an hour at a time, listening to the gospel.

In this particular bazar we noticed that strong men and women were so moved that tears streamed down their faces as the message of salvation went forth. At the close of the meeting we asked if there were any who could read, and if any would like to purchase a Gospel. In just a few minutes we sold all we had with us, about 140 or more, and could probably have sold as many more if we had had them with us.

We have been greatly impressed with this place and hope to make it one of our outstations, holding services at least twice a month.—Mr. and Mrs. Robert McClay.

SOWING IN CANARY ISLANDS

From Santa Cruz, Tenerife, Miss Amy Ausherman writes of a recent trip to the neighboring island of La Palma, that the gospel might be given out there. She reports that while on this island the Lord opened the way for her and her coworker to visit nine towns and give out many copies of the Gospels, bits of Scripture, and tracts. She says: "We found a real hunger in many hearts for the gospel and our literature was gratefully received. The priest told those who had sufficient interest in spiritual things to go to church, that the books we had given them were bad and that they should not read them. We are, however, trusting God to care for His Word and not to allow it to return unto Him void. We believe the Holy Spirit will convict of sin, those who read the Word, and will reveal Jesus unto them.

"At the time we were there we were unable to secure a building in which to hold meetings, but spoke to the crowds who gathered about us on certain occasions. We are hoping to return to La Palma and may then be able to get a suitable building for a few days. If we can get a few sufficiently interested, someone will probably open a home to us to continue meetings. Please pray that we may be granted wisdom and the anointing of the Spirit in dealing with these precious souls."

PROMOTED TO HIGHER SERVICE

It was a real blow to us when the brief cable message was received from Liberia, telling of the passing away of our dear brother John Torta, at Cape Palmas, Liberia, on Thursday, March 15. Our brother is survived by his widow Daisy Bullard Torta, and little baby Esther Irene who is just five months old.

John Torta was born in Jackson City, California, April 3, 1904. He later moved with his parents to Riverbank where he received his schooling. At the age of eighteen he gave his heart to the Lord and shortly afterwards received the Baptism with the Holy Spirit which kindled in his heart the desire to go to the lands beyond the sea with the missionary message. He became an earnest worker in the Full Gospel Assembly of Sacramento, and finally entered the Southern California Bible School in 1927. He graduated from Bible school June 1930 and at once applied for missionary appointment to Liberia.

There has always been a great need of men for our Liberian field so that we were glad for this new recruit and having received very satisfactory references from his friends and the Southern California District Council he was granted appointment in September 1930 sailing for the field the following November. Our brother was always highly spoken of by his associate missionaries and did valuable work not only in direct evangelization but also used his mechanical skill in helping to erect better homes for some of our missionaries.

In August 1932 he was married to Daisy Bullard who had preceded him to the field early in 1930.

Inasmuch as Liberia is recognized as having a very trying climate, and three years is usually all that a white person can stand without a

change, it was expected that Brother and Sister Torta would return to the United States this year. God had different plans, and another warrior has been called home—another grassy mound appears among the many others marking the resting place of our missionary heroes in West Africa.

We thank God that there are those who have heard the call and are stepping forward to fill the ranks. Brother and Sister E. J. Prinic will be sailing for Liberia within the next few months. Let us follow these workers with our prayers that they may be kept in health, and not forget the little widow of our Brother Torta who needs the comfort and strength the Holy Spirit alone can impart in such an hour.



Brother John Torta, now with the Lord

BLESSED CONVENTION IN LIBERIA

By John Torta

Note—About the time we received the following report from our Brother Torta we also received word that he had passed on to be with his Lord.

We have just recently returned from the annual gathering of the missionaries and native Christians, at Dublica. One by one the pilgrims gathered from the north, south, east, and west, and with each newcomer there was a volume of greetings. Even though with weary feet we came to the journey's end, the last steps were quickened by the joy of meeting again with our friends. For a few days, at least, there would be no more hills to puff our way up, no more streams to cross, clinging to a curly top, and no more tropical sun to sweat under.

The program of entertainment was a little different this year than in the past. The missionaries were escorted to various huts of the natives where each put up his cot, and whatever else he had with him to make the native apartment comfortable. Some of the missionaries were welcomed into the humble home by the gift of a duck or chicken. The native workers' house was very convenient for cooking for us and we all came together there for our meals. It was real camp style of cooking, especially as the smoke rolled up from the country camp fire and brought tears to our eyes.

Little Moses was our faithful helper about the place, carrying water, making the fires under our pots and doing everything so cheerfully. Some other little boys from the town brought water for us and then waited for us to give them their expected pay. Moses indignantly spoke up, "Can't you do it with your pure heart?" So we call him Pure Heart now.

It is a custom in this town that when a stranger arrives, he will be given "cola nut" to eat as a sign that he is a welcome visitor. Soon after our crowd had gathered the chief men of the town called us to give us "cola," but since we were many and white people, they presented us with a goat. When this was roasted over the camp fire it was a very acceptable gift at meal time.

A large mud chapel had been erected especially for the convention and was dedicated on the first day of the meetings. We called it "William's Memorial Chapel" in memory of "Praying William" who gave his life in the service of the King. We all feel that the past revival in this town was due partly to his faithful prayers.

Sunday morning there were 26 babies dedicated to the Lord, the list being headed by little Esther Irene Torta. These people love to give their babies to God. In the afternoon service an offering was taken to be sent to some other mission field. Including the rice that was brought to the altar as offering, it altogether amounted to about \$30.00. The meeting was closed with a communion service.

On the closing day of the meetings, there was the baptismal service when 37 followed their Lord into the watery grave. Pray that they shall remain faithful through all the testings that come to a soul in this land filled with superstition and devil worship.

We feel that the Lord refreshed all of our souls through the days of convention, and it seemed only a little while till there was the bustle of packing, calling of hammock men, and we were soon on the trail again. Pray for us that the Lord will help us to be faithful in these last days, and that many souls in this dark land shall see the light before Jesus comes.

THE NEED OF MISSIONARY HOME AT CAPE PALMAS

Brother Torta also writes: "In case there are those of our friends at home who would like to have a share in building a new rest home at the Cape here for all of our missionaries, we are quoting some figures, so you will know just how much you can do for twenty-five cents. We have been paying out rent each year and then have to live in a house that is continually in need of repairs. The rain leaks in, spoiling the appearance, as well as spoiling some of our belongings. In the past seven years we have paid out \$2,000.00 for rent. For twenty-five cents you could buy a plank and nail it on our new home here. It will take about 1,200 planks. If some of the Sunday school children could each put in five cents and 5 of them together nail on a plank, we would soon have the new rest home. We are putting it before the Lord, and if enough money comes in by June to begin the building, we shall then start work on it. Send your offering to Noel Perkin, 336 West Pacific St., Springfield, Missouri."

To him that knoweth to do good, and doeth it not, to him it is sin. Jas. 4:17.

A Three Minute Sermon

Quenching the Fiery Darts

"No weapon that is formed against thee shall prosper." Isa. 54:17. The forces of iniquity are working overtime forging weapons and instruments for the destruction of God's kingdom. Satan is forging his weapons to be used against God's people. The hammers of hate and the anvils of jealousy are in great requisition. But no weapon formed under such conditions shall prosper, because God gives the breastplate of righteousness, the helmet of salvation, and the shield of faith, and they are adequate for the conflict.

David had a sling and stones, but David's greater Son gives a sword. When the enemy assaulted Him, He used the sword of the Spirit, "It is written." Satan will bring up against you his "if thou art," and "if you were not this or that"; he will bring against you many an "if" and "but"; but Christ has His answer for them all, "It is written."

No kind of weapon shall prosper against you. The Lord said to Abraham, "I am thy shield, and thy exceeding great reward," and He is willing to be this to thee, to be a shield to withstand all the overheated fiery darts of the enemy, and to be a reward to you for the confidence you place in Him.

The Roman spear pierced the side of Christ. How the devil must have gloated when that spear was made. But the blood that flowed from that wounded side has been the consolation of all the saints down through the ages. And He who was pierced at Calvary, by His death and resurrection has brought to nought the power of the enemy.

The devil is forming all kinds of weapons today, the weapon of depression, the weapon of prosperity, the weapon of lawlessness, the weapon of fear, the weapon of discouragement. But the Word of God stands true, "No weapon that is formed against thee shall prosper." Christ will stand as a shield between you and the enemy and all his weapons. And He will bind the one who sends the fiery darts and cast him into the bottomless pit, and finally into the lake of fire.

Modern Miracles

Ernest Gordon reports in the *Sunday School Times* a blessed revival in Madagascar in which God is graciously healing the sick. Walter Hackett, a missionary of the London Missionary Society, tells of an evangelist named Rajaofera who is going through the country preaching Christ and healing the sick. This missionary testifies that many blind are receiving their sight: "A woman from one

of my churches stood up, Rajaofera put his hand on her head, and in the name of Christ commanded her to receive her sight. She was given a hymn book, and read a hymn before the whole congregation. . . . Various blind children, after being prayed with, could be seen walking alone without any assistance." To which we say a hearty Amen and Hallelujah!

God is not the God of the perfect only, but of the growing as well.

Seed Thoughts

Gathered by Alice E. Nee

"Looking unto Jesus is the conquering attitude of the soul." These are days when many are being overcome, and when we all need the power to conquer; so let us seek to learn more about a right use of our spiritual eyes.

The words "be not dismayed" in Isa. 41:10 may be translated, "look not around thee." It was the looking at things around him that brought disaster to Peter when he was walking on the water.

Our first look to Jesus must be for *salvation*. "Look unto Me and be ye saved." Isa. 45:22. The look represents the whole attitude of the soul—a turning a way from all other dependence and a placing its entire reliance upon Jesus, the God-appointed Saviour.

When we need *healing*, again we are told to look unto Him, as the sick Israelites gazed on the serpent lifted up. Num. 21:8, 9; John 3:14, 15.

It is not enough to look once and then turn away—the attitude of dependence and trust must be *maintained*, both for salvation and health.

In Titus 2:12, 13 Paul tells his spiritual children to *live* looking. This time he is speaking specially of the *upward* look. See also Phil. 3:20, 21.

It is the constant looking up to see the Bridegroom come down which keeps His bride from becoming worldly-minded or setting her affection on things here below.

It is one of the wonderful paradoxes of the spiritual life that we can look at *invisible* things. Hallelujah! They are the only things that really matter. 2 Cor. 4:18.

Those who really live looking away from earthly things and see Jesus in His glory all the time, will become changed themselves and reflect that glory in their lives. 2 Cor. 3:18.

David knew something about that illumination from gazing upward when he wrote, "They looked unto Him and were lightened, and on their faces was brilliancy." Chinese Ver. Ps. 34:5.

One of these days the Morning will dawn, the hiding veil be riven, and *unto them that look for Him* shall He appear. "Even so, come, Lord Jesus!"

The Way of Salvation

A Communist and Christ

"You are a danger to society, and the sentence of the Court is that you go to prison for fifteen months with hard labor." With these words Thomas Hitman left the dock of the Glasgow Sheriff Court, after being found guilty of seven charges of sedition. He was an atheist—blind to everything that was pure, good and divine; alive only to his own desires, thinking in terms of revolution with its attendant horrors of bloodshed and chaos—in short an anarchist, at war with society and with God. From the day of his imprisonment to his liberation a card hung over his cell door with the word *Atheist* distinctly marked upon it.

During the six weeks immediately after his release from prison he addressed over thirty atheistic meetings. Then he attended the funeral of a young woman, and at the graveside they sang, "Safe in the arms of Jesus." Instantly an overwhelming appeal for that security rang out from his soul and reached the ear of Him who sitteth at the right hand of God. The stupendous sense of unseen realities at that supreme moment, and his burning desire to know more about the Lord Jesus, cannot be described.

He became conscious of his awful sinful state, and knew that the righteous indignation of a holy God rested upon him. But that day, standing by that open grave, the whole story of God's love for the sinner in the gift of His Son on the Cross of Calvary passed in review before his bewildered mind. He rested his soul for time and eternity on Jesus Christ and His atoning work, and he entered into peace. Rom. 5:1. He had been an avowed atheist pouring down ridicule upon God and His blessed Son; yet here he was down on his knees giving himself body and soul to Him whom he had scorned and denied.

Just now let go of your doubtings and fears. Give yourself to the Lord Jesus Christ, accept His atoning work at Calvary, and you, too, will enter into peace, for those who are justified with God "have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ."

Scatter Tracts Everywhere

We have just published 21 new tracts on Salvation, Healing, Holiness, Pentecost and the Lord's Coming, and we are making an introductory offer of these at a special low rate. Individuals and assemblies would do well to avail themselves of this special offer and secure a large number of tracts at the present low rate. Assemblies should get a large supply and stamp them with the address of their church and times of meeting. These new tracts are advertised on the last page.

Building a Worth-While Sunday School

By Zella Lindsey

Is the Sunday School Needed?

ACCORDING to Clarence H. Benson of the Moody Bible Institute there are 10,000 towns in the United States with a population of from 300 to 1,000 inhabitants where no religious work of any kind is carried on. There are 68,200,000 people who never "darken a church door" from one end of the year to another. Furthermore, there are 25,000,000 boys and girls under the age of twelve years on our North American continent, and of this number 13,000,000 receive no religious instruction whatever. Do these boys and girls need the Sunday school? Unquestionably, yes.

The Sunday school is the only organization that exists for the primary purpose of teaching the boys and girls the Bible, of training them in Christian character and leading them to an acceptance of Christ as their Saviour. Evolution is being taught on every hand today, even to boys and girls in the lower grades. The Bible is discounted as being unauthentic, and this subtle ridicule is more dangerous than any other line of attack. If the children are to be taught to love and reverence the Bible, the Sunday schools will have to do it.

And where are the children going to be led to Christ if not through the Sunday school? Few children ever attend church who do not attend Sunday school, and much of the preaching in the church services is above the understanding of children. It is in the Sunday school, if anywhere, that the boys and girls must be shown the way of salvation, then led to experience that salvation for themselves.

It is in the Sunday schools that the children are trained in right standards of conduct. That the Sunday school is a mighty factor in the moral training of children is shown by the statement of Justice Louis L. Faucett, of the Supreme Court of New York who declares that during his twenty-three years' experience on the bench, in which time more than four thousand boys were brought before him, he found only three who were members of a Sunday school at the time they committed their crime. He says: "This experience has satis-

fied me of the value of the Sunday school to the community, in helping to safeguard it from the growth of criminals. In fact, I regard our Sunday schools as the only effective means to stem the tide of vice and crime among our youth."

Not only do the children and the communities in which they live need the Sunday school, but the church herself must have the Sunday school. Seventy-five per cent of the members of all denominations come up from the Sunday school; eighty-five per cent of the church workers and ninety-five per cent of all ministers and missionaries at some time were Sunday school scholars. Says the former governor of Iowa, Hon. Nathan Kendal, "If the activities of the Sunday school should be suddenly and finally terminated, I doubt if the churches themselves would survive for a generation. A bishop of one of the leading denominations said that if the Sunday school were to go out of business his church would be cut in half in fifteen years; and in thirty years, for all practical purposes would cease to exist.

And so, for the sake of the salvation and character-training of the children, for the sake of the community in which they live, and even the church herself, the Sunday school must be maintained.

Importance of Building Sunday School Attendance

There is one Scripture verse that should be burned deep into the heart of every pastor, Sunday school teacher, parent, and Christian. It is this, "It is not the will of your Father that any of these little ones should perish." One needs only to walk about the parks, streets, play-grounds, etc., at Sunday school time to find that many of

"these little ones" are not in Sunday school. When a study of records shows that the chances are four to one that these who do not attend Sunday school will never become even a member of a church, much less be regenerated, he cannot but be stirred with the thought that something must be done to get these children into some Sunday school. Can it be possible that three of every four children you meet who do not attend Sunday school are going to hell? Yes, it is not only possible or even probable; it is inevitable, judging by statistics.

Some Reasons Why Some Sunday Schools Do Not Build Attendance

Why is it that certain Sunday schools remain small year after year, though they are in the midst of people who attend no place of worship? One reason is, the school has not realized its responsibility to the souls of the boys, girls, men and women about them, and makes no effort to reach them. Sunday schools that are deeply spiritual have a desire to reach others and will go after them. When a school gets self-satisfied and takes the attitude, "Here we are, come when you like," it may well take heed to its spiritual life.

Others have a desire to reach people, but have not planned their Sunday school work sufficiently to make it effective. The classes are not divided according to the right ages, and no thought has been given to see that the worship programs are suitable to the pupils. They are the same Sunday after Sunday and offer no special help. The songs are sung in too slow a tempo to be interesting or so fast that the children fail to get the meaning of the words and cannot keep up. They do not enjoy the Sunday school and soon drop out.

Another reason why some schools do not grow is because their idea of success is only attendance and so nearly all attention is given to attendance rather than to what the school offers in the way of Bible teaching, character training, and evangelism to those who do come. The only time some schools invite people to Sunday school or work for new scholars is during a revival or contest. Then the Sunday school is overloaded with new material and



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fails to meet their needs because classes are crowded or new teachers are thrust into office without training. Thus the school fails to meet the needs of the scholars and loses them. Especially is this true in older classes.

Suppose a lady decided to have a big dinner for the people in her community. Eager to have many present she invited all she could. Fearing that still she might not have enough, she instituted a committee of two leaders to see who could bring the most guests. The time came for dinner, but the hostess had been so busy inviting people that she had not made much preparation for them. Everything had been prepared at the last minute and she had to resort to "canned goods" for the most part. There were not enough chairs to go around. No one had been hired to wait on the people and the poorly cooked dinner, of which there was scarcely enough was not well served. The atmosphere was charged with confusion and the people finally left without having been introduced to each other or their hostess. Their opinion of Mrs.—as a hostess certainly was not complimentary. How do you think they would respond to another invitation? How much better it would have been had the hostess made careful preparation for as many as she could provide for and have given her attention to making them happy. They would have left hoping for another invitation.

Yet how many have been invited to Sunday school only during a revival. They came, crowding the classes until there was not much chance to make them feel at home. The teacher was poorly prepared, time cut short with reports to fill out and the scholars in no condition to be helped because everything was in such a state of confusion. The visitors left with no desire to return, for they could see no benefit in going to Sunday school. How much different it would have been had they been brought to a class where an interesting lesson was taught, and where they were treated as

an honored guest, introduced to everyone and made to feel that they had really become a member of the class. This can be done if the new scholars are brought in gradually and not in a landslide, which is the result of contests or "high pressure" attendance drives.

One great secret of building Sunday school attendance is to build up the teaching staff of the school until it can attract and help those who come. In most Sunday schools some classes grow; others decrease, and often the teacher is the secret of it all. Unless teachers are spiritual they are of no help to their classes, but spirituality alone is not enough. They must know how to teach and be consecrated enough to make sufficient preparation to teach an interesting and worth-while lesson. Yet the Sunday school need not point its finger of blame at the teacher too much, if it has not provided training for them. The pastor should have a training class all the time, teaching first

the Bible, but also methods of teaching. Those who will not train should be weeded out and new teachers chosen from the training class, unless of course the teacher is a matured saint who has had experience in teaching.

Some schools cripple their teachers with lack of equipment in the way of quarterlies and teaching materials, such as notebooks, crayons, scissors, etc., for the children, making it almost impossible for the teacher to interest the class. Especially is this true in the beginners' and primary classes. The Sunday school that will not encourage its teachers to use every legitimate means to make the work interesting, and appropriate to the age of the children she teaches, should not be surprised if the Sunday school attendance is small or blame her for failing to hold her class.

Suggested Ways of Building Sunday School Attendance

As soon as the school has prepared itself to take care of new members and to hold them, it should emphasize recruiting. We suggest steady and gradual increase rather than sudden increase, so the new material can be assimilated into the classes. The first thing a school should do is to make a survey to find all those they have failed to reach and enlist. Those to be first considered are other members of families already coming to Sunday school. This list should be given to the pastor then classified and those belonging potentially to each department should be turned over to that department. The list should again be divided and a list of those belonging potentially to each class should be given to the teacher. The teachers and their classes should make special efforts to reach each until all are brought in or evidence given that they cannot be reached at all. One call is not enough. Each member should be called upon by pastor, superintendent, teacher, and a few of the pupils before given up permanently, unless there is a good rea-



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son for ceasing before. Even then one should remember that with God nothing is impossible and that even the most stubborn cases will yield to prayer.

A similar list should be made of members of families who are represented on the church roll, but are not in Sunday school. They, too, should be visited just as the others. Still a third list should be made of friends or school mates of pupils not attending any Sunday school. The pupils should feel responsible for those not in Sunday school and if they really enjoy their class, the Sunday school scholars will be good little recruiters, if encouraged.

This method of building a Sunday school will be gradual and steady, but will be much more satisfactory than a contest or "high pressure" method. It will cause the Sunday school to continue growing—not make a big growth, then drop down again.

The Sunday school that is organized sufficiently to work well, well equipped with teaching materials and consecrated, Spirit-filled teachers who will prepare to



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teach, will find that it will gradually build up a good attendance.

again. Many are under deep conviction.

Many have been reached indirectly by that little Sunday school. Last fall a young woman from Oregon came to visit her father and was gloriously saved in the little school house; a man from New Mexico came to visit relatives and found Christ. A boy came three hundred miles from Oklahoma to visit in the neighborhood and left, a new creature in Christ Jesus. Three young men from this community are now preparing for the ministry.

Nearly all of one large family were converted and reclaimed during the first revival. They moved to Texas where there was only a formal worldly church. Through their efforts and prayer one of the evangelists who visited a night or two during the first revival felt led to hold a meeting in a brush arbor built on the place of the family who had moved to Texas. The revival held there was the means of forty-two being saved and reclaimed at that place, and the evangelist was called to pastor the flock.

"This account is given to encourage other struggling Sunday schools in thinly settled rural districts to keep the Sunday school going, even if only one or two other persons come besides your own family. Have the lesson and make it so interesting they will want to come again the next Sunday and bring others with them. So many superintendents dismiss without having the lesson if only a few come out. This is discouraging to those who do come and soon kills the Sunday school."

"For my part, if I were compelled to leave off preaching and to enter some other vocation, I know of no work that would please me better than that of teaching. For I am convinced that, next to preaching, this is by far the most useful, the greatest and the best labor in the world; and, in fact, I am sometimes in doubt which of the two is the better."
 —Martin Luther.

The Influence of One Sunday School

One Sunday School Superintendent writes to us of the blessing a Sunday school brought to a neighborhood where there had been no Sunday school for seven or eight years. A Christian woman who wanted her children in Sunday school began to pray and two years ago this Easter a little Sunday school was started in a pine log school house.

The attendance has not been large in the winter time. Usually there are not enough to have more than one class, but in the summer time the attendance increases.

She writes: "Since starting this little Sunday school two revivals have been held. A number have been saved, backsliders re-

claimed, and nearly everyone drawn closer to the Lord."

The evangelists did not stop at this one community, but held revivals at several school houses in the country for miles about. Now they are living in a little town eleven miles from the neighborhood where the little Sunday school was started and are preaching there every two weeks. It has been said that there wasn't a single Christian in the town before the evangelists came and held a revival a year ago. Now church members have been awakened to the fact that there is no security in church membership and that they must repent and be born



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The Story of Our Pentecostal Literature

By the Editor

In 1916 the Gospel Publishing House was printing only the *Evangel* and a few tracts. We longed to help our people by bringing out Pentecostal Sunday school literature, but we did not have the funds to make a start. The Lord knew our need, however, and was very gracious to us. One day a check for \$3,000 came along from a dear sister in California as a gift to the work. How our hearts did praise the Lord for this answer to prayer.

It was not until sometime after this, when we had removed to Springfield from St. Louis, that we were able to start our Pentecostal Sunday school literature. For a while we tried to use that produced by another house, but it was of such a nature that I was thoroughly ashamed of it. But we thought it was the best we could get hold of.

However, in 1919 we made our start with our own Sunday school literature. Brother Bell wrote us a quarterly, and he was so busy doing other things that it was December 24 before these quarterlies were ready. Already a good many orders had come in. I can well remember taking off my coat on that day before Christmas, and packing up parcel after parcel of Sunday school quarterlies to send off.

I am afraid I am not a great expert at packing parcels. I remember a hot letter coming from one pastor who had received one of the parcels that I had sent, which evidently came in a very dilapidated condition with a number of the quarterlies in very bad shape. He wrote in a strong protest concerning the incompetent person who had wrapped that parcel. The "incompetent person" duplicated the order, the second time taking good care to make the parcel secure.

By the way, may I just here and now go off on a sideline? Sometimes we get letters from preachers and others who write in a rather irate way, "Why have you struck my name off your *Pentecostal Evangel* list? You know very well I would renew for my *Evangel*, and here you are not sending me the paper any more." Explanation of the dropping of names from our subscription list is as follows: We have a mailing machine and a device on every stencil so that this machine at the end of every month automatically removes the names of all whose subscriptions expire that month. It is always best therefore for those who wish to continue to receive their *Evangel* without interruption to care for their renewal promptly.

Now to return to our Sunday school literature. We soon found that one quarterly was not sufficient, and began to bring out a second quarterly. Sister Wetmore, who has been a missionary to the Mexicans, lives here in Springfield. She began to write our Junior quarterly and has been writing it very beautifully ever since. One time when I was in California a Sunday school worker said to me, "Brother Frodsham, your Publishing House made a mistake in filling our order this time, and all our adults had to

have the Junior Quarterly. But it was so full of good things that we all enjoyed it." I believe this Junior Quarterly is written in such a way that the Juniors can all enjoy it, and some of us folks who are not too grown up will enjoy it too.

In 1921 we began to print Pentecostal Sunday school papers. Sister Wilder of San Antonio, Texas, was the first editor, but as she went back to Texas, Brother Welch gave me the job of editing this paper. I certainly had to look to the Lord to teach me how to edit a paper for the children, but I soon got to be very enthusiastic about it, and I confess that I much prefer writing to the children than I do writing for the grown-ups. We soon had a second, and then a third. In 1921 we sent out 5000 of these Sunday school papers. Today we send out 93,000. They are prepared with just one purpose, and that is to bring the gospel to the children and to bring home Bible truths to all who read them. Many of the Sunday school papers from other Publishing Houses, I am sorry to say, seem to be prepared just to amuse and entertain the children. We realize we have a responsibility before God to bring them the gospel, and we reject many clever stories because they do not have a presentation of Bible truth.

We were soon printing a third Sunday school quarterly for the Intermediates and then we saw that we needed something to help the teachers, and started our first teachers' quarterly. I remember I was sent by the brethren on a special trip to the East and went to the Bethel school to

see Brother W. I. Evans to ask him whether he would not prepare this quarterly for us. But he told me he was too busy. On that trip I met a "Pentecostalized" Baptist preacher, Brother Milton Fish, and he was most happy to prepare the lessons for us for this quarterly. At that time he did not have a church, but now he has one and the work of preparing this quarterly has been put into the hands of our Brother Pearlman of the Central Bible Institute who is certainly doing magnificent work. The books I most enjoy (next to my Bible) are those written by two converted Jews, Saphir and Baron. These men have the most wonderful insight into the Scriptures, and it does seem to me that our Brother Pearlman, who is a converted Jew, has an insight into the Scriptures just like Saphir and Baron had.

Some of the rest of us help him in this work. Brother Williams always writes a piece. So do Brother Robinson and Brother Noel Perkin. I, too, try to tag along with my "From the Pentecostal Viewpoint."

One Oklahoma pastor who dropped in to see us remarked, "I always purchase an extra twenty copies of the Adult Teachers' Quarterly and give them to different preachers in town. That Quarterly is the best tract on Pentecost that I know of."

But we soon saw that one quarterly for the teachers was not enough, and we prepared a second quarterly for the Intermediate teachers. This quarterly is ably prepared, largely by Miss

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OFFICIALS AND EMPLOYEES OF THE GOSPEL PUBLISHING HOUSE. ALL IN THIS AND MAILING OUT SUNDAY

The High Calling of Sunday School Teaching

By Juanita Reed

Young men and women entering our public schools in the capacity of teachers are made to feel that they are entering upon the highest of all professions. The privilege, as well as the responsibility, of having a part in molding the thought life of the coming generation is indeed very great. Yet, how much greater is the privilege of one who has a part not only in molding the *spiritual* life of the next generation but also in shaping the eternal destiny of many who are to become "kings and priests unto God!" This is more than a profession; it is a *calling*. It is the gracious invitation of God to come into partnership with Him in His great work of redemption. Who would reject such an offer? Surely only those who have failed to catch the vision of what it means to be a co-worker with God.

Look for a moment at the picture of God, infinite in wisdom, power, sympathy, and love stooping and whispering in the ear of His earth-child, "Come my beloved, let us go forth into the field . . . let us get up early to the vineyards: let us see if the vine flourish, whether the tender grape appear, and the pomegranates bud forth; there will I give thee my loves. . . . At our gates are all manner of pleasant fruits, new and old, which I have laid up for thee, O my beloved." Here is romance, adventure, achievement, reward, soul-satisfying fellowship, love! Here is a completeness of joy that is found only in whole-hearted service to God.

The world is a better place to live in because of those who have caught the vision and answer-

ed the call. Great harvests of souls have been reaped in the far-away fields, and unselfish workers have given themselves unreservedly to the work of preserving and building up the gardens and vineyards of the Lord. Thank God for thousands of Sunday schools the world over! The Sunday school is one of the greatest means of evangelization, notwithstanding the fact that its chief function is to foster spiritual development. The influence of the Sunday school is demonstrated by the fact that comparatively few criminals ever attended Sunday school regularly. It can be said that the Sunday school really "works." It makes better citizens. The majority of leaders in all worthy lines of endeavor have been brought up in Sunday school.

What is the secret of this power? It all centers around the teacher whom God has called to the sacred task of molding young lives by the power of His Word, the living, cleansing, transforming Word of God. Could anyone desire a greater honor than that of being entrusted with a group of children to be taught in the ways of God?

It is no small thing to be asked to take a Sunday school class. The offer should not be either accepted or rejected without careful consideration and definite prayer. Be not too eager to undertake it, lest you go ahead in your own strength, failing to receive the anointing of God, without which you will certainly be a failure in His sight. When once you have the assurance that He is with you, go ahead joyfully, confi-

dent that He will give results, remembering that He carries the big end of the responsibility.

Perspective

If you ever watched an artist at his work, you noticed him frequently step back from the canvas and stand for minutes at a time gazing with half closed eyes from one angle and then another. Why did he spend so much time thus? It was necessary in order to get the perspective and the proportions of the picture correct. He must see the picture as a whole and judge what he has done with respect to the plan of the whole. If he continuously applies himself to the details of his work, the picture will be a failure.

The same is true of the work of the Sunday school teacher. He should first have in mind what he wishes to accomplish. Is he just teaching the Bible from Sunday to Sunday, or is he doing more than that? Does he understand what the chief aim of the Sunday school is? Does he stand back occasionally and take a comprehensive view of Sunday school work as a whole? The successful teacher will do this and will judge his own past efforts in the light of that one great end toward which he and his fellow teachers are striving.

What is that great aim? It has been stated in various ways and with different degrees of accuracy. Some may take the narrow view that we are preparing children for church membership. Others may say that the purpose of the Sunday school is to produce better citizens, or that we are preparing them for heaven. A successful Sunday school does these things, but it aims to accomplish still more. It aims to teach the way of Christian living. This involves evangelism and spiritual development. It means teaching not only how to get to heaven, but also how to take others there, and how to become more and more like Christ. These things, so far beyond the reach of human endeavor, are the tasks set before the Sunday school teacher. There is no place for self-sufficiency. The teacher is the junior partner in this great business, and his efforts are of little avail except as he is guided and empowered by the Spirit of God.

After receiving the call or appointment to teach, and after consecrating oneself to the sacred task, the next step is to get in mind

What to Teach.

The importance of this step may not appear at first, because of the fact that most Sunday schools use quarterlies in which all the lesson texts are previously selected. Yet, even though the teacher can not choose the portion of Scripture to be used, there is still much room for choice in deciding "what to teach." In the first place we are teaching Bible truth—not simply words. We have long ago outgrown the idea that teaching is a process of pouring facts into empty little heads. To stand before a class and give a talk, however beautiful, is not necessarily teaching. The children may look as if they



GROUP HAVE A SPECIAL PART IN PREPARING, PRINTING, HANDLING ORDERS, SUNDAY SCHOOL LITERATURE.

are giving perfect attention, but if you question them about the things you have just told them, you may find that they have learned almost nothing. Real teaching consists in causing the student to *learn*.

One of the great laws of learning is that a new idea can only be grasped and understood as it is associated in the mind of the learner with what he already knows. There must be a connection, by way of comparison or contrast, between the old ideas and the new. A carpenter never tries to put the roof on a house until the walls have been built. The teachers who recognize this law of progressiveness in learning will seek to find out what the members of their classes know, that they may build wisely on that foundation. They will choose the teachings that they will be able to grasp at their particular stage of development.

In doing this, the lessons in the quarterlies may be used, at least in part. The truths given there can usually be adapted to the needs of the individuals in your class. Take one or two important truths that you wish to impress on the minds of your pupils and make the whole lesson harmonize with those truths. The result of trying to teach too many things is that nothing is learned well. One important truth so impressed on a child's mind that it becomes connected with his experience, will influence the remainder of his life. An abundance of material is given in the teachers' quarterlies from which to select thoughts on the lesson. They are not meant to be read to the class as they are given. (Would any teacher be guilty of reading the lesson from the quarterlies? Let us hope not!) The purpose of quarterlies is to *help* the teacher, not to prescribe limitations on the resourceful teacher or to provide a convenient vehicle for an easy ride.

It is important that teachers know not only what to teach, but also

How to Teach.

"The Sunday school is a *school* where instruction in the Bible is the chief means of fostering spiritual development." A school that is worthy of the name has qualified teachers, those who have made a study of teaching and how to teach. The need of qualified teachers in Sunday school, as well as in the week-day schools, is becoming recognized.

While it is true that much valuable work is being done by untrained teachers, it is also true that their work could be made much more effective by a knowledge of the methods of teaching. The laws that govern teaching in the public schools are operative in the Sunday school also, and to use methods that accord with these laws is like harnessing a waterfall to a mill or using electricity for power—adapting natural forces to man's use.

A knowledge of these laws need not interfere with the work of the Holy Spirit. We must always recognize Him as the great Teacher of teachers. It is His anointing on the lips of the teacher and the ears of the pupils that makes the class period worth while. Without Him nothing of

spiritual value can be accomplished. It is our *heart attitude* that brings His blessing and co-operation. Education or lack of education cannot affect the degree of our anointing, unless we depend on that instead of the Holy Spirit. Should we not have all we can get of both, a knowledge of our work and the anointing of the Spirit?

The great reason for studying methods of teaching lies in the fact that children are different from grown-ups. Since the discovery of this truth about the middle of the eighteenth century a great deal of literature has been devoted to the study of childhood and child training. There are now a number of fine books on the subject of the *religious* training of children. These are used in teacher training classes with splendid results. "Training the Teacher" is the title of one of these books and is available at the Gospel Publishing House. The price is \$1.60 postpaid.

Training Prospective Teachers

A special class for the training of those who wish to become Sunday school teachers should be carried on in every school where at all possible, that they may learn both what to teach and how to teach. Since the Bible is our textbook it is all important that teachers *know* the Bible. A training class in Bible study may be held on a week night, or it may be held at the class period of the Sunday school if no other time seems available. If a Sunday school is to grow, its teaching force must grow, not in numbers only, but in the knowledge of the Word and in teaching efficiency, as well.

It is the Word that transforms lives, cleanses hearts, strengthens faith, and overcomes temptation. Our children must learn to love the Bible and obey its teachings, if they are to overcome the temptations that lie ahead of them. We must give them teachers who can inspire them with a love for the Word, teachers who know enough of the Word to help them meet their problems and to be able "to give a reason for the hope that is in them." A wide-awake Sunday school will look ahead and prepare teachers for future classes.

(Excellent textbooks for Bible training classes are supplied by the Gospel Publishing House. You can find a description of them in the advertising section of this Evangel.)

Teachers' Meetings

For the benefit of the present teaching staff meetings should be held frequently. In

some Sunday schools the teachers meet each week to study the lesson together for the next Sunday. This is a good method of finding out how much the teachers know, or do not know. Sometimes wrong ideas are discovered and corrected. A wisely directed discussion of the lesson will afford opportunity for interchange of ideas and suggestions that will undoubtedly improve the teaching efficiency of the school and foster a spirit of unity. It is understood, of course, that the lesson is studied by all the teachers before this meeting.

Where a weekly teachers' meeting is not held, there should be a meeting at least once a month for the purpose of talking over the problems of teaching, Sunday school government, equipment, means and methods of building up the school, and so on. Without this kind of co-operation between the teachers and the executive officers, a school is not unified: it is in reality not one school but many small schools working independently of each other. The high privilege of teachers as "workers together with God," can be realized only as they think together, plan together, work together, and pray together.

Prayer, united prayer, cannot be neglected without serious loss, for it is the link that connects us with the vast resources of divine power, as we all know. A divine task must be carried on with divine wisdom and divine power, and God does not intend that we should get along without these. He has planned it so that we must ask for what we need, continually acknowledging our dependence on Him. The beauty and the glory of our task as Sunday school teachers is happily expressed in a poem by Nancy Byrd Turner, which follows:

"Lord, make us worthy, make us strong!

We have a solemn trust, to guide
The feet of childhood forth along

Life's broad and misty mountain side.
Ours is a tender task, to us

A sacred stewardship is given—
We feed the heart of childhood with

The wondrous bread of heaven.

The children's eyes are clear with light,
They walk to inner melodies,

Dawn on their brows is beauteous bright—
Of such as these the kingdom is.

Ah, in our trembling hands we bear

More might than in a monarch's lies!

We deal with angels, half aware—

Lord, make us humble, make us wise!"

The Personal Invitation

In a country community a revival was being held. One family had not attended a single night. Something happened to the singer's guitar and hearing that the mother of this family had one, he asked if he might borrow it, offering to come after it if she would lend it to him. She gladly said "Yes" and invited him and the evangelist to come for supper the next evening, when he was to get the guitar. The family did not go to church the next night, but were

there every night after that. Why? Through the personal contact with these two men of God the desire to hear them preach was aroused.

This has a point for Sunday school teachers. It is not enough to say to the children, "Bring someone to Sunday school with you next Sunday." A personal contact must be made with every prospective scholar. Get a list of the names of several children who would be in your class if they came, and

visit them. Before you can win them to the Sunday school you may have to win them to yourself, and this can be done only as you get acquainted with them.

Furthermore, the teacher who becomes acquainted with the parents of his or her children will likely have co-operation in home preparation of the lesson. Parents always feel kindly toward one who is interested in their children, so visit the homes and invite the children personally to your class.

Regular Attendance

Many Sunday schools would be increased almost half in attendance if those on the Sunday school roll came regularly. This is important, not only that the Sunday school may have a good attendance, but that the child may get the connection between the lessons taught. What child in school would pass his grade at the end of the year if he attended only half the time?

One pastor remarked that he believed the reason for the great increase in Sunday school attendance on the Sundays during revival meetings lay in the fact that the people were reminded of Sunday school on Friday or Saturday night. One Sunday school teacher found that her class attendance was raised, lessons better prepared, and even more offering given when she wrote a little note to each member of her class and mailed it so it reached them Saturday morning.

Another way of building up interest in the Sunday school is to have class meetings with the children quite frequently. If the children are doing home work, keeping notebooks, etc. They will enjoy doing this on Saturday afternoons during the school year. Besides overseeing the work on their Sunday school lessons, play with them. Hikes and games of baseball are good. Make fudge for them occasionally, or pop corn. The children can meet first in one home, then in another. The teacher will thus become better acquainted with the class and can better meet their needs. The more pleasant associations the teacher can build up in connection with himself or herself and the Sunday school the better attendance they will have.

For older classes regular attendance can be increased by giving the scholars something to do. Why not ask each member of the class to spend a certain amount of time each week in behalf of the class, visiting prospective members, those who were absent the Sunday before, etc. This kind of work will help those who minister as well as the ones ministered to.

Another important thing in keeping up a good Sunday school attendance is to have plenty of extra quarterlies and Sunday school papers. Children just *do* lose their quarterlies and these should be replaced. For a Sunday school to run out of Sunday school papers is disappointing, for some children find the Sunday school papers the most attractive thing about the Sunday school. Frankly, as a child there were many times when only the thought of missing the Sunday school paper made me eager to go to Sunday school. They are a wonderful means

of getting the gospel into the hearts of the children as well as into the homes. For a visitor to have to go without a paper or quarterly is discourteous; for a regular attendant to have to sacrifice his is unfair to the child. Therefore order plenty of papers. Those left over can well be used in the home department.

"A stitch in time saves nine" says the old adage, and this applies to Sunday school work. The very first Sunday a child is absent he should be visited by someone—the teacher, a class member, the pastor or someone. If this cannot be done the next best thing is to send an absentee card.

Some Sunday schools have the absentee cards sent out by the secretary of the Sunday school, others have the teachers send them.

People like to be remembered on their birthdays. Why not have a birthday secretary in your school who will send a birthday card to each member in the Sunday school on his birthday? Then as the member brings forward his birthday offering the next Sunday have the school repeat together a birthday greeting. Numbers 6:24-26, or a proverb can be used. If the proverbs are used, have a different one each month.—Z. L.

The Sunday School Must Reach the Children

It is easy enough to agree that a Sunday school is needed, but that is not enough. We cannot provide a building, officers, teachers, quarterlies, and necessary equipment and stop at that. To have a Sunday school we must have children, young people, men, and women. How shall we reach them and bring them into the Sunday school? One Sunday school was built up by

Prayer Lists.

"Ours was one of the many small churches in a small town, with a sparse, straggling community surrounding it. We did not have just a summer slump to contend with, but a perpetual, year-round slump. We tried to keep up our Sunday school meeting directly after the morning service.

"How we worked for that church and Sunday school! The world, with its sophistries and wiles of the evil one, offered so many inducements to our young people. There were the Sunday ball game, the car drives, the homes of godless people thrown open for Sunday revelries. Winter did not seem much different from summer. Then there were the skating and coasting, and, in some instances, the card tables. Satan's emissaries seemed so numerous, while our little band of God's servants seemed so weak and small. We became so discouraged, and in our weakness and lack of faith tried to fight the devil with his own weapons. We invited special singers—all worldly people—to sing at our services. We urged our old pastor (who was so bewildered and discouraged by life, as he daily saw it, that he was as clay in our more energetic hands) to preach on popular, modern topics. We advertised in every possible way. We even introduced—on a very small scale truly—the moving pictures into our services. We had our Sunday school room fitted up as a gymnasium. We invited

A Young Evangelist

to hold several weeks' special services. We pleaded with our young people in public and in private, and yet our Sunday school and church services continued to dwindle and lose ground Sunday after Sunday, until it seemed that we should simply have to give up! We blamed the minister—dear, godly, old man, who would gladly have given his

life for the cause of his Master! We blamed the lure of the world. We blamed our young people themselves. Some of us almost blamed God.

"And then a quiet middle-aged woman moved to our community. She was not clever, or handsome, or rich, or in any way a striking personality, but I never knew a person who seemed to live so near the Lord. His love, His goodness, His power fairly radiated from her. Her faith was absolutely boundless. She knew her Bible from cover to cover, and the quiet, unassuming, yet wholly trusting manner in which she would quote His promises put to shame many of us older in the faith than she. The sight of our unfilled pews, our almost empty Sunday school room left her undismayed. 'God wants His house filled,' she said. 'He wants to save our young people, and older ones, too, from Satan's power. He will give them new hearts, so that they will love Him and love His house, if we just pray for them.'

"Encouraged by her quiet, unfaltering, insistent faith, we made out lists of the names of those for whose souls we were anxious, and it seemed that every soul was remembered. When our list was complete it embraced the whole town, and countryside. When someone exclaimed over the length of the list, this dear saint of the Lord said, 'But why should we not pray for all if God puts it in our hearts to do so?' Thus we began, a little band of eight persons. Every day at eleven o'clock and again at four, wherever we were, or whatever we were doing, our hearts went up in silent prayer to our Father for the souls of those whose names God seemed to have written on our very hearts. Then every evening from nine-thirty till ten o'clock, we, each in the silence of our rooms, poured out our hearts on their behalf, and on Tuesday and Friday nights we met in the church for our

Hour of United Prayer

from eight till nine. We made no other plans. We did not proclaim it abroad. We did not try, in any way, to make any compromises with the world or any terms with God. We simply prayed without ceasing; and His Spirit so took possession of our hearts that soon His influence could not be

confined within the limits of our little circle. First one, then another, began to drop into our little prayer meetings and to attend our church services and Sunday school. We gave up all spectacular advertising, moving pictures, and solo singing by worldly people.

"Our dear minister caught the fire, and his sermons were just talks on God's love, and man's lost condition without Him. And oh, how His Spirit permeated all our gatherings! The place became, through God's answers to our prayers, holy ground, so that it seemed that, notwithstanding all the enticements of the evil one (and he worked hard in those days) those dear ones, for whom we were praying, simply could not resist God's Holy Spirit. Quietly, first one by one, then in twos and threes, they confessed their sins and yielded up their lives to Him. Before the town quite realized it all, the church services were crowded, every class in the Sunday school filled, and new classes started. The picture house and dance hall were almost deserted, and the atmosphere of happiness and joy in God's service radiated through the whole town and surrounding country.

"It is now some years since, with the coming of that quiet little woman to our midst, we were led to see what great things God was ready to do for us, and still the good work goes on. Of course, Satan has not yielded without many a hard fight. The chil-

dren of darkness still try to do their deadly work, but our prayer circle has grown and increased in power and faith. Still, three times a day regularly, silent prayers ascend for God's blessing on our homes and loved ones, and He is ever proving that His power is still the

Strongest Force in the World.

Many young people have in those years gone out from our little town to the greater world outside, and the influence of that prayer circle is being carried to other parts, so that only eternity will reveal all the influences for good set in motion by that lowly beginning.

"Oh, let us remember that our God is all-powerful, that the effectual, fervent prayer of the righteous man availeth much, that the world has yet to see all that may be accomplished when the lives of God's children are fully yielded up to Him. The heart of humanity is still hungering and thirsting after God. Let us make no compromise with the forces of evil, but lay our all on the altar, and prove that with God on our side all things are possible. He does still fill hearts with such yearnings for Him and His service, that, if we but pray without ceasing, and live our lives in close touch with His life, there need be no slump in our churches or Sunday schools, but instead there may be every month, the year round, glad service rendered to Him who is King of kings."

The Sunday School and Its Babies

That the Sunday school can help the babies is a proven fact; and this constitutes a responsibility. While very little can be done, perhaps, in the way of direct teaching, it is possible to reach the little ones, indirectly through the mothers, and surround them with the sweet influence of the Christian spirit, giving them a brighter, happier start in life. Since training begins with the infant in the mother's arms, the church should begin as early as possible. The Cradle Roll Department of the Sunday school is a most effective means of meeting this responsibility when the work is carried on by an energetic, Spirit-filled leader who "has the vision."

This phase of Sunday school work has been greatly overlooked. The reason probably is that the results are difficult to measure. They come so gradually and naturally that we sometimes fail to recognize them as results. But those who have worked prayerfully and faithfully year after year have had such amazing results as to make them feel that the Cradle Roll department is an essential and very important part of Sunday school work. Lionel B. Fletcher, who was pastor of a large church in New Zealand, and is now an evangelist preaching all over the world, has this to say about the Cradle Roll:

"The Church exists to save the community in which it is placed, and the only way to do that is to enlist the services of as many as possible within the Church to reach those

without the Church. There are several very important ways in which this can be done . . . but after considerable experience as the pastor of a huge down-town church, I give the Cradle Roll first place as a practical method of solving both problems. . . . The Cradle Roll reaches the babies and unlocks closed doors to Christian influences. It does more, for it opens a field of service for girls and young women who want to do something definite for Christ."

No Sunday school is too small to have a Cradle Roll. A Cradle Roll with only three names on it can be a success; but it will not likely remain that small, for almost any community has more than three babies. The Cradle Roll is not limited to families who belong to the Sunday school or church; it should reach out to the unchurched families. This is one of the best means of winning those who are indifferent.

There are girls and young women in our Sunday schools who would take delight in this work, if they had a competent leader to outline the activities for them. One person should not try to do all the visiting and all the detail work connected with a Cradle Roll. There is much more to do than simply to get a list of names to hang in the church. All the babies' birthdays should be remembered and regular visits should be made in the home of every baby on the roll. Almost everything depends on the selection of a superintendent who is not only enthusiastic, but also Spirit-filled, resourceful, motherly, and methodical in her work.

For those who would like to start a Cradle Roll but do not know just how to go about it, there are good books available. If you have a Cradle Roll that is not an active force in the Sunday school, read up on the subject until you get the vision of what can be accomplished by carefully cultivating this dainty little corner of the Lord's garden.

An excellent manual for Cradle Roll Superintendents can be obtained at the Gospel Publishing House. It is entitled, "How to Conduct a Cradle Roll Department." Other helps and supplies are also listed in our Sunday School Supply catalog, which is sent free on request.

THE STORY OF OUR PENTECOSTAL LITERATURE

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Alice E. Luce, the author of "Pictures of Pentecost." Sister Blanche Koon, who is one of our workers at headquarters, does some very splendid work in this quarterly.

One of our latest publications is a quarterly for the teachers of the Primaries and Beginners, and this is being prepared by Sister Zella Lindsey and Sister Clara Brooks with others in this Publishing House. Each quarter they are doing better work, and we believe a most valuable quarterly is being prepared for the teachers of the Beginners and Primaries.

The largest circulation we have of any quarterly is the Adult quarterly which our Brother Chas. E. Robinson writes, and he has a great deal of enjoyment in writing the same. Our Adult quarterly has a circulation of 73,500. Our Intermediate quarterly has a circulation of 39,000. This is prepared by Sister Boyd of the Central Bible Institute. Our Junior quarterly has a circulation of 40,000, and, as mentioned before, is being prepared by our Sister Wetmore.

I might say that this year, owing to the increasing cost of paper, we are afraid we shall have a heavy loss in publishing the *Evangel*. But there is a small profit on each Sunday school quarterly we produce, which helps to take care of the loss suffered through the *Evangel*. Out of the profits on our Sunday school literature we were able during the last two years at different times to assist in making up allowances for our missionaries made necessary by shortage of offerings for their support, and we have a strong desire to give still more during the next two years. We shall, if all our Pentecostal people are loyal in securing our Pentecostal literature, rather than getting literature from those who are opposed to our distinctive testimony.

Our literature is not prepared in a haphazard way. There is a good deal of prayer back of it. Every Tuesday and Thursday the editorial workers meet after the office hours for a special prayer meeting to pray for the anointing of the Spirit of God on our publications. We believe He is really helping us and we thank Him for His help. We invite the prayers of others for our literature that it may not be ordinary literature, but that it may always have the anointing and unction of the Spirit of God upon it.



The Home Department



The Rogers family had dreaded moving to a new town, but when Mr. Rogers found work there it seemed the only thing to do. Thus it happened that the family which included Mr. and Mrs. Rogers, a baby, a little six year old girl, and Grandma, came to live at Dennis.

The grandmother was very feeble and it had been years since she had been able to get out to Sunday school. The little mother had her hands full with the children, and the father, though once saved, had now grown cold and indifferent. They had not been in a Sunday school for a long time and only occasionally did they attend church.

Just a few days after they arrived in their new home a lady who introduced herself as "Mrs. Brown from the Assembly of God church," called. She was very friendly and assured Mrs. Rogers that they would like so much to have them all come to Sunday school the very next Sunday. "I know it's hard to go the first time, especially when the church is new to you, but if you'll get ready we'll come by for you."

Mrs. Rogers felt she just couldn't go with the baby, but she would be glad to have the little girl go if it wasn't too much trouble. And so it was arranged, and Mrs. Brown was to come for her. Grandmother Rogers offered to keep the baby and let her daughter-in-law go, too. "Don't wait to go until your children are all grown," she told her. "You may be old as I am and not able to go. How I should like to go, if only I could."

"We're so sorry you can't come, but wouldn't you like to become a member of our Home Department?" asked Mrs. Brown. "You have just to promise to study the Sunday school lesson each week for half an hour and give an offering whenever you can. We will bring you a Sunday school quarterly each quarter, Sunday school papers once a month, and call on you when we can."

Grandmother was delighted. Gladly she signed the card which said, "I undertake by the grace of the Lord to study the Sunday school lesson as regularly as possible for at least one half hour each week, which makes me a regular member of the Assembly of God Sunday school." Then she was given a membership card which read, "This is to certify that Mrs. Rogers of 602 N. 'M' St. has promised by the help of the Lord to study the Sunday school lesson as regularly as possible for at least one half hour each week, and is now a member of our Sunday school." This had been signed by the superintendents of the Home Department and of the General Sunday school.

"And now you are already a member of our Sunday school," said Mrs. Brown. By this time young Mrs. Rogers had decided that she, too, would like to become a member of the home department, at least until she could get out with the baby.

"And we'd be so glad to have the baby a member of the Cradle Roll department. Wouldn't you like to have her belong?" pressed Mrs. Brown.

Mrs. Rogers was willing and so the baby's name and address were taken.

Before Mrs. Brown left she read a portion

from the Bible and had prayer with the two ladies.

"And please do pray for Mr. Rogers," they both pleaded as she left.

Mrs. Brown went home with a glad heart. As soon as she got in the house she phoned the pastor.

"There's a new family moved in at 602 N. 'M' St.," she told him. "They seemed glad I called. The wife and grandmother have become members of the Home department and are saved. Mr. Rogers is a blackslider. I think they would appreciate a call."

Then she phoned Mrs. Foster the Home Department Superintendent.

"I have two new members for you—Mrs. C.

D. Rogers and Mrs. Ruth Rogers. They live at 602 N. 'M' Street. The mother has a little baby and the grandmother is too feeble to come to Sunday school. They have just moved here. I hope you can take her some Sunday school papers and quarterlies real soon for my supply is exhausted. They'll enjoy your call."

"I'll go over before Sunday," promised the superintendent, and so the Rogers family had another caller before the week was over.

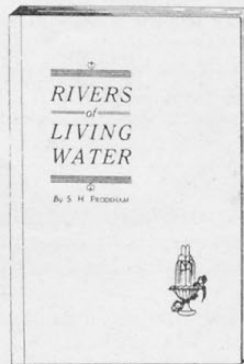
Before Mrs. Brown went to bed that night she had given the cradle roll superintendent the name of the new baby for the cradle roll, and before long the baby, too, had a caller.

"How did it happen?" you may ask. "What was the secret of this family being so quickly found after moving to town and having so much attention shown it?"

The reason was simple, though it came out

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A New Pentecostal Book Free



Nearly every day we are receiving letters from friends who are telling us that the book, "Rivers of Living Water," the latest book by the editor of the Evangel, is proving a blessing to them. If we had space we could quote from a large number of these letters of approval. We have decided that for a while longer we will offer this book FREE to all new subscribers, who subscribe for the Evangel for a year, and to all who renew their subscriptions for a year. Avail yourself of this offer.

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The Sunday School Lesson

The Lord Jesus Teaches Forgiveness

Lesson for April 15: Matt. 18:21-35.

After Christ had instructed the apostles as to the manner of dealing with offending brethren, Peter spoke up and asked, "Lord, how oft shall my brother sin against me, and I forgive him? till seven times?" This question revealed some serious misconceptions concerning the matter of forgiveness. Peter spoke as if there were a limit to our forgiveness of people; the Lord Jesus taught that forgiveness should be unlimited. "I say not unto thee, Until seven times: but until seventy times seven." Peter evidently thought that forgiveness was a mechanical matter, measured by the number of offences committed against us; but the Lord Jesus made it clear that forgiveness is state of heart independent of cool calculation. Peter might as well have asked, "How often shall I be kind to my wife? or, How often shall I manifest pity for the unfortunate? Or, how shall I admire what is beautiful in creation?"

To correct these misconceptions the Lord Jesus uttered the parable of the Unforgiving (or Unmerciful) Servant.

I. THE PARABLE INTERPRETED

The parable. A certain king, when auditing the accounts of his servants, called into his presence a servant (probably the governor of a province) who owed him about \$12,000,000 (some make the amount larger). The servant, bankrupt and impoverished, confessed his inability to pay. Thereupon, according to the custom of that time, he and his family were sentenced to be sold into slavery until the debt could be met. The unhappy man fell on his face before the ruler and pled for leniency. Moved to compassion, the king graciously released him and freely cancelled the debt. But alas, he soon forgot, or failed to appreciate, his master's generosity; for espying another servant who owed him about \$20 he ran towards him, grasped him brutally by the throat and growled, "Pay me that thou owest." Ignoring his pleas for leniency and mercy the cruel servant commanded his debtor to be sold into slavery. The indignant fellow-servants who had viewed the scene, reported the matter to the king, who was incensed at such inexcusable ingratitude and inhumanity that he cancelled his forgiveness and commanded the unmerciful servant to be cast into prison until the last farthing of his debt was paid.

The interpretation. The King represents God the Father, Sovereign over all men. The man who owed \$12,000,000 is a type of every sinner, who has piled up such a moral debt of sin that he cannot possibly meet it. The king's remission of the debt points to God's gracious pardon of the sinner. The flinty-hearted servant's treatment of the man who owed him only a paltry \$20 pictures the unspeakable meanness of a Christian, who, having been forgiven an enormous debt by God dares to withhold forgiveness from a fellow man; and his fate pictures the attitude of God toward such.

II. THE PARABLE APPLIED

This parable enjoins the duty of forgiveness, which is based on the following grounds:

God's example. Consider the greatness of our debt to God. Says one writer: "Supposing that you have accumulated a debt of fifteen, thirty, sixty years' sins, it is clear that there must be thousands if not millions of sins standing under your name. Under each of the Ten Commandments there is an average of fifty sins which may be contracted. Let us suppose that you can be only held responsible for ten sins per day. That would average seventy offences a week or 3640 a year. Multiply this by 20 years and the total is 72,800 offences. Multiply it by 40 years and the total is 145,600 offences. And yet this is a moderate estimate. An average respectable man might quite easily be under obligations double, treble, and quadruple these numbers."

Now consider the kindness of God in freely forgiving us for Christ's sake. An old warrior, lying at the point of death, said to a missionary, "I have been in great trouble this morning, but I am happy now. I had a vision of an immense precipitous mountain, which I had been endeavoring to climb and overtop, but when I had attained a considerable height, I lost my hold and fell to the bottom again. Exhausted and perplexed, I went to a distance and sat down to weep. And as I wept I saw a drop of blood fall upon the mountain, and in a moment the mountain was dissolved and disappeared. That mountain was my sins which I first got a view of. And the drop of blood that made it disappear was the atonement of my Saviour."

Our own need of forgiveness. Since God has forgiven such a mighty debt, shame on us if we dare to hold against some person a personal offence or injury, whether real or imaginary! No matter how heinous the offence be, our brother's sins against us can never equal the magnitude of our sins against God. So true is this that the Lord declares plainly that unless we forgive our brother God will not forgive us. Matt. 6:14, 15. A nobleman of the Middle Ages vowed and planned vengeance on an enemy. After vain attempts to dissuade him from his plans the chaplain asked the duke to pray with him. They began with the Lord's Prayer, the knight repeating each sentence after the preacher. The duke was silent when he came to the petition, "Forgive us our trespasses as we forgive." Said the preacher: "God cannot forgive you unless you forgive your enemy. Therefore either, you must give up saying this prayer or you must give up your revenge. For to ask God to pardon you as you pardon others is to ask God to take vengeance on you for all your sins." The duke saw the point, gave up his hatred and finished the prayer. A person who refuses to forgive his brother, and who repeats this petition is really asking God not to forgive him!

And let us remember that when God forgives, He forgets. Therefore we brand with the stamp of hypocrisy that saying, "I can forgive, but I cannot forget." A person might as well

say, "I will sweep your house, but will leave the dirt piled up there."

The duty of love. Forgiveness is a dictate of love, forbidding us to cherish malicious and revengeful feelings, and exhorting to return good for evil, treating the offender with courtesy, and kindness. He who is moved by the love of God, and remembers and appreciates God's pardon of his own sins, will not feel resentful against one who injures him, but will feel sorry for him. The offender is the greatest sufferer and therefore needs pity most. This was the constant attitude of Henry Ward Beecher, concerning whom it is said that no one ever felt the force of his kindness until he had done Beecher an injury.

The presence of a grudge-bearing spirit is a sure indication of lack of love. It is related that a traveller in Burmah, after fording a certain river, found his body covered with a swarm of small leeches, busily sucking his blood. His first impulse was to tear them from his flesh, but his servant warned him that such a course would result in the laceration of the flesh. They must drop off spontaneously, and so they will be harmless. The native prepared a bath into which he had placed certain herbs. As soon as he had bathed, the leeches dropped off. Each unforgiven injury is like a leech sucking the life from the soul. Mere human effort will not tear the evil thing completely away. But when the soul is suffused with the warmth of divine love, through prayer and repentance, then those leeches of the soul will drop off easily.

The fear of penalty. Are you a "book-keeping" Christian, having some outstanding accounts against your fellows, and keeping a careful memorandum of injuries received? Do you, perchance, belong to that class of people who have an "itch" for being apologized to, so that like the unmerciful servant, your attitude is, "Pay me that thou owest"? Then, ere ever you seek the Divine forgiveness, take down your account book, and run the red line of cancellation through every debt. For, after describing the awful fate of the unforgiving servant, the Lord Jesus solemnly declared, "So likewise shall my heavenly Father do to you, if ye from your hearts forgive not every one his brother their trespasses."—Myer Pearlman.

MALVERN, ARK.—We praise the Lord for the way He has met with us at Malvern the past 3 weeks. We have just closed a revival in which 60 or more prayed through to victory. There were between 35 and 40 saved and a large number received the Holy Ghost. Some also testified to having received healing, and a number followed Christ in baptism. The power of the Lord came on those at the water's edge, blessing them in a special way. The saints enjoyed a sweet spirit of fellowship. Brother P. F. Ramsey is pastor. We are now in a meeting at Grapevine, Ark.—Evangelist and Mrs. Floyd H. Coleman, Box 432, Malvern.

INDIAN VALLEY, IDA.—Since coming here last July God has added about 14 to our assembly making 30. Some drive several miles through very muddy roads to attend church. Out in the country on Sunday nights we have from 40 to 60 out. Our Sunday school went from 25 to 45.—Pastor R. P. Elliott.

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The Spirit of Christ

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should faithfully provide for them in their declining days. This applies not only to fathers and mothers, but to grandparents as well. "But if any widow have children or nephews (grandchildren R. V.), let them learn first to shew piety at home and to requite their parents: for that is good and acceptable before God." "But if any provide not for his own, and specially for those of his own house, he hath denied the faith, and is worse than an infidel." This Jesus taught by precept and example; and this the Spirit of Christ will lead us to do.

The Spirit of Christ has a claim upon us as to civil powers. Jesus was law-abiding and law-respecting. The Jews looked for a Messiah who would overthrow the then established Roman form of government; and although rejecting Him, yet sought to ensnare Him that they might deliver Him to the governor. They asked of Him, "Is it lawful for us to give tribute unto Cæsar, or not?" to which His answer was, "Render therefore unto Cæsar the things which are Cæsar's; and unto God the things which are God's."

This same spirit is taught by His apostles whose ministry succeeded His. "Let every soul be subject unto the higher powers. For there is no power but of God: the powers that be are ordained of God." "I exhort, therefore, that, first of all, supplications, prayers, intercessions, and giving of thanks, be made for all men: for kings, and for all that are in authority; that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and honesty."

The people of God are the salt of the earth; their presence greatly assists in holding in check the forces of evil. The Spirit of Christ would lead us to live and pray that God may wave His banner over our great Republic, so that those in responsible places be given courage and wisdom. There are great unseen and spiritual forces such as Daniel encountered when he set himself to seek God in behalf of his nation, and, if the people of God fail, destructive powers may take the ascendancy. Too little have many regarded these facts. We have looked upon human leaders, have praised or blamed as circumstances excited us, but *have we obeyed the scripture and prayed, earnestly prayed?* May God awaken us to our Christian duty.

The Spirit of Christ is humble. Jesus was equal in His regard to both rich and poor. Often the rich do not seem to relish the simple gospel. One has spoken of them as "the poor rich folks." Their station in life seems to deprive many of them of the real heart of Christianity,

leaving to them but the coldness of form, and the empty eloquence of those who would seek to please rather than feed. They need preachers of righteousness to point them unto God, but too often have but speakers who hold men's persons in admiration because of advantage.

It is true that it was the common people who heard our Saviour gladly, and His ministry seems to have fallen largely among these. The poor woman sought His counsel, and He met the need; the blind beggar desired to see, and Jesus restored his sight. None were ever so poor or so needy as to be beyond His touch; and none who sought His ministry were disappointed.

But Zacchæus, although he had considerable wealth, would climb a tree to see Jesus who was to pass that way, who, seeing the hunger of his heart, said to him, "Zacchæus, make haste, and come down; for today I must abide at thy house." What Zacchæus needed was contact and fellowship with Jesus, which drew from him his humble confession, "Behold, Lord, the half of my goods I give to the poor; and if I have taken anything from any man by false accusation, I restore him fourfold." Christ's answer was, "This day is salvation come to this house."

One may come from the humbler walks of life, yet greatly lack the grace of humility. A self-asserting spirit is not the Spirit of Christ. Jesus gathered His disciples about Him; then began to wash their feet. His lesson is one of humility. He took the place of the most menial servant, then taught His followers, "Ye also ought to wash one another's feet." By this act He exhorts to love and service one toward another, not to be seen of men, but to the glory of God. "Take my yoke upon you, and learn of me; for I am meek and lowly in heart: and ye shall find rest unto your souls." Nothing else will enable the doing of this than the Spirit of Christ, which is so much needed to exemplify our Lord before a dying world. May we cultivate this Spirit, and may its rich fragrance attend all our contacts with others. Only in humility is found rest.

To live the Spirit of Christ requires self-denial and self-crucifixion. "If any man will come after me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross and follow me." The Spirit of the whole life of Jesus was summed up in these words, "Not my will, but Thine be done." We are not required to make any crosses for ourselves, we are called upon simply to follow our Lord. Enough will be met which is contrary to nature, and other than we would wish. Plans, at times, may be broken, friends may frown, and complete collapses of material things may result in sore sorrow of heart. We are

not to live for self, but for Christ and His glory. Even to the agony of Gethsemane, and the death of the cross, our Lord has gone before us; always able in Spirit to say, "Nevertheless not as I will, but as Thou wilt." We do not know how deeply He suffered as He said, "O my Father, if this cup may not pass away from me, except I drink it," but we see the utmost surrender, "Thy will be done."

May God bless His church and fill it with His love; and may its individual members put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make not provision for the flesh, to fulfill the lusts thereof. "If any man have not the Spirit of Christ, he is none of his."

The Man With the Withered Hand

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"Dismount."

"Oh, please don't make me dismount. I don't want to."

With a dangerous glint in his eye he said once more, "Dismount," as though I was a regiment of Cavalry, and I was on the ground in a moment. Then he said, "Now you will mount properly."

"No, thank you. I don't want to go riding today."

"You will go riding today, after you have mounted properly."

As he held out his hand and made me touch it with the tips of my toes—of course it was all side saddles and long skirts in those days—and then said, "Spring." And I *couldn't*, but I *did*. And the next thing I knew I lighted in the saddle as easily as a bird flies. For I only tried to spring and my instructor's strong right arm did all the rest.

That is the way you can "take" that precious thing for which you are longing and praying. Take it *now*.

Then stand upon His Word, which endures for aye,
For God will bring it to pass;
The elements will melt in your sight some day,
But His Word will God bring to pass.

Yes, God will bring it to pass,
Yes, God will bring it to pass;
It does not depend on you, or it never would come true,
But God will bring it to pass.

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A Correction. An unfortunate printer's error appeared in the last *Evangel*. In the poem on the front page, the first line of the last verse should read, "*Life, not death, shall reign.*"

This is seed-sowing time. Scatter Gospel seed. See last page for quantity prices.

In the Whiten'd Harvest Field

WARRIOR MINE, W. VA.—I praise the Lord for answering prayer and sending Evangelist and Mrs. S. H. Salyer, Kingsport, Tenn., to our assistance. They held a 10 days' revival, in which 8 were saved and the Christians were greatly encouraged. They also had special services for the children. This place is greatly in need of an established Council work.—Mrs. S. S. Meade.

GURDON, ARK.—We have a revival now being conducted by Evangelists Eva Wright, of El Dorado, and Willie Reed, Serene Bland, of Little Rock, Mrs. G. S. Allen, of El Dorado, and Miss Olivia Benton of Houston, Tex., are assisting. Large crowds are attending and many are hungry for the Lord. Council people passing will find a hearty welcome with us in this new field.—T. S. Brown.

NOCONA, TEXAS—We were called as pastors of this little church, 9 miles north of Nocona in December. We began a 4 weeks' revival Jan. 27, with Evangelist and Mrs. C. J. Berryhill in charge. Four were saved and 7 received the Holy Ghost, as in Acts 2:4. Some in the Baptist and Methodist churches here are receiving the Holy Spirit. Council ministers passing this way will find a welcome in this young work.—N. L. Locke, Pastor.

SAN FRANCISCO, CALIF.—A blessed visitation of the power of God has recently been experienced at Glad Tidings Temple and Bible Institute, under the ministry of Evangelists H. E. and Roxie Hughes Alford, of Texas. Remarkable deliverances from the power of Satan have been witnessed. Brother and Sister Alford have returned to Glad Tidings, after a short sojourn in southern California, and are members of the regular Temple and Bible Institute staff. Their address is 1441 Ellis St. A morning Prayer League, of more than 100 members has been established, whose work is continuing daily from 10:00 to 12:00, under the leadership of Brother Alford. The whole church is feeling the uplift of this blessed prayer ministry.—Robert J. Craig, Pastor.

TULSA, OKLA.—We have just closed a great revival at Fifth and Peoria, with Dr. J. N. Hoover, in charge. This meeting was one of records. On one night of the meeting the power of the Lord fell until Dr. Hoover did not get to preach. There were two altar services and the altar was filled to capacity each time. A number were saved and filled with the Spirit that night. Dr. Hoover said it was the greatest manifestation of the power of God he had witnessed in all his ministry. Our Sunday school reached the 630 mark, a record for the school. We have just completed 10 new Sunday school rooms, making a total of 17. At the close of the campaign 70 members came into our fellowship, perhaps the greatest number ever received in any revival in this church. About 40 received Christian baptism. God is still blessing us in old time Pentecostal fashion.—H. T. Owens, Pastor.

DOYLINE, LA.—Since accepting the work here last fall the Lord has wonderfully blessed us with the outpouring of His Spirit which has resulted in a large number being saved. We recently closed a revival conducted by B. W. Flanagan, of Many. Two received the Holy Ghost; 3 were reclaimed; one was saved; and 15 were added to the assembly. The saints are still greatly revived.—R. C. Ayres, Pastor.

MARSHALLTOWN, IA.—Evangelist and Mrs. P. T. King, London, England, known as the "King's Musical Messengers," just closed a 3 weeks' campaign with remarkable success. Twenty-six were converted and 3 received the infilling of the Holy Spirit. To the last night the tabernacle was filled. Much prejudice was broken down, and many from other churches attend nightly to hear the Pentecostal message.—C. B. Bell, Pastor.

SNYDER, TEX.—We praise the Lord for the 4 weeks' revival just closed, in charge of Elmer E. Gore and daughter. About 8 prayed through to victory, and 4 received the Holy Ghost Baptism, according to Acts 2:4. The meeting closed with great interest. The last day was the greatest. From the morning until the night service the Latter Rain fell in showers. All enjoyed the special singing. There is a sweet spirit of unity in the assembly.—H. C. Brown, Pastor.

WEST PLAINS, MO.—The fellowship meeting at West Plains March 6 was graciously blessed of the Lord. All present rejoiced in the fellowship of the Spirit. All united in genuine worship and the spirit of brotherly love was abundantly felt. Brother Phrothrel, of California, spoke in the morning, Brother Pankey, of Dawson, and Brother Mitchell, of Burnham, each spoke in the afternoon. A Christ's Ambassadors rally followed in the evening, entered into by both local and visiting groups. The writer spoke at the evening service, and the invitation was given by Brother Fred Morris Thayer. The altar overflowed with earnest seekers.—M. Frank Hamilton, Secretary Central Ozarks Fellowship Circle, Willow Springs, Mo.

HAMILTON, ONT.—We are very grateful to the Lord for His blessing upon the work here. Last Sunday we closed a 3 weeks' revival with Evangelist and Mrs. Watson Argue. Our building proved too small to accommodate the crowds on Sunday night. Large numbers lined the altars night after night. In a single service 20 came for salvation. On the last Sunday afternoon 38 followed the Lord in baptism. During the campaign 8 were filled with the Spirit, and 2 more were filled the following Tuesday night. As a result of the revival our Sunday school attendance was increased from 176 to 390. Sister Argue's work among the young people was a real blessing. Our building is now too small to accommodate our work and we are kept busy looking after the new people God has given us. The interest of the revival still lingers and the outlook for greater victory is bright.—J. H. Blair, Pastor.

DALLAS, TEXAS—Evangelist Frank R. Anderson, and party, of Houston, were with us recently for 3 weeks. Backsliders were reclaimed, the sick were healed, and about 25 or 30 received the Baptism with the Holy Ghost, in the good old Bible way. We are building a 16 foot addition to our church. Our record Sunday school attendance is 387.—Clifford Andrews, Pastor.

HEBRON, N. DAK.—Evangelist Christian Hild, of Fargo, just concluded a week's campaign with us. The crowds were so large week week nights that the city auditorium was used for the Sunday evening service. This place was filled to capacity, with people standing. A German service was conducted by the evangelist, and people came for miles and filled the tabernacle even before the service started.—Wm. Pigors, Pastor.

NORTH DAKOTA ASSEMBLIES—God granted us a gracious time of reviving with the Breckenridge and Wahpeton saints. Numbers sought God and found victory over sin. We then held a brief meeting with Brother Sherlund, acting pastor at the Fargo Gospel Tabernacle, marked with God's sweet presence and victory. Sinners sought Christ and saints were encouraged in the Lord. Our next campaign was at Egelund, a greatly neglected field. Here God blessed our efforts with a rising tide at each service. Backsliders returned to the fold and the saints were encouraged. Brother T. Johnson, Pastor of Noonan, succeeded us in continuing the meetings there. We are now in meeting at Devils Lake, with Pastor and Mrs. R. E. Smith.—Evangelist and Mrs. R. S. Peterson.

OTTAWA, CAN.—We were called for a 3 weeks campaign recently in this capital city. The interest became so far-reaching among the spiritual people of the city, and the results such, that the meetings continued for 6 weeks. A number of influential people became hungry for the Spirit. Among those who received the Baptism with the Holy Ghost were, a young minister of a suburban church, a returned missionary of mature experience in the foreign field, and a deacon in one of the city churches, together with his wife and married son. A former Salvation Army officer was restored to the Lord. The Spirit fell upon numbers of fine young people who came in to attend the meetings. These brought their friends who in turn became hungry and sought the Holy Spirit, so that the effect of the meeting was felt in various spiritual circles throughout the city. One of the outstanding events was that one night the Spirit came heavily upon a young girl for possibly 2 hours. She was distinctly understood by 2 returned missionaries, Mr. and Mrs. Carscadden, who had labored among the Mossi tribe in Africa, to be praising the Lord and speaking of Christ's return in the language of the Mossi tribe. The saints were greatly encouraged to see God working thus in their new tabernacle. We rejoiced to see God's power manifested in the old time way.—A. H. and Miss Zelma Argue, Evangelists.

THE HOME DEPARTMENT
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of careful planning. The pastor had divided his town into even districts of so many street blocks. Over each district a leader and a few "visitors" to help her were appointed. They lived in their own district, and it was their duty to keep watch for any new-comers into their district. When they found any they promptly called and invited them to Sunday school and church. If any were eligible for the Home Department or Cradle Roll they were invited to join and the superintendents of these departments were notified. Besides this, they visited the homes of all in their district who were in any way connected with the Sunday school or church at least once a month. These visitors took the Sunday school papers to each member of the home department in their district once a month, and the superintendent called and took the quarterlies. Of course, if for some reason she could not take them, she had the leader see that they were taken to the members.

Anyone may become a member of the home department of your Sunday school—young mothers, shut-ins, those too far away to attend, in fact anyone who will promise to study the Sunday school lesson half an hour each week.

There is a great opportunity for spiritual ministry in this kind of work. The "visitors" will meet many unsaved people and have a chance to do personal work. They will find sick ones whom they can tell of the "Great Physician" and pray for them. There will be all kinds of distress found on every hand and the blessing of helping bear these burdens in prayer will build up the spiritual life of those who minister as well as those to whom they minister.

Only those who have been shut in at home from all religious services will realize how much it means to have someone call who is interested in the things of God. Many saints who cannot attend church long for fellowship with other Christians. Others, unsaved, are really hungry to have someone explain the way of salvation and help them find Him. They expect it from the pastor, but when the lay members bring the gospel into the homes, they begin to feel that "those people have something real."

Many who never attend church any place feel kindly toward those who take an interest in their loved ones, particularly if they are sick or unable to get out much. Perhaps only eternity will reveal how many have first been touched by some kindness shown one dear to them. They mentally resolve that when they do go to church it will be to "that one."

The Sunday school papers and quarterlies will be read and thus the gospel will be put in the homes that would not get it otherwise. For the sake of the unsaved, the shut-ins, and even your church itself, organize a home department in your Sunday school.

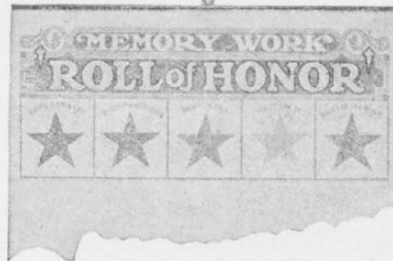
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afflictions was healed and filled with the Holy Ghost. This brought the fear of God on hundreds of people for miles around. The power of God is still falling in a wonderful way. Hungry people are filling the tabernacle beyond capacity. Once recently, although the weather was chilly, yet every space available for standing was taken, with the crowds packed out into the yard until it was impossible to get to the door, many being turned away Brother Bruce Backman, of Pineville, Mo., assists with music.—Morris Charles Plotts, Pastor-Evangelist.

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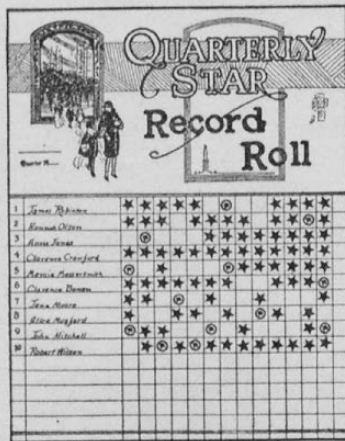
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Forthcoming Meetings

DISTRICT COUNCIL MEETINGS

SOUTHERN MISSOURI, Springfield, Mo., April 24-27; WEST FLORIDA, Laurel Hill, Fla., April 26-28; ILLINOIS, Galesburg, Ill., May 8-11; CENTRAL DISTRICT, Kalamazoo, Mich., May 1-4; TEXICO, Clovis, N. Mex., May 1-4; NEW ENGLAND, Fitchburg, Mass., May 8-9.

BOSTON, MASS.—Faith Tabernacle, 121 Berkley St., Evangelist C. S. Tubby starts campaign April 8.—Alfred Wight, Pastor.

FAYETTEVILLE, ARK.—J. N. Hoover, Santa Cruz, Calif., will conduct revival April 10-22.—Charles Pepper, Pastor.

WOOD RIVER, ILL.—Evangelist Nimrod Park, New York City, will begin a 3 weeks' revival April 1, at First and Jennings Avenues.—Marvin D. Hartz, Pastor.

HARRISBURG, PA.—Revival under Dr. Chas. Shreve at Stone church, Fourth and Seneca Streets, April 8-29. Neighboring assemblies are asked to cooperate.—L. C. Cook, Pastor, Route 3.

JOHNSTOWN, PA.—Pastor M. W. Richards, Wilmington, Del., will begin revival at 414 Franklin Street, April 8. Nightly at 7:30, except Saturdays.—Charles C. Eyer, Pastor, 17 Jefferson St., Roxbury.

UNION BEACH, N. J.—Henry Graft, known as the Boy Preacher, will be at Front Street, near postoffice, April 1-16. Nightly at 8:00 except Mondays; Sundays at 3:30 also. Assemblies please cooperate.—L. Addiss, Pastor.

JAMAICA, L. I., N. Y.—Evangelist Harry E. Bowley, will conduct an evangelistic meeting April 1-22 at Odd Fellows' Temple, 160th Street and 90th Avenue, nightly except Mondays, at 8:00, and Sundays, 3:00 and 7:45.—Vernon G. Gortner, Pastor, Box 100.

ST. LOUIS, MO.—Missionary day C. A. rally at Bethel Temple, April 8, 2 p. m. A special missionary program will be arranged, and offerings taken for missions.—E. S. Williams, C. A. President, Southern Missouri District, Herculaneum, Mo.

COFFEYVILLE, KANS.—Evangelist Willa Short, will conduct a 3 weeks' campaign beginning April 8, at 11th and Beech Streets; neighboring assemblies urged to bring delegations for special fellowship nights.—V. G. Griesen.

BRIDGEPORT, CONN.—Evangelist Glenn D. Jones, Jamestown, N. Y., will begin evangelistic services April 13, at 285 Wilnot Ave., to continue indefinitely. Christ's Ambassadors' rally April 27. Assemblies near, please assist.—H. L. Ettinger, Pastor, 1531 S. Main, Stratford.

NORTH BERGEN, N. J.—As Brother Cooke cannot come, Brother Hans Walvogel, Ridgwood, Brooklyn, will be speaker at Beulah Heights Pentecostal Church, April 8-22. Meeting nightly except Mondays. Co-operation of assemblies in vicinity appreciated.—J. E. Kistler, Pastor.

NEBRASKA DISTRICT COUNCIL

HASTINGS NEBR.—In city auditorium, April 10-12. Ministers, delegates, visitors, provided sleeping quarters as far as possible. Speakers to be announced later. About entertainment write Pastor Gordon Millard, 601 S. Lincoln St.—Edgar W. White, District Superintendent.

WASHINGTON, D. C.—Evangelistic campaign conducted by Evangelist Ruth Cox, Converted Actress, at North Capitol and K. Streets., April 8-May 6. Special services for Young People, also special healing services. Each week night, except Saturdays, 7:45, Sundays, 11:00 and 7:30.—Harry L. Collier, Pastor, c/o Tabernacle.

PONCA CITY, OKLA.—Bible Conference and fellowship meeting April 15-22. District Superintendent James Hutsell in charge. Two lessons daily and evangelistic services at night. April 20-21 will be given to fellowship. Ministers and churches near by are asked to co-operate. Ministers urged to get the benefit of these lessons. Entertainment free to ministers.—Ernest M. Adams, Pastor.

NORTH CENTRAL DISTRICT CONVENTIONS
Montana, Miles City, April 10-12. South Dakota, Bonesteel, April 17-19. Wisconsin, Appleton, May 1-3. Minnesota, St. Cloud, May 16-18. North Dakota, Bismarck, May 22-24. Lake Geneva camp and Bible conference, June 17-July 4. Special speakers, Dr. Chas. S. Price, and William I. Evans, Dean of Central Bible Institute, Springfield, Mo.—F. J. Lindquist, District Superintendent, 3015-17 13th Ave., S., Minneapolis, Minn.

NEW ADDRESS—Church of Peace, formerly at 71-73 Himrod St., Brooklyn, N. Y. is now at 123 Menahan St. Richard M. Scotti has accepted the pastorate.

BUFFALO, N. Y.—Evangelistic campaign, 688 Tonawanda St., beginning April 1, for 3 weeks or longer, Evangelist Joseph Terlizzi, of Ohio, in charge.—Gordon R. Bender, Pastor.

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March 15-21 inclusive

- All personal offerings amount to \$1,328.48
- .50 Gospel Tabernacle Opheim Mont
- .52 Love Hill Assembly Ashford Ala
- .60 Crantham Church Cottonwood Ala
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- 1.00 Assembly of God S S St James Mo
- 1.00 Children's Church Gridley Calif
- 1.00 C A's Manhattan Beach Calif
- 1.00 Pleasant Green Assembly C A Naponce Nebr
- 1.00 Full Gospel Assembly Medford Oreg
- 1.00 Women's Miss Council Galena Park Tex
- 1.00 Gospel Tabernacle Young People S S Class Oceanside Calif
- 1.05 Full Gospel Assembly S S Orrville Ohio
- 1.23 Sunday School & Birthday Offering McArthur Calif
- 1.26 Rose Mission Winnebago Nebr
- 1.27 Assembly of God S S Texico N Mex
- 1.30 Red Oak Flat Assembly Red Oak Flat Tex
- 1.50 West Bowen Assembly Tulsa Okla
- 1.50 Embajadores de Cristo San Angelo Tex
- 1.50 Assembly of God S S Chickasha Okla
- 1.53 Assembly of God Milan Mo
- 1.60 Assembly of God S S Archer City Tex
- 1.65 Assembly of God Frankford Mo
- 1.67 Assembly of God Marietta Ill
- 1.75 Full Gospel Assembly S S Casino Minn
- 1.76 Assembly of God Melcher Ia
- 1.90 Full Gospel Mission Butte Mont
- 1.91 Gospel Hall Mission Granite Falls Wash
- 1.96 Assembly of God Church Pittsburg Calif
- 2.00 Assembly of God Holdenville Okla
- 2.00 Southwestern Bible School Enid Okla
- 2.00 Assembly of God S S Junior Class Monette Ark
- 2.00 Full Gospel Pent'l Assembly Santa Paula Calif
- 2.00 C A's Muskegon Mich
- 2.00 Passover Prayer League Chicago Ill
- 2.00 Polytechnic Assembly of God C A Ft Worth Tex
- 2.05 Full Gospel S S & Junior Church Yreka Calif
- 2.10 Page Assembly & S S Swifton Ark
- 2.19 Assembly of God Medicine Lodge Kans
- 2.30 Gospel Gleaners Bakersfield Calif
- 2.35 C A's Assembly of God Shawnee Okla
- 2.40 C A's Sunnyside Wash
- 2.43 Assembly of God S S Winter Haven Fla
- 2.46 Finnish Pent'l Mission Naselle Wash
- 2.50 Assembly of God Wellington Kans
- 2.50 Good News Tab Bronx N Y
- 2.50 Sunday School & C A Lee's Summit Mo
- 2.59 Full Gospel Assembly Marysville & Yuba City Calif
- 2.68 Assembly of God S S Hartford Ill
- 2.70 Assembly of God S S Cleveland Kans
- 2.72 Assembly of God S S & C A Clarendon Ark
- 2.77 Assembly of God S S Pearl Ill
- 2.85 Mountain View Assembly of God Gillette Wyo
- 2.95 Bethel Tab Tuolumne Calif
- 3.00 Assembly of God S S Brave Pa
- 3.00 Assembly of God Church Wright City Tex
- 3.00 Cottage Prayer Circle Ashland Va
- 3.00 Full Gospel Assembly S S Hebo Oreg
- 3.00 Young People's S S Class Assembly of God Whittier Calif
- 3.00 Pent'l Assembly Harrington Wash
- 3.00 Free Gospel Church Corona N Y
- 3.00 C A's Topeka Kans
- 3.02 Pent'l Assembly Yale Okla
- 3.08 Full Gospel Tab C A Class Meridian Miss
- 3.10 Glad Tidings Tabernacle Shepherd Mich
- 3.15 Pent'l Assembly of God Danville Ill
- 3.17 C A's Kansas City Kans
- 3.25 Assembly of God Uhrichsville Ohio
- 3.30 Assembly of God Hartford Ala
- 3.41 Assembly of God Morris Ala
- 3.45 Full Gospel Tab S S Arlington Wash
- 3.46 Assembly of God Church & S S Fredonia Kan
- 3.48 Assembly of God S S Skelleytown Tex
- 3.50 Assembly of God Monroe Ia
- 3.50 Assembly of God Nelsonville Mo
- 3.56 Full Gospel Mission Frankfort Ind
- 3.60 Geneva Assembly Geneva Ala
- 3.60 Burnes Assembly S S Slocumb Ala
- 3.70 Assembly of God Abbeville Ala
- 3.74 Assembly of God Gridley Calif
- 3.75 Pleasant Hill Assembly Mt Ayr Ia
- 3.80 Gospel Tab S S Lucas S Dak
- 4.00 Pent'l Assembly Wapato Wash
- 4.00 Bethel Temple Valley Grove W Va
- 4.10 Assembly of God S S Marshall Mo
- 4.25 Full Gospel Church Burbank Calif
- 4.25 Pent'l Assembly of God Albany Oreg
- 4.27 Assembly of God Winter Haven Fla
- 4.33 Assembly of God Glenrock Wyo
- 4.40 Pent'l Assembly of God Church & C A Goodrich Colo
- 4.48 Gospel Tab Thief River Falls Minn
- 4.50 Assembly of God Bratt Ala
- 4.60 South Knoxville Church of God Knoxville Tenn
- 4.77 C A's Lemore Calif
- 5.00 Assembly of God Lawton Okla
- 5.00 Full Gospel Assembly Calistoga Calif
- 5.00 C A's Hannibal Mo
- 5.00 Assembly of God Church & S S Wewoka Okla
- 5.00 First Pent'l Assembly Bridgeton N J

- 5.00 Full Gospel Mission Muskegon Mich
- 5.00 C A's Kingsburg Calif
- 5.00 Pent'l Mission Farmers Mills N Y
- 5.00 El Sereno Gospel Tab Los Angeles Calif
- 5.00 Young People's Society Clark's Summit Pa
- 5.00 Assembly of God High Grove Calif
- 5.00 Pent'l Church Assembly of God McMinnville Oreg
- 5.00 C A's Broken Arrow Okla
- 5.00 Assembly of God S S Creston Ia
- 5.00 First Pent'l Church Ishpeming Mich
- 5.00 Calvary Mission Dover-Foxcroft Maine
- 5.00 Assembly of God Williston N Dak
- 5.00 Assembly of God St Louis Mo
- 5.05 Junior Church Assembly of God Springfield Mo
- 5.26 Ladies' S S Class Assembly of God Columbus Ga
- 5.36 N Bay Pent'l Church Tampa Fla
- 5.44 Bethel Church Assembly of God Rock Island Ill
- 5.47 Assembly of God Oswego Kans
- 5.75 Pent'l Assembly Opp Ala
- 5.91 Full Gospel Tab Selma Calif
- 6.00 Pent'l Assembly Seadrift Tex
- 6.00 North Side Full Gospel Tab Compton Calif
- 6.00 Faith Tab Waco Tex
- 6.04 Gospel Tab La Mesa Calif
- 6.07 Bethel Assembly Louisville Ky
- 6.25 First Pent'l Church Oildale Calif
- 6.85 Assembly of God Hannibal Mo
- 6.85 Glad Tidings Assembly Weed Calif
- 6.88 Assembly of God Elmer Mo
- 6.88 Trinity Tab Texas City Tex
- 7.00 Pent'l Tab S S Lansing Mich
- 7.00 Assembly of God Cooper Ia
- 7.00 Gospel Tab Trenton N J
- 7.15 Assembly of God San Fernando Calif
- 7.20 Assembly of God S S Greensburg Kans
- 7.20 West End Gospel Tab Houston Tex
- 7.63 Assembly of God S S Cyril Okla
- 7.84 Bethel Church Pe Ell Wash
- 8.00 Full Gospel Tab Delton Township Minn
- 8.20 Assembly of God Baker Oreg
- 8.52 Assembly of God Flat River Mo
- 8.90 Assembly of God Edina Mo
- 9.00 Assembly of God S S Summer Lake Oreg
- 9.00 Full Gospel Tab Naugatuck Conn
- 9.00 Pent'l Assembly Minong Wis
- 9.10 Pent'l Mission Campbell Calif
- 9.15 Assembly of God Illmo Mo
- 9.75 Gospel Tab S S Silverdale Wash
- 10.00 Assembly of God Portola Calif
- 10.00 Assembly of God Ashland Ohio
- 10.00 Miller Assembly of God C A Hill City Kans
- 10.00 Assembly of God Church & S S Gladewater Tex
- 10.00 Woodworth-Etter Tab S S Indianapolis Ind
- 10.00 Full Gospel Tab Raymond Wash
- 10.00 Pent'l Church St Charles Ill
- 10.00 Pent'l Full Gospel Mission Coalinga Calif
- 10.00 Full Gospel Tab Bakersfield Calif
- 10.00 Gospel Temple St Paul Minn
- 10.00 C A's Mansfield Ohio
- 10.00 Pent'l Church Lynden Wash
- 10.00 Assembly of God S S Fayetteville Ark
- 10.00 Assembly of God S S Mattoon Ill
- 10.10 Tri State C A Rally Blytheville Ark
- 10.50 Assembly of God Bristol Va
- 10.60 Assembly of God Collinsville Okla
- 10.76 Trinity Pent'l Church Elizabeth N J
- 10.94 Full Gospel Tab Lindsay Calif
- 11.00 Pent'l Assembly Kelso Wash
- 11.00 Assembly of God Ord Neb
- 11.00 Pent'l Gospel Mission Pittsburgh Pa
- 11.66 Assembly of God Smithville Mo
- 12.10 Full Gospel S S & C A Tulare Calif
- 12.10 Busy Bee Band Windber Pa
- 12.13 Assembly of God Mission Yelm Wash
- 12.50 Full Gospel Assembly & S S Kingsburg Calif
- 12.57 Pent'l Assembly of God Goulds Fla
- 13.00 Pent'l Mission Throop Pa
- 13.08 Assembly of God Pittsburgh Kans
- 13.52 Assembly of God Santa Rosa Calif
- 14.37 Assembly of God Church & S S E Alton Ill
- 14.67 Pent'l Assembly of God Church Denver Colo
- 14.69 First Local Assembly of God Gooding Idaho
- 14.80 Highway Church & S S Garibaldi Oreg
- 15.00 Assembly of God Noonan N Dak
- 15.00 Ft Smith Gospel Mission Ft Smith Ark
- 15.65 Pent'l Assembly St Paul Va
- 16.50 Full Gospel Church Hamilton Mont
- 17.00 Gospel Tab Green Bay Wis
- 17.17 Full Gospel Tab Huntington Park Calif
- 17.64 Pent'l Assembly of God Hillsboro Oreg
- 18.00 Gospel Tab Powers Lake N Dak
- 18.00 Evangel Tab Bradford Pa
- 18.00 Open Door Mission S S Fellows Calif
- 18.08 Gospel Tab & S S Great Falls Mont
- 18.29 Gospel Tab Berlin Wis
- 18.55 Church of the Full Gospel Paso Robles Calif
- 18.57 Pent'l Church La Crescenta Calif
- 18.62 Pent'l Full Gospel Assembly Chula Vista Calif
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- 20.00 Full Gospel Tab Madison Wis
- 20.00 Bethel Tab Frederick Md
- 20.46 Full Gospel Church Medford Oreg
- 20.61 Gospel Tab Norfolk Va
- 20.96 Full Gospel Church Sonnette Mont
- 21.26 Assembly of God & S S Minot N Dak
- 22.00 Assembly of God Okmulgee Okla
- 22.50 Full Gospel Tab Readley Calif
- 22.57 Full Gospel Tab Miles City Mont
- 23.07 First Pent'l Assembly Bremerton Wash
- 24.00 First Pent'l Church New Castle Pa
- 25.00 First Pent'l Church Chelsea Mass
- 26.88 Assembly of God Columbus Ga

- 27.55 Upper Room Pent'l Mission San Jose Calif
- 28.00 Assembly of God Austinburg Ohio
- 28.40 Glad Tidings Church Reno Nev
- 30.00 Evangel Publishing House Chicago Ill
- 31.00 Calvary Temple S S Aberdeen Wash
- 31.00 Pent'l Italian Assembly New Castle Pa
- 32.14 Assembly of God Church & S S Enid Okla
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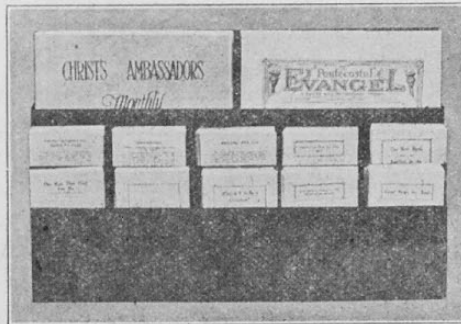
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