

Coming Rain and Coming Rapture

OD called His people to lives of absolute separation. Abraham, standing in the counsel of God, would not seek for a bride for his godly seed among the ungodly women of Canaan, but sent for a wife for Isaac from among his own people, who were worshipers of the true God.

It was a grief to the hearts of Isaac and Rebekah when Esau took a wife from a country full of idolatry, and they sent Jacob away to secure for himself a bride from among their godly kindred.

Jacob and his seed were separated unto God. God called them to be a separate nation, a holy people. But a day came when grievous apostasy came to this seed. They threw off the authority of the house of David, to whom God had given the scepter. Under Jeroboam the ten tribes broke away, not only from the throne of David, but from the God-instituted wor-

ship associated with His Temple at Jerusalem.

In due time Ahab came to the throne of Israel. Instead of seeking to please the Lord, he sold himself to work evil. And above all he took to himself from a heathen nation the abominable Jezebel for a wife. This godless woman soon sought to destroy all the prophets of the Lord, and to supersede the last remnant of worship rendered to the true God with the unspeakable idolatries of Baal.

But God was watch-

ing. Through Elijah, the praving prophet, who stood continually in His presence, He pronounced the judgment of a great drouth on the land. And then He hid His prophet. Did He provide for him? Abundantly, and in a manner wholly supernatural. A convoy of ravens brought him his daily portions of bread and meat. At Zarephath the widow's barrel of meal did not waste, neither did her cruse of oil fail, as she provided for this man of God. Was the widow compensated for what she gave? Her dead son was raised to life. Open your doors to true men of God. Wherever God's true prophets minister, souls dead in trespasses and sins are brought to life.

Elijah waited and prayed. He prayed and waited. He waited and prayed. And in God's good time he came back to the land of Israel, and there was a demonstration of the powerlessness of Baal and of the mighty power of Jehovah, to such

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an extent that the men of Israel had to declare, "Jehovah, he is God; Jehovah, he is God."

Then Elijah prayed, and God sent rain. John the Baptist came. He ministered in the spirit and power of Elijah. He was not afraid to rebuke iniquity in high places and declared to Herod the tetrarch, who had married his brother's wife, "Tt is not lawful for thee to have her." The voice of this prophet of God was silenced, but God's power was manifested. John had prepared the way for the One sent of God to be a sacrifice upon the altar of Calvary-the Lamb of God who was to bear away the sin of the world. Did God send an answer to that sacrifice? Yes, on the day of Pentecost the fire fell from heaven. And in the days that followed, the mighty refreshing rains were seen, as the early rain of the Spirit was outpoured. Then judgment came to the slayers of God's Lamb-the destruc-

God of all light and love, we pray, As this year passes, take away The love of self before it slay!

> Teach us to name our sins aright, Review them in Thy searching light, Then with our strength renewed, to fight!

Made in Thine image may we be, As beacon lights on life's wild sea, Guiding the wanderers home to Thee! —Bessie W. Rumsby t i o n of Jerusalem, when two million of those who had rejected Him were destroyed. But in that hour the little flock of Jehovah, warned by the word, escaped.

Today we are living in days of apostasy. No longer do we see the spirit of complete separation. Iniquity is seen in high places. But God is calling His Spiritfilled ones to as absolute and complete separation as was Elijah's, as was John the Baptist's.

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Help us to seek as well as pray

Wake in our individual soul

A burning passion to be whole

Thy Kingdom through each live-long day,

Till spreads the glory of Thy sway!

That wanes not till it wins the goal!

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THE PENTECOSTAL EVANGEL

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The Sift of Life

W. T. Gaston at the Interstate Camp Meeting, Eureka Springs, Ark.



"For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth on him should not perish, but have everlasting life." John 3:16.

"Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that heareth my word, and believeth on him that sent me, hath everlasting life, and shall not come into condemnation; but is passed from death unto life." John 5:24.

"For the wages of sin is death; but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord." Rom. 6:23.

Everything that has life is wonderful. There is a mystery about all life, whether it is vegetable or animal. I won-der about life. It is something that man cannot produce. With all his boasted science, he cannot create or generate this thing called life, not even a grasshopper. He can tell you exactly what chemical elements enter into the makeup of a grasshopper. In fact, he can take these elements and put them together in the correct proportion, he can build a grasshopper and he can put it on a stick and set it up somewhere in a window and put a sign underneath it, "Grasshopper." It is made out of the same stuff that grasshoppers are made, and it looks like a grasshopper. But the thing that is wonderful about grasshoppers is not there-it cannot hop. It takes God to put the hop in the grasshopper.

But when it comes to God's creating man, the Bible says that man is fearfully and wonderfully made. If you study physiology, and keep an open mind, the first thing you know-in spite of all the devils and infidels-you will be believing in God. Man is wonderfully made. There are billions of individual cells making up this wonderful mechanism that we call the human body. An atom is so small that you cannot see it. A whole crowd of them could have a camp meeting on the point of a needle. And yet we find that an atom is quite a big thing, for around an atom there are millions of lesser bodies they call electrons that float around in the atom like the worlds float around the universe. Around the electrons we find protons. Out of these protons and electrons and atoms comes life. Do you know that in that brain of yours there are twelve billion separate cells, correlated with ever other cell; and they are so adjusted and so unified that the twelve billion cells function just as though they were only one cell; and they do it for a hundred years sometimes, day and night. That brain of yours is one part of your body that never sleeps. When you turn out the light in the front room, it goes to work in the back. And day and night, twelve billion cells co-operate. When you think about it, you begin to see the wonder of its creation, how perfectly attuned and how wonderfully adjusted it is.

The human body is wonderful, and the human life is beautiful. But this human mind may be, and often is, very ugly. There are people living who are a positive menace. The world would be better off if they were dead. Maybe there is somebody like that here tonight. All you are doing in the world is to make it worse. You are living a life that is maladjusted and upside down. An old fellow lived in Arkansas when I was a boy who was quite accustomed to having big rackets with his wife, which would last for a week or ten days. They would not speak to each other-or if they did speak at all it was to hurt the other one. One morning the old man was feeling pretty tough. He thought he would say something that would hurt his wife as much as possible, and so as he came walking through the house he said, "I wish I were dead." His wife said, "I have been wishing that for about a week !" This life, my friends, in comparison to what is coming, is of small moment. There is not much of it left. You may have a few years, you may have a few days. Some of you may only have a few moments left.

Not long ago, in the city of Los Angeles, there was a wonderful wedding. Everybody likes a wedding. It was the wedding of a fine young man from an aristocratic family. They had wealth in that family, they had pleasure, position-everything that could be desired. This wonderful, upstanding young man was to be married to a beautiful young lady, also from an outstanding family in the State. The papers were full of it, there were pictures-it was a big news item. Numerous friends were invited to the wedding. They had a big home. The house was decorated with beautiful flowers, perfect, wonderful. They had everything to eat, they had all kinds of drinks. These folks were ex-quisitely dressed. They had a wonderful time. It lasted until two or three o'clock in the morning, and when it broke up everybody said what a beautiful wed-

ding, what a promising young couple. They wished them a happy life; congratulations were showered upon that fine young man with his beautiful young wife. It looked as though there was success and happiness and joy in an unusual measure awaiting them. The guests began to climb into those fine, high-powered automobiles to speed toward home. The young man with his beautiful wife got into one and started on their honeymoon. Just two hours later they picked them up by the roadside mangled and bloody and dead. Death! This life, my friends, may not only be very unsatisfactory and unhappy, but it may be very short, and all the time it is very uncertain.

Jesus said, "I am come that they might have life, and that they might have it more abundantly." A lot of preachers actually teach the people that Jesus came to be a beautiful example and a great teacher. He was a great example all right. He was a great teacher sent from God. But He came to do more than to show us by His life and His teaching how to live. How can a crow imitate a canary? How can a bullfrog imitate a nightingale? And how can this sinful, fallen humanity imitate the beautiful life of the holy Jesus who was God manifest in the flesh? He did not come to show you how to live, He came to give His life that you might live. The secret of a true Christian life is Christ in you. "He that hath the Son hath life: and he that hath not the Son of God hath not *life.*" Jesus came to give us a higher order of life—spiritual life, divine life, His own life, eternal life. He came to give us that which we did not have and that which we could not get, and He came to give it to us without money and without price.

One of the beautiful things about His gift of life is that it is a life of harmony, it is a life of peace. Do you know what is wrong with human life. I could point out a lot of details. The thing that is wrong with you is that you are not adjusted. You are out of tune. Sin has thrown your life out of gear and it does not function rightly. You can join a church if you want to, but it will not help you. Your life is out of joint and out of harmony with God, out of harmony with your own nature. Even though you may be a public enemy and a menace to society, yet away down in your heart there is a sense of justice. You hate

yourself when you do wrong. Paul wrote to the Romans, "The good that I would I do not: but the evil which I would not, that I do." In my mind, he says, there is war. I believe that God's will is the highest and best possible for me and for everybody, but there is another law in my members warring against the law in my mind. What is it, Paul? It is sinsomething within you. You will agree with me that this is the truth. You know God's way is the right way, but something within you rears up and refuses to go that way. It says, "I am going the other way." Did you ever try to call one of those Arkansas razorbacks? You come out with a little corn or something else, and you say "Piggie!" The razorback raises his back in the middle and says "Whoo!"—and goes the other way! You say, "I want to be good." But you go the other way. You are not adjusted, you are not in harmony, your very being is out of joint.

But when God gives you a new life, it is a life from heaven, it is life from God, it is the very life of God in your soul that responds to the will of God and loves it. You not only know what is right, but you have the power to do right. You can do God's will when God's life is in your soul. Wonderful! God's own life in your life. You love God. An old man lived close by our home, and one day we were having a conversation in the back yard. He said, "Say, I have tried very hard to live right. I know I want to. But you don't think a man can live right all the time, do you? You don't think you could do it all the time? You know I am an old cusser. When anything goes wrong I cuss." If there is a lot of "cussing" on the inside it will break out. And he wanted to know if it was not quiet all right to go on and curse when he felt like it. When He puts your life back into harmony with Himself, you want to do what God wants you to do, and you love Him, and He loves you, and enjoys you, and you have fellowship with Him while He has fellowship with you. You wilk with God, you talk with God, and He tells you you are His own. Oh, it is wonderful! You have angels for your bodyguard. The moment you get saved, angels rejoice and have a camp meeting. Yes, my friend, people who are saved are somebody and they are going somewhere.

In my church in California I had an old German brother and his wife, dear old people of God. She was a sweet old soul. She had come over from Germany and was quite "sot" in her ways. It was pretty hard for her to learn the new language, and she did not have to learn it because her husband made the living, and so she had never learned to speak English very well. Her husband spoke English fluently. She shut herself off from people and lived more or less isolated. She loved God, she came to church, but did not get well acquainted, and she was all alone in her little home. She had a very pronounced case of fear because of having been alone a great deal, her husband being away, and she was afraid people would break in. So at night she would close the screen door first and lock it, and then lock the door, bolting it twice.

One evening, her husband being away, she was eager to go to church, but she thought, "It will be dark now." They lived outside the city a little way and there were no electric lights out there. She thought, "It will be dark, and I will be scared going back. But I want to go to church. Somebody will surely bring me home. Somebody will see that I am all alone and will volunteer to come home with me." And so she went down early. The meeting progressed, they had a good time. Finally they pronounced the benediction. Everybody began to file out. She looked around hoping that somebody would speak to her and volunteer to take her home. She thought, "I am all by my lonesome." She was not very popular, not at all good-looking. You would not think she amounted to very much if you looked at her. She was just one of those "nobodies," so no one paid any attention to the old lady.

She got frightened when everybody had gone out, and she said, "Jesus, I is afraid !" She got up and started out. As she got out toward the edge of town where it began to grow dark, she said, "O Jesus, I is afraid!" She told me this story herself, with tears streaming down her cheeks. She said, "The very mo-ment I entered the darkness there was a whole company of angels, beautiful angels, and they walked with me home. I no afraid any more." And as she told it, the pastor shed tears too. It really broke him up to think of that old, neglected woman, just a simple little child of God, and heaven so close, and God so concerned that a whole company of angels came down and walked down the street with her to take her home. You say, "Do you believe that, preacher?" I know it was so. Glory to God! There are some people when they talk to you, you do not believe they are telling the truth. There are other people when they talk to you, you know they are. That is a little sample, my friends, of the nearness to God of the human life that is saved and consecrated and dedicated unto God. God loves, and owns, and pro-tects. People can look at you and say, "I don't think there is much to religion." You get old and you get fat, and you get where people do not care much for you, but oh, God knows and God loves and God cares. That is divine life, my friend.

Another thing about this gift of life is, it is eternal. Do you know how to appreciate eternal life? No, you don't. If I can help you grasp this one thing I am trying to say tonight, every unsaved man and woman in the building will rush to the front and accept Jesus Christ tonight. If once the meaning of eternal life dawns upon you, you will want it more than you want anything else in the world.

In a deaf-and-dumb school the teacher said to a bunch of little girls and boys, "What is eternity?" One little girl held up her hand pretty soon and she gave this definition. I wonder if you could give a better one. She said, "Eternity is the lifetime of the Almighty." God is no older today than He was when He hung those stars in the firmament, "when the morning stars sang together, and all the sons of God shouted for joy." God is just as young as ever. And that is the kind of life He is going to give you eternal life, the life of God, a life that never gets old. Oh, hallelujah! When you have been in heaven a thousand years you will look around at the people there. There will be smiles, laughter, everybody happy.

Sometimes the preacher says, "Everybody happy, say Amen," and they say Amen all around. But somebody, down on the inside, is about to die. People are suffering, yet smiling through their tears. They are "putting on a front." Yes, they have a smile, but yet they are in pain. There is a lot in the world to hurt you, to make you old prematurely. But when you get to heaven there will be no tears, there will be no wrinkles, there will be no false teeth, and no bald heads. There will be no need for undertakers or dentists. That is something to shout about! Everybody will be happy, everybody will be healthy. Not a pain in the street, not a groan in the whole court of heaven. Everybody perfectly well and entirely happy. You ask, "How long will it last?" and the answer comes back, "Forever." Eternity. Glory to God! Won't it be wonderful! Eternal life!

Now this last word—How to get it. Can you earn it in a million years? Can you pay for it? No. Can you make yourself good enough? Some people think they will be as good as they can, and when they die and wake up in the judgment maybe God will give them eternal life. No, my friend, if you get eternal life you are going to get it here, you are going to get it now. You are going to get it, not by your good life or by your good works, but by faith in Jesus Christ the Son of God, by faith in His atoning blood and in His atoning death. Jesus never saved anybody by

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The Passing and the Permanent

HARASSED ISRAEL

Writes one observer from Palestine: "It is pitiable to see the Jews coming up from the old city of Jerusalem under police escort. The look on their faces reminds one of the picture by Copping of the Jews going into captivity."

OUR PRESIDENT'S FAITH IN GOD On December 2 President Roosevelt climaxed his speech in Buenos Aires by referring to "Faith in God as the foundation of whatever greatness we have . . . over against the thought in some lands (by minorities) that God is a back number."

FEAR BROODS

Said Sir Austin Chamberlain, British statesman: "In three European countries at least war is ever on the lips and in the thoughts of men from the cradle to the grave. Fear broods over Europe. There is general unrest and alarm. It is not a pleasant picture."

WORLD REVOLUTION

The British Prime Minister Stanley Baldwin recently warned that the inevitable result of another war would be world revolution.

The turning of things upside down will be preliminary to God's turning things right side up. So teach the Scriptures.

AN ADMISSION

The following admission from a Catholic paper will suggest one reason why Spanish people have turned against the church. "The Church, it is certain, will gain nothing if it creeps back to power under General Franco's bayonets: only a thorough spiritual cleansing and revival can save Catholic Spain."

PALESTINE INDUSTRY

From figures given in the *Palestine Post* we learn that not only have the Jewish industrial establishments and employees grown very rapidly in numbers, but that at the same time there has been a remarkable expansion within the factories. While the number of factories increased by only 1.88, the number of employees was multiplid three times over, the annual output by 3.42, the invested capital by 3.87, and the consumption of electricity tenfold! And the average number of employees per factory rose from 4.1 in 1919-30 to 7.1 in 1935-36.

REMEMBERANCE

The English periodical *Punch* displays a cartoon depicting people laying wreaths at the tomb of the Unknown Soldier on Armistice Day. Nearby stands a newsboy crying, "Europe Re-arms." Listening to him, with fear and disgust written on his face, is a one-armed veteran. Another sacrifice to the god of War? he seems to say. One poet has written:

"Walk softly—for they sleep, And all our tears Cannot outweigh the pity Of their forfeit years. Tread gently—and in peace; What sorry jest If the loud trump of armies

Should disturb their rest."

DOES NOT BLAME JEWS

Writes Count Bernstoff, noted German statesman, in his Memoirs: "I have always detested anti-Semitism, not merely because in the course of a long life I have had many loyal and trusted Jewish friends, but because as a politician I see in anti-Semitism a weakness, and one that I have always regarded as involving the sin against the holy spirit of politics. The ultimate effect of anti-Semitism is to inspire feeble souls with the fear that the small Jewish minority might establish a spiritual, political and economic domination over us. The German nation plunged into the abyss owing to its own political blunders, and is still laboring sorely under its own political inexperience."

JACOB WILL NOT LET GO!

Recent disturbances in Palestine have not discouraged the Jews. Said one Jewish leader: "The disturbances have hindered us for a time, but we shall return to our great work of construction and creation with redoubled forcefulness, and the deficiency will be made good again tenfold. There is no power that can hinder our upbuilding endeavor for long. We shall certainly continue to work and to build, and shall be privileged to see the day when every stretch of 30 dunams of the twelve million dunams of cultivable land will support a working family. Then agriculture in Palestine will number 400,000 families of working farmers, that is, 2,000,000 souls."

ALL QUIET IN PALESTINE

Reports (quoted by Agnes Kent) from the Holy Land are to the effect that "Comparative calm has been restored." Palestine is "tranquil." So Colonial Secretary Ormsby-Gore informed the House of Commons in London on October 29th. He gave official figures as follows: Persons slain during the disorders, 304, including 28 British soldiers and police. Persons wounded, 1,182. The Arab strike which had paralyzed Palestine's economic life for 25 consecutive weeks, was called off by the Arab Supreme Committee and four foreign Arab rulers on October 12th. The Royal Commission of inquiry is soon to proceed to the Land to "investigate the source of Arab-Jewish unrest." British garrisons will be reduced. According to the Colonial Secretary "Generally speaking, the country is now quiet, and the people have resumed their normal callings."

A Suggestion for the New Year

Do you want an idea for a New Year's present for a friend? Why not send the Pentecostal Evangel to them for a year? They will not only receive 52 numbers of the Evangel but also a free premium book entitled "Spirit Filled, Led and Taught." This book has been written by the Editor of the Evangel. The price is \$1.00 only. Kindly add 50 cents for extra postage on all addresses outside U. S. A. "Jews Have the Jitters" is the title of an article written by a Jewish leader. One definite indication of this fact is the announcement, in a Jewish periodical, of a prize contest on the subject, How to Combat Anti-Semitism in America. "The growth of discrimination against Jews in the business, professional, political, and social lfe of the naton, is a vexatious problem of the gravest concern to the entire Jewish community," states the periodical.

BABYLON

"The summons yet to come (Rev. 18:4), commanding all Jews out of recreated Babylon (kingdom of Iraq), becomes peculiarly pointed in view of the Chief Rabbi of Baghdad's utterance," observes *Dawn*. Speaking on behalf of all Jews in Iraq, and after severing them sharply from Zionism, the Rabbi says—'The Jews in Iraq are Iraqis heart and soul, sharing with their Iraqi brothers their national sentiments, joys, and sorrows.'"

WHO IS RIGHT IN SPAIN?

Says a writer in Advent Witness: "A friend, evidently distressed by the awful carnage in Spain, asks which we think are right, 'the Reds or the Rebels.' This implies that the Government is Communist. which is by no means wholly true, though there is no doubt that the Rebels are Fascist. Without having any leanings to either of these two forms of rule (or is it misrule?) we would point out that the Spanish Government was duly and freely elected by the people. Therefore, in spite of the fact that 'the Church' sides with the Fascist Rebels, the duty of every citizen is to support and obey the Government. The Rebels even if they were right in believing that Fascism is the cure for their country's distress, are clearly in the wrong in seeking by force of arms to destroy the constituted authority. The ballot box should decide the issue if government of the people is to be by the people for the people."

PRINCES ARE HUMAN

King Edward VIII of England, confronted with a choice between loyalty to duty and desire for personal happiness, has apparently chosen the latter. His position made him a symbol of the glory and tradition of a great empire. As such, a sanctity surrounded his person and a heavy responsibility rested upon him to be an example to his subjects. Unwilling to pay the price he has done right in abdicating. But another choice remains to be made. His own desires would lead him fo marry a twice-divorced woman, which, according to Christ's teaching, would constitute the sin of adultery. And he would be sinning against light—against the teaching of his church and in the face of the example of his godly grandmother, Queen Victoria.

Does this concern God's people? And what can they do about the matter? Paul exhorted that "supplications, prayers, intercessions . . . be made for kings." 1 Tim. 2:1, 2. The situation is a challenge to us to pray that in the conflict between the sense of duty and the desire for personal happiness, Prince Edward may be helped by God's grace to make the right choice.

We should also pray for his successor, for every righteous ruler, no matter where he rules, is a bulwark against lawlessness.

A Call to Prayer for Revival

The Great Commission Prayer League of Chicago sends out a call to all the saints of this country to devote the last night of the year in prayer for revival.

The World-Wide Revival Prayer Movement of Atlantic City, N. J., recommends that all the saints devote New Year's Day of 1937 to prayer and fasting for revival.

Other friends suggest that the first week in the coming year shall be given to united prayer for world-wide revival. Let the pastors and the churches take this upon their hearts, let us unite in prayer with one accord that God will pour out His Spirit, sending us not only copious showers of the latter rain but "floods upon the dry ground." It has been well said,

"Appointing a day or a week of Prayer is not praying. The writer was in a city when a day of prayer had been appointed for young men. A large company came together, a city pastor opened the meetings with reading, prayer and address. He was followed by several other prayers, irrelevant, formal, pointless. Then-the people went on their way. Is that the way the Church in Jerusalem prayed when Jesus was murdered? And when Peter was in chains in prison? Was there a hint of groaning under the crushing burden of millions of Christless young men? Was there a suggestion of Abraham interceding for Sodom? Of Jacob wrestling with the burden of coming generations pressing upon his soul? Of Moses crying, 'Save this people-or cut me off'? Of Elijah bowed with his head between his knees at Carmel? Of the Christ, spending whole nights in prayer? Of Paul saying, 'I could wish myself accursed from Christ' for Israel?

"It is a severe indictment against the Church: 'Ye have not, because ye ask not!' The prayer of faith is the strategic point of all Christian service against which hell hurls its heaviest artillery. 'Satan trembles when he sees the weakest saint upon his (her) knees.' Did not Jesus say, 'Flesh and blood hath not revealed it unto thee, but my Father'? When the enemy comes in like a flood only the Spirit of the Lord can lift up a standard against him. When that Spirit comes He will come to make intercession in us with unutterable groanings. Praver will become not a mere incident, but the supreme business of our lives. We shall again see a great turning to the Lord. For the speedy coming of the day 'let every one that is godly pray' continually."

Frances Ridley Havergal truly said: "There is no holy service but hath its secret bliss; Yet of all blessed ministries, is one so dear as this?

The ministry that cannot be a wondering seraph's dower,

Enduing mortal weakness with more than angel-power;

The ministry of purest love uncrossed by any fear,

That bids us meet at the Master's feet and keeps us very near."

Let us not pray merely for local revival, but for world-wide revival—revival where lives shall •be transformed, revival in which righteousness shall prevail. It is said that the postoffice ran short of postal orders when the revival in Wales sent people paying their debts; and in business houses not a few people were found making reparation and restoration of stolen goods and money.

Let us ever remember the words of the Master: "Men ought always to pray and not to faint."

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church of this day? Because iniquity is abounding, the love of many is waxing cold. But there is plenty of boasting. Boasting of great numbers, boasting of great buildings, boasting of great wealth. What estimate of the last day church is made by Him whose eyes are as a flame of fire? "Thou sayest, I am rich, and increased with goods, and have need of nothing." Does He accept the church at her own valuation? No. He says to her, "Thou knowest not (oh, the blinded ignorance of the church of our day!)



The Tide God's ships of treasure sail upon the boundless sea

Of love divine, of power infinite; To change their course, retard their onward way,

Nor wind, nor wave hath might.

Prayer is the tide for which the vessels wait

Ere they can come to port. And if it be the tide is low,

Then how canst thou expect God's treasure ships to see? that thou art wretched, and miserable, and poor, and blind, and naked." What does He counsel? "I counsel thee to buy of me gold tried in the fire, that thou mayest be rich; and white raiment, that thou mayest be clothed, and that the shame of thy nakedness do not appear;

and anoint thine eyes with eyesalve, that thou mayest see." Accept His counsel. He further says, "Behold, I stand at the door, and knock." Is there any room in your heart for Him who while on earth had no place to lay His head? He says, "If any man hear my voice, and open the door, I will come in to him, and will sup with him, and he with me." He will come in and will provide a spread table, the anointing of the head with oil, and the overflowing cup. He will give to those who open to Him a more wonderful provision than even Elijah. He will indeed see that the barrel of meal does not waste, and the cruse of oil does not fail. Do not ask, Can He provide a table? Can He give flesh also? He gives to His own a food that the world knows not of. He says, "I am the living bread which came down from heaven: if any man eat of this bread, he shall live for ever: and the bread that I will give is my flesh, which I will give for the life of the world . . . Whoso eateth my flesh, and drinketh my blood, hath eternal life; and I will raise him up at the last day . . . He that eateth my flesh, and drinketh my blood, dwelleth in me, and

Yes, He will provide for His own as surely as He provided for Elijah. And what is to be their attitude? Waiting and praying. Praying and waiting. Waiting and praying. He says to them, "Let your loins be girded about, and your lights burning; and ye yourselves like unto men that *wait* for their Lord." He bids them pray, telling them, "Ask ye of the Lord rain in the time of the latter rain." Zech. 10:1. He will not fail to answer their persistent, earnest, effectual praying for rain.

I in him.'

What followed the early rain? The sudden destruction of Jerusalem. What will follow the latter rain, the last day outpouring? "When they shall say, Peace and safety; then *sudden destruction* cometh"—the destruction of all ungodly and all rejecters of His grace. 2 Thess. 1:9.

Elijah prayed for rain and saw it come. Shortly after this he was caught up to heaven. The saints are asked to pray for rain. Zech. 10:1. *Some* are doing what their Lord asked. The rain will come. What next? The catching away of His own. 1 Thess. 4:16, 17. Coming rain and coming rapture!

"The thing that hath been, it is that which shall be." Eccles. 1:9.—S. H. F.



FLOODS IN INDIA Mrs. V. Schoonmaker

Rain! Rain! Rain! No one can fully understand an Indian monsoon until he has experienced one. The ground which, a few months ago, was so dry and baked that huge cracks appeared on its surface, has become so water-soaked that it reminds one of a sponge as he walks on it. Rivers, which were tiny rivulets or dry, sandy beds in the hot season, have become raging streams several miles wide, often breaking their banks, carrying away villages and destroying crops over hundreds of square miles of land.

The monsoon in North India this year has been a record-breaker. The daily newspapers have devoted columns of space every day to the latest flood news—twenty rivers overflowing their banks at one time; thousands of refugees pouring into the cities from the flooded districts; thousands of others marooned on house-tops and in trees (the shelter of men and snakes, alike) country boats capsizing and scores of women and children drowned; thousands of homes washed away; city streets flooded; schools closed; railway bridges washed out, traffic suspended; etc. And still it rains on!

The Gogra River, which used to flow near Chapra but has so changed its course that it can scarcely be seen for the greater part of the year, came tearing up to the city streets again—a great mad volume of water six miles wide. Every day it rose one foot, two feet and so on until the city's lower streets began to flood. Then the Naini embankment a few miles to the north of us broke and the water began coming toward us from the opposite direction. How we prayed that the river would not rise higher, for we should be completely swallowed up, with no outlet in either direction. The Lord graciously heard prayer and the river water remained stationary, but day by day the water to the north of us continued to rise, being kept out of the city only by the railway embankment.

Five hundred square miles of land in our district were said to be completely inundated, and the government authorities have estimated that fifty thousand homes have been destroyed. Crops are altogether ruined and stark want stares thousands in the face. The people of several hundreds of villages are still encamped along the railway lines and in various parts of the city. These people have no protection from the rain but little shacks which they have made of sticks, covered over with a bit of gunny sacking or straw matting.

Food has been distributed to them from time to time by the government officials and by various societies and individuals, but the help given has been altogether inadequate. Our church distributed food to some two hundred one day and gave out a hundred straw mats and we are employing a dozen men in various ways to enable them to buy food for themselves and their families. These men all belong to the depressed classes in whom we have been taking special interest of late. These men are so closely bound together by family and caste ties that it is almost impossible for one of them to step out alone. So we trust to win the whole society en masse for Christ, as is being done in the great mass movements in many other parts of India. Will you join with us in prayer for these people?

We had hoped that Chapra city would escape the flood water from the north but gradually it began flowing in through the sluice gates and in various other ways until several of the streets and many parts of the city were under water. Our wall kept the actual flood water outside our compound but we were so surrounded on all sides by water that there was no way todrain off the rain water which continued coming down in torrents. Consequently, we, too, have been flooded-not bad enough to do damage to our buildings but destroying many of our plants and fruit trees. The water stands about everywhere, the ground refusing to drink it in. It has become stagnant and the heat has been most oppressive because of the dampness and the fierce rays of the sun at this time of the vear.

New Well Needed

Our well, which is a wide, deep, open one, has filled to the surface with muddy, badsmelling water, so offensive that we cannot use it. It is impossible to empty it now. We fear its walls were cracked in the earthquake, thus allowing the surface water

to enter it. It is dangerous to continue using this water for drinking purposes. Wehave had three cases of typhoid on our compound this past year, so we are planning toput in a tube well, sinking it to a depth of about 150 feet, so that there will be no danger of surface water entering it. We shall require about one hundred dollars for this purpose, sowe are writing you, our Christian friends tohelp us to put in this well.

Some of the flood refugees are making paths in our compound so we can get about from house to house during the rains. We hope to put in some cement drains to carry off the rain water. We would appreciate any help you may feel the Lord would have you give at this time.

Two Weeks Later

The above was written some two weeks ago. The flood continues and increases. For five weeks the country north of us, six miles in breadth and



Upper: The only protection which thousands have from the pouring rain. Lower: Multitudes huddled together by the railroad tracks, made homeless when the floods destroyed their mud huts.

some eighty miles in length has been under water. People are still roaming the streets, homeless and penniless, begging for food and shelter. Many are still living in the flooded towns on top of their fallen houses.

This past week has been terrible. Rain came down in torrents night and day until all the towns and cities of southern Bihar have become flooded. Communication between many of the large cities has been completely cut off, both by road and rail. Several of the main railway lines have been breached and in some places the track is under six feet of water. Water has entered electric supply houses and cities have been plunged into darkness. We have had no lights in Chapra for several nights. The whole northern section of our city, in which our mission compound is located, is heavily flooded. Boats are plying portions of the streets and many business sections of the city. Our whole compound lies in water knee deep and more. Only our men and boys venture out of their houses.

There was great anxiety for a few days when the river continued to rise. If it had overflowed into the city, there would have been no hope for us. It is slowly receding now but it will probably be several days before we can hope to see the water lower even one inch. Some of our floors are beginning to sink. Pray for us! If you would like to send help for the poor villagers, we shall be glad to pass it on to them. We would especially like to help the Depressed Class to rebuild their mud huts. Two dollars each would be required.

And please don't forget our well!

Offerings for the relief of the flood refugees or for the new well should be sent to the FOREIGN MISSIONS DEPART-MENT, 336 West Pacific Street, Springfield, Missouri, clearly designated as to how it is to be used.

LIFE LAID DOWN IN SERVICE

Miss Marguerite Flint, who is in charge of the Bible school for girls in North India, writes: "We have just received word of the death of the first of the Bible school girls—dear Surajmuki Luther, who was with us in training in the early days at Unao. Her

home-going reminded us of the precious alabaster box of sweet ointment, very costly, that was broken at the feet of the Lord so long ago. She was out in the district with her husband and little ones working among the people of the villages, when the cholera epidemic broke out, claiming many lives. Luther asked his wife to stay at home for a short time to avoid running the grave risk that would be hers going to the women in the poorly ventilated, poorly kept houses, but Surajmuki answered, 'They are my women and they are waiting for me to come to tell them of Jesus. I will be careful, but go I must.' And so she went among the sick and the dying, telling them of the Saviour. Tuesday she went

home ill with the dread cholera and Saturday she was laid away to await His coming. God granted a peaceful death and we rejoice in her faithfulness to lost souls. May God raise up others to take her place, young lives that may indeed be poured out.

One of our April graduates has just sent



1936 graduating class of the Bible Training School of North India.

us a money order for four rupees, just half of her first pay, writing, 'When I was in the Bible school, I promised God if He would grant me the joy of preaching the gospel, and if I received any offerings for that service, I would give Him not the tenth, but the half. I am sending this to help some other girl through Bible training as you helped me.'"

NEWS NOTES

We take this opportunity to congratulate Mr. and Mrs. James Vigna in China and announce to their friends the arrival of little Eleanor Marie, born November 1.

A short time ago we announced Miss Radford's address while home on furlough in Gulfport. She now asks that we change this to New York City, in care of the Mizpah Missionary Home at 1003 Summit Avenue.

New Missionaries Arrive

Word has been received from Mr. and Mrs. John Lewis, Miss Harriet Noll, and Miss Ruth Kelley of their arrival in India early in November. All report a warm welcome on the part of the missionaries and also the native Christians. Mr. and Mrs. Lewis will be stationed at Nawabganj, Gonda District, U. P., India with Mrs. Esther Harvey. Miss Noll has been assigned to Chapra, Saran District, Bihar, India, to work with Mrs. Schoonmaker. Miss Kelley will be working with Miss Hettie Steffen at Laheria Sarai, Darbhanga District, Bihar, India.

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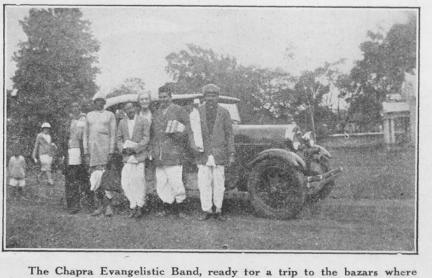
There are many of our Evangel readers who have been deeply interested in the case of Brother Sister J. E. Voronaeff, who have suffered imprisonment for the gospel's sake, and just recently, only a few months after Brother Voronaeff had been freed from the prison camp, we learned he had been re-arrested. It is sad that we are able to do so little to help these people, but we did forward funds for their return fare and passports, hoping that they might have gotten out of the country. It almost looks at the present time as if the case is hopeless apart from the intervention of God.

While our sympathies go out to Brother and Sister Voronaeff, we feel we should not forget hundreds and thousands of others of our brethren who are suffering just as acutely and some even more so. A letter from China, written by one of our pioneer missionaries, states, "The last three months have been months of most horrible suffering and persecution for nearly all of our native brethren in Kansu Province. Many of these Christians have lost their all and are now starving and freezing to death. On August 9th over one hundred thousand Communists arrived in Kansu Province from Szechuan. They commandeered all food supplies, and the cities were soon on the verge of starvation.

"In Minchow, where one of our main assemblies is located, everything that could be used as food, even the cats and the dogs, have been eaten by the hunger-crazed people. Our buildings were just outside the south gate, but right in the center of the fiercest fighting. The workers and orphan children had to flee in the midst of the battle, right through a hail of bullets, but not one was hurt. The buildings were looted, and everything was taken except the clothing which the workers and children wore. The furniture and woodwork in the

houses was used for fuel, and the Communist soldiers took the bedding for their own use. It is estimated that in this city alone some eight hundred people have died of starvation; several hundred more committed suicide or were killed by bombs and other missiles shot into the city. Our twenty orphans have no home to return to, no winter clothes, and nothing to eat. Neither have our workers and Christians in and around Minchow anything at all but the clothes they had on when the Communists came.

"I cannot bear to let my children in the Lord, whom I have begotten by the gospel, starve and freeze to death. I am borrowing all I (Cont'd on Page Twelve)



the gospel message is given out in printed form and by the spoken mes-

sage when the weather will permit. Our Sister Schoonmaker can be seen

in the center of the group.

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The Pentecostal Evangel

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Holding Fast the Faithful Word

"A Prosperous New Year to You!" This we shall be hearing on every side as a greeting from our friends. How can the New Year be prosperous for us? God tells us how. In the first Psalm we see that the man who lives a separated life and delights in the Word of God shall be like a tree planted by the rivers of water, his leaf does not wither, and he brings forth fruit aplenty. And God says of him, "Whatsoever he doeth shall prosper." If you want prosperity, let the Word of God dwell in you richly, follow its precepts, not being disobedient to what God counsels. You will thus make your life one of continued prosperity.

When Joshua was commissioned to follow Moses as the leader of the children of Israel, he doubtless felt that the task was far beyond his power. But God spoke to him and encouraged him, promising His presence and giving him counsel. He said to him, "This book of the law shall not depart out of thy mouth; but thou shalt meditate therein day and night, that thou mayest observe to do according to all that is written therein: for then thou shalt make thy way prosperous, and then thou shalt have good success." Josh. 1:8. Prosperity and success through meditating upon and continually observing the Word of God!

For us is this same Word, now much fuller than when it was put into the hands of Joshua. It will prove to us in every way a handbook of prosperity. It contains the very words of the living and loving God, words that give life and light and love to those who receive the same; bringing health to all their flesh. Ask the Lord to give you a big appetite for His Word and He will not fail to do so.

As we launch into our whole Bible course for our Sunday Schools we invite every reader of the Evangel to join with us in a

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simple course of Bible reading we are introducing to all our Sunday School scholars -a course by which you will read the Old Testament once and the New Testament and the Psalms twice during the year. Examine the twelve months of study and you will see that you are running four cycles in the Word at the same time, and with the beginning of each year you continue these cycles. Cut out the Daily Readings from this page and paste them into your Bible.

But above all, in your daily readings, remember the great theme of the Word of God. Christ said concerning the Scrip-tures, "These are they which testify of Me." Everywhere from Genesis to Revelation you will see God's Lamb. For instance,

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in Genesis we see Him in the One promised who should bruise the serpent's head. We see Him pictured in the skins of the slain animals given to clothe our first parents, in the lamb Abel offered, in the slaying of this righteousness one, in the ark prepared for Noah's safety, in the son promised super-naturally to Sarah, in the offering up of Isaac, in the bread and wine Abraham received from Melchizedek, and so on. All through the Word anointed eyes will see our precious Lord Jesus, anointed ears will hear His voice, and as we read in simplicity of faith our anointed spirits will burst forth continually into praises unto Him that is altogether lovely, whose picture is so vividly shown from one end of the Book to the other.

It will be noticed that one feature of these daily readings is that for the family Elijah repaired the altar of the altar. Lord that was broken down in Israel. Is the altar broken down in your home? After close observation of many years, we have noticed that where there is no family altar in the home the children so often drift into the world. But where the family altar is constantly maintained, the children cleave to the faith of their parents.

In every Pentecostal home let us treasure and read continually with our loved ones God's precious holy Word, and let the incense of the united prayers and praises that arise from our family altars each day be a sweet savor unto our great and our loving God.

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Creation

Lesson for January 3. Lesson Text: Gen. 1, 2.

In the beginning. In the first chapter of Genesis, Moses introduces-us to God with these sublime words, "In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth." In the first chapter of John, the beloved Apostle introduces us to the Son of God with the statement, "In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. The same was in the beginning

with God. All things were made by him; and without him was not any thing made that was made." This same Word dwelt among us and loved us enough to go to Calvary and bear all our sins; and having delivered us from the same, He has brought us into intimate fellowship with God His Father.

The Upholder of all. God has in these last days spoken unto us by His Son, whom He hath appointed heir of all things (incidentally, considerably more than the first Adam lost), "by whom also he made the worlds" (not only this tiny planet, but all the millions of stars). This Son of God, who is the express image of God, not only created all but upholds all by the word of His power. If He is able to uphold that great star Myra which is 27,000,000,000,000 times as large as this earth on which we live, and also Antares, that has a circumference more than half again as great as that of Myra, and all the rest of the stars, I somehow imagine that He will be able to uphold you and me. He keeps all the stars moving in their orbits in perfect harmony, and He promises to keep the feet of His saints.

How did He create? The literal translation of Heb. 11:3 is,

"By faith we perceive that the worlds (all that exist under the conditions of time and space) were made to be by the spoken word of God, so that which is seen was not made of things which do appear." God did not need a quantity of materials to start with. The Psalmist tells us, "He spake, and it was; he commanded, and it stood fast." Psalm 33:9. Recently I took my vacation in the Rocky Mountains, and each morning when I arose I noticed that Pike's Peak and the rest of the hills had not been blown away in the night; they had stood fast. And I praised God, and took courage, for I was sure that He who made them to stand was perfectly able also to make me stand.

Revealed through faith. When our Lord chose His disciples, He did not choose the greatest scholars of His day. Those He picked were spoken of as "unlearned and ignorant." And when the blinded priests and scribes accounted Him an impostor, Peter the fisherman recognized Him as the long foretold Messiah, the Son of God. This was not shown him by flesh and blood but revealed unto him by the Father. The mysteries of the gospel are hidden from the wise and prudent and revealed unto babes, His born-again ones. Faith accepts and understands, while unbelief rejects and plunges into the realm of foolish speculation. To simple faith the story of Creation is very



beautiful and altogether reasonable; but the wise and prudent prefer Darwin's guesses to the prophets' "Thus saith the Lord." And the blinded ones who believe these false theories are leading many into the ditch into which they themselves are fallen.

He made the stars also. In the book, The Mysterious Universe, written by an outstanding scientist of today, James Jeans, he has a photograph taken from Mount Wilson which he calls "The Depth of Space." The majority of the objects seen in this photograph are nebulæ, that is, hugh cloud-like clusters of stars. These are at such a distance that the light from them, he tells us, took 50 million years to reach us; and remember, light travels at the rate of 186,000 miles per second. Each of these nebulæ or cloud-like clusters contain some thousands of millions of stars. About two million of such nebulæ or clusters can be photographed, and Jeans says there are probably millions of others beyond the range of any telescope. This eminent scientist does not tell us that all of these "evolved" but acknowledges them as the work of One whom he calls the Great Mathematician. And the Psalmist says of our Creator-Lord, "He telleth the number of the stars; he calleth them all by their names." Psalm 147:4. Coupled with this verse we learn that this Lord of ours who made these vast nebulæ "healeth the broken in heart, and bindeth up their wounds." Psalm 147:3. Not a sparrow falls to the ground without His noticing it. The very hairs of our head are numbered, and He has numbered our steps. Pob 14:16. As we meditate on these things truly we should say, "Great is the Lord, and

say, "Great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised!"

The Holy Dove. In Gen. 1:2, in Young's translation, we read of the Spirit of God "fluttering on the face of the waters." They were but "a waste and void." His Presence was the beginning of a transformation, turning the waste and void into that which is of infinite beauty. Yes, and He finds us like that, in gross and utter darkness, when He begins His gracious work on us. Here in the beginning the word came forth, "Let there be light," and there was light; and He causes the light to dispel the darkness within us. Paul tells the saints, "For ye were sometimes darkness, but now are ye light in the Lord"; and he bids us, "Walk as children of light . . and have no fellowship with the unfruitful works of darkness." Eph. 5:8,11. Th entrance of His words giveth light. He who is the living Word is "the light of the world." He will dispel all our darkness.

Everything good in His time. God is never in a hurry. He did not create everything in one day. If people get saved one day, we are inclined to expect them to act like mature saints on the next day, and so condemn them if they do not. But our patient

Lord will teach His own, line upon line, precept upon precept, here a little and there a little. There is much to learn, and like Mary we should seek continually to sit at His feet. Each day He will do a perfect work within us. Always remember that your times are in His hands. He takes His time in growing an oak, He takes His time in producing a mature saint.

In His image. Out of the dust of the earth the Lord formed man and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life. At the beginning man was godlike, "in the image of God created he him," but sin marred the image. The Son of man came to restore that which was lost. Isaiah in depicting the Cross tells us that He, the Lamb of God, who went there for us, was "marred more than any man." A true vision of Calvary and a vision of that marred Form will keep us

very broken. The Son of God in making us new creatures (or literally, "a new creation") purposes to restore us to the very image of God. He breathed upon His disciples after His resurrection saying unto them, "Receive ye the Holy Ghost," the very life of the new creation. Speaking of the blessed work of the Spirit Paul tells us, "But we all, with open face beholding as in a glass the glory of the Lord, are changed into the same image from glory to glory, even as by the Spirit of the Lord." 2 Cor. 3:18. He who made a perfect creation at the beginning, "and, behold, it was very good," will not fail in His new creation work. Peter assures us, "And the God of all grace, who called you unto his eternal glory in Christ, after ye have suffered a little, shall himself perfect, stablish, strengthen you." 1 Peter 5:10 (Numeric). And He bids us during the time of testing and trial here to commit our souls "in well doing to the faithful Creator." 1 Peter 4:19.

Dominion. God created man to have dominion over all the creation. This the first Adam lost in the fall. In Revelation, however, we hear the song ascending to the last Adam from those who have been washed from their sins in His blood and made priests and kings unto God, "To him be glory and dominion for ever." Rev. 1:6. He will have dominion over all the world, and His saints will have the privilege of reigning with Him.

A garden. God planted a garden in Eden. The Septuagint refers to it as "a garden of delight." That is just what He wants to make of you and me. "A garden enclosed is my beloved," He says; a garden hedged in so perfectly that no serpent can get in. And He, the last Adam will come and dwell in His garden. He will tend it. He promises His own that they shall be as "a watered garden" (Isa. 58:11), and He will water it moment by moment. In this first garden there were rivers to water it and to flow out from it; and He promises a well of upspringing water for us, His garden, and rivers flowing out. As we believe in Him there shall flow out from us "rivers of living water." "This spake he of the Spirit."

A bride. God declared it was not good for man to be alone, and prepared a helpmeet for him. And the last Adam will have a Bride, pure and undefiled, one who will be His joy and delight. What is the essential quality of a bride? Her love for her beloved. Look to the Lord to make you a great lover. A dear old saint wrote us, "I have been reading 1 Corinthians 13 every morning for months. I want to just get soaked in the love of God." Love is the very nature of God, and He has given us His great and precious promises that by these we might be partakers of His divine nature. And we are made partakers of Christ and of His nature as we hold "the beginning of our confidence stedfast unto the end." He was bone of Adam's bone, and in our relationship with our heavenly Bridegroom we are to be one spirit with Him, sharing with Him in the blessed Holy Spirit, His own great gift to us, His loved ones. -S. H. F.

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Of the *need* for the fullness of the Latter Rain there can be no doubt. Since it is so vastly important that we press in for the climactic outpouring of the Holy Spirit promised in Zech. 10:1, we should understand clearly just *how* to pray for it.

Unquestionably we should pray in faith. Every time we ask the Lord to pour out His Spirit, every time we look to God for the great revival, we should fully believe that He is hearing our prayers and that, while we pray, He is setting in motion those forces which will culminate in the mightiest outpouring of the Holy Spirit the world has ever known.

Delay is not denial. The greater the prayer-pressure the more wonderful will be the resultant revival. The one hundred and twenty returned to Jerusalem with great joy and were continually in the temple praising and blessing God. Luke 24:52-53. They all continued with one accord in prayer and supplication. Acts 1:14. They had the promise of Jesus in their heart—and they held that one thing before God—rejoicing that He would do just as He had said. The one hundred and twenty held on in this definite prayer and praise UNTIL Pentecost burst upon them.

Numbers of God's true people today are *believing* Him to send a Holy Ghost revival to get the church ready for the Lord's coming and to gather in from the world souls who are hungry for God. And Jesus is saying to us, "According to your faith be it unto you." Matt. 9:29.

Let us talk revival, preach revival, pray for revival—and rejoice that God is receiving every prayer of faith and holding it under pressure until that glad day when He shall suddenly start a strange work and answer with a flood tide of revival power. The arm of faith and prayer will tip the golden bowl of blessing completely upside down, and the Latter Rain—the outpouring of the Holy Ghost for the last days—shall come in answer to the heart cries of God's own blood-bought children. Praise the Lord!

The Gift of Life

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His life, He saved us by His death. Yes, He gave up His life to give you life.

Have you got it yet, the gift of God? "Oh," somebody says, "I am so unworthy." Well, of course, you are. And so is everybody else. But did you ever know of an unworthy person getting a gift? Is there anything to hinder some unworthy soul from accepting a gift? No. Unworthy people can receive gifts. Rich men can receive gifts. Unhappy man, you can receive a gift. And that

is what God wants to do, He wants to give you right away, everlasting life, so that you can live forever.

D. L. Moody was making an illustration along this line. A bunch of young boys came down and sat on the front seat. Toward the close of his message Mr. Moody took out his beautiful watch and chain and he said, "You young fellows down there, I am going to give this watch to the first one that will come and get it." They hesitated. They looked at it. They were afraid it was a hoax of some kind and everybody would laugh at them. They looked at each other, looked at Mr. Moody, and looked at the watch. But they wouldn't come. Mr. Moody said, "Come on. The first one gets the watch." Pretty soon a little fellow screwed up enough courage, came up and reached out his hand. And when he got the watch all the rest of them thought, "What a fool I was! He really meant it. He really gave away that watch." The boy really got the watch for his own. He had it. That is what God does.

It is life, eternal life, beautiful life, a life of peace and joy and victory! And "You don't have to make your-He says, self any better, you don't have to change yourself at all. Just come as you are. Just say, "Just as I am, without one plea, but that Thy blood was shed for me. O Lamb of God, I come." You with a hungry life, a maladjusted life, discouraged and weary, God Almighty offers you eternal life without money and without price. Come and get it. It is the gift of God to you, and you can have it, you can enjoy it, you can know that you have it, and you can go out, hallelujah, and glorify God and live for God who sent His Son that you might have everlasting life.

Would Appreciate Special Prayer

Our General Superintendent, Ernest S. Williams, Daddy Welch, and Brother Noel Perkin, our Missionary Secretary, have gone on a special deputational trip. Brothers Williams and Welch expect to be in Syria at the end of the year and will probably spend New Year's Day in Jerusalem. Then they will go on to Egypt for some very important conferences. Brother Perkin, who with his family is spending Christmas with his parents in England, will join them in Egypt later. Sister Williams is with her husband.

The brethren will be glad of our united prayers that they may receive great grace and great wisdom in their conference work. After leaving Egypt Brother Williams and Brother Perkin expect to go to Danzig and probably some other points in Europe while Daddy Welch goes to London.



LAGRANGE, GA.—We have just finished our new church on Jenkins Street. Council ministers when passing this way are invited to visit us.—W. A. Robinson, Pastor, 1233 Troupe St.

WILLARD, O.—The Lord has blessed in a 2 weeks' revival, Dennis W. Thorne, "Good News" Evangelist, Amarillo, Texas, in charge. Twelve came to the altar for salvation. A building fund was started with a \$50 bill. Up until now we have been using the old Lutheran church building, and by God's grace we shall endeavor to buy it.— Raymond DeVito, Pastor.

OLYMPIA, WASH.—We praise God for His blessing upon us in a meeting conducted by the Fox Evangelistic Party, in which several prayed through at the altar, and the saints were greatly refreshed. Following this Brother Ora DeVon gave us a series of Bible studies which were greatly blessed of the Lord. His messages on Spiritualism attracted a good crowd, and proved a real blessing to all.—E. G. Lawrence, Pastor.

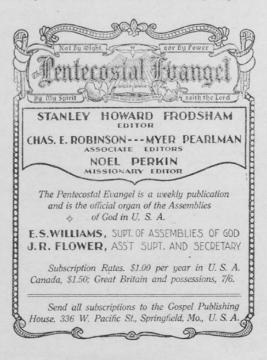
LYONS, N. Y.—The Lord has graciously visited our assembly through the ministry of Evangelists Laurence and Eunice Martin and Pauline Shauger. Some whole families found the Lord, many were saved, many received the fullness of the Spirit, and a large number were baptized in water. The meetings continued 8 weeks, and the last 2 weeks were characterized by a gracious incoming of souls and outpouring of the Spirit. A wonderful presence of the Spirit pervaded the meetings.—Mary R. Danforth, Pastor.

CHELSEA, MASS.—We are in the midst of a blessed campaign at the First Pentecostal church. Evangelist Mae Eleanor Frey is with us, and God is blessing her ministry. Souls are coming to Christ, numbers have been baptized in the Holy Spirit, several have testified to the healing of their bodies, and the end is not yet. At the same time, a revival is going on in the Sunday School. Sunday mornings Sister Frey has been speaking to the Sunday School, and many among the children and young people have responded to the altar calls.—A. Lindsay, Pastor.

VERSAILLES, MO.—Our Thanksgiving Day Fellowship meeting was well attended. There were 11 pastors and evangelists present, besides 3 student preachers from the Central Bible Institute, of Springfield, 2 of whom are members of our church here. We enjoyed a fine turkey dinner, at 1:30 p. m., at the city hall. The use of this nice building, thoroughly arranged and furnished without any cost to us, was granted us by the Mayor of this city. The evening service was a great blessing, Evangelist Susie Vanwagner, of Kansas City, in charge. The meeting closed with a very blessed altar service.—L. C. Ramsey, Pastor. BATESVILLE, ARK.—We have just closed a 10 days' meeting at Cushman, 12 miles away, Carrol Grady, of Monette, Evangelist. Three were saved. Sister Stokes visited the church at Cushman Sunday night, and delivered a wonderful message. We are not having any services here now, as the weather is so bad, but we have bought a lot on which to build a church. Brother Parker gave us a visit the other day.—Georgia Dean Grubbs, S. S. Secretary.

CHICAGO, ILL.—After being without an undershepherd for 8 months, during which time God never failed to send some servant of His to minister to us, we felt the Spirit would have us call Brother Harry A. Stemme, of Mattoon, to be our pastor. Since his coming in to our midst, last April, hardly a week has passed without some soul finding Jesus as Saviour. At times the presence of the Spirit has been so mighty that no sermon was preached. We feel the spiritual tide rising steadily.—J. E. Gillies, Secretary, Bethel Temple.

FRANKLIN, N. C .- In September we accepted the pastorate of the Mt. Sinai assembly. It is a great pleasure to labor with these people again since I established this work more than 6 years ago. God is graciously blessing here. Souls have been saved, and 6 new members have been added to the church. Hungry hearts are seeking the Baptism in the Holy Spirit in almost every service. The Christ's Ambassadors are showing a marked increase in number and in spiritual growth, and the saints are showing an active interest in all phases of the work. One member purchased a bell as a gift to the church. Plans are being made now for the purchase of a piano. We are very grateful for willing workers in His vineyard .- Pastor and Mrs. L. A. Jollay.



ROSEVILLE, CALIF.—We recently closed a special campaign conducted by Evaneglist Guy Cooper, of Compton. The seed that was sown is still bearing much fruit. Our people were left in a splendid state of revival, for which we were praying. The actual results will be known in heaven. Several knelt at the altar for salvation and others were filled with the Holy Spirit. Our Sunday School attendance, under Brother Cooper's leadership, increased from 100 to 183 during the course of a 3 weeks' meeting. Eight were received into membership and 10 were baptized in water as a result of the campaign.—W. J. Hatton, Pastor.

RIVER ROUGE, MICH .- The Lord has blessed in a very successful revival, Joseph Terlizzi, Evangelist. A goodly number were saved or reclaimed, and several received the Baptism in the Holy Ghost. About 13 came into the fellowship of the assembly. The church was revived both spiritually and financially. Brother Terlizzi's ministry is instructive to those who are seeking light on the truth, edifying to the saints, and heart-scarching to the carnal and sinners. The feast of good things that he spread before us has left a good taste in our mouths and a desire for his return. His ministry is not one-sided, but is practical, doctrinal, and prophetical.-John M. Campbell, Pastor.

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can from friends and sending to Kansu, trusting the Lord to touch the hearts of His people at home to replace these sums and send sufficient to keep them alive this long, cold winter."

Another letter sent from Mexico advises us that the superintendent and three of our Mexican Bible School students are in jail because of their stand for the gospel, but they write triumphantly, rejoicing even in their persecution.

Another letter from Italy tells us of some of our Pentecostal brethren having been arrested and sent into exile.

Thus all over the world it looks as if Satan is raging against the Church of Jesus Christ, and we need to pray that God may help His people to stand true in the midst of persecution. Perhaps it may not always be His highest thought to deliver from these things but rather to help us to shine for Him in spite of what we may go through.

It is practically impossible to get financial help through to Mr. and Mrs. Voronaeff. What little has reached them has been forwarded by us through a mutual friend of the family in Russia, but we can help our brethren in China and some of these other countries so that if any of our readers would like to help some of these needy ones we would suggest you send your offerings designated "for the relief of needy and persecuted Christians" which will leave our office free to give the money to any one of these countries where the need may seem to be greatest.

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WARREN, O.-First Pentecostal Church; Jan. 3, or 3 weeks; Fleming May, of Canada, Evangelist. -Chas. R. Shuss, Pastor. for

PASADENA, TEXAS—Jan. 3, for 3 weeks; Evan-gelist Carl Alcorn and Party, Oklahoma City, Okla.— R. G. Cockerell, Pastor.

BROKEN ARROW, OKLA.—Dec. 27, for 3 weeks or longer; Evangelist W. T. McMullan and Family. —Bartley E. Lasater, Pastor. or

KALISPELL, MONT.—Calvary Tabernacle; Jan. 3-24; Jack and Esther Martz, Reading, Pa. Singing Evangelists. E. L. Powlesland is the Pastor.

NORTH HOLLYWOOD, CALIF.-Jan. 3, for 3 weeks; Evangelist Stanley Comstock and Party, Sioux City, Iowa.-Edgar W. White, Pastor.

DRUMRIGHT, OKLA.-432 E. Federal; Dec. 27-Jan. 17; John A. McPhail, Galena, Kansas, Evan-gelist.-Lawrence Selvey, Pastor.

OXFORD, FLA.-Mt. Zion Assembly of God; Jan. 3-; L. W. Martin and Eunice Symonds Martin, Evangelists.-C. A. Symonds, Pastor.

ENID, OKLA.—Gospel Tabernacle, 312 E. Cherokee; Jan. 3—; J. N. Hoover, Santa Cruz, Calif., Evan-gelist.—P. C. Nelson, Pastor.

PENSACOLA, FLA.-First Assembly of God Church West Garden and M St.; Jan. 5-; I. J. Bolton, of Tampa, Evangelist. Neighboring assemblies invited.-Tampa, Evangelist. O. M. Montgomery.

NEW ORLEANS, LA.—First Assembly of God, St. Claude and Friscoville Aves.; Dec. 27, for 2 veeks; Evangelist and Mrs. Chas. C. Robinson.— A. N. Burns, Pastor, 518 Esteban St., Arabi, La. St.

ELKHART, IND.-Bethel Assembly of God, 1128 Johnson St.; Jan. 3-21; Clyde C. Goree, Amarillo. Texas, Evangelist.-E. F. Cunningham, Pastor, 1235 Cassopolis St.

AMARILLO, TEXAS-Trinity Tabernacle, 1st and McMasters Sts.; Jan. 3, for 3 weeks or longer; L. H. Sheets, Sterling, Colo., Evangelist.-E. N. Stanley, Pastor.

PORTLAND, ORE.—Gospel Tabernacle, 1106 S. E. 12th Ave., cor. Taylor St.; now in progress; Zelma Argue, Evangelist.—C. W. Ahalt, Pastor, 1235 S. E. Salmon St.

PAWHUSKA, OKLA.—Assembly of God, 218 E. 8th St.; Jan. 3—; Willa Short, Evangelist.—Henry R. Samples, Pastor.

DAYTONA BEACH, FLA.-Full Gospel Taberna-cle, Madison and Washington; Dec. 31-; W. F. Duncan, Evangelist.-Chas. S. Brown, Pastor.

GRANITE CITY, ILL.-Full Gospel Tabernacle, 24th and Grand; Jan. 1-17; Jack Saunders, Evan-gelist -E. H. Chamberlain, Pastor

LONG BEACH, CALIF.—Central Gospel Taber-nacle, 10th and California; Dec. 27, for 4 weeks; Evangelist and Mrs. Watson Argue, Evangelists.— E. B. and Emma Taylor, Pastors.

BUFFALO, N. Y.-Dedication of New Tabernacle, 2265 Se eca St., Jan. 1. Services: 3:00, and 7:30. Joseph Flower, Pastor. Come and bring your instru-ments.-Gordon R. Bender.

DALLAS, TEXAS-Full Gospel Church, Peak and Garland Sts.; Annual Bible Convention, Dec. 30-Jan. 17; Paul B. Peterson, of Chicago, President of Russian and Eastern European Mission, and Evan-gelist Loren B. Staats, Blue Rock, Ohio, Main Speakers. All-day C. A. Rally, Dal-Worth Section, New Year's Day, services 10:00, 2:00, and 7:30. For further information write Floyd L. Hawkins, Pastor.

EASTERN DISTRICT CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE MEETING Feb. 1, the Credentials Committee of Eastern Dis-trict Council will meet at Glad Tidings Taber acle, 325 W. 33rd St. New York, N. Y. beginning 10:00 a. m., co-ti-uing all day. Those wishing to apply for credentials should secure application blanks from Walter I. Palmer, District Secretary, 233 Atkins Ave., La caster, Pa., and return them to him properly filled out before the e_d of January.

EASTERN DISTRICT COUNCIL LANCASTER, PA.—The 21st Annual Co ference of the Eastern District Council will convere at Lan-caster, April 27—30.—Walter I. Palmer, District Seare-tary, 233 Atkins Ave.

FELLOWSHIP MEETINGS, S. S. AND C. A. RALLIES

MARSHALL, MO.-Sectional Fellowship Meeting, Christmas Day; 3 services; basket dinner at noon. Everyone welcome. J. L. Hale, Presbyter.-David Hogan, Pastor.

GALESBURG, ILL.—District Fellowship Meeting, Jan. 4-5: services: Monday 2:30, and 7:30; Tues-day, 10:30, 2:30, and 7:30. Free entertainment for ministers and their wives. Samuel P. Bell, Pastor. —Arthur Bell, District Superintendent, Box 133, Belleville, Ill.

OKLAHOMA SECTIONAL S. S. RALLIES.-N. W. Section, Woodward, Dec. 28; S. W. Section, Lawton, Dec. 30; N. C. Section, Fairfax, Jan. 1; S. C. Section, Semisolc, Jan. 4; S. E. Section, Hartshorne, Jan. 6; N. E. Section, Miami, Jan. 8.-Earl F. Davis, State S. S. Superintendent, Jones, Okla.

PITTSBURG, KANSAS-C. A. Rally, Southeast Kansas; Assembly of God, 607 N. Joplin St.; New Year's Day. All pastors and C. A. groups urged to attend. Near-by assemblies of other Districts also invited. First service 10:30 a. m. Basket lunch. C. M. Smithley, Pastor.-A. Gaddis, Sectional Secretary, 207 N. Garfield, Chanute, Kansas.

BROOKLYN, N. Y.—Fastern District Prayer Con-ference, Lighthouse Church, 73 Himrod St.; Jan. 13-15. Milton T. Wells, Pastor. Services 9:30, 2:30, and 7:30. District Superi-tendent Flem Van Meter will be present. All ministers of the District please attend.—Fred D. Drake, Prayer League Leader, 825 Green Ridge St., Scranton, Pa.

WARREN, O.-Fellowship Meeting, Northeastern Ohio; Methodist Church, Tod Ave. and Buckeye St.; Jan. 4; 10:00 a. m., opening message by C. A. McKiurey, of Akron; 1:30 p. m., ministers' business meeting; 2:30, round table discussion, "Is the Baptism in the Holy Ghost and Fire the Terminal of Spirit-ual Experence?" 7:00, Evangelist Fleming May, of Canada, evening speaker. Luncheor and dinner serv-ed by local assembly.-Claude Weaver, Secretary-Treasurer, 1861 E. 34th St., Lorain, O.

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ARKANSAS CITY, KANSAS-All-day C. A. Ral-ly, Central District, New Year's Day; basket din-ner,-Earl J. Hance, Sectional Secretary, 1304 E. 5th St., Hutchinson, Kansas.

PEORIA, ILL.-C. A. Rally, Central and Western Sections; New Year's Day; services: 10:30, 2:30, and 7:30; basket dinner. W. E. Wood, Pastor.-E. C. Sumrall and G. H. Hollister, Sectional Vice Presidents.

NEW ORLEANS, LA.-Fellowship Meeting and Young People's Rally, First Assembly of God, St. Claude and Friscoville Aves.; Jan. 1. Services: 2:30, 6:45, and 7:45.-A. N. Burns, Presbyter, 518 Esteban St., Arabi, La.

DURAN, N. M., Jan. 4-6; FARMINGTON, N. M., Jan. 8-10; District Superintendent A. C. Bates will be with us.-W. A. Vanzant, Presbyter, 1118 N. 2nd St., Albuquerque, N. M.

MICHIGAN C. A. RALLIES, Jan. 1, 1937.-BEN-TON HARBOR, 477 Cherry St.; Neils P. Thomsen. of Chicago, Special speaker. DEARBORN. Gospel Tabernacle, 7041 Schaeffer Rd.; Paul Beck, of Ohio, Special speaker. Everyone welcome.-Emma L. Rook, State C. A. Secretary, 37 Stayman St., Bat-tle Creek, Mich.

KANSAS CITY, KANSAS-Annual New Year's Day C. A. Rally, N. E. Kansas Section, at 7th and Riverview. Services: 10:30, 2:00, and 7:30. Each group invited to present helpful report of activities, etc. Bring musical instruments and special music. Basket dinner and lunch.-Leonard Palmer, Sec-tional Secretary, 218 W. 10th, Ottawa, Kansas.

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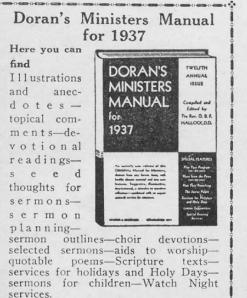
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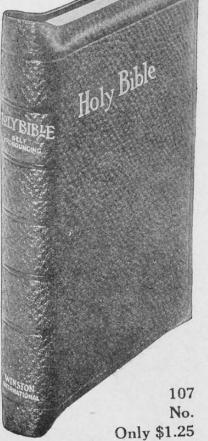
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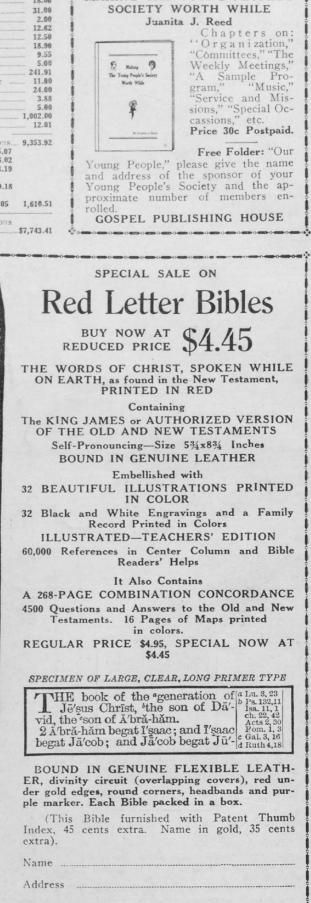
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