## TD ENTECOSTAL EVANCEL


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## "Blessed $\mathscr{J}_{s} \mathcal{F}$ e That ODatcheth"

Christ warned us, "Watch ye therefore: for ye know not when the master of the house cometh, at even, or at midnight, or at the cockcrowing, or in the morning: lest coming suddenly he find you sleeping. And what I say unto you I say unto all, Watch." He bids us, "Let your loins be girded about, and your lights burning." He further warns us, "If therefore thou shalt not watch, I will come on thee as thief, and thou shalt not know what hour I will come upon thee." A thief comes unannounced and when not expected.

There will be negligent ones who say in their hearts, "My Lord delayeth His coming." In their unwatchfulness they will become careless, self-indulgent and harsh. What will result from this attitude of unwatchfulness? "The lord of that servant shall come in a day when he looketh not for him, and in an hour that he is not aware of. And shall cut him asunder, and appoint him his portion with the hypocrites: there shall be weeping and gnashing of teeth." It does not pay to treat the words of the Lord with unconcern. Israel did, and has sufferedand is still suffering.

King Saul went out in pursuit of one he imagined was his enemy. He became drowsy, and thinking a 11 was well he went to sleep in a cave. He set no watch. At an hour when he was not expecting, David appeared. He did not destroy him, but he cut off the skirts of Saul's garments. And a greater than David gives us warning, "Behold, I come as a thief. Blessed is he that watcheth, and keepeth his

## Thhy Observe "OAatch ©Night"?

garments, lest he walk naked, and they see his shame." Stripped of the robe of righteousness, what hope can there be? The Master gives us solemn warning. The King will say to the one who is naked: "How camest thou in hither not having a wedding garment?" Concerning whom the word is given, "Then said the king to his servants, Bind him hand and foot, and take him away, and cast him into outer darkness; there shall be weeping and gnashing of teeth."

A crisis hour came in the life of the Master when He said to His disciples, "Tarry ye here, and watch." Did they watch? No. When He came to them He found them sleeping. He said to Peter, "Could ye not watch with me one hour? Watch and "pray, that ye enter not into temptation." But it is written, "He came and found them asleep again." It was a dark hour-an hour when all the forces of darkness were active-and in that dark hour all the unwatchful ones were overcome. Peter denied his Lord, and all the rest
forsook Him and fled. A solemn warning of a dark hour is approaching in which the Master bids all that are His to "Watch!"

In contrast to this scene there is another. Faithful shepherds were keeping watch by night over their flocks. No thief could come unawares, no prowling wolves. They were ready for any eventuality. And there came a visitation of angels. They brought good tidings. The King that all Israel had expected, had arrived. He who was born King of the Jews could be seen lying in a manger at Bethlehem. So they went to welcome the newborn King. And watchful ones, faithfully taking care of God's flock, will have it made known to them concerning the coming again of the King.

Says Paul to the faithful ones in Thessalonica who were waiting for the coming of the Son of God from heaven: "But ye, brethren, are not in darkness, that that day should overtake us as a thief." But he warns them, "Therefore, let us not sleep, as do others; but let us watch and be sober." He did not want any of them to be found naked, and said, "But let us, who are of the day, be sober, putting on the breastplate of faith and love; and for an helmet, the hope of salvation. For God hath not appointed us to wrath, but to obtain salvation by our Lord Jesus Christ." He warned the elders of Ephesus to be faithful shepherds ever on the watch, "For I know this, that after my departing shall grievous wolves enter in among you, not sparing the flock Therefore watch."

See that
mother as she sits in lonely vigil beside her sick child. Does she sleep? No. Not for one moment. She watches every breathing of the little one. And listen, she prays. She prays out of a heart of consuming love and agony for her precious babe. Hers is a vigil of love. The daystar arises, and she is still watching. Then the sun arises with healing in its beams. The answer to her prayer comes. Her little one lives. Weeping has endured for a night, but joy has come in the morning. The Master says, "Take ye heed; watch and pray, for ye know not what the hour is." Let it be a vigil of love. The eyes of a loving bride straining to catch the first glimpse of the returning Bridegroom! Says the Psalmist, "My soul waiteth for the Lord more than they that watch for the morning: I say, more than they that watch for the morning." Psalm 130:6. Let this be our attitude.S. H. F.

## The Preacher's Duty

Hearing that the Queen of Holland had called on his father, Dr. Cæsar Malan's son asked him if he had been careful in addressing her, to observe the prescribed forms. The answer was: "Ah, my dear boy, I know nothing about that positively; all I know is that I addressed her as a minister of God. I had no time to think of any but eternal things. The one important consideration is the Gospel and the Saviour. We spoke of the salvation of the soul, of that vast eternity to which we are hastening."
"Your father's words are engraven in my recollection, and I often recall them with gratitude," wrote the Queen long afterwards.

## The Lord Reigneth

"God liveth ever!
Wherefore, soul, despair thou never! He who can earth and heaven control,

Who spreads the clouds o'er sea and land,
Whose presence fills the mighty whole, In each true heart is close at hand!

Love Him, He will surely send Help, and joys that never end. Soul, remember in thy pains God o'er all for ever reigns!"

## "Thou God Seest Me"

The biographer of Watts-Ditchfield relates that when a child he was one

cism of obedience to it, will find that they go on from grace to grace.-Griffith Thomas.

## Keeping the Victory

Did you ever hear anyone conclude his testimony by saying, "Pray for me that I may hold out faithful?" When Mother Robinson (Evangelist Daisy K. Robinson) in dealing with her hundred or more "boys" at the Missouri Penitentiary, one by one in the visiting room, hears one make a request like that she scolds him, or does whatever is appropriate in a given case to rid her "boy's" mind of the selfishness which is back of such a request.

She says: "The thing you need prayer for, Boy, is that you may be a successful fisher for souls, a shedder forth of light who needs not to be ashamed. You are to be the salt of the part of the earth that you find yourself in. You are a worker in the harvest, working for God, and with God. You do not need to give any time or thought to the matter of getting to heaven. That will take care of itself. Love the lost. Be so evidently and uniformly happy before them that they will wonder how you got that way. Then you can tell them and help them to Christ. Be sure you are always gentle and never cross, that you are always sweet and never sour, and that you are always patient and never flaring up. If you live that way by the power of the Holy Spirit those around you will want what you have and you can get them saved. You'll never need to even think about getting to heaven. God knows you, He is watching your every move, and He'll take you safely through."

## "Take Heed How Ye Hear"

There are four things that every one of us needs in regard to our bodycleansing, air, food, exercise. Cleansing is the symbolism of John $15: 3$ : "Ye are clean through the Word." Air symbolizes the atmosphere of fellowship as we listen to God, and speak to Him. Food symbolizes the Bible, "I have esteemed Thy Word more than my necessary food." Exercise symbolizes obedience, "I will run in the way of Thy commandments."

Those who are thus exercised with the Word and realize its cleansing power, its atmosphere of purity, its food for strength, and are tested by the athleti-

## OWNERSHIP OF PALESTINE

The Hebrew Christian states: "While we do not yet know the final outcome of the partition plan, yet the child of God who belives in the Scriptures need have no misgivings in respect to Palestine and the future of the Jews. The title deeds to the land of Palestine are recorded in God's Word, Genesis $13: 15$; $17: 8 ; 15: 18$. It is to be noted that the land was given by God to the children of Israel 'for ever,' and 'for an everlasting possession.' Furthermore, the dimensions of the land are 'From the river of Egypt to the great river, the Euphrates.' It may be that by purchase and by Government policy a Jewish State of very small dimensions may be set up in Palestine, but we know that in God's own time the land that was promised to Abraham and his seed will eventually be settled by the chosen people."

# The Initial Outpouring of the Spirit at the Beginning of This Church Fge 

J. Natver Gortner at the General Council in Memphis

I am a Pentecostal preacher, and this is a Pentecostal gathering, and it seems fitting that I preach a Pentecostal sermon. We are all interested in Pentecostal truth. And the portion of Scripture which I purpose to expound is a portion you are all familiar with; you have read it, or heard it read, so many times that you know it by heart. The first four verses of the second chapter of Acts.

I would have you look at seven things: the time, the condition, the sound, the cloven tongue, the infilling, the sign, and the result.
I. THE TIME WHEN IT OCCURRED. It was when "the day of Pentecost was fully come." Not before it had come, or after it had come and gone, but when it was fully come.

God does things on schedule time. There is order everywhere in God's universe. God has a pre-arranged schedule, and God works according to that schedule. This fact is in evidence in the revolutions of the earth upon its axis and in the movements of the planets. Man is able to figure out beforehand, years beforehand, decades beforehand, centuries beforehand, just when an eclipse of the sun or the moon is going to take place, and just how long the eclipse will last. Last June there was a total eclipse of the sun, and a party of sixty men, with equipment worth hundreds of thousands of dollars, made a voyage to a coral-bound island 180 miles south of the equator in order that that they might study, in the interest of science, the marvelous spectacle that they knew would last just three minutes, thirty-five seconds, and six-tenths of a second. They knew just when the eclipse would begin and just when it would end; consequently just how long it would last. How did they know? By the fact that the movements of the earth and of all the planets have been timed by God with mathematical accuracy, or, in other words, that God does things on schedule time.

As God times events and works according to a prearranged schedule in the material universe, so He times events and works according to schedule in the spiritual realm. This fact is set forth in a very definite manner in the notable prophecy of the Seventy Weeks, Daniel 9 , and in the order of the feasts, Leviticus 23. There was a schedule time for the first advent, and our Lord came on schedule time, "when the fullness of the time was come." There was a schedule time for Christ to die, and He
died at the very time it had been previously arranged that He should die. The same thing can be said of His resurrection, and of His ascension, and of the initial outpouring of the Spirit at the beginning of this church age. Hence we read that it was "when the day of Pentecost was fully come.'
II. THE CONDITION THAT OBTAINED. "They were all with one accord in one place." The word rendered with one accord means harmoniously unanimous; the disciples were all harmoniously unanimous in one place. How important that this same spirit prevail among us! How much more might be accomplished for God if it were to prevail! One day I wateched an ant. It was trying to carry away a load. The load was several times heavier than was the ant itself; it pulled and tugged until finally it succeeded in turning the load over; but the ant was not able to take the load to the place it wanted to take it to. So it went away, and I said to myself, "Discouraged!" But presently the ant came back, and brought another ant with it, and the two ants were "with one accord in one place." One did not pull this way, and the other that way; they pulled together; and the united strength of the two ants working together was able to accomplish what the strength of one ant could never have done. What I cannot do, you and I together may be able to do, and what you and I together cannot do, all of us working in perfect harmony can accomplish. Of one thing we can be certain, and that is that if we were to be, as the disciples were at the beginning, "all with one accord in one

place," and that place the place of perfect obedience and submissiveness to the will of God, and expectation that God's purpose is going to be wrought out in us and through us and by us, all the powers in earth and hell could not hold back the avalanche of divine power and divine blessing that would roll down from heaven.
III. THE SOUND THAT WAS HEARD. "Suddenly there came a sound from heaven," literally, out of heaven. The word that is here rendered "sound" is not the word that is usually so rendered. The word that is usually so rendered is the one from which we get our word phone. Here the word is cechos, the word from which we get our word echo. This is very interesting. You know what an echo is. Yonder is a mountain or a forest. A man shouts, and back comes the echo. Of course the fact that an echo comes back is an evidence that the voice of the man has reached the mountain or the forest. The fact that this echo came out of heaven was evidence that the disciples had prayed and praised through; their prayers and praises had reached heaven. Of course the very next thing on the program was the coming of the Holy Spirit in accordance with the promise the Master had given before He went away.
IV. THE CLOVEN TONGUES THAT WERE SEEN. It is not said that the tongues that were seen were tongues of fire; it is said rather that they were "like as of fire." These tongues "like as of fire" were very vitally connected with the infilling. Similar manifestations have been seen in these last days. A sister told me that one day while I was preaching she saw a tongue "like as of fire" resting upon my head. And I know a minister who after having heard me preach went into his room and asked God to show him whether or not what I had preached was the truth; he wanted some evidence that God is actually baptizing people in the Holy Ghost today as at the beginning. He said to me afterwards, "I was kneeling in a corner of the room where it was quite dark, and suddenly the top of my head began to burn"-he was a baldheaded man-"and I thought the sun was shining on my head and that I ought to get up and pull down the curtain, but when I opened my eyes I saw that I was still in the corner of the room: I knew that what you had preached is the truth, and that God has not changed; the Baptism is for people today as it was for people in days of old."
V. THE INFILLING THAT TOOK PLACE. "They were all filled with the Holy Ghost." Before one can be thus filled it is imperative that he be emptied. It is possible that one of the reasons why so many have tarried so long and have not been filled is because God has been waiting for them to be emptied. The emptying process is of great importance. I believe if one has been emptied, if the old self life and all that pertains to it has gone out, and the heart is clean and ready for the incoming of the Comforter, the Holy Spirit will come without delay. Some one has well said, "If your all is on the altar you need not wait for the fire; God will not keep you waiting; the fire will fall as the fire of the Lord fell when all the conditions were complied with in the days of Elijah."

The fact that these disciples were filled was no evidence that they would always stay filled. I read in Acts of subsequent infillings. I believe the Lord fills us so that we may give out to others, and that as we give out of what God gives us it is imperative that we come back to the Lord and let Him refill us. Perhaps the ideal way is for us to be vitally connected at all times with the source of power, so that as we give out of that which God gives us the divine power will flow in, and we shall continue to be "filled." Paul says, "Be filled with the Spirit." It may be of interest to you to know that the literal rendering is, "Be being filled with the Spirit." The "being filled" is to be a continuous process.
VI. THE SIGN THAT GOD GAVE. Those who had been filled immediately "began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance." It was the Spirit who gave them utterance. He had come in; He had taken possession; He had control now ; and the evidence that the disciples had been filled was that they "began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance." Mark the fact that they did not give themselves utterance; nobody taught them to speak; they had never been in a Pentecostal meeting before; they had never witnessed the coming of the Spirit in Pentecostal fullness to others. There is no evidence that they had been told beforehand that their baptism in the Spirit would be thus evidenced. But it was thus evidenced. Our Lord had said, "These signs shall follow them that believe," and had enumerated certain signs. Among them was that of "new tongues." When the disciples spoke with tongues it was a sign that they had believed. Believed for what? For the fulfillment of the divine promise, for the coming of the Comforter, for the Baptism in the Holy Ghost. It was therefore the sign that they had received that Baptism. If it was the sign
then, who will say that it is not the sign now? We believe it is the sign now, and in these last days in all parts of the world multitudes have received the Baptism in the Holy Ghost, according to the original pattern, and all who have thus received it have spoken with "new tongues."
VII. THE RESULT THAT WAS ACHIEVED. Notice seven things: (1) What had taken place was noised abroad. (2) The multitude came together. (3) The people were confused or perplexed. (4) They were amazed and they marvelled. (5) They were "in doubt." (6) Some mocked. (7) When a satisfactory explanation was given three thousand believed and were saved. Peter was the one God chose to explain what had taken place and preach the people under conviction. The sermon was not long, but it was "in demonstration of the Spirit and of power." His explanation of what had occurred was in simple language that every one could understand. "This Jesus hath God raised up, whereof we all are witnesses. Therefore being by the right hand of God exalted, and having received of the Father the promise of the Holy Ghost, He hath shed forth this which ye now see and hear."

Where is our Lord today? At the right hand of the Father; and He is going to stay there until the time shall come for Him to assume the role of Lion of the tribe of Judah. Then He will rise up from the place which He now occupies and proceed, by means of the judgments under the seals, trumpets, and bowls of Revelation, to eject the usurper and set up the Davidic kingdom. Hear what God said in the days of Ezekiel concerning the throne of David that was then occupied by Zedekiah, "I will overturn, overturn, overturn, it: and it shall be no more, until He come whose right it is ; and I will give it Him." Ezek. 21:27.

The fact that the Spirit was outpoured at the beginning of this church age was evidence that our Lord was seated at the right hand of the Father. The fact that the Spirit is being outpoured in these days is evidence that He is still there. We believe that the mighty outpouring at the beginning took place just after He sat down at the Father's right hand; and that the mighty outpouring that is taking place in these days is taking place just before His rising from that place which He has occupied all the way down through the centuries of this church age.

Beloved, the coming of the Lord draweth nigh. Are you ready for His coming? He is getting the church ready by this mighty latter rain outpouring of the Spirit. Have you received your portion? Come, and let Him fill you.

## Watching and Watched

"The eyes of the Lord are upon the righteous." Ps. 34:15.

The Lord is watching over His people from the heights of glory, while they are watching for Him to appear in glory. I have read that when Leech, the painter, was a boy, he was placed at a boarding school, where he had to spend his entire terms, including vacations, until his school days should be finished. His mother pined to see her boy, but the rules of the school precluded her from gratifying this desire. She, therefore, hired an upper room in one of the houses overlooking the playground. Here she watched her little boy. He did not know that anyone was looking down upon him; but that eye followed him wherever he moved.

So Christ longs for His disciples. He cannot come to them until "the times or the seasons which the Father hath put in His own power" shall be accomplished. But, meanwhile, His eye is fixed upon them from the windows of Heaven, noting every act, watching every step, rejoicing in every success of theirs, until their term of earthly service and education shall be completed. Then He will come again and receive them unto Himself.

Meanwhile, as He is watching over them, they are watching for Him. They long for the day of their schooling on earth to be ended. They have no calendar that tells them the exact date of its closing, but they know that when the time comes, He will appear to bring them home. His Word is dear to them: "Watch therefore: for ye know not what hour your Lord doth come."

## A Methodist Resolution

(In the handuriting of John Wesley)
It is agreed by us whose names are underwritten:
1.-That we will not listen or willingly inquire after any ill concerning each other.
2.-That if we do hear any ill of each other we will not be forward to believe it.
3.-That as soon as possible we will communicate what we hear by speaking or writing to the person concerned.
4.-That till we have done this we will not write or speak a syllable of it to any other person whatever.
5.-That neither will we mention it after we have done this to any other person.
6.-That we will not make any exception to any of these rules unless we think ourselves absolutely obliged in conscience so to do.

John Wesley.
Charles Wesley. Thos. Maxfield. J. Downes, Etc.

## TReSunday School Tesson


#### Abstract

Rahab and the Spies Lesson for January 9. Lesson Text: Joshua 2. "Faith in the Scarlet Thread." We have all seen mighty chains and cables. The writer often has observed the huge chain links to which the mammoth anchors are attached which can secure an ocean liner to the seabed. He has often noted the huge wire cables which hold up the world's first suspension bridge, the Brooklyn Bridge (Roebling built), connecting Manhattan Island and Long Island, over which there


 passes daily a stream of hundreds of thousands of people. But the mightiest, the strongest, the most effective cable ever devised, is that "Scarlet Thread" of God's plan of redemption for man through the "Blood Atonement." That Scarlet Thread has lifted a lost world from the abyss of the universe and drawn it near to the heart of God. "We who once were afar off have been made nigh through the blood of Christ." Eph. 2:12. That Scarlet Thread bears a greater load, a more precious burden, than all others combined. When Brooklyn Bridge cables and San Francisco Bridge cables have corroded with time or been riven by the earth shocks of the end-time judgments, the Scarlet Thread will still hold. It will hold through all eternity! In heaven, the redeemed will sing: "Thou hast redeemed us unto God by thy blood out of every kindred and tongue and people and nation." Rev. 5:9. That Scarlet Thread draws not only the mighty and the noble, such as Abram and Samuel and Paul, to God but it draws the weak and the ignoble and the despised, such as the Publican, the Samaritan woman and the individual about whom this week's lesson centers-Rahab (cf. I Cor. 1:26-29)The Spies sent. Joshua 2:1. Where could two strangers, disguised Israelites, go in Jericho without attracting attention? Not to any private home. They must perforce go to a public place, where strangers, freshly arrived from desert wanderings with their caravans, would not be considered out of place. In bygone days attempts were made to have the word "harlot" read "hostess" or "tavern-keeper" but the best scholarship supports the word as used in $2: 1$. This does not demean the gospel, it does not imply that God condoned Rahab's depraved occupation. Before we finish we shall see that God in His foresight, His omniscience, knew that Rahab would repent of her $\sin$ and be cleansed. What better place could spies resort to in order to obtain information than at a public

ing flax shall He not quench." The breath of His Spirit fanned that smoking flax, that feeble candle wick of conscience, into a flame of true faith. cf. John 9:41; John 3:18-20. Paul seems to use her faith as a means of rebuking the enlightened "Hebrews" for their lack of it. cf. Heb. 11:30-31 with Heb. 10:3539. Some of these Hebraic Christians were tempted to relinquish "salvation by faith," and to revert to the "works of the law." Paul uses Rahab as a spur. "Think of it," he seems to imply, "a pagan woman of Jericho, a former harlot, a child of darkness, saved her life and that of her family by faith in God. Surely her works could not have justified her for she was a harlot. She had to be justified by faith. Yet you Hebrews know she was "saved." Our ancient books record her deed, but also record her marriage to our prince, Salmon. cf. Matt. $1: 4,5$. If this underprivileged, unenlightened woman could have such implicit faith in God, how much more should be expected of you Hebrews, first enlightened through Moses and the Prophets and then by the Light of the World Himself through your reception of Him?" "To whom much has been given of him shall much be required."
Faith vs. Works. She staked her life on her faith in God. She demonstrated her faith by her works. James $2: 25-26$. She believed the whole land of Canaan would be given over to the Jews, though a whole generation of Jews died in the wilderness, outside the land, for refusing to believe it. Joshua 2:9-13. Therefore she lived, while they had died. But "faith without works is dead." She backed up her faith by sheltering the spies and by aiding their escape. Had she been discovered it would have meant death. "Be thou faithful unto death" (Rev. 2:10), does not mean, "Be faithful until death comes by way of old age or infirmity." It means to be faithful though it mean death-though it cost your life! And the reward?
the victory. This city was won for God through His use of a "fallen woman." Does it not remind us of another "fallen woman" who met the New Testament "Joshua" at Jacob's Well after which meeting the entire city capitulated to His gracious charm and His salvation through the instrumentality of the woman? cf. Jno. 4:39-42.
Rahab's Faith. cf. Heb. 11:30-31. Rahab was a pagan, a heathen. Her whole environment was paganized and depraved. Though this fact does not excuse her of the guilt of her low occupation, it needs to be remarked that the heathen did not consider her occupation a sinful one. She dwelt in "darkness"; she had no light save the light of conscience which had become a "smoking flax" through generations of Canaanitish depravity. But the Scripture promises of Christ is, "the smok-
place such as this? Such places are always found where soldiering goes on. We may be sure these two Jews went there solely to gain information. It is also possible that they were not aware of Rahab's immoral occupation and may have originally chosen her house because it was built on the outside wall of the city (verse 15) and thus they could readily escape the city if danger threatened. God chooses "a worm to thrash a mountain" so that no flesh can glory in His sight and no human can boast that their prowess has gained

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 -through death-a crown of life! Our God
can turn every curse into a blessing, every seeming defeat into glorious victory. "Faith without works is dead." "Mary" said Agnes, "tell me the secret of your good marks at school." "I pray and ask the Lord to help me, Agnes," Mary replied. After the next monthly school tests Agnes again spoke to Mary. "I prayed a great deal, Mary, before this month's test but my marks are as poor as ever." "But Agnes," replied Mary, "did you study real hard?" "Oh, no! I thought you didn't have to study if you trusted God and prayed." Older folk than Agnes have made that same mistake. Sometimes preachers make it, but faith without works is dead.

Rahab's lie may stumble some people. Her (Continued on Page Seven)
$\mathscr{B e}$ sure to read the splendid notes on the Sunday School Lesson. They are now being written by $\mathcal{F}$ arry Steil of Washington, $\mathfrak{D}$. ©.

## aThe Passing and the Permanents

## PERSECUTION

Die Christliche Welt reports that an evangelical pastor in Italy was recently sentenced to ten days in prison for preaching outside his church building.

## QUALITY, NOT QUANTITY

Says Dr. W. W. Ayer, of Calvary Baptist Church, New York: "The church would be stronger in our generation if it were smaller and holier. She needs to become once again a little flock before it is the Master's good pleasure to give her the kingdom."

## "WITHOUT NATURAL AFFECTIONS"

Comments China Fundamentalist: "A July report from this Bombay Service is that Stalin has exiled his own mother because she went to church. The mother is said to be very religious, and it was she who had trained him for a priest. The report was taken from the News Review of London."

## THE CHURCH IN MEXICO

Comments the New York Times: "Mexico is beginning to deal more gently with the church. Revolution makers, in the final instance, use religion as an instrument of policy. Revolutionists begin by attacking religion because religion is on the side of stability and order. But when the revolutionists have set up their own order, they are not averse to utilizing religion to promote stability."

## ROMAN EMPIRE

While Signor Mussolini and Mr. Chamberlain are talking of friendship, Italy is fostering anti-British propaganda in the Near East, says the London Daily Herald.
According to this journal Signor Mussolini desires to revive the ancient Roman province of Syria as an independent Arab State under Italian tutelage, comprising Palestine, modern Syria and Sinai. The Jews would be absorbed or eliminated.

## WAR A SYMPTOM OF SIN

Said Lord Halifax, British statesman: "There is no Christian who does not feel how great a thing it would be to abolish war and secure the world against its recurrence. But in trying to do this, we have to recognize that war itself is only a symptom of a disease deeply seated in human nature, namely, evil, and while we rightly do all in our power to treat the symptom, we must face the fact that there can be no real permanent cure of the symptom except by eradication of the disease."

## PLANES AS DOVES

"Who are these that fly as a cloud and as the doves to their windows?" ${ }^{\prime \prime}$ Isa. $6: 8$.

Comments Prophetic News: "Certainly it is strange to read of the ancient land of Palestine as one of the great aeroplane traffic centers of the world. All this has come to pass in the last few years. The main air route from Europe to India and Australia is the backbone of Palestine's air system. At present there are 41 weekly air arrivals and departures in Palestine. Gaza, Haifa and Lydda are the principal fields."

## REVIVE THE FAMILY ALTAR!

In Atlantic City, N. J., (according to Time) Headmaster Frank Eli Gaebelein of Stony Brook (L. I.) School for Boys told a Methodist Protestant conference that little more than 25 per cent of $49,000,000 \mathrm{U}$. S. young people have ever been in a church. Recent questionnaires, he said, showed that 16,000 of 55 ,000 school children had never heard of the Ten Commandments; only 2,000 of 18,000 students could name four biblical prophets, only 6,000 the four Gospels, only 8,000 any three of Christ's disciples. Headmaster Gaebelein's remedy: "Revive the family altar and the reading of the Bible."


Brother Fred Vogler, who since the General Council has still been acting as Superintendent of Kansas District Council, writes that he will be at headquarters in a few days. Brother Victor G. Greisen has been elected Superintendent of Kansas 6. District Council in his stead. Special prayer is requested for the new Home Missions Department of the General Council which Brother Vogler will lead, that in the coming years many laborers may be thrust forth into pioneer fields, thousands of souls won for Christ, and that the ministry of all the thrust forth ones shall be truly apostolic and Pentecostal.

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deceptiveness was not necessary in order for God to deliver the two Jews. "Lord," prayed a Scottish Covenanter, as he was being hotly pursued by a troup of Redcoats, "cast Thy mantle about me and hide me from mine enemies." And God instantly answered by sending down a thick fog, which hindered, not the Scotchman among his familiar hills and crags, but baffled the strange English troops
and caused them to relinquish the chase ! God could have delivered these two spies in a thousand ways from their enemies. Rahab had not yet become enlightened to the fact that God "requireth truth in the inward parts." Psalm $51: 6$. Her moral convictions, warped by generations of paganism, doubtless allowed an untruth especially if the telling of it meant (to her mind) through the saving of two human lives, the success of the whole campaign of Jericho's capture. But the walls of Jericho would have fallen even if Rahab had not lied, even if the spies had been captured and killed. None of this would have altered one iota the fate which Almighty God had decreed for Jericho. The city fell miraculously without human effort of any kind. Rahab and her family later on became proselytes to the Jewish faith, and beyond a doubt when she was fully "converted" she "lied not." Col. 3:9. cf. also Rev. $21: 8$.
The Protection of the Scarlet Cord. Joshua $2: 18-21$. Safety lay only by remaining under the protection of that Scarlet Cord ( $\mathrm{v}, 19$ ). Safety, eternal safety, lies only beneath the covering of the atoning blood of Christ. Heb. $9: 14,22$. Rev. $1: 5$ tells us "Unto Him that loved us and washed us from our sins in His own blood." The Golden Text expresses it so forcibly, "Not by works of righteousness which we have done, but according to His mercy He saved us by the washing of regeneration (Rev. 1:5), and the renewing of the Holy Ghost." Titus $3: 5$. Two young Christians called to comfort an aged dying gospel preacher. They found the dying man sitting half erect in bed and making motions of throwing invisible "things" off his bed. In answer to their wondering question he replied with a smile: "Brethren, within a few hours I shall see the Lord face to face. I am making preparations. Lying here I have been reviewing my forty years of Christian ministry. I have recalled every good deed, every work of righteousness which I have done, and I am throwing them all overboard, and when the moment comes for me to plunge into the waters of death, I shall swim to glory holding on only to the plank of God's free grace." "For by grace are ye saved, through faith, and that not of yourselves; it is the gift of God. Not of works, lest any man should boast." Eph. 2:8-9.

The Life Thread. Through the heart of every piece of rope which is the property of the British Navy there runs a thread of red. It is the identifying mark. No thief dare steal such rope-the scarlet thread makes it immune to theft; the wrath, the punishment of the King's government would descend upon the thief. The thief who cometh but to kill, to steal, to destroy (John 10) is likewise repulsed when he sees that, like Rahab of old, we are protected beneath the Scarlet Cord of the Blood of Christ. "They overcame him by the Blood of the Lamb and the word of their testimony." What a wonderful story is this of Rahab's, of the boundless Grace of God! How it demonstrates that "God is no respecter of persons." Acts $10: 34$. From Prostitute to Princess! From Iniquity to Immortality. All by climbing the rope ladder of God's grace, wroven from the scarlet flax of the atoning work of Christ!-Harry Steil.

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## SOUTH CHINA DISTRICT NEWS

Our annual meeting for the South China District Council convened the early part of October, when our missionaries were at the coast. The meeting, although hampered by a threatening typhoon, was overshadowed by the presence of the Lord. Three days were spent in fellowship and prayer, after which officers were elected for the coming year, as follows :
H. A. Park, Superintendent,
J. E. Perdue, Secretary and Editor of Spiritual News,

Miss L. B. Hough, Treasurer
The accompanying photograph was taken the last day of the meet-
ing. Two were unable to be present because of ill-ness-Mrs. Hall and Mary Rasmussen. (The latter was called home to be with the Lord December 1.)-J. E. Perdue.

## OUR CHINA MISSIONARIES

Letters have been received from several of our missionaries in different parts of China, giving quite vivid accounts of war conditions, God's protection, and gracious deliverance. From North China W. W. Simpson writes:
"When the fighting began, I was in Fushun, Manchuria, holding meetings, while my wife and children were in the hills west of Peiping to escape the heat of the city. I learned that the fighting began at Lukou Bridge July 7, and since that is near the hills where my family was located I was a little apprehensive, but hoped the incident would soon be peacefully settled, and hence dismissed my fears. When I boarded the train early July 15, all lights in the station were covered with black paper and black curtains prevented the the train lights from shining through the windows. Arriving at home, I found the city was much agitated; multitudes were leaving; country people were coming in, and there was much anxiety everywhere as to the outcome. We still hoped for the best but feared the worst.
"July 27 we received notice from the American Embassy that in case of emergency a signal would be given on the radio tower of the Embassy Guard, in which case all Americans were to proceed thither for protection. The same day airplanes were occasionally seen and heard flying over and around the city. Next morning more airplanes were flying and the ominous booming of big guns and bombs exploding
told us that war in all its modern frightfulness had arrived.
Since we could not see the radio tower from our home, I hurried toward it to see if the signal was displayed. I had gone only a short distar:ze when I found soldiers digging a great trench across one of the biggest streets. learning I was an American, they permitted me to pass. The streets were almost deserted, only a few frantic people rushing behind projecting walls or hurrying down alleys. Doors were closed and windows barred. As I turned down a side street, a squad of police motioned me back as they levelled their rifles at someone


Our South China Missionaries now on the field
the country on all sides of us. Gruesome tales of the cruelties of the warring armies and the sufferings of the poor innocent country people stirred us with indignation by day and made sleep difficult by night. Airplanes, carrying their deadly bombs and machine guns made the days hideous with their zooming to and fro, back and forth, while occasionally we could hear the muffled sounds of exploding bombs and imagine mangled heaps of the dead and dying thus suddenly hurled into eternity.
'Three times I was asked to go outside of the city to rescue Christians who were in grave danger from the lawless soldiery. Altogether I brought in nearly 100 to safety."
From a little farther south comes this report, written by Miss Eva Louise Bloom:
"Praise God, we have arrived safely in Ningpo in spite of the prevailing war conditions. We were held up for some days at sea because of hostilities breaking out in Shanghai and the boat on which we were sailing was unable to proceed to that port. However, the Lord was with us and made it possible for us to return to Tsingtao where we heard that an English vessel was taking refugees back to Ningpo and we were able to join this group of refugees which numbered well over a thousand persons.
"The day after our arrival here we were greet-
ahead. Turning I finally got through to Morrison Street and hoped to see the radio tower soon, when I was stopped again by soldiers guarding a trench right across it. No persuasion could move them, and I had to turn back. I went to the near-by police station and explained my difficulty, and they offered me the use of the telephone. I called up the American Embassy and was told to bring my family instantly. Hurrying home, we packed a few belongings into suitcases, and bedbags, hired rickshaws and finally arrived safely in the Embassy compound.
"It was such a relief to escape from the tumult and anxieties of the turbulent city. We shall never forget the kind courtesy and efficient care we received during those five days while war raged around the city, but could not come nigh our peaceful habitation.
"Returning home August 2, we tried to settle down to the ordinary routine of life but found it difficult owing to the rumors and reports of what was still going on in
ed by Japanese aeroplanes, bombing the Ningpo aerodrome. A few days later bombs were dropped not far from our compound and the vibration was terrific. This was a little too near to be comfortable but at such a time it is wonderful to know the Lord. Praise His dear Name! We are daily subject to air attacks and yesterday the whole city of Ningpo was in confusion most of the day for the siren was blown eleven times, warning the people to get under cover, and twice during the night we were warned of approaching enemy planes. As there is no restraint whatsoever placed on this aerial warfare, there is no place of safety but to be hid with Christ in God. Thus far most of the bombs dropped in Ningpo have missed their mark and very little damage has been done. Pray that we may be protected from these death-dealing missiles and the other dangers that accompany this awful war.
"There is a sweet spirit of unity among the Christians for which we praise the Lord. At noon each day we have prayer
for the salvation of China and every Monday is set aside as a special day of fasting and prayer for national needs. The older orphan girls, teachers, and workers in the home are busily engaged in making clothing for the wounded soldiers; the material for which is provided by the government.
"Pray for us as a group of Christians to be used in whatever way the Lord sees best at this time to the glory of His Name. We are praying as our Bible school students are scattered throughout the country districts, that through their witness many who have never had an opportunity to hear the gospel before shall hear and be glad that salvation through Jesus has made a way of escape in these awful days."
Even in Hong Kong there is considerable anxiety and danger, though it has been more quiet than sections farther north, and has been a shelter for many refugees. Our missionaries, Mr. and Mrs. A. Walker Hall, write as follows:
"We wonder if we feel something like Paul must have felt when he wrote, 'We are troubled on every side, yet not distressed; we are perplexed, but not in despair ...' for although we praise God from the bottom of our hearts for keeping us out of danger personally, yet during the last two months conditions have not improved, but have grown more tense and serious. In spite of personal risks, some of the missionaries that were on the coast have ventured back to their inland stations. "As we had the experience of being in Canton during one of its bombings, we know some of the suspense and problems that these brothers and sisters of ours are going through. They must be prepared for most anything to happen at any time. Traveling is far from safe, except as the encampment of God safeguards His children, as the trains between here and Canton have been bombed several times, the roadbed damaged, and the river blockaded most of the time. Many boats in the past have been stopped and searched with threats of attacks hanging over them. Just recently we heard from some of our missionaries in Central West China of the hard trials through which they had gone while the source of their supplies had been cut off, compelling them to go out on the streets to sell even very necessary clothes and equipment in order to get enough money with which to buy food. It is wonderful to know that God is a very present help in every time of need, and that He NEVER fails those who put their trust in Him; however, we are sure that now is the time when Christians must pray for one another as the enemy brings one onslaught after another on some of God's ambassadors who are going through sore tests and trials.
"Apart from the direct dangers of the war which alone has caused so much suffering, life is very uncertain as many innocent people are seized and shot to death as traitors and spies. There are those who for the sake of a small reward, will slip a letter or map or some other evidence into the pocket of an innocent person, report him to an officer, and testify to the guilt of the supposed spy. Hongkong, though overcrowded, is a safer refuge than most places; how long it will continue so, God only knows, as we can expect conditions
to become worse in this, the time of the end. What a glorious hope it is, that the coming of our Lord may be the next thing on His divine program!
"In the meantime, we are praising God that it is possible for us to keep up our studies, and He enables us to 'occupy' in the work at hand. There is no indication that we shall have to leave Cheung Chau, the little Island where our language school is now located, and we trust and pray that conditions will soon be bettered so that China will be accessible once more."
Reporting from still another corner of China, is James Vigna, located in Kansu Province, in the Northwest. We quote from his letter:
"We wish to sound a note of praise to the Lord for bringing us through to our station safely again. Our station being situated in the Northwest we are removed from the scene of conflict, therefore, we are able to continue in peace, endeavoring to fulfill our ministry to these people.
"Since our return, we are having Bible study on the Book of Acts two nights a week, for the benefit of the workers and believers. God is blessing us all in this and we covet your prayers that through this we may all be revived to press in for all God has for us in these last days, and be faithful to the pattern shown us in His holy Word. We have also begun a Sunday School class every Sunday morning with Chinese children, and another class in the afternoon exclusively for Tibetan school boys. Please pray with us that these young hearts may be opened to the truth as it is in Christ Jesus and be saved, and also that through them they may get their parents interested in knowing our Saviour and com. ing King."

## NEW ASSEMBLY ESTABLISHED

Hugh Jeter, one of our missionaries in Peru writes: "About six months ago my sisters held some special services in the large sugar plantation of San Jacinto. The people were already impressed, for a young man who was converted in our services in Lima had returned there and testified what the Lord had done for him. There was also a believer or two who had heard the gospel in Chimbote. After the week's special services they returned to Chimbote. Ernestine had taken malaria, and suffered greatly for about seven weeks, when the Lord graciously undertook and healed her.
"Every few weeks the brethren and workers here would go to preach the Word in San Jacinto. Sometimes it costs as much as twenty-five soles (the Peruvian dollar) to take a special bus or truck there, and many times the cars or trucks get stuck in the sands, and one must work and wait for hours. Break-downs are not infrequent, and one has to wait for help, walk long distances through the desert sands, or spend the night on the desert with the cold wind from the ocean chilling him to the bone; but the cheerfulness with which these brethren make these sacrifices, each one paying his share for the transportation, too, certainly makes our hearts to rejoice.
"Thank God that, although the seed sowing may be difficult, harvest is coming, and it has already begun in San Jacinto.

My sister Louise and I went there, arriving on Saturday night. In the services that night, Sunday morning, and afternoon, eight people gave their hearts to the Lord. To Him be the glory! Louise stayed there a week, and more sought the Lord. The next Sunday we took a truck from here and had a baptismal service, in which eight believers followed their Lord in baptism. There are many others who would like to be baptized soon. The working of the Holy Spirit in San Jacinto has been remarkable. Without a native worker or a missionary, but guided by one of their number, they go forward with their services, and now they have some sixty names on their roster, forty or more of whom are adults.
"The Lord is blessing in Nepena, also A number have heard the gospel in San Jacinto and have accepted the Lord, and now Agnes Sloan and Louise have held several days of special services there, and ten more have sought the Lord for salvation. They have agreed to secure a hall, and the brethren from the new little assembly in San Jacinto are to go once a week and hold services for them. Pray for these new babes; they know practically nothing of how to follow the Lord-not even how to pray. Those who turn to the Lord from Catholicism do not know the blessing of simply unburdening their hearts to the Lord in prayer, for all the prayer they know is the mere recitation of written prayers, which they memorize and repeat, sometimes repeating them dozens of times as an act of penance imposed by the priest because of sins confessed to him.
"Pray that a real revival may stir this and all other Latin countries, and that our King's coming may be hastened."

## HOME ON FURLOUGH

Mr. and Mrs. Martin Kvamme have recently arrived in the United States for furlough after spending a number of years in missionary work in North China and Manchuria, they being among the group of missionaries who first went into Manchuria under the General Council. God has seen fit to bless the new efforts there in a singular way, and the progress of the work has been rapid. Our brother has been superintendent of the North China District for the past several years. We trust they may be restored to perfect health and strength during their stay in the homeland. They may be addressed in care of Pastor Frank Gray, 2139 South L Street, Tacoma, Washington.
Another missionary family to arrive in the States on furlough is Mr. and Mrs. George Wood and two children. Mr. and Mrs. Wood sailed for China in 1932 (Mrs. Wood first went in 1924) and they have spent most of this term on the Tibetan border. We are not sure of their permanent address, but will be in touch with them so that for the time being mail will reach them addressed in care of the Foreign Missions Department, 336 West Pacific Street, Springfield, Missouri.

Word has been received of the safe arrival in Yunnanfu of the J. C. Morrisons, Glenn Horsts and H. H. Sniders.

## Inthe Whitened FFariest Field

WILLOWBROOK, CALIF.-Just closed a 3 weeks' revival which was conducted by Meyer and Alice Tan Ditter, Evangelists. All were blessed, refreshed, and drawn closer to God as they listened to the gospel of Jesus preached by a Jew. The gospel in song was also a blessing to every one.-Mrs. J. H. Willingham, Secretary.

KINGSBURG, CALIF.-Evangelist Meyer and Alice Tan Ditter just closed a very successful campaign in the Full Gospel Assembly here. Their Spirit-filled singing and preaching proved an inspiration to all who attended. Great interest was shown by the people in the community, and many outsiders heard Full Gospel preaching for the first time.-E. W. Mincey, Pastor.

CHICAGO, ILL.-We are praising God for a precious visitation from on high during our 4 weeks of special meetings with Louis O. Rynning as evangelist. A general spirit of revival was evident. A number were saved, backsliders were restored, sick healed, and about 20 were blessedly filled with the Holy Spirit. The mighty movings of God at the Lake View Assembly reminded one of the early days of the Pentecostal movement.-John A. Westman, Pastor.

NORTH LITTLE ROCK, ARK.-The presence of the Lord is being graciously felt at the Twenty-second Street Church. Especially is this true among the young people of the church. A revival was recently conducted by our Christ's Ambassador President, Mrs. G. C. Riden, during which time a number were saved. All departments of the church are progressing very nicely.-T. J. Gotcher, Pastor; Bessie Davis, Reporter.

GARDEN CITY, KANSAS-We have just closed one of the greatest revivals this church has had for some time. In a 4 weeks' campaign, conducted by Evangelist H. W. Barnett, Electra, Texas, over 25 confessed Christ and several received the Holy Ghost Baptism. Brother Barnett's messages stirred the hearts of sinners and made the whole church more concerned about lost souls. His prayer life also encouraged us to pray more for the lost. Our C. A. band was also greatly strengthened. James D. Wilkers, Pastor.

## KANSAS DISTRICT COUNCIL

Brother Fred Vogler reports that the session of the Kansas District Council held at Coffeyville, Kansas, November $22-25$ was a season of great blessing. Victor G. Greisen, pastor of the assembly at Coffeyville, was elected District Superintendent. Claude J. Utley was re-elected District Secretary, and H. B. Garlock Executive Presbyter. C. J. Utley and H. B. Garlock will act as General Presbyters. Brother Greisen expects to move to District Headquarters, 1017 S. Market St., Wichita, Kansas, the first of January.

CAPE GIRARDEAU, MO.-We just closed our revival with Paul Gaston as the evangelist. Nearly a dozen were saved, and 2 received their Baptism. This precious boy's ministry surely was blessed of God. I have been in Pentecost 27 years, but never before have I heard such preaching, especially from such a young man. The singing also proved a blessing. Our church in general is built up. Since the meeting closed, some have been to the altar seeking God.-W. J. Higgins, Pastor.

LESLIE, ARK.-We have just closed a most wonderful revival in our assembly, Evangelist and Mrs. J. P. Mason, of Fayetteville, in charge. A number were filled with the Holy Ghost, 35 or more were saved or reclaimed, 27 were baptized in water, and 27 came into our assembly. The most wonderful thing was that 9 men, all from 50 to 80 years old, were saved. There were leaders in the community, seasoned sinners, and some of them had stood strong against Pentecost. God brought them in with a flaming testimony. One woman over fifty was also saved. God is surely good to us.-J. K. Lack, Pastor.

OPP, ALA.-God has been blessing our souls. We had a sweet fellowship or Thanksgiving meeting yesterday. God met with us at the Sunrise prayer meeting, again at eleven in the morning and at seven in the evening. W. A. D. Hill, our former pastor, was with us. The power of God fell in the evening meeting. We had a wonderful time in the Lord. Our church is on fire for God. We have reorganized our Sunday School, with four classes, and a large attendance. Also have reorganized our Christ's Ambassadors class, and there are 19 girls and boys on the roll. God meets with us in a mighty way at these meetings. Our first church burned down, but we now have a nice church and it just lacks a few dollars of being completely paid for. We have it comfortably seated. Z. W. Bullock, better known as Daddy Bullock, is our dear pastor.-Pearl Odom, Church Secretary.

COSTA MESA, CALIF--Robert Perryman, former pastor at Brawley, and Mrs. Perryman, who are now in evangelistic work, have been with us since October 18, supplying for our regular pastors, Brother and Sister George Scott, who will be with us again on or about December 1. The presence of the Lord has been graciously manifested. Several have been reclaimed and baptized with the Holy Spirit according to Acts 2:4, and the whole assembly has been united in divine love and fellowship one toward the other. Since Brother Perryman has been with us, our assembly has steadily increased in numbers as well as spiritually. We have moved from our former location in Newport Beach, California, to one in Costa Mesa. God has been with us in mighty power in every meeting, and the spirit of revival is burning.-Ellen Payne.

VICTORY IN TEXAS C. A. CONVENTION
The Christ's Ambassadors of Texas assembled for convention November 25-26, at the Richey tabernacle, Palestine, Texas. The first service crowded out the large tabernacle and we accepted an invitation from the pastor of the First Baptist Church and moved in for the afternoon service. Our District Superintendent, F. D. Davis, Loren B. Staats, Edith Mae Pennington, and several young ministers were asked to bring the messages. God's power was manifested in a miraculous way in every service. Testimonies were given stating that it was the greatest Christ's Ambassadors convention ever held in the State of Texas. By the second afternoon service God was so manifested that we could no longer sit and take in, but had to fall on our faces and worship Him. Several young people were converted as a result of the services, and every one was stirred to a deeper consecration to God. The same officers were re-elected by unanimous vote.-Leonard Norville, District President.

BATTLE CREEK, MICH.-We praise God for a recent 3 weeks' evangelistic campaign, conducted by Evangelist Anna Berg, Sioux Falls, South Dakota. From the first souls were saved and several received the Baptism with the Spirit. It was one of the most gracious and spiritual revivals we have ever had. Last Sunday 15 who had been saved during the meetings followed the Lord in water baptism. The meetings during the last 10 days were held in connection with our second annual missionary convention, and we had the joy of having the following missionaries with us: Blanche Appleby and Mr. and Mrs. L. Johnson of South China; Mrs. M. Pettinger of South Africa; Anne Eberhardt of India; and Miss M. Madsen of South America. Einar Waermo, a Swedish singer, brought the message of the Lord in song. Our missionary aim for the coming year was to be $\$ 350$ each month, but we went over the top with $\$ 400$ per month pledged for the coming year. Words cannot express what has been accomplished here in the church as a result of these meetings, and we know without a shadow of a doubt that the Lord moved in sending the workers to us. The spirit of revival still continues and souls are being saved.-S. Raymond Fostekew, Pastor.

SOUTH NORFOLK, VA.-A special series of old-fashioned gospel meetings was held for 3 weeks in the Bethel Assembly of God church, with the hand of God being revealed in a wonderful way. Evangelist A. F. Sengstack, Washington, D. C., was inspirational in bringing forth mesages that were really "the truth in due season." Our brother heartily worked and co-operated to the utmost extent, and his ministry in the pulpit and person-to-person was encouraging to all. Several still testify to the healing power of God that was also manifested during these services. Night after night the altar was filled with those hungry for God. Many were brought to the Lord in the Calvary way, and our hearts were stirred to see these, mostly young people, weeping and crying unto God until their load was left at the feet
of Jesus. The closing service was a testimony to the fact that God had blessed Brother Sengstack's ministry in our midst, and that a work had been started that will continue even after our evangelist has departed.-R. Stanley Berg, Pastor.

WICHITA FALLS, TEXAS-The Young People of our church have recently closed a revival, Jack Woods, of Electra, being the evangelist. God blessed in the preaching of His Word. Several were saved or reclaimed, and some were filled with the Holy Ghost God is blessing in our regular services, and we praise Him for the presence of His Spirit in our midst.-T. S. Miles, Pastor, Fifth and Broad Assembly.

KANSAS CITY, MO.-We just closed a 2 weeks' revival at the Friendly Church of the Assembly of God, conducted by the Singing Carters from the Ozarks. God blessed in a wonderful way. Some were saved and some were filled with the Holy Ghost. Brother and Sister Carter were with us last summer for 4 weeks, in our 3 months' tent revival. As many as 800 attended one service. Many were saved and some were filled with the Holy Ghost.-J. L. O'Dell, Pastor.

PHILADELPHIA, PA.-We closed a very precious 2 weeks' revival meeting November 14, at Glad Tidings Tabernacle, 5033 Frankford Ave., Evangelist Emma A. Dickerson in charge. Backsliders were reclaimed and one testified to salvation. The meetings were very well attended and some new people who came in are still attending the services. The ministry of our sister was a real spiritual blessing to the whole church. The blessing of the Lord is also on the broadcast each Saturday, 7:30-8:00 p. m., over Station WTEL.Frederick C. Bennett, Pastor.

MIAMI, OKLA.-At the time we came here, one year ago, we found there was much to be done, both spiritually and materially. God has graciously helped us to see that our "effort of faith" was not just an idea, but was a real vision. However, had it not been that we put "work" with our faith, doubtless we should not have been as far along as we are today. Much of the result has been due to the fact that we have had some of our very best evangelists, C. C. Robinson, of Texas, L. H. Sheets, Sterling, Colorado, and E. J. Bruton, Pine Bluff, Arkansas. Some of these brethren were with us only a few days, but God used their ministry for His cause while they were here. They are some of God's best.

At our Anniversary Service, November 7, the report of a year's progress was in part as follows: Around 50 have been saved, while several have been reclaimed. Nearly 30 have come into our church, among whom are some very fine workers who will aid in the work of the Lord here. About 25 have been baptized in the Holy Spirit. The finances of the church have also greatly increased. The long needed Sunday School building and parsonage is almost finished, size $28 \times 40$, with full sized basement, rock veneer, and there is less than $\$ 300$ indebtedness on same. We have secured a nice 50 foot lot next to our church on the south, which is needed for summer revivals, the cost of which was a little over $\$ 300.00$. The
writer took the matter up with the mayor and two other fine gentlemen of our city and asked them to pay for the lot and give it to our church. They have gladly consented to do so, and the title is now being fixed up. Thus the church's property has increased in valuation nearly $\$ 2500.00$, and as soon as the papers for the lot are completed another $\$ 500.00$ in valuation will be added to the above.
We are now entering our second year's work and there is still much to be done. Most people in our church are very co-operative and are catching the vision of doing things for God while we are afforded the blessed opportunity, yet there are a few who are like some others we have seen-"If you don't play like we want to play, we will not play at all." May God forgive, and help us all to know that we are going to "stand before the judgment seat of Christ" one day and give an account of our faithfulness. We shall be glad to have our brethren pray for us and stop by when passing this way.-Pastor and Mrs. J. M. Cockerell.

FREELAND, PA.-About 3 years ago we began broadcasting over Station WAZL, 1420 kilo., Hazelton, Pa., "The Gospel News Hour," every Saturday at $1: 00$ p. m. As a result of this ministry, many souls have been helped and blessed. The saints in the church here have been few in number but steady in prayer that the Lord would send a real revival. We all prayed and
we are still praying, "Lord, inject new blood into this church." The first of September we began special services with the Powell Evangelistic Party of California in charge, and God has richly blessed their ministry On Labor Day, we had the Christ's Abbassadors' Rally here and that proved a very great blessing indeed. The people of the town were amazed at the great number of fine young people. Nearly 800 were present at the rally. Our special services continued for several weeks and real work was done for time and eternity. October 13 we began another series of meetings. This time we called as evangelists Carmel Barnwell and her mother, Mrs. Gertrude Barnwell, of Texas. Twenty-eight received the Baptism in the Holy Spirit, a great many were healed, and many were saved or reclaimed. The pastor baptized 45 in water. Someone gets saved, or reclaimed, or baptized in the Holy Spirit at nearly every serv-ice.-J. Grayson Jones, Pastor.

## SPIRITUAL REVIVAL IN MEXICO

Evangelical Christianity is reported to have entered new fields in Mexico, and sections of society hitherto closed to the gospel are showing a new openness of mind (Christianity Today). Spiritual revival and Christian enterprise are everywhere apparent. Church members are increasing, personal evangelism and missionary activity are notable; and the circulation of Scriptures and evangelical literature surpasses all previous records.

# The Christ's Ambassadors Ilerald 

By the time that this issue of the Pentecostal Evangel reaches you, we shall have printed the first number of the new series of Christ's Ambassadors Herald. It is prepared for young people and for those who are not too grown up. Each member of every Christ's Ambassadors group should have this paper. The weekly topic for the C. A. meeting is being made a special feature, providing ample material for leaders, speakers and all who want to take part in discussion.

Brother E. S. Williams says to preachers, "Preserve your Adult Teachers' Quarterlies. You will find Brother Pearlman's outlines will provide you splendid material for sermons in days to come." We are sure they could do the same with the outlines of topics that we shall print each month in the C. A. Herald. Our Brother Pearlman will be writing many of them.

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## GLORIOUS REVIVAL NEWS FROM SOUTH AFRICA

Archibald H. Cooper writes from Honolulu: "You will no doubt be glad to learn that I received a cable from my son, Claude, just two days before I sailed from America, stating that God had given him and his coworker, Charlotte McCrossan (the daughter of Dr. T. J. McCrossan of Seattle), to whom he is engaged, a marvelous revival in the city of Johannesburg. Approximately 2,000 decisions for Christ. Miracles of healing. And the great City Hall packed to capacity. Newspapers declare the revival is unprecedented. This is certainly glorious news. The boy is only 24 years old."

## A VISITATION IN A PENTECOSTAL SCHOOL

Brother Gustave Kinderman of the Russian and Eastern European Mission, who is just returning to the field, told the editor that he was very joyful because three children of his recently received the Baptism in the Spirit on three successive days at the Monte Vista Christian School, in Watsonville, Calif. Below is an account of the visitation this school has had, written by one of the teachers.
"Nearly three months ago I came from the East to accept a position as teacher in the Monte Vista Chrisian School. My soul was hungry for Christian fellowship, and surely the Lord has fed me. A great work is being done here, and God is wonderfully blessing. We feel His presence at all times, but for the past week He has opened the windows of heaven and has poured out blessings in a way that has been overwhelming. Truly our God is a great God and greatly to be praised.
"Last Tuesday morning a number of the students and faculty felt a crushing burden
as of some impending disaster and an urgent need for prayer. In the afternoon the power began falling upon a group of boys gathered in the chapel, while at the same time the Spirit rested heavily upon the girls who had met in the Study Hall.

During the singing of the second hymn at the evening chapel service, a burst of intercessory prayer swept the group, and students dropped to their knees almost as one person, crying out to God. Three students received the Baptism in the Holy Spirit. One fifteen-year-old lad was made so drunk in the Spirit that for three days he literally staggered up and down in the aisles, speaking in tongues and praising God.
'Wednesday morning chapel service got no farther than the song service, when another great wave of prayer swept the group. Regular school work was forgotten as the student body prayed and shouted praises to our Lord and Saviour. This lasted until after noon. All day the Spirit brooded over us, to break forth in another flood of glory at the evening chapel service. Students, faculty, and those connected with the school in other capacities prayed until midnight, oblivious to time and all else save the need of a saved and Spirit-filled life. Preceding the chapel service a group of boys had gone to an unfinished dormitory to pray. There alone with God, the power fell, and one youth preached in tongues for three hours.
"Thursday and Friday were repetitions of Wednesday. Classes were abandoned as young people fell under the power. One boy was going from the Friday evening prayer service to his rooming house, taking a path at the edge of a vineyard, when the power struck him and he fell on his face in the dust and was filled with the Holy Spirit. A twelve-year-old girl saw in a vision a white cloud from which came the voice of Jesus speaking to the group, 'All who are ready may come.' A few went with Him, but many were left. They cried, but the cry was too late. Those who witnessed the girl's face as the vision came to her can never forget the Shekinah glory which covered her, nor her pitiful sobbing as the vision showed those who were not caught up at His appearing. For hours before this experience the girl had been in desperate travail for the lost. This was no result of childish imagination or emotion. I witnessed the experience myself as did two other members of the faculty, and we were so transfixed by its holiness that we covered our faces and wept.
"The power is still falling. The faces of students shine with the warmth of His love. One has to be here to grasp the unspeakable joy which has engulfed us. I have been a Christian for thirty-one years, but I have never seen anything like this, and I have been brought closer to my Lord than ever before. -Vera Ethel Deardurff."

## HOME FROM AFRICA

We are happy to announce that Mr . and Mrs. Emile Chastagner and family have reached the homeland safely to begin their furlough period, after laboring another term in French West Africa among the Mossi tribe. We trust the Lord will bless them and give them rest in mind and body during these coming months. Mail will reach them addressed to 2235 Delmar Road, Montrose,

California. Shortly before leaving the field they sent in this little report of the blessing of God upon the work:
"We know that you will rejoice with us when you hear that God is answering prayer here in Ouagadougou, where we have been passing through quite a dry spell in the church. During our last monthly fellowship meetings with the native workers, the Lord laid it upon Mr. Chastagner's heart to give special teaching on the need of the Holy Spirit for service.
"After the first service those young men earnestly sought the Lord, and Kouma, our Ouagadougou pastor, received the Baptism with the Holy Spirit. Our cup of joy was running over as we heard that precious, faithful worker speaking in other tongues and praising and glorifying God. They continued there in prayer and praise

until nearly time for the afternoon service and then after the evening meeting they waited upon the Lord until late into the night. Long before sunrise we could hear those workers out in the church praying and praising God.
"The following Sunday two others of our workers received the fullness of the Spirit after the afternoon service. It was wonderful to see those young men broken before God, seeking His fulness. During the next seven days two backsliders crme $t$ : services and confessed before the church their sins and found the Lord faithful to receive them again. There is also a renewer interest in the Bible study classes which makes our hearts glad.
"This tribe in which we are working numbers about two million souls and hac been given to the Pentecostal people exclusively to evangelize. For a long time there were but six of us on the field and never more than fourteen, so you see the need for laborers is very great.
"The Catholics and Mohammedans are daily gaining ground, for their religions countenance all sorts of sins which appeal to the African native. You at home cannot even imagine the depths to which the Roman Catholic system will go, and the lies and deceit they will use to win converts to
themselves. They have tried many times to lure our workers away by making them offers of good salaries, bicycles, wives, etc., but not once have they succeeded.
"We have a good number of outstations, all of which are taken care of by consecrated native workers who have learned to read since our missionaries came here and reduced their language to writing. Much of the New Testament, many Old Testament stories, Bible lessons and primers have been translated and printed. It would do your hearts good to see how these native Christians fairly devour everything that is printed.
"Our native evangelists and pastors do not work for money, for the majority of them receive but a few cents a month. They gladly raise their own grain for food, and give themselves to the ministry. For over a year, native pastors have had complete charge of the work on some of the main stations, the missionaries making short visits when possible.
"Since several more missionaries have come this winter, we need to build houses so that more stations may be occupied soon, On one mission compound we have not been able to send a worker, nor to build even the walls required by the government. Pray with us that we may soon be enabled to reach more of this vast tribe. Oh, the need is so great, but we have a Great God, too, who is able! As you pray with us for these needs, and we labor together, may we truly be workers together with Him!

## DELAYED SAILING

Friends of Florence Christie will be anxious to know why she has not yet sailed for the field, but correspondence from Egypt has changed our plans to a certain extent, and it seems best for her to go direct to Egypt instead of first going to Palestine as was originally planned. Miss Christie is therefore waiting for permit to enter the country which has to be secured from the Egyptian government. As soon as she receives this she will sail at once.
We would be glad if those who are contributing to her support would continue to send in their money since our Sister Christie has received very little in comparison with what she really needs, and we are hoping more money may come in for her after she leaves, since otherwise she will be short of what she requires for her mainterince.

## does mussolini want palestine?

Time states that Il Popolo d'Italia, personal newsorgan of Protector-of-Islam Benito Mussolini, recently editorialized: "No one ever entrusted anyone with a mandate to sow destruction and massacre in the Holy Land,

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Will the Jews soon be looking for help to a ruler of a revived Roman Empire?

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## Forthcoming Meetings

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CHANDLER, OKLA.-High School Auditorium; Dec. 14-Jan. 9; Jack and Esther Martz, Singing Evangelists, Reading, Pa.-Glidden Lister, Acting Pastor.

SANTA ANA, CALIF.-Full Gospel Assembly, 1600 W. 3rd St.; Jan. 2-; Evangelist and Mrs. Stanley P. McPherson.-Ernest L. Friend, Pastor.

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