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The Man with a Future

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WHEN at sea and the boat is rocking some people get seasick. Those who know, testify that the experience is most distressing. One moment you think you are going to die, and the next moment you are afraid you will not! When the world is shaking with wars and upheavals there is danger that we get spiritually seasick. I have seen advertisements recommending remedies for physical seasickness. Permit me to suggest a remedy for the sick feeling that we get when reading war news.

The prescription is found in Psalm 46. "God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble. Therefore will not we fear, though the earth be removed, and though the mountains be carried into the midst of the sea; though the waters thereof roar and be troubled, though the mountains shake with the swelling thereof. Selah. There is a river, the streams whereof shall make glad the city of God, the holy place of the tabernacle of the most High. God is in the midst of her; she shall not be moved: God shall help her, and that right early. The nations raged, the kingdoms were moved: He uttered His voice, the earth melted. The Lord of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our refuge. Selah. Come, behold the works of the Lord, what desolations He hath made in the earth. He maketh wars to cease unto the end of the earth; He breaketh the bow, and cutteth the spear in sunder; He burneth the chariot in the fire. Be still, and know that I am God: I will be exalted among the heathen, I will be exalted in the earth. The Lord of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our refuge. Selah."

When the world is shaking with the thunder of war and threats of political upheavals, people begin to brood over the future, and sometimes become pessimistic. A young man said to a preacher, "I see no future for us young people. Why should a young man work hard to get an education when he has to go to war and be

killed? I see no future for democracy with all its corruption. I see no future for the human race. I see no future for the Church. Who takes the Church seriously?" There are many like this young man. A Jew—representative of many—said, "I see no future for the Jewish people."

You have heard about astrology, the false science that claims to forecast the future from the stars. Recently the *London Journal of Astrology* ceased publication. Why? They said the future was "too uncertain"! But, thank God, we know of a future for a world that has no future!

Long, long ago, two men were brooding over the future. One had built the greatest and most glorious empire on the earth. But he was a little worried in spite of his prosperity; he was wondering whether it would last. He thought, "I am only a man; I will have to die. I have done a magnificent job, but—has it a future?"

He brooded and brooded, and then came a dream. He saw a great image; the head was of gold, the breast and arms of silver, the thighs of brass, and the legs of iron, and the feet part iron and part clay. It was man-made, and its dazzling brightness pictured the glory of man. He saw also a mountain—made by God. And from this he saw a small stone, cut out without hands (supernaturally), come hurtling down with ever increasing speed, until it smote the image upon its feet. The image was shattered and then scattered by the wind; but the little stone grew until it filled all the earth.

As you know, the man was Nebuchadnezzar, and the vision was God's answer to his question, "Is there a future for my empire?" God as much as said: "Nebuchadnezzar, there is no lasting future for your empire or any other. The future belongs to My kingdom and My people."

Think of the Jewish nation as a person thousands of years old. Speak to him and ask, "What do you think of conditions these days?" He will simply smile and say, "Don't you worry. It's nothing new. I have seen the rise and fall of many empires—Egypt, Assyria, Babylon, Persia, Greece, Rome. I have seen them come and go. During the last nineteen hundred years I have seen the map of Europe changed many times. But—I am still in business!" Let us take this long-range view, and remember, moreover, that God controls the rise and fall of world empires. That is one message of the book of Daniel.

There was another man brooding over the future. He was a young Hebrew, whose land had been blitzkrieged and his people made captives by Nebuchadnezzar, the invincible blitzkrieger and empire-builder. He himself was a captive and an exile. For him and for many other young Hebrews it looked as if the bottom had dropped out of everything. "Is there any future for Israel?" he asked himself. "Is there a future for the

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Redeeming the Time

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"Redeeming the time, because the days are evil." Eph. 5:16.

I don't know how many have thought of redeeming such a thing as time. When we speak of redemption in the spiritual life we remember that the Lord has redeemed us, and what a very high ransom price He paid for our souls. He bought us out of the clutches of the slave-master, even Satan, and made us free-born children of God. I do not believe we rejoice half enough in our salvation. We take it too much for granted.

But just now we are not dealing with the thought of redemption in that sense. I desire to speak about redeeming the time. When I first paid attention to this verse I did not seem to see a great deal in it. Then the Lord began talking to me and said, "Now what is time, Son?" I was stuck. I said, "Lord, what is time?" After a great deal of study and some prayer the Lord seemed to show me that time was a little slice out of eternity that was set within the limitations of God's divine decree. I saw a great circle and God said, "That is eternity—no end and no beginning." And right at the top there was a tiny sliver cut out, as though someone had cut out a small piece from a very large pie. The Lord said to me, "That is time; it is limited; there is only a certain sphere in which it will be and then it will be gone and again it will be eternity." That aroused me. I was stirred in my soul and I said, "O God, it is true that there is only a little bit of it. It is a rarity."

We measure the value of things by their rarity. When I began to realize that there is only a little bit of time allotted to man in which man can meet with God and accomplish God's great objectives, I tell you, it stirred me and I felt I had to be more careful of time. There were a lot of things I had been doing which I felt I could no longer do.

So many are careless of time. They talk about "killing time." The value of time is based on what pleasure they can get out of it for themselves, rather than what it can accomplish for God. Do you know that time is God's possession? Time is the property of God and you have no more right to waste it or in any wise to divert the purpose of God's use of it than you have to rob your neighbor of something that belongs to him.

Some earthly folk have learned to value time from the standpoint of what it affords them by way of compensation. I have a friend in southern California who is a very highly trained eye doctor. He told me he charges sometimes as high as \$150 for a ten-minute examination. I said, "Lloyd (for I know him well), don't you think that is highway robbery?" He answered, "No, not when you consider what I have had to go through to obtain the infor-

mation, and the equipment I have had to purchase."

You might also value time in accordance with the importance which the world places upon it. For instance, suppose you wanted to catch a train. You know what time it is to leave, but you arrive two minutes too late. All you see when you get to the station is some fading smoke (unless it is an electric train) for the train has left on time and you are late. The railway company places a value upon the punctuality of their schedule, and you have to conform to it and be on time. And time is important when you take a stop-watch and measure the swiftness of a race. A young Finnish man was the swiftest human on earth. He could run a mile in just a few seconds. Time in these respects is valued according to the satisfaction or compensation it affords.

Time is a reality. I want to impress on your heart the solemn realization that time that has passed can never be recalled. You cannot do tomorrow what you should have done today, for every minute of every day must be accounted for.

Have you ever asked yourself, "Why am I here?" "What is God's purpose in allowing me to be just where I am?" "Does He care anything about my attitude toward Him and my experiences?" I declare unto you, He has far more interest than you and I consider. He has even numbered the hairs of our heads. Since that is so, I know He has a vital interest in everything that happens to us and all that we do. He knows the way we wake up in the morning, the attitude of our minds, the spirit of prayer we exercise. Our whole life is as an open book to God, and He is hovering over us and watching with bated breath, as it were, to see if today we shall say, "This is the day the Lord hath made; I will rejoice and be glad in it."

Have you ever stopped and asked God at the beginning of a day, after you have risen from bed and had family worship and private devotions (I trust you always have family worship and private devotions), "Lord, what would you have me to do today?" Have you prayed, "Lord, lead me in the path that you would have me to take today?" Have you said, "Lord, adjust me to

the circumstances that shall arise in my life today, that I may so act that I shall be all you would have me to be today"?

It is because people do not and will not take time for God that they have found themselves in the midst of great perplexities and burdens and cares and fears and all manner of difficulties until we often wonder if the whole generation of humanity isn't going to be plunged into an awful nervous collapse. Have you ever noticed how many have nervous hearts and nervous stomachs, and nervous attacks and all the rest? Why is it? One reason is that they have taken time for everything else but God.

But I want to add something here. God's people should remember that "now" is God's time. "Remember NOW thy Creator in the days of thy youth." Not tomorrow, not when you are twenty-five or forty or sixty, but NOW. Jesus acted out this very significant verse as a boy. When going down to the temple with His foster father and His mother He found an interest in spiritual things, to the degree that He absented Himself from the company on their return journey from Jerusalem. His parents had gone a day's journey before discovering His absence. They found Him in the temple conversing with the rabbis and teachers of the law. When asked why He had tarried in Jerusalem, He answered, "Wist ye not that I must be about My Father's business?" Even at the age of twelve His heart had grasped the truth that there was no time to waste. There was burning in His young heart a consciousness that there was no time to waste.

I would to God we would realize the brevity of time as it lies on our hands today. We read papers and listen to broadcasts. Some folk practically live from one news broadcast to another wondering what is happening in Europe. I wonder how many are as interested in doing God's will while we have opportunity to do it? Every moment of every day belongs to God.

No doubt some mothers would say, "Brother Steelberg, I wish you would preach in a more practical way. Don't you realize that mothers have washings to do and dishes to clean and houses to keep and meals to prepare and enough jobs to keep them busy from morning till night?" Yes, I realize that. I have a noble wife who is one of the most wonderful women in the world. I marvel at her accomplishments and wonder how she has time to do as much as she does. But in the midst of it all, besides taking care of four children and a husband (husbands take a lot of time to look after), and doing all her work, she finds time for God. Sister, if you will give God a part of your day, He will help you to do that baking and ironing and all the rest more quickly and efficiently and better than you could do it by letting it occupy all of your time. If you will honor God with the firstfruits of your time He will honor you and bless you and cause your mind to function rapidly and increase your efficiency in ordinary things.

Many years ago I started out in the ministry from Los Angeles. My first stop was in Santa Barbara, and there I had some of my first experiences as a young minister. Someone stole my overcoat while I was



there and I had to trust God for another one. My first convert at the next place of meeting gave me a nice Mackinaw. They persecuted me right on the street and villified me. While standing there and receiving abuse from those listening to our street meeting, an old gray-haired man stepped out and spoke to me. He gave me a card. On one side of it was an advertisement of a shoemaker and a little passage of Scripture. On the other side there was printed:

"My business is to serve the Lord
With all my heart and senses,
And then repair old boots and shoes
Just to make expenses."

I memorized that verse so that I could make it my motto. I determined to serve the Lord with all my heart and senses, and anything I did which seemed to be for myself must be "just to make expenses," as it were. The brevity of time faces us with a shocking realization that we have but a very short time in which to accomplish a very great mission. Jesus for three and a half years served His Father every moment with such a definite conscientiousness that I believe there was not a moment wasted. I do not mean to imply that Jesus foolishly worked night and day and literally burned Himself out. I remember He said, "Come ye apart, and rest awhile." But I believe that even in His rest periods He found time to pray to the Father and talk to His disciples about divine things.

Procrastination has been called the thief of time. There is in the hearts of all men a temptation to put off. Sometimes the Spirit moves me after I have preached, and I go down to a man or woman and find their lips trembling and perspiration standing out on their forehead and their fists clenched as though an inner struggle were going on. I put my arm around the man and gently say, "Let us go and tell the Master just what the need is." I see a reluctance there. The devil has been whispering in his ear and he says, "Not tonight; some other time"; or "Wait until Sunday"; or, "I will come back Thursday when there are not so many here"; or, "I really expect to be saved but I don't feel I can take the step tonight." I plead with them, I pray with them, I try to persuade them saying, "Now is the time when God wants to save you"; but the devil is there holding them back.

But it is not only the sinner who disobeys the moving of the Spirit. Many times the Lord moves a Christian to prayer but he is so busy. He says, "I will pray after a time," and when the time comes the Spirit of prayer is gone. I confess that there have been times in my life when I have failed to obey the voice of God. I have gone to the hospital an hour too late and have been told by the nurse, "I am sorry, Sir; that one expired just an hour ago." Then I have gone down the steps with perspiration on my brow and pain in my heart, asking myself, "What are you going to do when in eternity you are charged with the salvation of that soul with whom you were too busy to deal?"

Parents, you become discouraged with the attitude of that child who is always say-

ing, "Just a minute, Mother; I'll be there in a minute." You say to them, "When Mother speaks you must come; when Father tells you to do something, you must do it at once; you must drop what you have in your hands and obey at once." I wonder how many, when God says, "Come," obey at once without delay. How many of us will drop what we have in our hands and go at once to do as the Spirit directs? How many of us let souls slip through our fingers? How many opportunities to serve the One who gave Himself for us have slipped away beyond recovery because we have not redeemed the time.

We read concerning Lot: "And while he lingered, the men laid hold upon his hand, and upon the hand of his wife, and upon the hand of his two daughters; the Lord being merciful unto him: and they brought him forth and set him without the city." Lot knew his home and children and wife

would be destroyed when the vengeance of God fell on Sodom that day, but he was reluctant to leave until the angels literally dragged him out of the place. How many play with the world, as Lot did, until they are not willing to leave its toys behind and follow the Lord.

One day Jesus was calling some of His disciples and one man said, "Lord, suffer me first to go and bury my father." But Jesus answered him, "Follow me; and let the dead bury their dead." Matt. 8:21, 22. And another said, "Lord, I will follow thee; but let me first go bid them farewell, which are at home at my house." Jesus answered him, "No man, having put his hand to the plough, and looking back, is fit for the kingdom of God." Luke 9:61, 62. How many times there are things to hold us back from following the Lord. There are pleasures, habits, associations which we are
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The Cross of Christ

The Romans had a cross ready for Jesus Christ. God has a cross ready, available at all times, for the saints. Though Paul advanced far in grace, he never advanced beyond the cross. He declared, "I am crucified with Christ: nevertheless I live; yet not I, but Christ liveth in me." Gal. 2:20.

Paul saw the advantage of crucifixion over circumcision. Those who magnified circumcision minimized crucifixion. He who magnifies outward works minimizes the interior work of the Spirit.

Paul contended with Peter face to face when the latter was lapsing into legalism. Hagar and Sarah never got on together. There is a family quarrel. The family strife is very prevalent in the household of faith. The Hagars are livelier, and often have more vitality than the Sarahs. Hagar was healthier until Sarah had a divine manifestation of the power of God upon her body.

The legalizers, the Judaizers, are loud-spoken and assertive. But the child of God, inspired and directed by the Spirit of God, is heard in the end. He has a right to the last word because he has the truth of God. Peter at last had to confess that Brother Paul, who had written many things hard to be understood, had been divinely inspired. Peter acknowledged that he was a slow pupil, but at last he understood that grace, that believing in the perfect work of Christ, ought not to be supplemented by the rudimentary teachings of the law of Moses.

The blood on the cross was greater than the blood of circumcision. The soldier's spear brought out the blood of the Son of God. The knife of circumcision only brings out the blood from the human being. It is only the blood of Jesus Christ God's Son that will cleanse from all sin. The blood of the circumcision cannot do this.

Paul stood alone. He would not compromise. He said, "God forbid that I should glory, save in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by whom the world is crucified unto me, and I unto the world." Gal. 6:14.

Paul who was circumcised in part of his body, desired that his whole body should be

crucified. The cross is God's remedy for our carnality, for our evil propensities, for our failures. It is God's remedy for sin, God's recipe for holiness. It is the means by which God can receive the sinner, bless the saint, and bestow His richest gifts upon them.

Where is the cross? When Paul wrote that he gloried in the cross by means of which he was crucified to the world, the actual cross of wood had disappeared. We are removed still further in time from the actual cross than Paul was. However, the cross is in the Word and the Word is always available. And because the Word is available, the cross is available. Paul's glory can be our glory. The cross towers over all the wrecks of time. It points to the death of the natural Adam. It points to our death. It points also to our need.

Look upon the cross as a gateway, as an earthly portal to a heavenly condition. We say glibly, "No cross, no crown." We should say, "No cross, no life. No cross, no victory. No cross, no spiritual blessing." Life and victory and spiritual blessings come from Jesus Christ, who died for our sins, who has risen and ascended and pours from heaven His Pentecostal gift of the Holy Spirit.

Though Paul gloried in the cross of Christ he did not glory in the crucifix. The modern cross, the material cross, the crucifix, is a survival or another form of the ancient circumcision. It is an external decoration instead of the internal realization. It is a substitute of the material for God's divine blessed reality. Those who wear the cross are putting the cross on themselves instead of putting themselves on the cross. That is man's way all the time.

Man puts God's affairs upside down, inside out, wrong side up. Truly they said of the early Spirit-filled saints, "These men have turned the world upside down." The cross in the right place does the right thing in the right way. The crucified saint can be made like unto his crucified Saviour.

As long as sin is nigh, the cross is available.

"So He Made It Again Another Vessel." Jer. 18:4

The following conversation took place between a member of Hudson Taylor's party and some Chinese Christians while the party were on a visit to one of Pastor Hsi's Refuges conducted by Elder Song in Shan-si Province, China. The Refuges were places where helpless opium addicts were taken in and by loving care and consecrated faith delivered from their habit. Song is the man in charge. The story is quoted from "Pastor Hsi, One of China's Christians."

"It is almost always the case," explains Song, "that unless a man truly believes in Jesus, he will sooner or later go back to his opium. Illness or trouble comes, and at once he turns to the enticing fumes to drown his misery. Then truly his last estate is worse than the first."

"But it is not hopeless," adds the old man, with a smile. "Then is our opportunity. 'Alas,' exclaims the poor victim, 'this surely has come upon me because I did not believe in Jesus when He was so near.' This will draw him back again to the Refuge. And he comes in a different spirit; his heart is ready to receive the Lord. Many believe at the second time."

"But do you take them in again, if they have once gone back?"

"Take them in! Why of course we do! And we love them and deal with them more tenderly and prayerfully than ever, for perhaps the fault was partly ours. Oh, we are glad to welcome them back the second time. So many will then give their hearts to the Saviour, without whom they cannot stand."

"Yes, I know all that is true," puts in a deep manly voice at our side.

"How do you know?" we ask, turning to the speaker, a fine young fellow, and as we have been told a gifted preacher.

"I have good cause to know," Hsu answers gravely; "for I was one of those saved the second time."

"Hsu, is it possible? Were you ever an opium smoker?"

The strong handsome face is shadowed with deep feeling; and we think with wonder of the work God has done through this man, and the many souls saved in his Refuge on the P'ing-yao plain. Oh, what a story is in dear old Song's face, as we look from one to the other and Hsu replies:

"Yes, I too was saved from the depths. It was all through the loving tenderness of my father here."

Silence falls in the twilight. A number of the Christians have gathered in. All hearts are one in love and sympathy too deep for words. A flickering candle lights the finely contrasted faces of the old pastor and young Hsu, close beside us, and behind them the listening group.

"You have told us the story. Tell us now the secret. How is it that here you

have such fruit for your labors? It is not always so."

The old pastor pauses a moment; but the young man begins eagerly to speak.

"No, no, wait Brother. Let us hear the pastor first."

But the old man has not much to say by way of explanation. He himself is the answer. And this he does not perceive.

"Let me tell you," Hsu continues, "for I was saved here and I know. It is all his love that does it by the grace of God"; and the young man puts his arm around the old pastor to whose eyes the tears have come. "He not only preaches for us. He lives it. He cares for his patients with a mother's tenderness, night and day. He cheers them when they are sick and troubled; reading, talking, singing to them; never leaving them until they are better. Best of all he prays for them, often with long fasting; and his prayers have the real power. The more miserable and degraded the sufferer, the more his heart goes out to him with the very love of God. Do you wonder that we poor hopeless, helpless opium smokers respond with all our heart—'This gospel truly is good, we too would believe.'"

"And do the patients suffer much at times?" we query, anxious to hear more.

"Oh, yes," exclaim many voices. "Often the pastor is up six or eight times in the night. Some of the men, in their anguish, almost give way; others become so exhausted that it seems they must die. At times we have even thought they were dead. And in their extremity he never leaves them. He thinks nothing of being up all night if necessary, praying for them, preparing food, and as they get better, singing and comforting their hearts."

"Oh, that singing," puts in old Lee, a deacon of the church, "how well I remem-

ber it! The only hymn that used to comfort me was 'Je-su ai O.' He must have sung it for me a hundred times. 'Jesus loves me, this I know.'"

Just a rough weather-beaten old Chinaman, his neck and face one unbroken succession of wrinkles, his back bent, his *queue* reduced to a few gray hairs. But such a spirit in him; such glowing love for Jesus! He had been a desperate character before Song found him and led him to the Saviour.

"It was the singing that did it."

And even as he spoke Song softly started the dear old tune, soon joined by all the rest. It seems to be the old man's habit to fill up all the intervals of life with singing, which no doubt partly explains his cheery brightness and power to help.

"And do you never weary in the work, dear Pastor?"

"Yes, sometimes," is his quiet answer. "And then I pray; asking the Lord to forgive my cold and sinful heart; and I have peace again."

The moon is setting now, and it is late. As we retire for the night they are singing still, having an extra meeting out in the cool courtyard.—Mrs. Howard Taylor in Pastor Hsi.

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religion of Jehovah?" One day in a vision, he was by the great ocean, where a violent wind was lashing the sea into fury (a picture of international upheavals). Out of this ocean he saw a procession of wild animals—a lion, a bear, a leopard; and finally a beast indescribable in its ferocity. Daniel, in distress, must have asked: "Lord, does the future belong to nations who practice violence and oppression? Does one have to be hard and cruel to succeed in this world? Does might make right? Does the future belong to the terrible beast that will make war against God and His people?"

In chapter 7, God as much as said, "Daniel, get your eyes off the wild beasts and look up." And Daniel looked, and instead of wild animals he saw the Son of man coming in the heavens. Cruel beasts and a compassionate Man—there is the contrast! God as much as said, "There is no future for those beasts, for nations that choose injustice and violence as their guiding spirit. Get your eyes on the Son of man in glory. The future belongs to Him." And the future does belong to our Lord Jesus Christ; it is in the hands of the Man of the pierced hands and pierced feet. "And He shall reign for ever and ever, and the kingdoms of this world shall become the kingdoms of our God and of His Christ. This is the faith that offers a future to a world that seems to have no future.

We shall not go into a detailed explanation of the ten toes, the horns, the little horn, etc. That is already familiar territory to most of us. We shall come directly to the practical purpose of the book of Daniel—which is to give us a picture of the kind of life that will survive any political change. Daniel was chosen to show forth the glory and permanence of a godly life against a background of transient and de-

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caying empires. Though he had been violently torn from his national background, he purposed to hold fast to his God and to his religion. His companions probably said, "You cannot live a religious life in this heathen land. Be sensible. When you are in Babylon, do as the Babylonians do." Daniel replied, "No. When you are in Babylon, do as you *ought* to do." And Daniel purposed that he would not defile himself. He kept on praying and believing. "And Daniel continued . . . So this Daniel prospered." Dan. 1:21; 6:28. When the Babylonian empire fell, and its place was taken by the Persians, he was still the same Daniel, walking and talking with God. And had he lived through the rise and fall of the Greek and Roman empires, would he have changed? No, he would still have been the same Daniel, with the same religion, the same prayer life, and the same consecration. For his spiritual life moved in the sphere of a kingdom that is eternal.

At this time no one can predict with certainty the outcome of the present conflict. But let us suppose that the worst happens, and we have to witness with pain the breaking up of a world which we have long taken for granted, and the rise of a new world empire with which we feel no sympathy. Then listen to Daniel speaking to us today: "Let not your hearts be troubled. The map has changed and will change. But God is changeless. Let your light shine before victors and vanquished alike. Dan. 2:25; 4:8; 5:11; 6:22. Be loyal to God, for the future belongs to Him and to His people."

In the words of the apostle John, "The world passeth away, and the lust thereof; but he that doeth the will of God abideth for ever."

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not willing to leave behind. Young men don't want to give their hearts to the Lord Jesus because of their young ladies. Husbands won't surrender to Christ because of their wives or their fellow workmen. But if you are not consecrated today, don't put off the time of consecration. If you are called to a task for God, do it now. Oh, if only I could awaken in you a consciousness of the short span in which you can accomplish things for God.

Time is moving on. As you look back the years seem so short. There are gray-haired people who felt God's call to dedicate their lives to His service at one time, but years have gone by since and today they would give anything if they could recall those years and turn back to the yesterdays that have been wasted so that they could accomplish for God the things they had hoped to accomplish.

There is an indictment against every one of us; for if we believed as we say, we do that Jesus is coming very soon we should not be wasting time as we are doing. I say that with the deepest seriousness and concern of love. How many there are like Felix of old who, when they hear God's solemn warning, answer back, "Go thy way for this time; when I have a convenient season, I will call for thee." Acts 24:26. "Convenient" seems to be the watchword of the human race. "If it is



**The wages of sin is death;
but the gift of God is
eternal life through
Jesus Christ our Lord.**

Rom. 6:23

convenient, if it pleases me, if it appeals to me, if it fits into my program, I will do it, but if it doesn't I won't."

If when in an hour of emergency we cry out in anguish, "O God, my wife is dying; I have no hope but in Thee," or, "O God, hear the threatenings of these people who are about to foreclose on us," we should hear God answer back, "When I feel disposed to hear you and when it seems convenient to My purposes, I will listen to your case, but it does not suit the occasion just at present," how should we feel? We know that God can be depended on to answer when we call upon Him. I wonder how much He can depend on us?

I dare say there are people in Europe and Asia who are now regretting the times they failed to seek God while they had the opportunity. They wish they had again some of those chances to worship God in the midst of God's people in liberty and freedom. Some are having to pray in bomb shelters and on hospital cots. Some have been calling on God from the depths where they are bound in the fastnesses of sunken vessels. Some of them have gone unsaved to meet God. Young people especially need to take advantage of the opportunity to serve God while there is yet a measure of peace.

"But this I say, brethren, the time is short: it remaineth, that both they that have wives be as though they had none; and they that weep, as though they wept not; and they that rejoice, as though they rejoiced not; and they that buy, as though they possessed not; and they that use this world, as not abusing it." 1 Cor. 7:29-31. I have found that the enemy can find enough things that need doing to keep us busy every moment. When I have been on my knees I could think of more letters to be written, more clotheslines to be fixed, more cars to be greased than I could find time to look after. I have simply had to say, to myself, "No, you are going to stay here and wait before God; this is the most important thing before you now."

How often do you get an hour with the Lord? Have you noticed, when you have purposed to take a whole day to pray, that is the day the phone rings fourteen or fifteen times; when the neighbor comes for the visit she has been planning for a long time; when the books which were loaned five months ago are brought back; when the friend comes for the recipe you promised she could have whenever she would call? That is the way it usually happens. If you have five minutes of your own, use

it to pray. It may be long before you have a whole hour.

Billy Bray said: "Some people when they come to church on Sunday have to pray and keep the preacher waiting before they are cleaned up inside and ready to worship the Lord. Every minute or two I say, 'Lord, here I am in need; keep this poor fellow.' Before I go on an errand, I look to the Lord in a word of prayer; then I am off. After awhile I come back to the Lord again, and I pray. Then I don't get behind in my prayer life and I don't get rusty. That's the secret."

Friend, those five minutes you sit down and waste you can spend praying some precious missionary through a time of testing into glorious victory. Those five minutes extra you spend at a job because you are a bit slow can be spent praying for a spirit of revival to come down upon men and women. Those five minutes you could chop off an idle conversation you could spend writing a little card to a neighbor to invite him to church. If you put the Lord first He will put you first. Hurry the baking. Sacrifice a little sleep. Hurry the washing. Spend less time in your recreation. God commands you to redeem the time because the days are evil!

Speaking in Other Tongues

The pouring out of God's Spirit on the Day of Pentecost, and the speaking in other tongues as the Spirit gave utterance was a contrast to God's work at Babel. There the pride of man and his purposes against God, when assembled at the great city of man's choice, drew down judgment from the Most High, and He scattered men by dividing them into various languages. But God's purpose now being to unite men, and the means of union being the work of Jesus, which He perfected in humility and entire sympathy with the will of his Father; and Jerusalem being the city of God, to which, in the day of the union of all things in heaven and earth, all the nations are to go up; tongues are first bestowed at that as a center.

The confusion of tongues was the last executed of the curses; the first reversed by the gospel. But when Jerusalem refused to receive the message, tongues were a sign that a new dispensation had come. Under the law, one nation and one language were sacred to God, and all others profane. But now the church of Christ is not the church of any one nation. God would speak, not in Hebrew alone, as of yore, but made Himself at home, as it were, in the language of every nation, provoking, if it might be, His people Israel to jealousy. It was a lesson too to the Gentile churches. God did not select one tongue only of the Gentiles, speaking in Latin, and in that alone. For the church of Christ is not the church of any one nation—not the church of Greece, or Rome, or England, but of believers gathered out of every nation, and people, and tongue. —Robert Govett

Beware of the stone you stumbled at before. A wise man avoids that which has already proved an occasion of sin to him.

Grace does not run in the blood, as corruption does.—Matthew Henry.

Concern for the Lost

J. Wilbur Chapman

In these days, we are apt to think that tears are a sign of weakness; but if we knew sin as Jeremiah knew it, if we understood wandering from God as the Psalmist understood it, I do not think we ministers could preach with dry eyes. I heard an unbeliever say that a man could not sweat great drops of blood. "Therefore," he said, "the story is not only impossible, but it is untrue, and if it is untrue, then all the story of Jesus may be false." Yet I have held in my hand the hand of a man standing on the streets of the city of Boston, who told me about an aged friend of his. This friend received word that his boy, supposed to be doing well in our Western country, had been found guilty of the crime of murder, and that he had that day been executed upon the gallows. They kept it from his old father until the last, and my friend told me that when the telegram was placed in the old man's hand, and he read the message, he stood for a moment as if stunned, then his face became deadly white, then it became purple, then through the pores of the skin of his face the blood drops began to push their way, rolling down his cheeks on to his coat; and I know that if a man with concern for his boy can sweat drops of blood, if a father in an agony because his boy had wandered away in sin, could fall, as he did at my friend's feet, I know that Jesus in the Garden of Gethsemane could sweat for this world's sin great drops of blood.

I went to hear D. L. Moody preach when I was a country minister, and he so fired my heart, that I went back to my country church and tried to preach as he preached, and we had really a great work of grace. It did not start immediately; and I was so discouraged, because things did not go as I thought they ought, that I called my church officers together and said, "You will have to help me." They promised to do so, and finally an old farmer rose and said, "I have not done much work in the church, but I will help you." One of the officers said to me afterwards, "Do not ask him to pray, for he cannot pray in public," and another said, "Do not ask him to speak, for he cannot speak to the edification of the people." Next morning we had one of those sudden snowstorms for which that part of the country is famous, and this old farmer rose and put his horse to his sleigh and started across the country, four miles to a blacksmith's shop. He hitched his horse on the outside, and went into the shop all covered with snow, and found the blacksmith alone. The blacksmith said, "Mr. Cranmer, whatever brings you out today?" The old farmer walked to the blacksmith's bench, and putting his hand upon the man's shoulder, said, "Tom!" and the tears started to roll down his cheeks. Then with sobs choking his utterance, he said, "Tom, when your old father died, he gave you and your brother into my guardianship, and I have let you both grow to manhood and never asked you to be a Christian." That

was all. He did not ask him then; he could not. He got into his sleigh and drove back home. And he did not go out again for months; he almost died from pneumonia. But that night in the meeting, the blacksmith stood up before my church officers and said, "Friends, I have never been moved by a sermon in my life, but when my old friend stood before me this morning, with tears and sobs, having come all through that storm, I thought it was time I considered the matter." We received him into the Church, and he is a respected church officer today. Preaching fails, singing fails, but individual concern does not fail.

How are we going to get it? I do not think you can just will to have it. You cannot bow your head in your hands and say, "I am determined to be concerned from today." I will tell you how. Take your New Testament and go quietly alone and read a sentence like this. "He that believeth not is condemned already." Then sit and think about it for ten minutes. Put your boy over against it, your girl, your wife, your husband, yourself. Then take this, "He that hath not the Son of God, hath not life, but the wrath of God abideth on him." I know that a soul thus burdened generally gains its desire. In one of our American cities a company of ministers were holding an evangelistic mission together. The Presbyterian minister had preached the sermon, and the Baptist minister made the appeal at the close. He said, "Let all who will accept Jesus Christ tonight, come down to the front." Leaning over the pulpit and stretching out his hands towards the audience, he pleaded until the front row was full with people who had responded. Still he pleaded. Leaning down a little lower and reaching out a little further, he said, "Will not another one come?" No one came, and he pleaded again. Finally the Presbyterian minister said, "Doctor, I think they have

all come." The Baptist minister turned his face back, and he had a strange smile as he said, "I will wait a moment longer." Leaning out again, he said, "Will not another one come to Jesus, only another one?" Finally, at the back of the audience a boy rose and started down the aisle. At the same moment the minister started from the platform, they met in the middle of the aisle, their arms went round each other and they walked back to the front, and all the way the minister kept saying, "My boy! my boy!" When he came back to the platform, he sank back in his chair, and said to the Presbyterian minister, "I think I should have died if he had not come." When my friend told me, he said, "I can quite believe it. I think he was almost dead as he was."

Preaching and singing are not enough, organization is not enough; what we need is the spirit of the text. One of the greatest missionaries we ever had in America, Chas. G. Finney, was a college president and very highly educated; but he was a man on fire for God and filled with the Holy Ghost. Whole cities were transformed through his preaching. Finney came into Rochester and shook it until every prominent citizen became a Christian, and Rochester received an impression that has lasted until this day. Rochester is the home of the great churches, and contains the largest Sunday School classes in the world. What was the secret of Finney's success? He had an old man who traveled with him, but rarely appeared on the platform. The moment Mr. Finney would leave for the service, he would go to his room, turn the key in the door, and get down upon his knees. His name was Father Nash, and Mr. Finney says, "When I got home from my meetings, I would find Father Nash still at prayer. Putting my ear to the door, I would hear him say this: 'O God, bless him tonight, give him victory tonight; give him many souls tonight,' and he would keep on until I had to announce to him that I had returned from my work."

Expect Conversions Among Children

D. L. Moody once remarked: "Very few teachers act as though they believe in the possibility of children being converted. Let these teachers pray for the removal of their unbelief. Get the children into the current of salvation. A Sunday School teacher in London had the satisfaction of hearing more than twenty of her class of thirty-two profess conversion. Her method was this. She made an outline of some of my sermons and expressed the plain truth that I taught in simple language for the children. She believed that the same truths that brought salvation to adults would bring salvation to children. The result was, twenty of her scholars received salvation."

If God's today be too soon for your repentance, your tomorrow may be too late for His acceptance. "Seek ye the Lord while He may be found." Isa. 55:6.

He who is now ruled by Christ will one day rule with Christ.

Birds can sing on a bare bough:
O believer, can't not thou?

A REAL PRIVILEGE

We were greatly pleased to learn through the "Pentecostal Evangel" that Brother Cox of Dayton, Ohio, had subscribed to the "Evangel" for the clergymen of that city. It has inspired us to make an effort to get the Pentecostal testimony in the hands of the ministers of this city. Please send the "Evangel" for six months to the following fifteen ministers.—Russell L. Plants, Oneonta, New York.

Many nominal church ministers are beginning to see the present world conflict in relation to divine prophecy. Pentecostal believers do well to strike while the iron is hot, and get the full gospel truths before them. What better way is there to do this than with the *Pentecostal Evangel*? You may send the *Evangel* for the remainder of the year for only 25 cents, new subscriptions only. Or, if you wish to send sample copies, we can supply a roll of current issues at 2 cents a copy.—Gospel Publishing House, Springfield, Mo.

THE DYING WORLD AND THE LIVING WORD

NEVER TOO OLD TO SERVE

In the last World War Gypsy Smith worked among the troops in France preaching the gospel and helping the soldiers to live for God. Recently he said: "If they call me again I will go. Why should I retire at seventy-nine? Evil does not take a holiday; the devil hasn't retired."

NAZIS WANT JEWS NOW

At the height of the Nazi invasion of the Low Countries, reports the *Jewish Chronicle*, when the Germans and Allied Armies were fighting the battle around Dunkirk, the Nazi authorities issued a surprise order making all Jews living in Germany liable for military service.

Hitherto, as is well known, the Jews were not allowed to bear arms, but they were assigned to labor battalions at the front. Thus the German Jews, not allowed by the Nazis to live, are graciously given the right to die.

FAMINES AND PESTILENCES

Herbert Hoover, head of the organization for European relief reports famines and pestilences in Nazi-conquered lands. Walter Davenport, writing in *Colliers Magazine*, quotes from Mr. Hoover's report as follows: "Almost seven million of these people are on the verge of starvation and one thousand of them (mostly Polish children) are dying daily for want of food. An influenza epidemic is helping them die." These famine conditions result from looting, sinking, blockading, and crop failures. Christ foretold these conditions as preliminary to His coming. He said, "There shall be famines, and pestilences." Matt. 24:7.

"SIGNS IN THE SUN"

A new instrument called the "coronograph" has been erected in the Colorado Rockies, reports *Alliance Weekly*. It is a long tube, so equipped that when pointed at the sun the blinding light from the center of the sun is cut off and only the coronary light passes through. In the past the sun's corona could be studied only on rare occasions during a total eclipse. The new instrument will permit study of the corona whenever the sun is shining. It is hoped that with this new device astronomers will be able to learn more about such phenomena as the sunspots which caused world-wide paralysis of radio transmission last Easter. It is suggestive that, as the time approaches when "signs in the sun, and in the moon, and in the stars" (Luke 21:25) will become more manifest, scientists are preparing for their own interpretation of them.

THE BATTLE FOR PALESTINE

Interest has been centering more and more upon Palestine during recent weeks. Italy's entrance into the war, and the cries of Italian Catholics and Fascists for control of Palestine, was one factor. The news (from *New York Times*) that "thousands of French and Polish troops in Syria have marched into Palestine to continue the war against Germany and Italy," was another. And then came news that Italian bombs have actually fallen on Palestine soil. Twice during July there were air raids on the port of Haifa, one being killed the first time and forty-six the second time. Such news about Palestine is of intense interest to Bible students, for they know that the "glorious land," as the Holy Spirit affectionately calls it, fills a large place in God's plan for the future. We can expect to hear much more of that land in the days to come. Eventually the nations will clash in "The Battle for Palestine." This will be the terrific struggle commonly known as "The Battle of Armageddon" which will be fought in and around "The Valley of Jehoshaphat" in Palestine. See Rev. 16:14-16 and Joel 3:9-12.

METHODISTS AND THE DRAFT

Is the imposing of compulsory military training in a time of peace a step toward dictatorship for America? Methodists believe it is. On July 27 the commission on world peace of the Methodist Church assailed the Burke-Wadsworth bill as leading "surely, if not immediately, in the direction of dictatorship."

"Military conscription at this time is not essential to national defense," the commission declared in a statement. "As drafted, this bill strikes at civil and religious liberty, disrupts social and economic life, and places vast power in the hands of a very few men. We refuse to believe that the United States, in order to preserve its own way of life, must cease to be a democracy and become itself a totalitarian regime."

JEWRY IN NAZI EUROPE

Wherever Nazism spreads, the Jews suffer. Since the fall of France, a totalitarian state has been set up which allows its official news agencies to release anti-Semitic propaganda; already a Nazi newspaper in the French language, *Lex Paris*, has appeared, and its first editorial blamed the war on Jewish capitalists.

In Belgium the Nazis have started newspapers whose chief aim is to stir up hatred against the Jews; however, the general public are showing great sympathy toward the Jews in defiance of their conquerors.

The anti-Semitic drive in Holland seems to have failed completely. The Dutch are friendlier toward the Jews than ever. Recently the Nazis ordered the dismissal of the Lord Mayor of The Hague, largely because he refused to enforce in all their severity a number of anti-Jewish orders. To offset the failure, the Nazis have started the familiar process of eliminating the Jews from the industrial, commercial, and professional life.

Pro-Nazis in Denmark have been organizing anti-Jewish demonstrations, but they met with violent opposition in the streets of Copenhagen. However, it is reported that the Government is to eliminate all Jews from public services.

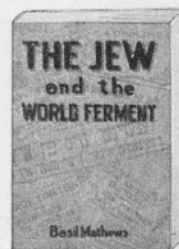
The press in Norway is being told to preach to the Norwegians that as members of the Nordic race they ought to appreciate the Nazi theories and throw off the Jewish yoke.

Strange to say, while the Nazis are telling the nations they can get along better without the Jews, they themselves are looking to Jewish physicians for help. According to the Hungarian press, the Germans have conscripted 1,250 Jewish doctors and 940 Jewish dentists for service in military hospitals!

THE JEW AND THE WORLD FERMENT 75c

By Basil Mathews

What is back of the vile treatment of the Jews today? Why were the Jews enslaved by the Pharaohs, exiled by the Babylonians, harassed by the Assyrians, crucified by the thousands by the Romans, ostracized by the Greeks, massacred by the Crusaders, put on the rack by the Spanish, imprisoned for being rich, despised for being poor, and forbidden public service and civic honor? By what miracle did they survive and stand at the graveside of all their persecutors? The answers to these questions and up-to-the-minute information concerning the persecution of the Jews is set forth in this interesting book by Basil Mathews.



PRAY FOR YOUNG GERMANY

The story of the youth of Germany is a story of spiritual tragedy. Hitler has planned to bring up a new and godless generation, says *The Harvester*. He has said that he will bring up young people in such a way that, in thirty years' time, there will be no Church because no one desires to go to church. It is this new and utterly godless generation which forms the mainstay of the Nazi machine; the personal devotion of the Nazi youth to Hitler is fanatical. Should we not pray again and again that somehow the on-coming generation in Germany shall be set free from the shackles that bind it so firmly to godlessness? The salvation of millions of youthful souls is at stake; a conflict for these souls is waging between Satan and Christ the outcome of which will depend largely on the prayers of God's people.

REACHING JEWS IN ATLANTIC CITY

A unique project for reaching the Jews who throng Atlantic City, N. J., during the summer has been inaugurated by the Million Testaments Campaigns of Philadelphia, reports *S. S. Times*.

An attractive hall has been rented right on the famous boardwalk that runs along the beach. Each week night lantern lectures on Palestine, illustrated with colored slides, are given by George T. B. Davis. On Sunday evening a special lecture on "Old Testament Prophecies on the Messiah" is given by Mr. Davis, illustrated with pictures of Palestine and of famous paintings of Christ.

The hall is in the heart of the Jewish district and is often filled to overflowing. The audiences are usually fully ninety per cent Jewish. The people are deeply stirred by the remarkable progress that has been made in the rebuilding of Palestine, and are interested to see that it is being carried out exactly as predicted by the Old Testament prophets 2,500 years ago.

At the close of the lectures, Prophecy Edition New Testaments, prepared especially for Jewish people, are given to those who agree to read them. It is a stirring sight to see how eagerly the Jewish people receive the New Testaments both in Yiddish and English.

Pray that these Testaments and these efforts to win the lost sheep of the house of Israel may be mightily blessed of God.

THE MEN FROM DUNKIRK

Montague Goodman writes in *The Christian* (London) something about the gospel work being done among the British troops. "It was a great disappointment when the B. E. F. evacuated from Dunkirk, but the disappointment proved to be His appointment. For some time negotiations had been going on for sites for huts. Many plans had been made. A large portable hut was all ready to transport to France. Then came the evacuation, and it seemed that all the work had been in vain. But when the exhausted troops reached England, with all the miracle and horror of Dunkirk fresh upon them, the gospel workers realized God was giving them a greater opportunity. God had brought the men to their doorstep! So the portable hut was set up in one of their camps in England. Tea and biscuits were served to attract the men to the services. And in the first week more than twenty-five were saved in that hut alone.

"In this and other camps gospel services were held nightly. Every service saw some saved. Every night saw a line of men awaiting a Testament, with a pledge to read it and to pray. There were personal, intimate talks in which soldiers revealed a deep concern about their souls. One sergeant and his mate said that a few days before they had entered a village church with the purpose of praying to God, but, alas, they did not know how to! Inquiry disclosed that nine out of ten who received Testaments had never possessed a Bible in their lives!"

The need among the soldiers, sailors, and airmen of all nations should stir our hearts. We do not know how they all can be reached with the gospel, but if we pray God is able to speak to them in His own mysterious ways.

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Bush Work in the Congo

Agnes E. Hammarberg

Early one morning, while the sun was beginning its climb, filtering friendly slanting rays through the leafy crowns of the majestic jungle trees, Gladys Taylor and I hopped on our bicycles at the Nobe Station. Leading a caravan of carriers composed of three men and a young boy, we set out on a few days' "safari" into Azandi land, a section which at that time had not been visited by protestant missionaries.

Through Jungle Lands

During the early part of the day it is delightful to bike along the fairly good paths. However, as the sun ascends, and from that tropical vantage ground hurls myriads of fiery darts upon us, we white-skinned folk from a cooler clime find ourselves distressed. Inspiration recedes to a low ebb; perspiration flows freely; biking or walking calls for real effort.

At intervals, where suitable overhead protection is afforded, we sit for a while—on native chairs if such are available, or on our baggage if the carriers are within reach—and perhaps indulge in a bite of lunch. Furthermore, we know that such a pause will mean an audience for an impromptu meeting. But now the sun is starting his downhill journey, and so with fresh courage we tackle the path again.

As we penetrate farther into the forest primeval, the path for long stretches will perhaps defy even normal walking. Lava rocks, deep holes, tree roots, and whole trees uprooted by elephants and thrown across the path necessitate a wary and wearisome procedure.

A Village "Inn"

After hours of such strenuous traveling, it is a relief at last to arrive at the village and to sight the "inn" where we stop for the night! Inspiration and optimism well up once more as we go to work supervising the converting of the bare mud shelter into a temporary home. Our carriers swiftly change into the roles of houseboys, hewers of wood, and drawers of

water. Thus we become settled on the mud floor, within the mud walls, under the grass roof. A makeshift door steadied against the opening will afford a little privacy from the curious glances of the villagers during daylight hours, and protection from the denizens of the jungle in the night.

Soon we emerge from our little home, ready to lay the groundwork for the first service. The chief has had his chair placed where he can observe us and carry on conversation. Being hungry, we proceed to eat in his presence, delighting him with some tidbit, or perhaps a cup of tea.

Telling the Old, Old Story

As the shadows lengthen we prepare for the service. The accordion music carries the call into huts far and near, and a group gathers in front of the rest house. A few phonograph records will bring together an enraptured audience. They are all children, regardless of age, and we find it well to illustrate the message with pictures. We take turns in speaking, continuing the meeting as long as interest warrants. Just as the lantern flame is striving to scatter the tropical blackness around us, so we are doing our utmost to make our listeners realize their need of Jesus, the Light of the World, and scatter the dense spiritual darkness in which they are groping.

It is late when the meeting closes, yet some of the young men linger behind, desiring to hear the Bangala records again. The chief's sons can read, so we give them words to the recorded songs; thus for the first time their voices are lifted in Gospel song, while we continue to clinch further the truths we have been endeavoring to drive home.

That is a day of bush work in the Congo. As we continue our safari, visiting village after village, the details of the program do not vary much from day to day.

A Challenge

However, one morning service during that trip was especially impressive and fraught with a mighty challenge. We discovered that our congregation included representatives of four generations: a tiny, shriveled-up little great grandmother, her son, this son's son, and her great granddaughter—ALL HEARING THE GOSPEL FOR THE FIRST TIME! In retrospect, such a situation is powerfully humiliating, bringing to us forcefully our neglect of the charge that has been entrusted to us. In prospect, it brings to us a mighty challenge—what shall we do about it? Perhaps we still have time to make good. How our hearts yearned to make Jesus real to that dear little woman who perhaps was hearing the gospel for the last as well as the first time.

Bush work by both blacks and

whites is the crying need of our field. May God supply the laborers and give His messengers the courage, the forgetting of self, and the heart-gripping vision that it takes to meet that great need. God is ready to call out a people for His name from the Azandi section and from every other section on our field. May we not fail Him!

WITH THE LORD



Mrs. John Warton

With deep regret we must announce that on August 24 a cablegram was received by the Foreign Missions Department, saying that Mrs. John Warton of Beirut, Syria, has gone on to meet the Lord. She leaves behind on the mission field in Syria her husband and her four children, David, 17, Ruth, 14, Joseph, 11, and Robert, 8.

Born on January 23, 1901, Mrs. Warton was saved and baptized in the Spirit while yet in her teens. She attended Bethel Bible School for one year, 1921, and married John Warton in 1922.

In 1924 Mr. Warton received missionary appointment to Persia, and the young couple with their year-old baby sailed for the mission field. In 1931 they returned for their first furlough, and Mrs. Warton received missionary appointment in 1933. The Wartons returned to the Near East, laboring first in Palestine, then moving to Syria where they were when Mrs. Warton received her home call.

It was not given to Veronica Warton to be an outstanding leader nor to be widely known for great tasks accomplished. Rather, hers was a ministry of quiet service to the Lord, caring for her family, easing the burden of her coworker in times of distress, encouraging others to press forward in the work.

As mother and housewife she was able to meet on common ground the women of the lands where she lived. She spoke to them and witnessed to them as one who faced the same problems they did. The results of this ministry among the wives and mothers of the land will never be known until God's books are opened, but we are sure that such a witness must bear much fruit among these women and their families.

Our hearts go out in sympathy to the family left behind. We know that only God can give them comfort. Let us all pray earnestly that He who was sent to bind up the broken hearted will be with them in a special way just now, bringing peace to their hearts and courage to continue on in full confidence that she has only gone on before.

NOTE OF JOY FROM BRAZIL

"We are happy," reports Erma Miller from Ribeirao Preto, Brazil, "that the Lord continues to bless our effort for Him. Two more faithful souls received water baptism this month. They had been converted from Adventism. How glad they are now to be free from the law!

"Our outstation, Serrana, is doing well. The first convert there was a spiritualist medium. Now she is filled with the Holy Spirit, praise



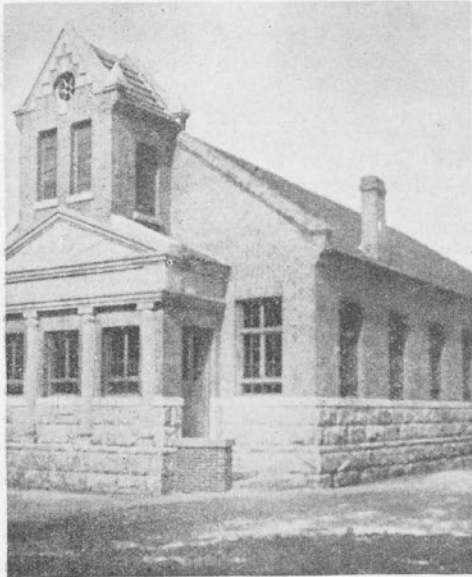
Four generations—child, father, grandfather, and great-grandmother—all hear the story of Jesus for the first time as Gladys Taylor and Agnes Hammarberg "safari" into new territory in Belgian Congo.

God! And all other spirits must flee before the Holy Spirit of our Lord Jesus Christ, Hallelujah!

"We are now in what is called the 'dry season,' and, oh, the dust! In many places it measures almost a foot deep. Sometimes when we reach our outstations we look as though we wore masks. We're almost afraid to smile lest our faces crack!

"In spite of all difficulties, we are happy in the Lord and enjoying our service for Him."

PUCHI GOSPEL TABERNACLE



The attractive church pictured above is the new building at Puchi, Shantung Province, China, which is now nearing completion and ready for dedication at the Fall Conference. Prior to the erection of the church, Sister Grace Nicholson was laboring under a handicap, having to use the dining room and bedroom of her own home for Sunday School classrooms. Launching out in a real step of faith, she began to build, and the Lord has met her in a wonderful way. The very favorable rate of exchange on American currency, which greatly increased its value in Chinese dollars, made it possible to construct a fine church building. It is now practically paid for with the exception of several thousand Chinese dollars needed for finishing and furnishing the building. Sister Nicholson writes with a note of praise to God for what He has done—and FOR WHAT HE IS GOING TO DO.

MOVIEDOM INDICTED

We are introducing to our readers a book entitled, "Worshippers of the Silver Screen," by Lester F. Sumrall. The author has made a generous gift of five hundred copies of this book to be sold and the proceeds devoted to missions.

Mr. Sumrall is well known as the world traveler who together with Brother Howard Carter made an interesting journey around the globe. The book, which is a powerful indictment against the moving picture world, sets forth material gathered during his travels in more than thirty countries and personal contact with men and women of various walks of life. A personal touch is introduced to the book in a foreword written by Edith Mae Pennington, "national beauty queen" and converted movie actress.

Mr. Sumrall states that some two hundred million persons attend moving pictures each week. This means that ten billion, four hundred million enter the doors of such places annually—five times the population of the entire globe. At a conservative estimate, \$2,504,000,-

000.00 flow into the coffers of the film industry each year. The highest salaried person in the United States is a movie magnate!

This money-mad moviedom has given out a gospel of greed and brought upon the world a terrifying extravagance through its example of "squander mania." It has injected into society a lurid misrepresentation of life that is responsible for the moral shipwreck of millions. It has massacred the youthful urge for higher mentality in the developing generation. It has grossly misrepresented our country and its ideals abroad, causing ill feeling in the hearts of multitudes of our foreign brethren. It stands responsible as the prime instigator of the wave of crime and lawlessness that has swept the world. It has wrecked the moral standards of society, schooled our youth in vice, cruelty and sex, destroyed virtue, debased the sanctity of marriage, wrought havoc in the religious world.

These are a few highlights of the sevenfold indictment brought against the motion picture world by Mr. Sumrall, who concludes with an urgent appeal to the reader to awaken to the seriousness of the situation and take some drastic steps to stem the oncoming tide—**SOMETHING MUST BE DONE.**

"Worshippers of the Silver Screen" is selling for only twenty-five cents a copy and may be secured from the Gospel Publishing House, 336 West Pacific Street, Springfield, Mo. By sending in your order, you are not only securing a book worthy of being in any Christian home but also contributing to the great cause of foreign missions. Do not fail to order your copy immediately!

IT ALWAYS WORKS

At least that is the testimony of one of our pastors who believes that a truly missionary-minded church will be blessed financially rather than impoverished in giving.

When this worker took over a pastorate three months ago, he was heartsick to discover that the church had given only thirty dollars to missions last year. He began to stress this great cause and recently designated a certain Sunday as Missionary Day. Before his own offering was received at the morning service, the pastor told the people that he planned to take another offering after the message and that he wanted \$25.00 for missions. His wish was more than granted, for a missionary offering of \$61.06 exceeded all expectations. And the pastor's offering, instead of being reduced, was more than usual. "Bless God, it always works!"

"GIVE AND IT SHALL BE GIVEN . . ."

African Christians teach us a lesson in giving

"One thing that shows us God is blessing," writes Florence Steidel, "is the desire the Liberian Christians have to give unto the Lord.

"The girls in the school have their little gardens from which they bring the first fruits to the Lord. Then on Saturday afternoons they beg to be allowed to work for pennies so they will have something to give on Sunday. Yesterday when the offering had been counted we were amazed to find that it amounted to 11 shillings and 9 pence—this was much to give, for they have so little.

"A Christian woman came the other day with a few ears

of corn—her first fruits which she wanted to give to God.

The Spirit of Sacrifice

"Another Christian, the wife of one of our teachers, brought a basket of rice as her offering. We knew they had very little rice and questioned her as to whether she could afford the gift, with a husband and four little children to feed. She replied, 'This is all the rice we have, but we want to give it to the Lord. God knows our need and He will supply.' Tears came to my eyes, for I realized that if they had no rice, they had very little to eat; yet they were willing to give all. God has honored their faith and is supplying their need. Praise His name!

"Yesterday their little boy, Samuel, brought six cents and said, 'This is my offering,' then held out twelve cents in his other little hand, saying, 'and this is my mother's offering.' He is still a small boy but says he wants to go to the Bible school."

Do not these African brethren teach us a lesson in giving?

BLACK DIAMONDS

A splendid work in training the native Christians of Nigeria for ministry among their own people has been done by Brother and Sister Lloyd Shirer, and now is being carried on by Brother and Sister Phillips who have taken charge of the Nigeria field since the Shirers moved to Gold Coast. A few of these "black diamonds" are pictured together with our Brother and Sister Shirer.

From time to time we receive letters from our beloved native brethren, whose quaintly expressed thoughts often reveal a reality of experience, and our hearts are touched as we read them.

An Appreciation

One of these letters recently received expresses a deep appreciation of our Assemblies of God fellowship and of all those who have had a part in helping the Nigeria work. It says:

"Our hearts are full of joy and we are thankful to our gracious Father who has dealt bountifully with us, gratifying our desires in such a way that words are inadequate to express. We are happy, we say, for the coming in contact and oneness with the 'Assemblies of God' which has its headquarters in Springfield, Missouri, U. S. A. It is the Lord's doing and it is marvelous in our eyes, all praises to Him be re-echoed.

"We send our hearty greetings through you to the various Assemblies of God in America and also to any individuals who have contributed for our upkeep, we congratulate all in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, hopefully looking unto the Lord for another couple in addition to Brother and Sister E. L. Phillips whose faithful ministry in this district for the past four months has embraced the warm-

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Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Shirer with native Christians at Port Harcourt, Nigeria, the day they left for Gold Coast.

THE SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

The Shepherd Psalm

Lesson for September 22. Lesson Text: Psalm 23.

Apart from the Lord's prayer, no portion of God's Word has been so universally loved and treasured by the human heart as the twenty-third Psalm. The revelation of truth it contains has mended broken hearts, eased the pain of suffering bodies, dried many tears, freed many a captive, quieted distracted minds, comforted those who were bereaved, and given courage to those about to depart this life. The writer uses the relationship of shepherd and sheep to describe his own personal relationship to God. And let us remember as we read that what God was to the Psalmist He will be to all who will follow Him!

"The Lord is my shepherd." The LORD, Jehovah, who revealed Himself to Moses in the wilderness as the great I AM (Ex. 2:14), the living One, the self-existent One, all sufficient One who revealed Himself to Abraham (Gen. 17:1), the One whom Abraham also knew as Jehovah Jireh, (the Lord will provide—Gen. 22:14)—this same Lord, says the Psalmist, is my Shepherd! The good Shepherd of John (John 10:11), the great Shepherd of Paul (Heb. 13:20), and the chief Shepherd of Peter (1 Peter 5:4), Jehovah-Jesus, the Psalmist's Shepherd is also our Shepherd if we have become personally acquainted with Him through the new birth!

"I shall not want." Says one who spent some years as a shepherd in a land very close to where David tended sheep, "If there is any worrying, if any anxious care, it is done by the shepherd, not the sheep. When as a shepherd I brought my sheep to the fold at the end of the day, my mind was occupied as to what pasture I should take them on the morrow so that they might have the best of food. This concern for my sheep often went with me into the late hours of the night and I could not find rest until I had planned for tomorrow's grazing." If this be the attitude of an earthly shepherd, how much more will our heavenly Shepherd care for and provide for His own! Psalms 34:10; 37:25; Col. 2:10; Phil. 4:6, 19.

And what are some of the things which the divine Shepherd provides for His sheep?

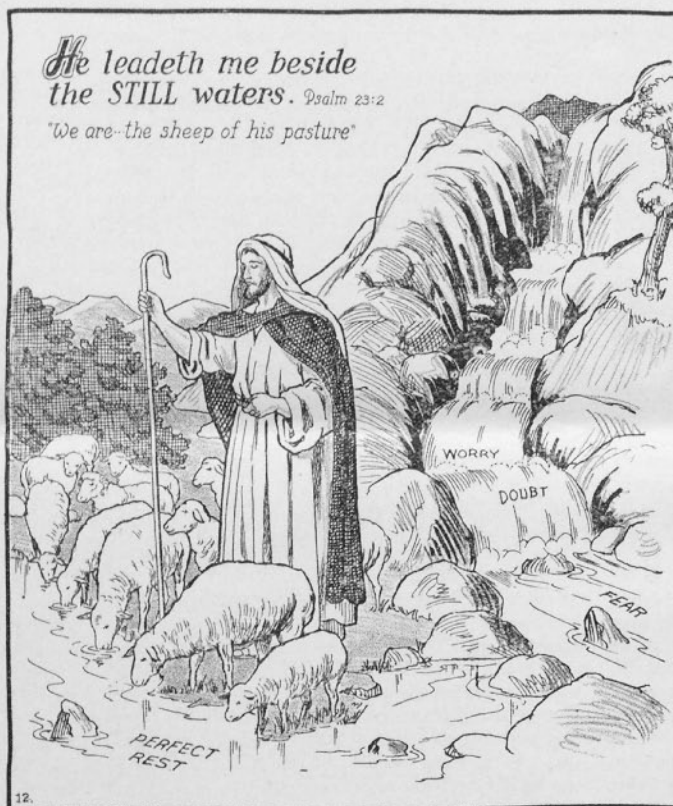
Food. "He maketh me to lie down in green pastures." In the Holy Land, the wise shepherd leads his flock to pasture at four in the morning while the dew is still fresh on the herbage. Why does he do this? Because at that hour the sheep are fresh and hungry and the dew adds much to the taste and tenderness of the herbage. If we desire to be healthy and useful Christians we will devote the first moments of the day to feeding our souls upon God's Word. Without exception, the greatest men and women of God have followed this practice. In the early morning it is quiet; our minds are fresh, our spirits unconfused by the turmoil of the day; and it is then that our heavenly Shepherd can best feed our souls. Why is there so little victory, power, and blessing in many lives today? Because people are allowing the devil, in this day of haste and speed to crowd out private devotion and thus cause them to starve their souls.

Water. "He leadeth me beside the still waters." Still waters are essential for the sheep. They will not drink gurgling waters. No swift running, or ruffled rivulets will tempt them. Many people today are trying to slake their spiritual thirst by drinking of the polluted fountain of the world with its fast moving streams of jazz music,

joy riding, dancing, and drinking. But Jesus Christ alone can lead man to waters of peace, refreshing, and abiding satisfaction. "Ho, every one that thirsteth, come ye to the waters." Isa. 55:1. "The river of God is full of water." Psalm 65:9. In this day of chaotic unrest and general dissatisfaction He is still saying, "If any man thirst, let him come unto me and drink . . . whosoever drinketh of the water that I shall give him shall never thirst." John 7:37-39; 4:14. Dissatisfied child of God, stay close to thy faithful Shepherd! In quietness wait before Him. Drink deeply of His Spirit and thy thirsty soul shall be satisfied!

Rest. "He maketh me to lie down." Hungry and thirsty sheep will not lie down. Food comes before rest!

After the sheep have spent hours in the heat



of the Eastern sun which becomes increasingly hot with the passing of each hour, and after they have had plenty of food and water, they need rest and shelter from the blistering heat of the noonday sun. Consequently, the shepherd leads them to a cool, shady place where they rest for at least two hours. While they rest they chew the cud, preparing the food they have eaten for assimilation. As they thus rest and chew the cud, the shepherd knows they are putting on fat and growing wool.

How Christians today need time for rest, time to steal away from the clamor and feverish activity of the world and in seclusion and quietness to meditate on God's Word and commune with Him! Spiritual leanness; lack of victory, and backsliding are a few of the sad results of failure to obtain spiritual rest which comes from daily quiet times with God and His Word!

"Drop Thy still dews of quietness
Till all our strivings cease;
Take from our souls the strain and stress,
And let our ordered lives confess
The beauty of Thy peace."

Restoration. "He restoreth my soul." The sheep may be wearied in the way. As the Chris-

tian journeys through life he meets with fiery trials, afflictions, and hardships which sap his strength. But he has a faithful Shepherd into whose presence he may come and receive new strength for the journey. Isa. 40:28-31.

Guidance. "He leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake." Rest and refreshing prepare the sheep for further travel. Peter wanted to stay on the mountain top of blessing while sick and sin-ridden sufferers were groping for help down on the plain. Luke 9:28-42. Spiritual rest and blessings are to fit us for following Jesus over difficult paths of service and sacrifice. Moments of devotion which do not result in practical righteousness are worthless. But, on the other hand, effective service can only be accomplished by those who have themselves experienced spiritual rest and communion with God.

Confidence. "Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil." In Palestine there is an actual valley of the shadow of death, a very narrow defile, five miles long, which runs through a mountain range. This path is steep and dangerous. Wild beasts live in abundance along it. But the sheep have no fear as they travel through, for their Shepherd goes before them. Likewise, the Christian when called upon to walk in paths of darkness, danger, and temptation, or even death itself fears no evil because of the saving presence of his Lord. Heb. 13:5, 6; Isa. 43:2; 41:10, 13.

Protection. "Thy rod and thy staff they comfort me. Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies." In the Holy Land certain poisonous plants that are fatal to the sheep grow in the pastures. Before the shepherd allows the sheep to feed, he prepares the feeding ground by removing these weeds with his staff. Then the sheep may graze while the shepherd with rod and staff ready as weapons, watches to protect the sheep from snakes, wild animals, and other enemies of the sheep. The great Shepherd, in like manner, supplies our wants in the face of danger and conflict. There is always conflict in the Christian life, but always a table spread! Special experiences of God's sufficiency often come in seasons of special difficulty! Thanks be unto God who always cauteh us to triumph! 2 Cor. 2:14.

Anointing. "Thou anointest my head with oil." As the sheep come in for the night, the shepherd takes his place at the door of the fold and while the sheep pass by, he quickly examines them for cuts, scratches, and thorns. Sheep that need attention are taken from line and their injury bathed in olive oil. What a picture of the great Shepherd who anoints His own sheep with the soothing, healing, life-giving power of the Holy Spirit!

Joy. "My cup runneth over." After treating the needy sheep with oil, the shepherd takes a large cup, dips it into a jar of cool water, brings it out overflowing, and the sheep not only drinks, but if feverish, will also sink its nose into water. Then the sheep enters the fold for the night. Here again we are reminded of the overflowing cup of blessing which is the portion of every believer!

Home. Verse 6. After final attention from the shepherd, the sheep drop off to sleep in the fold, secure in the thought of future well being. So the Christian has a right to be optimistic. He knows that goodness and mercy shall follow him in this life, and looks forward to the time when he shall forever be with his Lord.—J. Bashford Bishop.

Ten pounds of tracts cost only \$3.00.

THE PRAYER CORNER

"Laboring fervently . . . in prayer"
MONDAY, September 16—Psalm 23:1-6.

Let us note the setting of this beautiful Psalm. The shepherd on the Judean hillside senses danger in the inky, desert darkness. The howling of wolves confirms his fears. The ravines nearby add to his terror. Suddenly there flashes into his mind a thought of safety and comfort. It is this: Just as he is the shepherd to watch, guard, and feed his dependent timid flocks; so, likewise, he looks up to God as the Great Shepherd of human souls. It is He who provides us with the green pastures, still waters, and the full cup of plenty.—M. D. Bayly.

25 de Mayo, Argentina—Please pray for the deliverance of a brother who is in such deep trouble that it is greatly weakening him physically. Pray for a worldwide revival that God will give the nations another chance to repent and for His Spirit to be poured out soon upon all flesh. Pray for the salvation of two young men here. Praise God for the salvation of two other young men before the Lord called them recently to Himself. The work of the Lord is advancing in 25 de Mayo. Glory to His name.—Alice C. Wood.

Birthdays—Burt Evans, Central America.

TUESDAY 17—John 10:1-16.

"The King of love my Shepherd is,
 Whose goodness faileth never;
 I nothing lack if I am His
 And He is mine forever."

Lapa, Brazil—Pray that the Lord will save many souls in the new fields we are entering. Pray for the new converts, that they will stand firm in spite of persecution.—F. J. Stalter.

WEDNESDAY 18—Matthew 26:26-35.

"A solitude is the audience chamber of God," wrote Landor—the place to hear and be given a hearing. But am I more concerned with being heard than with hearing in His presence? Do I vainly think that I shall be heard for my much speaking? Has listening no place in my times of devotion? Have I not discovered the abiding relation between stillness and knowing? "My soul waiteth in silence for God," whispered a Psalmist, and in the silence he learned, "From Him cometh my salvation." I need to listen in the silence for God's voice. I need to be still if I would know Him, myself and others in the deep places of knowing.—T. B. Cowan.

Ribeirao Preto, Brazil—I wish to praise God for answering prayer. We asked you to pray for funds with which to buy a bicycle, and God sent us \$63.50 which in Brazilian money was enough to buy two bicycles, one for each of our evangelists. Praise the dear name of Jesus.—Erma Miller.

I do praise God for the many answers to prayer and for daily grace and strength. Pray for the services which are being well attended, and for those who have come forward for salvation and healing.—Lillian Flessing.

THURSDAY 19—1 Peter 3:18-25

"Lord, let not my religion be
 A thing of selfish ecstasy;
 But something warm with tender care
 And fellowship which I can share."

Lo Ping Hsien, Southwest China—Please continue to pray that the Lord will pour out His Spirit upon this province. We need a revival, a mighty awakening before the Lord returns, and only the power of the Spirit can do this.—Glenn Horst.

Wei Hsi—Pray for a man who has been bound by the opium-smoking habit for twenty years. He desires to be free and serve God, and he is now reading the Bible. We have taken in four starving Chinese children and praise God for supplying our need. It is difficult to buy food here, but our trust is in God.—Mary E. Lewer.

FRIDAY 20—Zech. 13:1-9.

"Souls of men, why will ye scatter
 Like a crowd of frightened sheep?
 Foolish hearts, why will ye wander,
 From a love so true and deep?
 Was there ever kinder shepherd,
 Half so gentle, half so sweet,
 As the Savior who would have us
 Come and gather round His feet?"

Lakhimpur, North India—Pray for a mighty demonstration of the power of God as this seems necessary to convince the people of India of the one and only Saviour, our Lord Jesus Christ.—Barbara Cox.

Bangalore and Krishnagiri, South India—Praise God for answering prayer and clearing Krishnagiri of the plague that was raging there. Praise the Lord for so wonderfully keeping me from being bitten by a scorpion which got into my raincoat.—Miss C. S. Eady.

Birthdays—Laura Radford, Palestine.

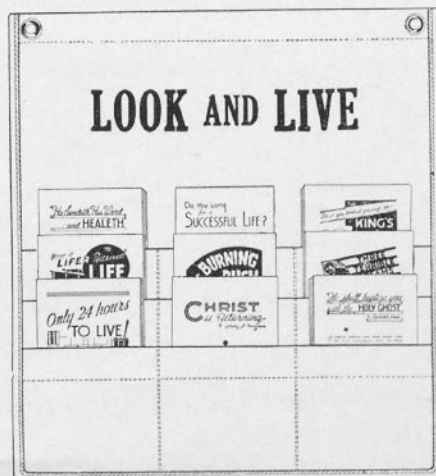
SATURDAY 21—Ezekiel 34:20-31.

"He is my Shepherd, I His sheep;
 I do not want to know
 Whether the way be soft or steep
 By which I am to go,
 If green and smooth the mountains be,
 I do not ask for more;
 If stony, He will carry me
 As He has done before."

Martandam, South India—Please pray that God will save many precious souls here, and that many more shall receive the Baptism to enable them to stand true in these dark days. Pray that money will be supplied to building a new church at one of the stations and to enlarge the building at another station.—Helen Lenart.

Writes One: "GOD IS GOOD to His People"

"Truly, God is good to His people, to the pure in heart. I received 13 pounds of free tracts this afternoon. Oh, how can you send such a lovely set of tracts free? I have been weeping for joy since I got them. Again I thank you."—Peter Thomson, Hartford, Connecticut.



Birthdays—Mrs. A. M. Heetebry, Fiji; Mrs. L. O. McKinney, Singapore.

SUNDAY 22—Psalm 23:1-6.

A missionary home on furlough stated that in spite of everything around, which was conducive to rest he could not sleep for thinking of those in other lands who knew nothing of this great God of ours, who is our Shepherd. Another, hearing of this, said he feared that most people cannot think of others for sleeping. It does cause one to ask the question whether the Church of Christ is really awake to the need. If so, we could hardly recite this wonderful Psalm with complacency, thinking merely of our own comfort and joy in the great Shepherd's care.—Noel Perkin.

Moghal Sarai, North India—Pray that God may work here in the salvation of souls. He has been speaking to some, but they do not have the courage to step out in the face of opposition and propaganda of the Aryah Samajh and of their own people.—Anna Helm-brecht.

Birthdays—Robert Tangen, North China.

COMING By October 6

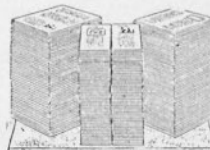
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This new feature will contain: title of lesson, location of lesson Scripture text, a suggested feature to be observed in worship service, and suggested workers' conferences. It will be mailed free to superintendents whose Schools have reported for 1940.—Gospel Publishing House, Springfield, Missouri

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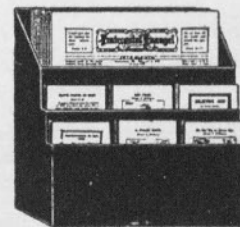
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Any individual or Sunday School class should have the joy of the ministry of gospel literature distribution. How many gospel literature boxes are there in business sections of your city?

THE SUNDAY SCHOOL

THOSE SPECIAL S. S. DAYS

Those who failed to read "What to Do in September for Sunday Schools," in the August 17 *Pentecostal Evangel*, have cheated their School. Many who are following these suggestions report remarkable success. Why not read it now, if you have not already done so?

Please note items headed "Young People's Day," September 15, and "Home Builders' Day," September 22. Although little time remains to prepare for Young People's Day, you will have sufficient time to plan for an interesting Home Builders' Day.

On Home Builders' Day feature the newly-weds, especially those under 26 years of age and married less than five years. You should make a special place in your School for these young people—have a live young-married-people's class. Win them to your School and to the Lord—help them build a Christian home, and they will help you build a thriving School.

Have regular Sunday School members supply names and addresses of couples to be won; during the week of September 16-21, let regular members get their promises to visit your School. Plan opening services with special recognition of this group. A brief talk on building a Christian home should be helpful. Have a good teacher for the class session, one who can win the hearts of the new friends and help them realize the need of Jesus.



Look at the lovely group of young married folk pictured in front of the Assembly at Pampa, Texas. Their pastor is H. E. Comstock, and their teacher is Mr. Willie Durham. Wouldn't it inspire you to teach a class like this—how would you like to have such a class in your School? You can if you'll work and pray!

Important. Watch next week's *Evangel* for suggestions concerning "Go to Sunday School Day," September 29, the last day of the old Sunday School year.—M. L. G.

DELIVERED FROM FIRE

A converted Indian was asked how he knew that he had experienced a change of heart. He gave no answer. He was asked if he *saw* the power. "No." "Did you *hear* it?" "No." "Did you *feel* it?" "Yes." "Well, then, cannot you describe your feelings?"

He paused a moment, then kneeling upon the sand, made a small circle of chips and dry leaves. He then got a little worm, placed it inside the ring, and set fire to the pile. The poor worm, when it began to feel the heat, crept first to one side, and then to another, and at last, after many ineffectual efforts to get out, finding that the flames so completely surrounded it, crawled back to the center of the circle, as if in despair, and stretched itself out to die. At that moment the Indian caught the worm in his hand. "There," said he, "that was the way God did to me. I was like that poor worm; I felt myself in danger;

I saw the angry eye of God flashing upon me, and the flames of hell burning around me. I tried to escape on one side, but I met fire, I ran to the other, it was on fire. At last in hopelessness I gave up to die. It was then Christ took my soul right up."

BLACK DIAMONDS

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hearted appreciation of every assembly and individual; all glory to Jesus. Hallelujah!"

A Word of Warning

The letter from which we have quoted gives out a word of warning concerning some who have written overseas and obtained help from the homeland who were not entirely worthy of the help but were prompted in their appeal by ulterior motives. There have been those, perhaps not even professing Christians, who

have written home and obtained books, only to resell them and use the money for their own ends. The word of warning is timely, and it is well to exercise caution in dealing with such requests from the natives so that we may be assured the need is genuine.

Pray for Our Native Brethren!

Who knows how much longer our missionaries may be permitted to continue their labors in some of our West African fields? Who knows whether the day is near when the native workers may have to shoulder the full responsibility and carry on alone? Who knows what may lie ahead of them in suffering and persecution for the gospel's sake? Let us pray that they may be rooted and grounded in the Lord and clothed with His power—prepared to face with a steadfast faith whatever may lie before them.

The Bargain Counter

The Evangel from now to the end of the year for 25 cents.



When you hear a newborn baby cry your mind is at rest—you know he is alive. If he does not cry you are fearful that he is stillborn. With equal assurance when you see a newly born-again soul with heartfelt compassion eagerly seeking the salvation of the lost, you are sure that he is alive. But if you see such an one displaying little or merely mechanical interest in the salvation of others you are distressed—he does not bear the insignia of spiritual life. To those then who are spiritually alive we offer this fine method of winning men to Christ—From now to the end of the year we will send the *Pentecostal Evangel* for 25c (Canadian and foreign add 12c). Delight the heart of your Lord by filling out the form below with four names and addresses and sending it to us with a dollar bill. This offer applies only to new subscribers.

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What to Do in October for Sunday Schools

Three important features should be considered at the beginning of the new Sunday School year, October 6.

First: This is the best time for the installation of officers. Officers for the new year should be elected in September so they can take their places on the first Sunday of October. An article on the election of officers may be found on page 16 of the August 17 *Pentecostal Evangel*. Read it if you have not already done so; it is important.

Second: October 6 is the best time to change to the Four and Six Point Record System. You should act quickly, however. Send to us for free samples of the Four and Six Point Record Cards. Study them carefully and learn their use; then show your teachers how to use these improved record cards.

Third: A workers' conference should be held one evening of the week, preceding October 5. Plan well for the workers' Conference. Have all new officers and teachers present. Let the pastor give a ten minute preview of the lessons for the quarter, possibly for the entire new year. Let the superintendent present his plans for the year. Let them include possibly a First Class Sunday School and a teacher training class—get your training class started early in the month and get your teachers off to a good start.

October 6 is Promotion Day in the Sunday School. Plan an interesting service in observ-

ance of this day. Use children in the program, and let them demonstrate some of what they have learned in the past year. In honor of the new officers and teachers, an impressive consecration and installation service may be held on this day.

October 13: Introduce some interesting features regarding missionary activities. Perhaps your School will wish to join in giving to missions on this day.

October 20 may be observed as Bible Day in the Sunday School. Let everybody bring a Bible, also old Bibles. Plan an interesting Bible exhibit.

October 27: Christian Literature Day. Let a speaker explain the value of full gospel Sunday School literature. Let him speak of the difference between the spiritual full-gospel literature being used in our Schools, and that which omits large portions of the Bible and many of its deeper truths. These are talking points for your School—every member should be familiar with this information.

Coming soon—By the first Sunday of October, we hope to give a Vest Pocket Superintendent's Guide to every superintendent whose name and mailing address we have. If you have not already done so, you may ask for a 1940 report form. Give us the name and address of your superintendent and the officers and teachers of your School. Thus your superintendent will receive a free Superintendent's Guide.—M. L. G.

BRIGANDS FIND CHRIST

"One night," says a missionary from China, in *Daten*, "two hundred brigands visited our city. They made their presence felt by shooting down a number of children playing in the street—an indication that they were not going to have any nonsense. They pillaged one of the temples next door to our house, and proclaimed martial law. This meant that my wife and I could not do our evening evangelistic work: we could not go out and no one could come to us. So we opened our chapel and invited the brigands in!

"We started by playing one or two hymn-tunes on a small harmonium and a cornet. In came the ruffians and filled the place; and I then opened one of the Gospels and read the story of the passion and death of our Lord. I just took the Word as it is, and read it, and then said, 'If you come back to-morrow night I will read this again.'

"The following night the same thing happened, and it went on through the week. Every night the place was full of blood-thirsty brigands. Towards the end of the week I felt that a work of grace was going on in somebody's heart, and I ventured to make an appeal. I said, 'If any of you men want to accept this Christ as your personal Saviour, I ask you to make an open confession by kneeling down right out here.' And thirteen came, with their eyes streaming with tears! These were men who used to murder their enemies, cut out their hearts, and eat them. Before they left I announced that I would start a Bible class the following morning.

"The next day at 4.30 a. m., I was awakened by someone outside the house. Going out I found my Bible class waiting for me, each man holding out his money for his Bible! Not only were the lives of those thirteen changed, but many of the other brigands were also brought to Christ. They renounced their lawless ways. I received a letter recently, mentioning those men by name, and saying that they were all keen Christians."

HAVE YOU EVER HEARD SUCH?

Said Spurgeon: "I have heard of ministers who can preach a sermon without mentioning the name of Jesus.

"If you ever heard a sermon of that kind, mind that you never heard another again from that man. If a baker once made me a loaf of bread without any flour in it, I would take good care that he should never make a loaf for me again; and I say the same of a man who can preach a Christ-less Gospel. Let those go and hear him who do not value their immortal souls; but, dear friends, your soul and mine are too precious to be placed at the mercy of such a preacher."

GOD'S BOUNTIFUL SUPPLY

Maria and her husband are members of the Bible Temple in San Jose, Costa Rica, South America. They live in that section behind the cemetery where the houses are made of scraps of tin, canvas, wood—anything that can be collected for nothing. Maria's husband works when

he can get work, which is not frequent. One Friday when a friend paid her a visit, Maria's face was lit up with something which she couldn't have gotten from the unhappy drabness of her surroundings. "We have so much to thank the Lord for," she began, and then told the story of the Lord's supply of all their need.

One day Maria went to her husband and asked for "un cinco" (five cents) to buy coffee for breakfast. But her husband's pockets were empty. The man felt rather bad about this, and decided to tell the Lord of their need and remind Him of His promise, "My God shall supply all your need."

While he was still on his knees, praying, through the door of the hut came a faint, delicious odor of coffee. "Lord," he said, "it isn't fair to tantalize me with the smell of coffee if Thou are not going to give us some. Give me work so that I may have a few cents to give Maria the next time she asks me."

A few minutes later a neighbor called outside, and for a short while Maria's husband stood in the door in neighborly conversation. But as they were talking he noticed a package lying on the road just in front of him, and something that looked like brown sand spilled out from it.

"Did you drop that?" Juan asked his neighbor. No, he hadn't even noticed it before. When Juan picked it up it was a bag with at least three pounds of good, fine grade coffee.

"Did you see anyone pass by that might have dropped it?" Juan asked again. "No," said the neighbor, "no one has been by here for quite a while."

Whose coffee could it be? No one in that neighborhood ever bought more than five or at the most ten cents' worth of coffee at one time. Juan asked around, and it belonged to no one. No one knew anything of it. It seemed that God had immediately answered the prayer of need, the prayer of faith.—Grace E. Strachan in the *Latin American Evangelist*.

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REPORTS FROM THE REAPERS

BYERS, TEXAS—A four weeks' revival was just closed here. Several people were saved and 2 filled with the Holy Ghost as in Acts 2:4.—Mr. and Mrs. John Hart, Evangelists.

HOGENVILLE, GA.—We have had a very successful meeting at this new field. Sixteen have received the Baptism in the Holy Ghost. The meeting is still in progress.—W. A. Robinson, Evangelist.

ROOSEVELT, OKLA.—In this new work we just closed a 4 weeks revival. At first the people were very prejudiced but with the co-operation of a few saints and our Brother and Sister Stafford God blessed. Neighboring churches are encouraged to help Brother and Sister Stafford who are laboring here so faithfully.—Ted Stephens, Evangelist.

MERIDIAN, MISS.—A 3 weeks meeting with R. E. Gilliam, North Little Rock, Ark., has been closed here. Thirteen were baptized in water and 23 received the Baptism in the Holy Ghost. Brother McCafferty, Fort Worth, Texas has been conducting Bible studies with us, which are a great blessing to the saints. There is good interest in every department of the church.—P. F. Ramsey, Pastor.

SAINT JO, TEXAS—We began our revival Aug. 7 with Evangelist J. C. Felbert, Alvord, Texas, and Paul Zook and his Hawaiian Trio, rendering special music and songs each night. Brother Felbert's stirring messages touched the hearts of sinners and gave the saints a new zeal for God. There were 9 saved, 2 filled with the Holy Ghost, and 10 baptized in water.—John Nothof, Pastor.

(Near) **CHOWCHILLA, CALIF.**—W. A. Frazier became the pastor of Alamo Church in June. The church has been wonderfully blessed through his ministry. Simply and plainly he preaches the "old-time gospel." Although a country church only 3½ years old we have had 110 in Sunday School. In our regular services souls are saved and filled with the Holy Ghost. The Lord has so manifested Himself, that the backslidden have been reclaimed while sitting in the congregation. The Lord has richly blessed and helped us to meet our financial needs. Council brethren passing by are invited to visit us.—Mrs. Lillian Bacon, Sunday School Secretary.

MACON, GA.—August 18 brought to a close a 4 weeks revival conducted by Carl Perry and William MaHarry, Evangelists. Twenty-seven were saved and 7 received the Baptism in the Holy Spirit according to Acts 2:4. This was one of the most successful revivals the church has ever had. Our Tabernacle was filled to capacity on Sunday nights and week-night services were well attended. Sunday School attendance during the revival broke all records. Everyone enjoyed the "Children's Booster Choir." The last night of the meeting was a fellowship service with the evident blessing of God upon it.—Earl A. Crawford, Pastor.

BROWNWOOD, TEXAS—We came here a year ago, and began holding services in a private home. We found about three families of a like faith. God made it possible through Ethel Pelton to secure two houses on one lot, listed to sell for \$2,400, mortgaged for \$1,600. She said she would take \$100 for her equity. We raised the money, and built a 42x70 rock building paying about \$800 of the expense. The work was donated. We had the building about finished, when J. W. Harper conducted a 2-weeks revival for us. Four weeks later we had another revival, conducted by Evangelist and Mrs. Johnnie Bell, of Snyder. Last Thursday, at 3 a. m. the church and parsonage burned to the ground, leaving us nothing but a vacant lot. Now we must rebuild. We had insurance on the building, but not on our furniture.—E. C. Tohey, General Delivery.

SYLVAN LAKE, CAN.—Sunnyside Camp and Conference, under the auspices of the Alberta District Pentecostal Assemblies was opened here, July 9. In the opening

services the ministry of D. N. Buntain, General Superintendent, was made a rich blessing. Then Evelyn Olsen, Tacoma, Wash., and Watson Argue, Winnipeg, Manitoba were the speakers. It was impossible to keep a close count, but we believe a conservative estimate would be about 55 received the Baptism in the Holy Spirit. Perhaps 40 or more accepted the Lord for salvation, and on the closing Saturday afternoon, 44 were baptized in Sylvan Lake. The altars were always quickly filled, and in the afternoon healing service many were swept off their feet as Miss Olsen prayed for them. Cash and pledge offerings were raised, which will go a long way toward meeting the financial obligations on the Camp property and buildings.—George R. Upton, District Superintendent.

COMING MEETINGS

Due to the fact that the Evangel is made up 14 days before the date which

appears upon it, all notices should reach us 16 days before that date.

ST. CLOUD, MINN.—Meetings now in progress, L. O. Rynning, Rockford, Ill., Evangelist.—Fred Gottwald, Pastor.

MUSKOGEE, OKLA.—Sept. 8, for 3 weeks, Jean Benefiel, Evangelist.—V. H. Ray, Pastor.

COLUMBIA, PA.—Sept. 4, for 3 weeks or longer; Gay Benson, Evangelist.—Earl W. Winand, Pastor.

AMES, IOWA—Sept. 15, for 3 weeks or longer; Ernest L. Powlesland, Evangelist. D. E. Skiles is pastor.—By Evangelist.

FERRIDAY, LA.—Sept. 8, for 2 weeks or longer; Z. J. Launius, Evangelist.—W. W. Hall, Pastor.

MICHIGAN CITY, IND.—Up-town Theater, Sept. 15—Oct. 13; Louise Nankivell, Evangelist.—James M. Rice, Pastor.

CINCINNATI, OHIO—1224 Race Street, Sept. 8—29; Evangelist Harvey McAlister, and daughter, Eileen.—O. E. Nash, Pastor.

ENGLEWOOD, COLO.—4100 S. Lincoln, August 25—; V. S. Sanders Evangelistic Party.—M. W. Roll, Pastor.

EVERETT, WASH.—26th and Oakes Ave., Sept. 8—; Hattie Hammond, Evangelist.—C. E. Butterfield.

LAMESA, TEXAS—Sept. 9, for 3 weeks or longer; W. H. Norris, Evangelist. W. M. Bozeman, Pastor.—By Evangelist.

TAFT, CALIF.—314 Asher Ave., Sept. 22—Oct. 13, Smith and Rogers, Illinois. Evangelists.—J. K. Gressett, Pastor.

INTERNATIONAL FALLS, MINN.—Sept. 15, for 2 weeks, Walter C. Anderson, Evangelist.—Gerald F. Houk, Pastor.

ST. LOUIS, MO.—Palm St. at Jefferson Ave., Sept. 8—; Youth Revival, Theodore E. Ness, Minneapolis, Minn., Evangelist. Henry Hoar, Pastor.—By Evangelist.

STONEWALL, MISS.—Meeting in progress, Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Bartlett, Fort Worth, Texas, Evangelists.—E. E. Noland, Pastor.

SPRINGFIELD, MASS.—Springfield and Armory Sts., Sept. 22—Oct. 13, M. W. Richards, Wilmington, Delaware, Evangelist.—Wm. J. Belbin, Pastor.

STEVENS POINT, WIS.—1128 So. Church St., Sept. 4, for 2 weeks or longer, Mr. and Mrs. Wilson R. Lamb, Evangelists.—N. L. Shotwell, Pastor.

HILLSBORO, TEXAS—Liberty Temple, Sept. 15, for 2 weeks; Martin Luther Davidson, Denver, Colo., Evangelist.—Charles R. Jones, Pastor.

PITTSBURGH, PA.—Bethel Tabernacle, Union Ave., below East Ohio St., N. S.; Sept. 8—29; Otto J. Klink, Evangelist.—H. C. McKinney, Pastor.

KEYSER, W. VA.—Lime Stone Road, Tent Meeting; Sept. 1—29; Peter and Verna Saleskey, Evangelists.—By Evangelist.

POTTSVILLE, PA.—Rear 301 S. Centre St., Sept. 8 for 2 weeks or longer; Amelia Joseph and Verna Jones, Evangelists.—Mal Kerr, Pastor.

CASSVILLE, MO.—Sept. 8—; Alma Bryant, Tampa, Fla., Evangelist. Neighboring assemblies invited to co-operate.—Oscar Fox, Pastor.

SHELANDOAH, IOWA—1108 W. Lowell Ave., Sept. 1, for 4 weeks; Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Hoole, California, Evangelists.—Benson B. Compton, Pastor.

TAHOKA, TEXAS—Sept. 8—; Myrtle Waitford and Fredona Amerman, Okla., Evangelists.—Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Adams, Pastors.

TULSA, OKLA.—Aug. 29; Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Byerly, Buffalo, N. Y., Evangelists. Neighboring assemblies invited to co-operate.—Curtis Brown, Pastor.

BIG STONE GAP, VA.—East 6 St., and Shaunce Ave., Sept. 5—; E. Koonce and P. Sample, St. Louis, Mo., Evangelists.—Audell L. Todd, Pastor.

ST. LOUIS, MO.—6524 Easton Ave., Tent Revival, Sept. 1, for 3 weeks or longer; Letha Like and Mildred Snook, Evangelists.—Clarence Wiegand, Pastor.

ESPELLINE, TEXAS—Sept. 8, 2 weeks or longer, Mr. and Mrs. B. H. Givens, Wellington, Texas, Evangelists.—Arthur Price, Pastor.

MARYSVILLE, OHIO—Glad Tidings Tabernacle, Sept. 15—; Dorcas Blakeney, Kitchener, Ont., Evangelist.—Wesley C. Wibey, Pastor.

LAUREL, MISS.—15th Ave., and 10 St., Sept. 3—15 or longer; Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Bartlett, Fort Worth, Texas, Evangelists.—Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Cook, Pastors.

SHAWANO, WIS.—Now in progress, through Sept. 22, K. L. Goady, Denver, Colo., Evangelist.—L. Victor Peterson, Pastor.

GOOSE CREEK, TEXAS—Trinity Tabernacle, Sept. 3—22. Neighboring assemblies invited to co-operate.—Troy B. Helms, Pastor.

FREELAND, PA.—Front and Birkbeck Sts., Sept. 15—Oct. 6, Kenneth M. Haystead, Evangelist.—J. Grayson Jones, Pastor.

NEW HAVEN, CONN.—Calvary Gospel Temple, Sept. 15—22; Special "Deeper Life" Convention, Allan A. Swift, President of Eastern Bible Institute, Green Lane, Pa., Speaker.—Clinton E. Finch, Pastor.

ESSEX, MD.—Aug. 25—Sept. 22, Tent revival, Mace and Beck Sts.; Mary K. Murphy, Winchester, Va., Evangelist. Neighboring assemblies invited to co-operate.—John P. Hall, Pastor.

DETROIT, MICH.—16760 Lahser Ave., Sept. 19—29; Deeper Life meetings, Neils P. Thomsen, Canton, Ohio, Speaker. Near-by assemblies and pastors invited to co-operate.—James A. Davis, Pastor.

BINGHAMTON, N. J.—Conklin Ave., and High St., Sept. 8, continuing as the Lord leads; except Monday and Saturday; Mattie Howard, Evangelist.—John Kellner, Pastor.

SAN DIEGO, CALIF.—6th Ave. and Fir St., beginning Sept. 3; Percy and Dorothy King, "King's Musical Messengers," Niagara Falls, N. Y.—E. E. Fullerton, Pastor.

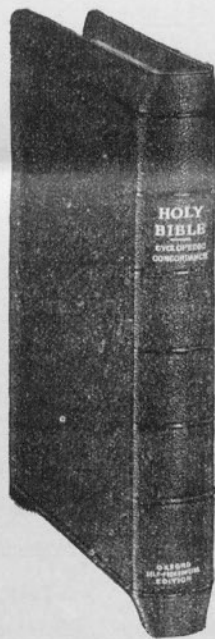
MASSAPEQUA, N. Y.—Central Park Pentecostal Church, Bethpage, L. I., N. Y.; Sept. 10, for 3 weeks, Alexander Clattenburg, Evangelist.—Clayton E. Baish, Pastor.

CHICAGO, ILL.—2715 North Avenue, Youth Evangelistic Campaign, Sept. 15—22, Morse Ward, Evangelist. Brother Ward will speak over the Christian Business Men's Noon Hour Broadcast. Radio Station WJJD, 1130 Kil.—J. Robert Ashcroft, Pastor.

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FALL CONVENTIONS, WEST TEXAS DISTRICT

South Plains Section, Sept. 17-18; Pecos Section, Sept. 19-20; Central Plains Section, Sept. 25-26—H. M. Reeves, District Superintendent, Box 1404, Plainview, Texas.

MEXICAN CONVENTION

A Convention of the Assemblies of God in Mexico will be held in Mexico City, D. F., Sept. 24-29. A great spiritual feast is expected. Plan to attend.—Ruben O. Medina, Pastor, Calle de Plomeros 81, Mexico, D. F.

NEW ENGLAND DISTRICT COUNCIL

The 18th annual Council of the New England District will convene at 113 Hawthorne St., Chelsea, Mass., Oct. 8-9. J. Earle Douglas is pastor. First meeting 9:30 Tuesday. W. A. Brown, Lancaster, Pa., will be guest speaker.—H. H. Shelley, Secretary, Cumberland Mills, Me.

LITTLEFIELD, TEXAS—Central Plains Convention, Sept. 25-26.

First service, 10 A. M. Those desiring credentials should appear before committee then. Dinner on grounds, Sept. 25. Rooms provided for visitors as far as possible. A. J. Williams, Pastor.—J. W. Tucker, Presbyter, Box 141, Turkey, Texas.

KANSAS SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTIONS

Eldorado, Sept. 9, 7:30; Caldwell, Sept. 10, 2:00; Medicine Lodge, 7:30; Greensburg, Sept. 11, 2:00; Dodge City, 7:30; Liberal, Sept. 12, 2:00; Garden City, 7:30; Ness City, Sept. 13, 2:00; Great Bend, 7:30.—P. D. Pittman, District Sunday School Secretary, 1911 Rhode Island, Lawrence, Kansas.

OKLAHOMA DISTRICT COUNCIL

TULSA, OKLA.—The 25th annual Council of the Oklahoma District will convene in Convention Hall, 101 West Brady St., Sept. 23-27. General Superintendent E. S. Williams will be present. First service, afternoon of 23rd, in charge of the Christ's Ambassadors. G. W. Hardcastle, 1022 N. W. 22nd St., Oklahoma City, Okla., District Superintendent.—W. S. Bragg, Box 128, Okmulgee, Okla., Secretary-Treasurer.

EASTERN DISTRICT PRAYER CONFERENCE

Eastern District Prayer Conference, Glad Tidings Tabernacle, 330 W. Windsor St., Reading, Pa., Ralph F. Bender, Pastor, Sept. 25-27. Superintendent Flem Van Meter and other ministers will be speakers. Services, 9, 2, and 7:30. Accommodations free as far as possible. Meals served on the free-will offering plan. All planning to attend please write to Ralph F. Bender, 318 W. Douglas St., Reading, Pa.—Frederick D. Drake, Prayer League Leader.

WEST FLORIDA DISTRICT COUNCIL

West Florida District Council will meet at Marianna, Fla., Oct. 1, 10:00 A. M., for 2 days on the camp ground. The ordination, resolution, and character committees will meet Sept. 30, 10:00 A. M. C. A. delegates will meet A. L. Williams, C. A. President, at 10:00 A. M. Mon. We expect to take care of all ministers, delegates and visitors as far as means will permit. For further information write T. A. Hall or R. C. Mitchell, each Marianna, Fla., or R. M. Miller, Cottondale, Fla.—R. M. Miller, Superintendent.

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

CESTES, OKLA.—All-day Fellowship Meeting, Sept. 10. Dinner on the grounds. C. A. Rally at night.—W. P. McCaskey, Pastor.

EAKLEY, OKLA.—Fellowship meeting, Sept. 10; first service, 10 A. M. Everyone invited; bring basket lunch.—C. J. Brown, Pastor.

BROWNWOOD, TEXAS—San Angelo Sectional Fellowship Meeting, Sept. 9-10. F. D. Davis and other ministers will be with us.—E. C. Tobey, Pastor.

BUTLER, MO.—Kansas City Sectional Fellowship Meeting, Sept. 9. Services 10:30, 2:30, C. A. rally 7:45. Bring basket dinner, special songs, and musical instruments.—J. L. O'Dell, Sectional Secretary-Treasurer, 1506 Van Brunt Blvd., Kansas City, Mo.

NORTH KANSAS CITY, MO.—Tri-State C. A. Rally, 810 E. 21st St., Sept. 23.—Raymond Phillips is pastor. Services and speakers: 2:30, V. Shores, Elwood, Kansas; 6:30, Junior C. A. Service, Mrs. Glenn McClure, Speaker; 7:45, D. A. Hasler, Newton, Iowa.—Robert L. Oney, Excelsior Springs, Mo., Sectional Vice President.

CHICAGO, ILL.—2nd United Full Gospel Youth Rally, Sept. 13-14; at Chicago Gospel Tabernacle, Clark, Barry, and Halsted Streets. Services, Friday, 6:30 P. M.; Saturday, 10:30, 2:00, and 6:30. Speakers, A. A. Wilson, Morse Ward, Lester Sumrall, Sidney Correll, and Evert Chamberlain. Lodging will be provided as far as possible for out-of-town visitors. Please communicate with J. Robert Ashcroft, 4647 N. Monticello Ave., Telephone, Keystone or Humboldt 0883.—J. Robert Ashcroft, Chairman.

SANDUSKY, OHIO—Northwestern Ohio District Fellowship Meeting, in tent, Sadler and Farwell Sts., Sept. 9. Mrs. Tillie Hershey is pastor. Services and speakers: 2:30, R. A. Hoffman; 6:00, ministers' meeting; 7:30, John Kabisch.—R. A. Hoffman, Secretary-Treasurer, 636 Lyon St., Fostoria, Ohio.

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Evangelistic

W. H. Norris, 313 W. Grand, Clovis, New Mex.

MISCELLANEOUS NOTICES

NEW ADDRESS—1026 3rd Ave., Great Falls, Mont.—W. Paul Jones.

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NEW ADDRESS—Tohoka, Texas. "We have accepted the pastorate here."—Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Adams.

NEW ADDRESS—Havana, Ark. "We have accepted the pastorate here."—Pastor and Mrs. Fred C. Sampson.

NEW ADDRESS—1421 E. 12th St., Trenton, Mo.—Roy E. Scott, Superintendent, West Central District.

NEW ADDRESS—710 Knox St., Houston, Texas. "We have accepted the pastorate here. First Assembly of God Church."—Joseph F. Sharp, Pastor.

NEW ADDRESS—4603 8th St., Meridian, Miss. "I have accepted the pastorate here."—Harvey L. Smith, District Secretary.

NEW ADDRESS—1904 N. Main St., Rockford, Illinois. "I have accepted the pastorate here. Council brethren passing this way will find a warm welcome."—Roy L. Buckley, Pastor.

NEW ADDRESS—723 Ada St., Boise, Idaho. "I have resigned the pastorate of Stone Tabernacle, Springfield, Mo., to enter the evangelistic field. Mrs. Fagerstrom and I will be open for meetings in the Northwest District."—E. W. Fagerstrom, Evangelist.

BROADCASTS

ENID, OKLA.—"Healing Revival," Oklahoma Network, Inc., beginning Oct. 1; Stations KADA-Ada; KBIX-Muskogee; KCRG-Enid; KGFF-Shawnee; KOME-Tulsa; Mondays, Tuesday, and Wednesdays, 7:00-7:15 A. M.—Clara Classen, Evangelist.

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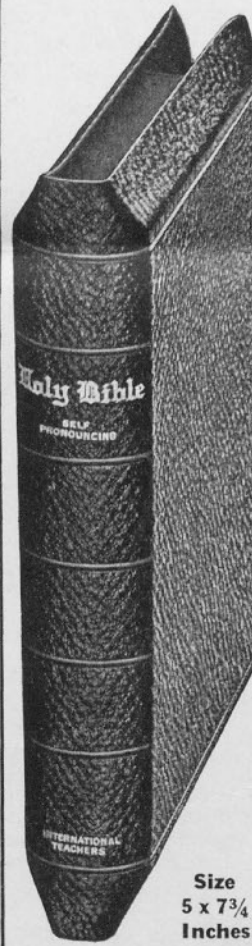


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