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# "No More a Pricking... Thorn" 

Joy to the world, the Lord is come, Let earth receive her King!

No more let sin and sorrozo reign, Nor Thorns infest the ground!

Belma Anque

## No more thorns!

Before the birth of Christ, the angel Gabriel saluted the maiden Mary thus: "Hail, thou that art highly favored, the Lord is with thee. . . . Thou shalt bring forth a Son, and shalt call His Name JESUS." During the waiting time, Mary sang the noblest of songs: "My soul doth magnify the Lord, and my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Saviour." But when Mary with Joseph took the new born Infant to the temple, the aged Simeon blessed them, then turned and said to Mary, "Yea, a sword shall pierce through thine own soul also."

## No more thorns!

Thorns probably grew around the stable door, when the Star was shining down. Thorns doubtless pierced the childhood feet of the little Lord Jesus. Thorns pierced His heart many times during His earthly ministry. As often He looked up from a work of mercy, Judas would be there. Unbelievers and scoffers would be there; spies, feigning themselves just men that they might take hold on His words, so that He was "grieved for the hardness of their hearts." Cruel briars, indeed!

## No more thorns!

Thorns! At the last, "the soldiers platted a crown of thorns and put it on His head." Ah, that last day, He wore a CROWN OF THORNS. Wonderfully significant was this crown to prove, till that day of deliverance comes for which "the whole creation groaneth and travaileth in pain together."

When God created the world, there were no thorns. "God saw everything that He had made, and behold it was very good." But when $\sin$ and disobedience came, a change quickly followed. Thorns were now to appear for the first time. "Cursed is the ground . . . thorns and thistles shall it bring forth."

Evidence soon appeared. The poison briar of hatred found root in the heart of Cain, who slew his devout brother Abel. Thorns have continued to pierce the hearts of the godly down through the ages.
Enoch was pricked and wounded by the evil of his day.
Noah was pierced by thorns of ridicule and scorn.
Abraham had a thorn in his nephew, Lot.

Isaac had a pricking thorn in Ishmael, who mocked him. "But as then he that was
"And there shall be no more a pricking briar ... nor any grieving thorn . . . they shall dwell safely . . build houses . .. plant vineyards . .. dwell with confidence." Ezekiel 28:24, 25.

born after the flesh persecuted him that was born after the Spirit, even so it is now.

Jacob had a pricking thorn in Esau.
Joseph had a grieving thorn in his brethren who sold him, though later he confessed, "Now it was not you who sold me hither, but God."

Moses had a rankling briar in Pharaoh, who long resisted the commandment of God: "Let my people go!"

Caleb and Joshua had bitterly pricking thorns in the negative report of the ten
plane was falling directly on my home," she writes. "I dropped on my knees and besought God to spare my home. As if by a miracle the course of the falling plane was altered, and it fell in an open field, not far away." This writer said most of her neighbors had closed up their houses and gone away, granting her permission to use anything she wished from their gardens. Boarded homes! Deserted gardens! How sad! Thank God, there is coming a better day when Christ returns to reign, when again they shall "BUILD HOUSES, PLANT VINEYARDS DWELL SAFELY."

## No more thorns!

For a mother, endeavoring to bring up a family, this is not an easy time. I talked recently with a very noble Catholic grandmother, who is now raising her third "family." Her mother dying when she was but twelve, she brought up her own four younger brothers. Then she reared a large family of her own, saving her six children with her own hands from a terrible fire in which she was grievously scarred for life. A year ago her married daughter died, leaving a
unbelieving spies, "We be not able to go up against the people!"

Saul's javelin was as a grieving thorn to David; and the jealous tactics of his rivals, as pricking briars to faithful Daniel. So also was the edict to the three Hebrew children to bow and worship the golden image. Christ's disciples had thorns of bitter persecutions, and even the venerable Apostle Paul admitted, "Lest I should be exalted . . . there was given to me a thorn."

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WAR TIME is particularly a time of thorns. The mother surrenders her son. The wife surrenders her husband. The child gives up its father. The happy home, once builded with great exhilaration and joy, is now evacuated, or demolished. "Changes and war are against me." Job 10:17.

## No more thorns!

For the home owners is coming a happy time, when they shall sit, "every man under his own vine and fig tree." None shall molest nor make afraid. It is not yet that happy time. I have been loaned a letter written by a lady living on the east coast of England, in which she describes the arrays of attacking planes whose course is directly over her home on their way to London. Defense planes come out and meet them there. "On one occasion a burning
son of eleven, and a daughter thirteen for the grandmother now to care for in her later years. She told me it is different now. Much harder. "Those movies!" she exclaimed with grief. "Children skip school to go, and on Saturday one can see the movie house surrounded by young boys who will sell bottles, or steal, or do anything, only to get inside, and a lot of things do they learn that are no good at all." I once had a devout Jewish grandmother tell me that never in her life had she entered a "show," nor would she, so careful was she lest she should grieve Jehovah God.

## No more thorns!

Danger, suspense, uncertainty, are most grievous thorns, which shall some day be no more. A letter in the Ottawa daily press, sent by a man to his brother here describes such a night of anxiety: "On this particular night the gunfire was incessant more severe than usual. We had gone into our shelter. The bombs were commencing to drop in our immediate vicinity. I told them all when they heard one coming down to cover their heads with covers in case of flying glass. We counted seven or eight (one can hear them six or seven seconds before they reach the ground, depending on the altitude of the plane). They sound like a safety valve on an engine blowing off steam, except
they gain in noise as they approach the earth. This particular one that did the damage must have been a 500 pound high explosive. I heard it sizzling down, louder and louder. I thought to myself, 'This is the finish.' I ducked under the covers and braced myself for the shock. There was a terrific shriek over the house, and then a tremendous crash. We were covered with broken glass. Sand bags were broken. We were showered with sand.
"I raised my head cautiously and called out, 'Anybody injured?' and they answered 'No', but in very faint and squeaky voices. We were unable to strike a light. I told them to stay put while I took a look. I could not see the house opposite, as it had been completely destroyed, and distributed all over the place. Fortunately there was no one in it. In their front garden was a a huge crater still smoking. The police sent me back into the house. They told me to not move an inch, as there had been a number of time bombs dropped. I went back and we had to sit in the dark, unable to move because of broken, glass, from 11:30 until 6 in the morning."

But thorns have their beneficial side. A flower never seems so fair as when contrasted with thorns. "My love is as a lily among thorns." Even secular writers are admittnig this. Sir Hugh Walpole recently made this comment: "I believe this war short of defeat, will save England. Save England from what? Selfishness, greed, snobbery, sloth. . . . During the last twenty years England was in danger of losing these virtues. Our post-war (1914) writers most loudly praised by the critics have been cynics to a man. Almost without exception every modern poet . . . has scoffed at God.
. We were falling asleep."
So thorns have a mission, to pierce us lest we forget, and fall asleep. Ancient Rome thrived in the days of stern discipline but fell into decay when her people reveled in the spectacular pleasures of the great coliseums, and habituated the Roman public baths, with their extravagant luxuries. Likewise our favored continent thrived under the rigors facing the early Pilgrim Fathers, whereas today the fibres of soundness in the national foundations are being undermined and weakened by such ideals of selfishness and luxury as are daily taught to millions in such houses of pleasure as "movie" palaces or night clubs.

Yes, thorns have a mission.
> 'Tis alone of His appointing That our feet on thorns have trod; Suffering, pain, renunciation, Only bring us nearer God.

But some day the mission of the thorns will be fulfilled. They will grow no more
To the believer, the Crown of Thorns that adorned the sacred brow of Christ has wonderful significance. We see there the end of the curse of a broken law. "Christ hath redeemed us from the curse of the law, being made a curse for us." Some day this accomplished fact will be shown forth in all creation, when it is gloriously renewed to its original perfection. No injurious insects then to eat the fruit of the ground. No dust storms to blow away the rich top soil. No disease on plant life, nor animal life, nor on man, for "a child

shall die being a hundred years old." Wild beasts then will become serene and friendly to man, the lion and the lamb lying down together, and "a little child shall lead them."

Nations too shall prosper gloriously in that coming golden age. Our day is the day of Joel 3:9:, "Prepare war; wake up the mighty men." But that day, "neither shall they learn war any more.'
Meantime should we shrink too quickly, as individual Christians, from some thorns along our pathway? Far reaching benefits may be meant therefrom.
Piercing thorns have brought forth many of our richest hymns. Elizabeth Clephane, when just twenty-one years of age, received word, with the rest of the family in Scotland, that her brother, George Clephane (sent to Canada on a monthly remittance from home because he could not make good at home) had one night fallen by the road at Fergus, Ontario, drunken, lying there in the cold all night. The following morning he was carried to a doctor's home, and nursed carefully, but failed to rally from the exposure, and died. All the family felt the disgrace of the tragedy most keenly, especially the 21 year old girl Elizabeth. Did her brother believe on the Lord before he died? Surely as she loved him, the Lord did too. She wrote some verses, to pour out the anguish of her heart, and these were the words; they began
"There were ninety and nine that safely lay In the shelter of the fold,
But one was out on the hills away,
Far off from the gates of gold:
Away on the mountains wild and bare,
Away from the tender Shepherd's care."
Rather ashamed of her verses and the grief they represented, the young girl hid them. Elizabeth Clephane died some time

later, but her mother found these verses locked in her desk after her death, and they were printed in a Scottish newspaper. Ira D. Sankey "chanced" to purchase a copy of that very paper before getting on a train in Scotland with Mr. Moody. On the journey he noticed the verses and read them to Mr. Moody, who was too preoccupied to notice them. At the meeting several hours later in Edinburgh Mr. Moody preached on the Good Shepherd, and at the close, asked Mr. Sankey to sing something on the subject. He remembered the little poem thrust in his pocket, and trusting the Lord for the tune, took it out, and began to sing it, the Spirit of the Lord giving him the music note by note for the now famous hymn, as he went along. The result was a stirring such as that city had never known, resulting in a tremendous revival, with thousands finding Christ. But it went back to the breaking heart of a young girl over the death of her wild brother far, far away.

Luther began writing his great Reformation hymns when his heart was stirred to its depths by the martyrdom of two young men, who said, as the flames were lighted, "Behold blossoms are springing about our feet. Now we seem to lie upon a bed of roses." Such hymns resulted, as, "A Mighty Fortress is our God: A Refuge Never Failing," and many others.

Edward Perronet, who wrote the majestic hymn, "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name," wrote it out of persecution. Charles Wesley writing of him, about an occasion when he was with John Wesley, said that the "mob immediately closed in, threw him down, rolled him in the mire, so that when he scrambled from them and got into the who he was, but he took it very patiently." From such a background and experience came so noble a flower.

Thomas Kelley, who wrote the great hymn, "The Head that once was crowned with thorns," also, "Look, ye saints, the sight is glorious," was disciplined severely for preaching in so-called "unconsecrated places" so that he was obliged to leave the established church and go where there were humbler openings. Out of the persecutions heaped upon the early Methodists came the sweet hymns of Charles Wesley, singing his sweetest lyrics in the face of his oppressors as, "Jesus, Lover of My Soul."

Fair flowers may blossom forth in these thorny and difficult times, that easier times would never have called forth; lovely blossoms of hope in the darkness; renewed faith through adversity, valiant courage in danger. May these thorny times, too, stir us to be fully awake to our present privileges, of which many are now deprived and to remember the early witnesses for Jesus, how they delighted to witness for Him 'mid flame and sword, so that we too will prize and honor each opportunity, great or small to give forth a fragrant witness to His blessed Name.

We must look the church and the world in the face, and dare to believe God, as Luther did, refusing to conform to any age or party, but accepting and doing only the will of God.

Few are able to hold steady while the chisel of Deity is being applied to their lives, to refashion them into the image of their Master.

## "Oh, Jesus, You'ue Came!"

## A True Stary by Mrs. E. .. Hazeltan

Kuei-hsiang crept to the edge of the brick bed on which the thin form of her mother lay.
"Niang," she murmured, "here is your food." The sick woman raised herself with great difficulty and sipped a bit of the thin millet broth the little girl had prepared. "Thank you, little daughter," she whispered. "I couldn't manage without-you."
"Niang," the child exclaimed, "do you feel no better?"
Her mother shook her head. "No, little one. I am-no better-rather-I seem togrow weaker, Kuei-hsiang," she whispered, her breath more laboured with each word. "I think Jesus-is going to take-me to Heaven," she added, slowly. "I wouldbe very happy-to go-if I did not-have to-leave you alone."
"Oh, Niang," sobbed the child. "What will become of me if Jesus takes you away? I shall be so frightened here all alone. Don't go, Mother, oh, don't leave me!"
The suffering woman stretched out a wasted hand and began to smooth the straight, dark hair. "Don't grieve, Precious Fragrance. I-should like to stay-and care for you-but Jesus knows-best. Do not be-afraid. When I am gone-Jesus will take-care of you."

Gradually the child's sobs grew easier and she was quiet, soothed by her mother's words.

An epidemic of fever had struck the lit tle village, and home after home had been broken by death in a few hours. Kueihsiang's father, older brother, and little baby sister were the first to take ill. Now they were gone and her mother was desperately ill. So it is little wonder she was so terrified at being alone.
The next morning Kuei-hsiang awoke from a troubled sleep with a start-all her fear crowding in upon her. Her mother lay motionless on the far side of the brick bed. With terror in her heart, Kuei-hsiang crawled over and touched the hand that was stretched out toward her as though in a last gesture of protection. The hand was icy cold-sometime in the night that which was

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her mtoher had left the earthly shell and Kuei-hsiang was alone.
With a scream she threw herself across her mother's body and sobbed out her terror and grief. At last she was quiet, too exhausted by her grief to care to move.; Then, as she lay there, she seemed to hear the echo of her mother's sweet voice. "Don't be afraid. When I am gone, Jesus will take care of you," and remembered her mother's words. Cheered, in spite of her great sorrow, she dried her tears and went next door.
"Liu Nai-Nai," she called, as she went through the gateway of the home next door, that of a very distant relative. "Liu NaiNai," she repeated as an elderly, dishevelled woman appeared at the door.
"My mother died last night. Could you come over and help get her ready for burial? Here is a little money-will it buy a coffin?"
"There are no coffins to buy, child," the woman answered, wearily. "There are too many dead. We shall be fortunate if we can find a straw mat to wrap her in. You run along now, and we'll be over tomorrow to take care of everything. It can't be done today-my son is to be buried today." And throwing her apron over her head she broke into the awful wail of mourning for her dead.

The next afternoon, after the funeral, Kuei-hsiang crept home, to a cheerless, empty house. No one seemed to remember that she had no one to whom she could go. Those who had spared time to help in the simple burial (there was no time for the usual ceremonies with death still hovering in so many homes) had too many griefs of their own to trouble long over a little girl.
"Now Jesus will soon come for me," she said to herself as, dressed in her best clothes, with freshly scrubbed face and hands, and neatly combed hair, she lay down to wait for Jesus. But no one came and at last she fell into a troubled sleep and slept until morning. All the next day she waited for Jesus who, her mother had told her, would take care of her.

The long day stretched on in emptiness until the deep shadows began to gather. Suddenly Kuei-hsiang felt she could not spend another night alone. Lonely and frightened she sped through the silent village, down the narrow footpath, and came at last to her mother's grave on a narrow bit of uncultivated land lying between the fields.
"Oh, Niang, Niang," she sobbed, as she threw herself on the grave. "Why did you leave me? You said Jesus would take care of me, but He hasn't come. Perhaps He has forgotten me. I am so frightened and lonely. Oh, Niang, what shall I do?"

An old man was strolling along the narrow path in the late evening. He did not hurry for that would have been undignified, but he was a bit eager to get home. He had not traveled this way before and could not tell why he had taken this direction today It had been very foolish of him, he mused, for he might easily get lost on a strange road after dark.


Suddenly he paused, a strange sound making him forget his own worries. Why, it sounded as though a child were crying! And then he saw, just a short distance from the path, a shadowy figure of a child weeping in utter abandonment. Crossing over to the grave, the man asked, "Child, why are you weeping here? It is nearly night and you should be at home.'

At the sound of his voice Kuei-hsiang raised her head. She saw a grey-haired man leaning over her and it seemed to her that he had the kindest face she had ever seen. Springing to her feet, she exclaimed "Oh, Jesus, you've come! Niang said you'd take care of me when she went to heaven. But why did you wait so long? I've been so lonely and frightened. But it is all right now. You've come!"
The old man looked puzzled for a moment, but as the child continued to pour out her gratitude, he began to understand her story and her plight, and said, "I am not Jesus, little girl. But truly He must have sent me to you in your need. I had heard there was another Christian family over this way somewhere. Now, I know why God made me come this new way tonight. Come with me, child, there is room in my home for you."
And Kuei-hsiang went off happily to her new home, confident that Jesus was taking care of her as her mother had said. I think He was, too, don't you?
Whoso shall receive one such little child in my name receiveth me.-Matt. 18:5.

## Outlines for Addresses

We have often been asked to publish a book of sermon outlines, but have not yet got round to it.
However, those who desire to have same will find 52 well-illustrated outlines for messages in each year of Christ's Ambassadors Herald. These outlines are always printed in such a way that each can be cut out separately and pasted into a notebook.
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Someone has said it is not the man who can build the biggest brush-heap that we need, but rather the man who can set his heap on fire for God.

## A Last-Time Message

I know thy works, that thou art neither cold nor hot: I would that thou wert cold or hot. So then because thou art lukewarm and neither cold or hot, I will spue thee out of My mouth." Rev. 3:15, 16.

Here we have a serious indictment against the church by the Head of the church, the One who had a right to know, the only One who could pronounce a right judgment

The Laodicean church was blind, selfcentered and correspondingly weak. The members of the church had increased in material things and lacked nothing; and they set the material standard as the index of the spiritual standard. Rich in material goods and gold, they thought they were rich in spiritual things.

They were not apostate. They were not absolutely dead-there was warmth-life was not extinct. It was a case of suspended animation. Their condition was a result of the reflex action of the activities of the week-the business of the week; and the residue of the strength only was given to the Lord. Increasing goods was the main business, but as for the service of the King, that was given second place.
Christ sees the standard and sees the condition. He says, "I counsel you to buy of Me gold and raiment. Your gold that you are clamoring after, your raiment, the latest spring and fall fashions, cannot satisfy; your gold will not purchase the things of the kingdom, nor will your raiment satisfy Him who is the Head of the church. Receive the tried gold, tried in the fire, gold that has stood the test-transmuted gold-and have the raiment which will cover, effectively cover. And anoint thine eyes with eyesalve that thou mayest see. Satan hath blinded, the cares of this life obscure the vision, things are seen in the wrong perspective, but the eyesalve is available."
Mercy has not entirely gone. To correct them was to show them that they were worth correcting. To be left alone were worse calamity than to be corrected.
"Behold, I stand at the door, and knock if any man hear My voice, and open the door, I will come in to him, and will sup with him and he with Me." The most loving invitation to the most backslidden church! The Shekinah glory that Ezekiel saw was loth to leave the temple. It was ever ready and willing to be invited back. Christ in the church, and in the individual, is a remedy against all backsliding or lukewarmness. The fire of the Holy Ghost makes lukewarmness impossible. The consciousness of failure, of lukewarmness, should bring the cry for fire.
"To him that overcometh will I grant to sit with Me in My throne, even as I also overcame, and am set down with My Father in His throne." There will be some Laodicean overcomers. Enthroned Laodiceans will be a triumph of grace. Saints are inclined to point the finger of scorn at the Laodiceans. Christ, however, points to the throne, the possible throne. The throne
is possible, overcoming is possible, because Christ Himself has overcome and the fact that He has sat down is a proof that He has overcome.
"He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches." Don't let the noise of commercialism, the whirl of traffic, the siren notes of the radio, the clamor of newspaper and magazine stop your ears from hearing what the Spirit says. There is a babel in the counting house, in the street and in the air. He that hath ears to hear, let him hear what the Spirit says. People are busy tuning up to get the wireless messages through the air. How many are tuning up to hear what the Spirit says to the churches? A last-time message for the last days for the last stages of the church of Christ.

Few radios will get the message, "Surely I come quickly;" but it is the last message in the Word-a wireless message from the throne. "Surely I come quickly!" If you are tuned up you will send back to His "Surely I come quickly; Amen," "Even so, come, Lord Jesus." Amen.

## Better Not Get Yout Rights

Many years ago as a little fellow I attended a meeting in Toronto where some difficulty had come up between brethren. My dear mother took me along. "Little pitchers have big ears," and I well rememed and had been taught to respect apparently so indignant with each other. I can remember one man springing to his feet and with clenched fist saying, "I will put up with a good deal, but one thing I will not put up with, I will not allow you to put anything over on me; I will have my rights!"

An old Scotchman who was rather hard


## Cattied by Angels

"Carried by angels"-it is all we know Of how they go;

## We heard it long ago.

It is enough; they are not lonely there, Lost nestlings blown about in fields of air. The angels carry them; the way, they know. Our kind Lord told us so.

- Amy Carmichael
of hearing leaned forward holding his ears and said, "What was that, brother? I did not get that!" "I say, I will have my rights," said the man. "But you did not mean that ; did you? Your rights? If you had your rights you would be in hell; wouldn't you? And you are forgettingaren't you?- that Jesus did not come to get His rights; He came to get His wrongs, and He got them."
I can still see that man standing there for a moment like one transfixed, and then the tears broke from his eyes and he said, "Brethren, I have been all wrong. Handle the case as you think best," and he sat down with his face in his hands and sobbed before the Lord, and everything was settled in three minutes.-From "Addresses on First Corinthians," by Dr. H. A. Ironside.


## THE FAMILY ALTAR

One of the noblest of missionaries was John G. Paton. No man evidenced more heroism and sacrifice than did that kingly wonderful soldier of the Cross. Read the biography of this devoted missionary. You will find on the first page the secret of that life of service, the one memory around which all the rest of Paton's ministry centers. That recollection is of his father with his old family Bible twice a day at the family altar, children all around him hearing the message of God, then down on their knees together. Paton says that in that old home his father's mighty religious influence made him all he was and started his missionary life and work. As you read the rest of his biography, you will find this spiritual influence in operation all through his life.
Boys and girls who are allowed to grow up in and finally go forth from homes in
which the family altar is not regularly maintained, are objects of pity. In these desperate times, when it is so much more difficult for our children to escape the allurements of the world it is nothing less than a tragedy if during their growing years they have to get along without the bracing, guiding, stimulating effect of the family altar.
Realizing this and feeling a deep compassion for our Pentecostal children and young people we have planned and three months ago began publishing "Daily Devotions." It is issued quarterly and contains a moving helpful page of material gathered under the inspiration of the Holy Spirit for the assistance of family heads in making their family altars delightful, and effective in blessing the spiritual lives of the whole household.

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We all seem to have a pretty full revelation of the conditions and times. What we need is a fresh revelation of God to meet the awful conditions of these last times.

He that passeth by, and meddleth with strife belonging not to him, is like one that taketh a dog by the ears. Proverbs 26:17.

# Pressing on for the Prize 

A Message for the New Year by Myer Pearlman

Scripture: Phil. 3:1-11.
In this country unconverted people who lose their temper generally tell their victim to go to a certain place. But it is different among the Tatars, a nomad tribe of Central Assia whose lives depend on moving from one pasture to another. Among them the most terrible curse is, "May you stand in one place forever." And I think that is a curse the enemy would like to put upon us- to get us to stand still and cease to advance in Christian life and experience. Let us then determine to make progress from week to week, month to month, and year to year.
I. THing TO BE FOR GOTTEN
Past failures. What would you think of a man shivering over last year's winter? Foolish, isn't it? And yet many people do worry over past blunders and failures until progress is paralyzed. Let us then as far as possible learn the lesson from our failures and then go on with God.

Past attainments. Som eone asked an artist, "What is your best picture?" His answer was, "The next one." We should thank God for what He has done for us in the past, but we cannot live on past blessings. What we have may be good but sometimes God asks us to give up the good for the sake of the better. May our attitude be, "Hats off to the past ; coats off to the future."

Past wurongs. Solomon said it was a man's "glory to pass over a transgression." Blessed is the man big enough to ignore slights and to forgive wrongs. Surely life is too short and the Lord's work too urgent to be hindered by unloving attitudes. The Master's command is that we forgive as we ourselves have been forgiven.

## II. THINGS TO BE EXPECTED

Trying circumstances. Paul said, "I have learned in whatsoever state I am therewith to be content." Phil. 4:11. Paul says, "I have learned." That is encouraging, for

Grace and peace be multiplied to you! We feel sure that you will praise the Lord with us because His blessing has been upon the work at the Gospel Publishing House during the past year. There has been a most pleasing increase in the circulation of all our publications. Our new quarterly, Daily Devotions, is already being much appreciated and we believe will soon have a real ministry in our fellowship.

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In the Eastern District Bulletin, Wilfred A. Brown, the treasurer of the District, writes: "It is decidedly to our advantage to deal with the Gospel Publishing House that

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our portion will continue to be as generous in the future as it has been in the past two years. It might be well for all our pastors to urge their people to patronize our own Publishing House so that the Eastern District may have more with which to spread the gospel in our parts." Similar sentiments are expressed in the Alabama Messenger, the paper issued by the Alabama District.

The one publication issued at a loss is the Pentecostal Evangel, but we are sure that if we can increase the subscription list to 100,000 during the coming year, the paper will more than pay for itself. May we suggest that every assembly have an Evangel box (sent free on application), and that the pastors draw the attention of the saints to the paper each Sunday and encourage them not only to take a paper for themselves, but several for free distribution. Many could drop a dime in
take 5 copies for distribution.
The price of paper is increasing as well as other items required in the production of our many publications, and because of this we assure you that we shall greatly appreciate your continued loyalty and cooperation.

May God's richest blessing be on you all during the coming year is our prayer.
On behalf of all the staff of the Gospel Publishing House,

Ernest S. Williams
evidently there must have been a time when he too chafed and fretted under trying circumstances. But after all it is not circumstances that influence our character, but our character influences our circumstances. So much labor is wasted in fretting over the inevitable when a quiet surrender to the will of God would bring peace. A Negro was once asked the secret of his unfailing cheer-
self? Yield to the Holy Spirit and let Christ be your other Self. "I live, yet not I but Christ liveth in me."

A shaky world. Screaming newspaper headlines these days make us feel as if we were in a rocking boat, and we are likely to suffer from spiritual seasickness in the form of weakness and depression of heart. As a remedy for spiritual seasickness, be sure to read the fortysixth Psalm at least once a day.
"God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.
"Ther efore 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 streams whereof shall make glad the city of God, the holy place of the tabernacles 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 heathen
fulness. He replied, "Ahs learned de secret of co-operatin' wid de inevitable." Trying people. "I said in my heart, all men are liars," cried the Psalmist. Psalm 116:11. Someone had let him down and he had become cynical, but evidently later he repented because he said that he had spoken in haste. One way we reveal our true character is by our attitude toward uncongenial people. And it is always a good thing to be sure it is the other fellow and not ourselves who is at fault. Our neighbor's linen will look soiled as we see it through our unwashed windows.

Your worst enemy. Who is he? You saw him in the looking glass this morning. He has caused you more trouble than anyone else you can blame. Trouble often comes as a result of doing right, but more often there is an invisible link between a person's heart condition and his circumstances. How shall we get the victory over
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."

Let us take confidence in the fact that we can be "more than conquerors through Him who loved us." The path of spiritual progress may seem very rough at times but perseverance will take us through. Remember the old fable of the two frogs who fell in a pail of cream. One kicked for
little while and gave up the struggle. The her continued kicking until he had churn1 for himself a piece of butter, and resting
on this he got out of his difficulties. Let us be like that second "frog" and keep on going on at any cost until Jesus comes.

## Possessing Our Inheritance

Ernest S. Williams

When Israel was to pass over to possess their inheritance, they were given a grave charge by Moses. "Hear, O Israel: thou art to pass over Jordan this day, to go in to possess nations greater and mightier than thyself, cities great and fenced up to heaven, a people great and tall, the children of the Anakims, whom thou knowest."

Israel furnishes us a striking illustration in connection with our spiritual victories, and why not, since they were God's people being divinely brought into an inheritance of promise? We shall therefore endeavor to catch some spiritual light from their human experience.

First there is the land. It well may be called the land of promise. God had sworn to give it unto Abraham and his seed forever, and had confirmed the promise to Isaac and Jacob. Now He was about to settle the people in the land.

It was a land very different from Egypt and greatly better than the wilderness, "a land of brooks of water, of fountains and depths, that spring from the valleys and hills, a land of wheat and barley and vines, and fig trees, and pomegranates; a land of oil olive and honey; a land wherein thou shalt eat bread without scarceness, thou shalt not lack anything in it; a land whose stones are iron and out of whose hills thou mayest dig brass." Certainly this was a goodly inheritance. Why should Israel not enter? And have not we, children of promise through our Lord Jesus, a goodly inheritance? Why then do so many fail in entering in?
"Thou art to pass over this Jordan." There was but one Jordan and God purposed that the people should pass over at one place the place nearest their encampment. There was no necessity of seeking a narrower channel nor more shallow waters. The command was of God and obedience was required. Means of passage were to be left to God to be divinely provided.

So many feel that they could serve God better were they only permitted to live elsewhere. Recently a young man said, "If only I could move to another city and get away from the old environment!" Some say, "Were circumstances only different with me than they are!"' Ever since the fall of Adam when he blamed responsibility for his $\sin$ upon his wife it has been natural to think that we should be different were we mly differently placed. To us God says, "Cross the Jordan right where you are."
Jordan stands for death, our death in the leath of Christ, who in His death, "died moto sin once" and now liveth unto God. - Ne are to "reckon ourselves dead indeed unto sin, but alive unto God through Jesus Christ our Lord." Carnality and Canaan are at enmity. As we act upon God's word, He meets us, rolls back our Jordan, leads us into Canaan, and frees us from sin
and the wilderness experiences, that we might enjoy the old corn and every blessing of the goodly land.

Too many are wilderness Christians. They like to hide in the seventh chapter of Romans. When they would do good, evil is present with them. They more or less constantly submit to the law of $\sin$ in their members. Mournfully they cry, "Oh wretched man that I am, who shall deliver me from the body of this death?" The seventh chapter of Romans is no place for a Christian to live. That chapter depicts one awakened to the righteousness of God, struggling to fulfill that righteousness in himself, through the deeds of the law. The Christian's place is in Romans eight. There is therefore now no condemnation. He walks, not after the flesh, but after the Spirit. The law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus has made him free from the law of $\sin$ and death. Through the Spirit he mortifies the deeds of the body. Being a son of God he is led by the Spirit of God. "Ye are not in the flesh, but in the Spirit, if so be the Spirit of God dwell in you.'
wilderness Christian dishonors the Lord; a Canaan experience adorns the gosCross, and glorifies our Father which is in heaven. May we not dishonor God with our unbelief.
One great secret of Christian success is avoiding delay. Thou art to pass over Jordan "this day." Delay means disaster; it did for Israel and it will for us. In seeking to bestow upon us our inheritance God says, "Behold, now is the accepted time, behold, now is the day of salvation." Oh, that the people of God might now believe and enter into God's rest.
In addition to Jordan there were enemies in the land whose power was not minimized to the Israelites. The Anakims were looked upon as invincible; cities walled up to heaven appeared insurmountable barriers. The children of promise were not in ignorance of these things, neither did God wish them to be. Where the chosen people belonged there the giants were. There are foes who wish to hold our inheritance from us. They will rob us of our rightful own unless we

move in faith to lay hold of our possession. We do not ignore their power; we are not ignorant of Satan and his devices. But we see not our enemies only. We see Jesus. "Understand therefore Now, this day, that the Lord thy God is He which goeth before you."

The secret of Israel's victory was cooperation. They were to act, then God would destroy and enable them to pursue their enemies. Wishing alone never gives one victory. One must attack. Binding habits do not loose their hold through wishing they were gone. We must rise to the fight, be bold, take a definite stand for God in the spirit of Esther who said, "If I perish, I perish." But we do not perish. Instead we live to shout the victories of our triumph. "Thanks be unto God which giveth us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ."
In ourselves we are unable to subdue our enemies, but we can believe and obey God. If we do so, He will become unto us what He said He would be to Israel, "as a consuming fire He shall destroy them, and He shall bring them down before thy face: so shalt thou drive them out, and destroy them quickly, as the Lord hath said unto thee." Thus may we enjoy soul rest in an inheritance our own, the gift of God.

## "Watch Night"

It is a good thing to spend the last night of the year "watching and praying."
Pray for the Holy Spirit to be outpoured as never before during the coming year.

Pray for every minister of the gospel, that they may preach the gospel with the Holy Ghost sent down from heaven; for the young people in our Bible schools, for the children in our Sunday Schools, for all Christian workers. For our missionaries. For the thrusting forth of yet more laborers into the harvest field.

For the saints in the lands ravaged by war. For native Christians in all countries where the gospel is preached.

Pray for boldness in witnessing, that the Lord's hands may be stretched forth to heal, and that signs and wonders may be wrought through His name.

Pray for "Pentecost plus Pentecost."

## For All

The missionary problem is a personal one. Every believer, in receiving the love of Christ into his heart, has taken in a love that reaches out to the whole world. On every member of the Church the great commission rests: The gospel for every creature. Let each of us begin with himself in seeking for the Church the restoration of the Pentecostal power for the work of conquering the world for her King.-Andrew Murray.

## One Thing We Know

One thing we know, and ought to know it better and better, that if we are in perfect union with God, loving Him above every other love, and seeking to please Him above every other pleasure, all of His established laws, and then all of His interferences in creation, or in grace, will be for our good, our most tender protection, and for our highest advancement.-G. D. Watson.

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## Study in Contrast

## Anna Stafshalt and Lois Shelton

This is the season here in Cape Palmas when the average native does practically nothing. His daily schedule runs something like this: Up at $5: 30$; sits by the fire; eats a piece of roasted plantain; sits some more. Follows his wife (or mother) to the outside bathhouse where he has a good splash with the steaminghot bucket of water she has prepared and carried for him. Next he takes his clay pot to his personal beer supply in the jungle-a palm or bamboo tree from which he extracts the juice. Feeling sociable, he fills his pot and joins kindred spirits for the drinking. The heat makes him weary so he takes a nap. His wife having prepared one of the two main meals of the day, he sits down on his little block of wood with the dish of rice and palmbutter beside him. Of cutlery he has none but manages very nicely without it-fingers before forks, you know. After that he sleeps a little more. Undoubtedly by this time somebody has become involved in a big quarrel and he must lend his assistance in the lengthy discussion that follows.
The sun is now only two hours high so it is time to visit the palm wine tree. At dark he returns to the village where he again chats and drinks with his cronies. Respectfully his women folk prepare his evening bath. Between nine and ten o'clock his supper is placed beside him. With his stomach filled to capacity, he immediately sinks upon his mat and is soon lost in blissful slumber

## Contrast

How different is our life here! Very little time is spent in ideness. At this time we are again happily engaged in training young workers for the harvest. It is our business to instill habits of industry and thrift, as well as to fit them mentally and spiritually for future ministry. Our teaching schedule is as full as ever-five periods each day, with all that that entails in this land. We are on the go from early until late.
We are very happy to have Brother and Sister Princic with us and find it a great relief to have someone to share the responsibilities of the work. Later on this will serve as their headquarters while doing evangelistic work.

## Building-Material and Spiritual

Our house is not yet completed, but we are living in it. We shall be thankful when it is possible to have some proper doors as the snakes seem to have developed a fondness for our living room-two deadly ones have been killed there! But our boys are surely proud of this house which has been built entirely of native materials with the exception of the cement, a bit of screen and hardware. Visiting natives stare in wonder, then exclaim admiringly, "You KNOW HOW to build a house!"

Most of all we thank God for the spiritual house that is in process of building. Recently we felt led to call a special day of prayer. As we waited and searched our hearts, one after another was broken, melted and stamped afresh with the image of the Master.

## A Touch of Heaven

One young man was observed with his finger upon a certain place in the Bible for a long time, then heaven seemed to open upon him. Later he said, "I read the fifty-first Psalm over
and over until my heart was broken to pieces." Naturally he is undemonstrative but now he was lifted into the supernatural. He sang he laughed; he shook hands with everyone he could reach. By that time it was dark and raining, but in spite of that he went out and walked around and around the compound, visiting the various houses, exclaiming over and over, "Oh, Jesus, You are living! I can see His side bleeding for my sake. His hands are bleeding on the cross. He carried my sins and I am all forgiven. Oh, my friends, praise God with me. Jesus is living!" Best of all, the consecration he made is just as real as when the fire fell upon it.
Another student was filled with the Spirit He , too, is the quiet type but the praises of God burst forth joyously from his lips. There is among us a deep hunger for God which we are expecting Him to satisfy.

## REVIVAL FIRES STILL BURNING

From Travancore, South India, Mary Lindberg sends a report of victory in the name of Jesus: "The revival fires are still burning in our midst. Tarrying meetings have been held in all our stations. We also have had some real confession meetings when the hearts of the people have been searched before the Lord and they have confessed openly things in their lives that have been displeasing to Him.
"Our meetings here are truly Pentecostal, with the gifts of the Spirit manifested and a holy joy prevailing in our midst.
"Outstation workers return with good reports. There is not a week passes that souls are not saved. Believers too have been filled, and the power of the Lord has been present to heal. A small boy who had been run over by a cart was brought in unconscious, but after some of
the believers had prayed for him he got up and began to run around as if nothing had happened. The Lord healed a baby who was in a dying condition, and a woman on her deathbed was raised up immediately in answer to prayer. 62 Baptized
"It was our privilege to have Brother and Sister Maloney with us for a few days of special meetings. Brother Maloney assisted in conducting a baptismal service when sixtytwo candidates were immersed in obedience to the command of the Lord. Before the baptismal service, a short meeting was held at the church which was packed to overflowing with the crowd of more than two hundred that gathered. We then marched down to the river, singing and praising on our way. The faces of the candidates were shining with the joy of the Lord, even though some of them knew the step meant that they would face severe persecution in their homes. Pray for them!"

## What's Neus in the Missions Department

A party of our missionaries from China and Manchuria arrived at San Francisco November 30 aboard the S. S. Mariposa, among whom were the following: Mr. and Mrs. B. T. Bard and family, Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Baltau, Grace P. Nicholson, Helen I. Gustavson, Chrystal Ladner, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Ahlberg, Irene E Larson and Palma Ramsborg.
The Mariposa, one of the five ships sent out to the Orient by the American government. brought back 524 passengers, the majority of whom were missionaries of all denominations. Prayer meetings were held daily on board, besides other services, including a special Thanksgiving Day service. They enjoyed a very good voyage and we are thankful to the Lord for His blessing and protection which surrounded them.

BAPTISMAL SERVICE, TRAVANCORE, SOUTH INDIA
Upper left: Part of crowd walking down to river. Upper


The Bard family are remaining in California and give their temporary address in care of Mrs. Slater, 6075 Franklin Avenue, Hollywood. California.
The Ahlbergs are also locating on the coast, where their address will be 821 North Eastside Street, Olympia, Washington.
Irene Larson may be reached at 622 Fifth Avenue N. W., Minot, North Dakota, and Palma Ramsborg at Lakefield, Minnesota.

We were privileged to have Brother and Sister Baltau and family, Helen Gustavson and her coworker, Chrystal Ladner, visit us here in Springfield en route to Minnesota, and it was indeed a pleasure to enjoy renewed fellowship with them. Mail for Miss Gustavson and Miss Ladner should be sent in care of the Minneapolis Gospel Tabernacle, 3015 Thirteenth Avenue South, Minneapolis, Minnesota. The Baltau family may be addressed in care of Mrs. E. Yocum, 1336 West Minnehaha, St Paul, Minnesota.
The returning missionaries have not yet had time to formulate very definite furlough plans, but we are publishing their present addresses for the benefit of friends who may desire to get in touch with them.
Grace Nicholson is remaining with Mrs. Carrie Judd Montgomery in Oakland for a time of rest; the address is 4700 Daisy Street, Oakland, California. Miss Nicholson desires us to urge those who have been supporting the work at Puchi and outstations to continue their contributions. Cost of living in China is exceedingly high so that the need is even greater at this time and any extra help friends might be able to give would be appreciated. Miss Nicholson states that the work is going ahead and plans have been made for forward steps in evangelization.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Sandahl returning from Singapore arrived safely December 4 and are at present with Mrs. Sandahl's mother, Mrs. Cecilia Johnson at Canoga Park, California.

Ruth Melching and Pansy Blossom, from Manchuria, traveled on the President Taft, arriving in San Francisco December 9. We are looking forward to a visit from them in Spring field in the near future.

Arrangements have been made for the sailing of Mr. and Mrs. N. C. Moffat and Edna Hudson, missionaries under our appointment to North India. They expect to sail the last week in December from San Francisco for Calcutta, India on the Klipfontein, of the Java Pacific Line.

## NEWS FROM THE WAR ZONE

## Egypt

Marjory Mahaney sends a message that warms our hearts with its note of courage and trust in God:
"At no time since the war started have I or any of the missionaries to my knowledge wanted to come home. We prayed that if God did not want us to return He would close every doorand that is what has happened. There is no way to come at the present time if we wanted to.
"We know we are in a dangerous place but we all have peace and rest in our souls, trusting in the God who sent us to this field that if we live or die we may be found at our post of duty.
"We thank God that you are able to get support to us. There are missionaries here from other countries who are having severe trials because of the lack of funds.
"While we know not what is ahead of us, we do know that the God of all grace is with us. The clouds of tribulation perhaps have begun to break, but thank God for that light which pierces through the blackest night, the blessed hope of His appearing.

## Seed for the Sawer

Jahn L. Aranhlin, Guatemala, Central America

Toribio's heart is filled with praise as he sends a smiling "thank you" to tiriends at home for this armload of New Testaments, Gospels, and tracts. Seed for the sower, food for the hungry, light in darkness-that is what gospel literature means in the hands of a competent native minister. It opens up so many doors to hearts, serving as a real help in winning


Native ministers in Central America


Brother Toribio
"It is needless to ask you to pray-we know that you are praying. God bless you all!'

## Gosynin, Germany

In acknowledgment of financial aid sent through our Emergency Re ief Fund, Anna Jeske writes: "We are all well. The dear Lord is keeping us day by day supplying our needs and helping us in every way.
"In May we moved from Aleksandrow to Gosynin, a distance of about seventy-five miles. Our new field is a large one; there are about five hundred members, the majority of whom are scattered far and wide. Apart from the meetings in town, Mr. Jeske holds services in various outlying places, driving in his little horse and cart as far as twenty-five miles. The meetings are usually good. Most of the believers are going on with the Lord, and thank God there is still in the hearts of many a real hunger after Him.
"On September 1 a baptismal service was held about four miles from Gosynin when four
souls. That is why Brother Toribio is happy You in the homeland have helped to meet the need, making it possible for our workers to give out thousands of Gospel portions.

## On Fire for God

The fire is burning in the heart of Toribio, through whose ministry scores have been saved. A recent report from him reads like this : "Seven souls were saved last month and we preached in a new village for the first time when more than two hundred heard the gospel. At that place they stoned us injuring several of the Christians who were with me, but withal many were evidently convinced of the gospel truth and we intend to continue visiting the village. Many now places are calling us to come." A later report tells of two souls saved in another village where a hundred and fiity people heard the gospel for the first time. At this place, in answer to their prayers the Lord healed an unbeliever who had been brought home from the hospital to die.
While we are praying for greater victories, nevertheless we feel thankful for the few that are coming to the Lord, realizing that the superstition and idolatry of long centuries are being driven back as the light of the gospel prevails-but perhaps before long there will be a great turning to God in Guatemala.

## A New Field

From our new work in the coast land come reports such as these: "Seventeen souls were saved last month and ten baptized in water." Again, "God gave us ten souls this last month, one Baptism in the Holy Spirit and two baptized in water. A new place has been opened to the gospel. The grace of God is being manifest in our assembly, the members of which, although poor, all pay tithes." From
another worker, "I recently visited a new place where two souls were saved, one an elderly man near death. As I preached the gospel to him in his home, his family ridiculed and tried to hinder me; but the dying man rebuked his family for their unbelief, then openly confessed his faith in Christ and shortly afterward went to be with the Lord.". And so on-reports continue to come in showing that God is really blessing the ministry of our workers.

In a recent letter we told you of a young couple who went to a new field where we were able to support them by your help. We are sending a picture of this couple with their baby. The Lord is using them to the salvation of souls, the reclaiming of backsliders, and the filling of believers with the Holy Spirit. HALLELUJAH! GOD BLESS OUR AMBASSADORS FOR CHRIST!
candidates were immersed. It meant much for these dear ones to take the step but they would not be persuaded otherwise."
"Do not pray for tasks equal to your powers, pray for powers equal to your tasks."-Bishop P. Brooks.

## BETTER LATE THAN NEVER

but better never late. We regret that through an oversight a very important announcement was omitted from our Evangel pages. The many friends of Brother and Sister T. Burt Evans, of El Salvador, Central America, will rejoice to know that they are the proud parents of a fine daughter, Kathryn Floried, born July 29, 1940. We trust that the protecting hand of the Lord may overshadow and preserve this little one from all harm and sickness. May God bless Brother and Sister Evans in their faithful labors for the Master in El Salvador!

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## IS PROHIBITION LOST

The editor of the National Methodist Press expresses great alarm over the fact that nothing was said by the two leading candidates in the recent presidential election concerning the growing menace of liquor, a major national evil. He states that for brewers and distillers it was a quiet and comfortable campaign.

## THE BIBLE IN SPAIN

According to the New York Times, the British and Foreign Bible Society reports that the Spanish Government confiscated 110,000 copies of the Scriptures (printed in numerous languages) in August, and adds: "In the 62 years that it has worked in Spain, the society's representatives have been through several civil wars, but never before has it encountered such drastic treatment. More than $19,000,000$ copies of the Bible or parts of the Scriptures have been distributed during that time, and even in 1937 and 1938, midway in the sivil war, 40,000 copies were distributed yearly." The freedom with which Bible colporteurs were allowed to distribute the Scriptures in Spain previous to Franco's victory has disappeared.

## THE TIME TO LAUGH

Charlie Chaplin is appearing in a movie, "The Great Dictator," which (according to Prophecy Monthly) is meant to be funny. It attempts to make Hitler and Mussolini laughingstocks. But are the dictators really a joke? Is occupied France a joke? Is the news from England funny? Is the Balkan war comical? The world may laugh but the Christian is constrained to weep and to pray that God will restrain the wrath of wicked men for His people's sake. The time for the Christian to laugh at the dictators is when God laughs, and that will be when they are destroyed at the revelation of Jesus Christ. See Psalm 2. "He that sitteth in the heavens shall laugh: the Lord shall have them in derision. Then shall he speak unto them in his wrath and vex them in his sore displeasure.'

## A HEAVILY ARMED WORLD

According to Prophecy Monthly, the extent to which the nations are arming is so great that it seems the day of the Lord must not be far off, concerning which day the prophet sends out the call for the nations to arm to the limit. See Joel 3 .
Since 1936 Russia's military budget has quadrupled and now equals about one third of the national income, or $\$ 31,000,000$ a day.

The Balkan countries are spending more than $\$ 2,000,000$ a day on their armies.
Sweden is estimated to be spending slightly more than this.
Tiny Switzerland spends nearly $\$ 900,000$ a day for defense
Previous to the invasion, Greece was spending about 40 per cent of its entire budget for military preparations and expenses.

## LIQUOR AND THE ARMY

According to King's Business, an amendment to the Third Supplemental National-Defense Appropriation was offered by Congressman Guyer, which stated: "This amendment suggests that we do not wait, like conquered France, until the war is over to adopt a system for a sober army, but begin now as a necessary policy of the army. This will conserve the health, wealth, and morals of the young men of the nation. . . . Put only sober generals, sober soldiers, and sober pilots on guard." The amendment provided that no funds set aside for preparedness should be available "for expenditure for the operation and maintenance of facilities where intoxicating beverages are sold or dispensed." Congressman Guyer pointed to the experience of France, whose downfall has been attributed largely to a lack of temperance among the soldiers. The amendment was defeated by a majority of more than two to one in the U. S. House of Representatives.

## AN ANSWER TO PRAYER

A letter just received from the South of England states: "On a Sunday morning in September our Home Guard were all called ont. The invaders had left the shores of France. But the wind turned and blew stronger, and the sea developed a heavy swell. 'The Lord of hosts is with us.' Even the wind and waves obey His voice. It is just the answer to prayer. At our little prayer meeting held on Tuesday we prayed definitely that no invasion may take place, and God is answering prayer.

## BOTTLES OF BLOOD

According to New York Times, between August 15 and October 6 nearly 6,000 Americans donated about 3,000 quarts of their blood to the American Red Cross for shipment to England. There the lives of many wounded civilians and soldiers may be saved by a transfusion of this American blood. This human sacrifice makes us think of Him who so loved a world of men that He was willing to give all His blood that they might be saved from eternal death. "This is my blood of the new testament, which is shed for many for the remission of sins." Matt. 26:28. There is no salvation for us apart from the atonement of the precious blood of Christ.

## FRIENDS OF ISRAEL

According to Prophecy Monthly, in the first public declaration made by the British Government on the Jewish question since the outbreak of the war Arthur Greenwood, member without portfolio in the British War Cabinet, assured the Jews of the United States that when victory is achieved "the conscience of civilized humanity will demand that the wrongs suffered by the Jewish people in so many countries should be righted." He added that after the war an opportunity would be given to Jews everywhere to make a "distinctive and constructive contribution" in the rebuilding of
omparing the statement
Declaration of 1917, Rabbi Stephen S. Wise declares that in a sense it has "wider and farther reaching implications," as it deals with the status of Jews throughout the world.
Such a policy will bring the blessing of God upon Britain, for His promise to the Jews is, "I will bless them that bless thee." Gen. 12:3.


> Let such as love Thy salvation say continually, The Lord be magnified.

Psalm 40:16

## AN APPROPRIATE TEXT

When, in the midst of increasing air raids, the thousands of worshipers at Westminister Chapel in London gathered to observe the National Day of Prayer on September 8, the minister, Dr. G. Campbell Morgan, preached a powerful sermon on the text: "Yet once more I shake not the earth only, but also heaven . . . that those things which cannot be shaken may remain." Hebrews $12: 26,27$.

## DISEASE AMONG SOLDIERS

The Elim Evangel (London) says that in the eport of the Minister of Health to Parliament concerning the nation's physical well-being after a year of war, there was one bad item-the considerable increase in cases of venereal disease, an increase seen also during the last war. It states: "This grim statement of fact carries an obvious implication of moral degeneration of particular concern to the erem men are separated from their families and friends for long periods this moral perversion invariably raises its ugly head." We might add that the same condition promises to exist in the U. S. A. wherever men are concentrated for military training.
As a remedial step, the paper suggests that Christian people might go to the local camp and ask half a dozen of the soldier-boys to their homes for a meal. This would surround them occasionally with a wholesome influence, as well as give opportunity to win them for the Lord. The suggestion might be a good one for the Pentecostal people of this country to note. Why can't we give these boys so far from home as warm a welcome into our homes and churches as awaits them in less desirable haunts?

## BIBLE SCHOOL BOMBED

A letter from Donald Gee, dated October 14, which we have published in the Evangel stated that only two of the Assemblies of God in Great Britain had been destroyed by enemy action.
But a later letter from Howard Carter, Chairman of the British Assemblies, dated November 9, tells of later bombings. He writes: "Most of the ssemblies of God churches in London are amage

He tells of the destruction of their Bible School: 'Our address is now 87 South Hill Park, Hampstead, London, as No. 12 (the former address of the Bible School) has been bombed-cracked from top to bottom-and is to be pulled down. No one was hurt, thank God, although several were in it at the time. The bomb fell a few feet from our front door. One of the friends was standing on the exact spot about two minutes before the bomb fell!

Some suggest we move the school away from London, but I believe the place of death is a safe one for the Christian."
Donald Gee in a letter dated November 8 writes: "Assemblies in certain areas are carrying on with the windows out, plaster down, etc. The courage shown by some of our pastors and people is magnificent.
"Here in Louth an enemy plane zoomed over the church just as we were commencing the Sunday evening service not long ago, and started dropping bombs. I just spoke a few words, and then we continued singing the hymn and went right through with the whole service as though nothing had happened. I heard that in some of the other local chapels they were getting under the pews, but our people were so calm and only sang the more lustily.
"We have now moved all our Assemblies of God offices from 22 Slaithwaite Road. London, out to a large house about thirty miles from London. It will be better for our General Secretary, Brother John Carter, and the others. The way they stuck it out in London is beyond praise. No. 22 Slaithwaite Road still stands but it is almost the only house intact around there now. The very first night they were in the new place several houses were demolished near them ; we can only continue to commit all to the Lord."

## IH SUMDOUN SCHOOL LESSOM

Elijah Miraculously Fed and the Widow's Dead Son Raised

## Lesson for January 5. Lesson Text: 1 Kings 17

With the suddenness of a flash of lightning and a clap of thunder out of an Eastern sky, Elijah the prophet bursts upon us in the narrative of the Old Testament. A flood of infidelity and idolatry with all its attendent immorality was sweeping unchecked over Israel. Nothing seemed to disturb either. king or people as they pursued the evil courses upon which they had embarked. And then Elijah appeared!
ELIJAH AT THE COURT OF AHAB.
The man. Elijah appears out of nowhere. His past history is unknown. But his name, Elijah, speaks volumes; for it means, "My God is
Jehovah." Somewhere in obscurity this man had Jehovah." Somewhere in obscurity this man had been faithfully living unto God, his ear sensitive and eager to hear if perchance
God should speak. And when God needed a man, it was Elijah whom He called. God needs men today who will carry His message to an ungodly generation. Let us not complain because of our obscurity but remain hidden, laboring faithfully "in that which is least." Then we shall be ready if God should call.

And Elijah said unto Ahab." Picture Elijah, man of the forest and man of God, clean, rugged, pure, holy, dressed probably in rough camel-skin cloak; picture him in the midst of the extravagant finery of the court of Ahab, his very presence a rebuke to its sinfulness. It was right against wrong, faithfulness against treachery, purity against corruption.
Elijah had moral courage. For it was at the risk of his life he came
to Ahab. But personal safety was not so important to Elijah as fidelity to God. Are we refusing to be conformed to the godless world in which we live even though we risk our own personal safety?

The message. "As the Lord God of Israel liveth, before whom I stand, there shall not be dew nor rain these years but according to my word." Let us examine Elijah's message: (1) He presented God as "The living God," and as the "God of Israel." Israel had turned to gods which were no gods, Elijah reminded them of the God they had forsaken. He would prove that Jehovah was still the living God by shutting up the heavens in His name. (2) Elijah reminded Ahab of his own relationship to God. The words, "Before whom I stand," point out the habitual attitude of Elijah's soul. He stood before God all the time, his ear attuned to God's voice, his heart ready to do His bidding.

## ELIJAH AT CHERITH

Elijah delivered his message and disappeared without waiting to observe its effect. Now came this strange word from the Lord-"Get thee hence . . . hide thyself by the brook Cherith, that is before Jordan." Cherith means "separation." Why did God cut His servant off from human help and comfort and send him into the lonely wilderness? Observe:

Separation and solitude were necessary to Elijah's safety. He must hide or lose his head. Likewise, the individual bent on following the Lord must separate himself from others in order to pray and fortify himself against the evil powers which seek to destroy his soul.
He must be separated in order to be prepared for future work. Elijah had a great work to do. And the spiritual workman must be prepared for


When first we knew what depths of need, Thy love could satisfy."
Elijah remained at Cherith until God told him to leave. "And it came to pass after a while that the brook dried up." What a trial this must have been to energetic, impetuous Elijah to have to sit idly by and watch the brook gradually go dry! He might have tried to take matters into his own hands and do something to extricate himself from his predicament. But "he staggered not through unbelief," rather he quietly waited for God to speak. The safe thing to do when perplexed and at wit's-end corner, it to "be still and know" that God IS, and that He will give necessary aid and guidance in due time!

## ELIJAH AT ZAREPHATH

"And the word of the Lord came unto him saying, Get thee to Zarephath . . . and dwell there: behold, I have commanded a widow woman there to sustain thee." Another trial of Elijah's faith! Told that he must depend upon a poor widow for support-and a Gentile woman at that! Yet his obedience is implicit. From the happenings at Zarephath let us learn the following lessons:
God orders the steps of His saints. Zarephath means "workshop for smelting and refining of
metals." And it was a place for the refining of Elijah as well! For two years he must remain hidden, depending all the while upon the widow for support. Yet Zarephath no less than Cherith, was appointed of the Lord. God sends us to church and camp meetings; but He may also send us out "to run a rescue shop a half mile from hell."
Putting Christ first. Just as Elijah asked for the first cake, so Jesus asks for first place in our hearts, in our thought life, in our affections; He asks for first consideration in our work and our play, in our relationship with others, in our choices. And in return He promises great blessing. Every experience and relationship of life is made richer and more satisfying if Christ is given rightful place in our hearts.
How to be sure that life's necessities will all be supplied. The story of the widow illustrates the principles laid down by Jesus in Matt, 6:33. How prone we are to allow business, friends, and worrsings about food and raiment, to occupy so much ot our time and thought that the all important consideration, our fellowship with Christ, is neglected or forgotten. Jesus says that the way to be sure of receiving life's necessities is to see to it that we keep rightly related to Him. The great concern of our lives should be to put Christ first, other things second.
The power of feeble influences. She was a poor, lowly, depressed, hungerstricken woman, unknown perhaps beyond her neighbor's door. She had so little to give. But her feeble act brought to herself and her son prolonging of life, to the prophet shelter from peril, to the world a grand example of unselfishness. Never ought we to say, "I am of no use in the world." Our human best, however feeble, when anointed by His Spirit will accomplish eternal results!

The sovercignty of grace. God might have hidden Elijah in the home of an Israelitish woman. This Gentile had
grants favors to his fellows with regard to their worthiness. It is not so with God. He blesses us not because we are worthy, but because He loves! He takes a Manasseh filling Jerusalem with blood, and makes him a monument of forgiveness. He takes a Saul breathing out blaspliemies, and makes him a mighty apostle. He takes a harlot and makes her one of the choicest of saints. And by His grace He can work miraculous changes in our own lives. Let us never despair!

From the incident of the raising of the widow's son, we may observe the following Iessons: (1) Severe trials
are not necessarily divine judgment for sin. This at first was the widow's hasty conclusion. However trial is more often allowed, as in her case, so that we may receive new revelations of God's love and power. (2) No amount of good works or service in the cause of Christ will exempt us from trial. This widow had rendered great service; yet she was smitten. It is not ours to question God's judgment. He permits the most faithful to be afflicted that good may come to them. (3) The power of prayer is illimitable. Elijah's passionate, persistent prayer raised the dead. Are we saying too much to declare that the same kind of praying will produce like results today?-J. Bashford Bishop.

## GONE TO BE WITH CHRIST

Brother W. A. Kersh, of Mishawaka, Indiana, one of our pioneer ministers, passed away on November 29, 1940. We sympathize with his widow and daughter in their loneliness and sorrow. May the Lord comfort them as only He can do.

Send for an assorted package of tracts, 25 c.The Gospel Publishing House.

THE HOLY SPIRIT IN THE SUNDAY SCHOOL
Note: The Superintendent's Guide suggests the above topic for January 5. In this connection, Loine Honderick (C. B. I. '40) writes about "John the Baptist, the Pioneer Soul Winner.'

It is recorded of John, that
 he was filled with the Holy Ghost, even from his mother's womb. Because of this, John lived a life, separated from the sinful world. The Word records that he grew and waxed strong in spirit. His parents also were filled with the Holy Ghost and were faithful to the guidance of the Spirit of God in their lives.
In this dispensation the children of God have the promise (Acts 2:17), "In the last days saith God, I will pour out of my Spirit upon all flesh." The ambition of a Christ-honoring Sunday School should be, that every member be filled with the Spirit of God. This is necessary if we, even as John the Baptist was, are to be true witnesses of Jesus, the light of the world to our generation.

John Introduced the Saviour
John was not the Light but was sent to bear witness of the coming of Jesus, the light of the world. Today we are living even as John was, at a time when the coming of the Lord is drawing nigh. As Spirit-filled Christians who know Jesus personally, we have the privilege of introducing Him to those who do not know Him and to urge them to be ready for His coming which may occur any moment.
Luke $3: 2$ states, "The word of God came to John." It was the Spirit that made John's message real and living. Today we need the Spirit to quicken and make God's Word living and real to our hearts if we are to give His message to those in $\sin$ and darkness.
John Proclaimed Substitution
John's message was, "Repentance." It was the need of his day and age. God's verdict regarding $\sin$ is still (Romans $3: 23$ ), "All have sinned," and (Luke 13:3) "Except ye repent, ye shall all likewise perish." As we are faithful in preaching Jesus, the Lamb of God which taketh away the $\sin$ of the world, we can expect men to respond to our message, even as they responded to John's message and we can be witness of souls as he was.
John was a pioneer in that his message was new to the people of his day. Today, although many have heard the message, it is new to many individuals who do not know that Jesus can lift the burdens of their life and create a new heart within them. Today conditions are not so. In the light of the fact that the day of mass evangelism is to a large extent past, we must be pioneers and as Jesus did, take our message to men in every walk of life where they are. To
do this successfully a great army of personal cvangelists are required.
John Secured Disciples
John not only ministered to the people himself, but he secured disciples and followers. These followers carried on and helped him to do his work. If we are going to win others and have followers, we must be willing to go out of our way for the sake of others in order to win and enlist them in the service of the gospel. More often it is our lives as Christians, rather than our words, that win others for Jesus. If our lives are permeated with the Spirit of God, they will be winsome and wholesome in every way. This is what attracts others to Jesus.
The call of Jesus to the fishermen beside the sea still is echoing through the ages, "Follow me and I will make you fishers of men." Many people seem to hear the "Follow me" part of this call and follow Jesus afar off. When we receive a real appreciation of what Jesus has done for us, we cannot or will not be content merely to follow Jesus ourselves, but will be possessed with a passion to win others and enlist them in the same work. In 2 Timothy $2: 2$ we see a glimpse of Paul's attitude, as a passionate soul winner, in his exhortation to Timothy, "And the things that thou hast heard of me among many witnesses, the same commit thou to faithful men that they might teach others also."

The purpose of the Holy Ghost in our lives is to exalt the Christ. During John's entire ministry there is not one suggestion of self, but a continual exhortation concerning the Christ who was to come. Although he baptized with water, it was in anticipation of a greater baptism by the One that was to come. "I indeed have baptized you with water but He shall baptize you with the Holy Ghost." Acts $1: 8$.
When Jesus appeared before John he announced him, "Behold the Lamb of God which taketh away the $\sin$ of the world." In John 3:30 we have a glimpse of his attitude, "He must increase, but I must decrease."

John did not win his disciples for himself but to Jesus. If we are to be true soul winners, we must win men and women to Jesus, not to ourselves. We must win souls, not for any praise
or honor of men but because of a true motive in the depths of our hearts and souls. This alone can be brought about by the Spirit of God in our lives.

True soul-winning is far more than a task or a duty; it is a glorious privilege.

GENERAL COUNCIL FELLOWSHIP
The following names were added to the General Council ministerial list during the month of November, 1940.
Adams, Elmer, G., Wynnewood, Okla. (reinstatement)
Allen, Leavie A., Auburndale, Fla.

Argue, Elwin, Williston, N. Dak. (transferred
from Pentecostal Assemblies of Canada) Baldwin, Charles E., Houston, Tex Bishop, John C., Russellville, Ark. Boyd, Louis E., Smackover, Ark.
Browning, Mrs. Eithel N., Mulberry, Fla
Dudley, Maurice M., Oxford, Fla.
Goss, Joseph A., Coldwater, Mich. (transferred
from Pentecostal Assemblies of Canada)
Hall, Leon C., Bluff Springs, Fla
Hamilton, Oscar H., Nelsonville, Mo.
Hutchinson, Fay, Paris, Ark.
Long, William E., Des Moines, Iowa (transferred from Pentecostal Assemblies of Canada)
Medina, Ruben O., Mexico
Richardson, Lyman B., Sanford, Fla.
Rider, J. F., Parkin, Ark.
Singleton, Ted S., Camden, Ark.
Smith, Willard L., London, Ark.
Solmes, Walter H. Chillicothe, Mo.
Solmes, Ida M. (Mrs. W. H.), Chillicothe, Mo. Suh1, Roy B., Bentonville, Ark.
Thompson, Alva E., Lithia, Fla.
Thompson, Hollie P., Fayette, Mo.
The following names were removed from the General Council ministerial list during the month of November, 1940.
Barnes, Ora F., Fruita, Colo. (dropped)
Beall, R. B., Oklahoma City, Okla. (withdrew) Farrell, B. A., Kansas City, Mo. (dropped) Graham, James Monroe, Hattiesburg, Miss. (deceased)
Moon, D. L., Minburn, Iowa (deceased) Shelton, Jonah L., Wickenburg, Ariz. (withdrew)

## - MISSIONARY PRAYER REQUESTS

Hamamatsu, Japan-Pray that: a fuller anointing will abide upon Brother and Sister Kikuchi's ministry and that their health be preserved; the Holy Spirit will convict people of their sins; the door for ministering will not completely close; our hearts and minds will be kept in peace; He will daily show us His place for each of us; God's will will be shown concerning this mission; our native workers and Christians will stand true; the missionaries will keep humble and more speaking to souls will bear eternal fruit, He will show you His part for you in assisting.-Agnes Juergensen.

Canton, South China-Pray for the destitute and needy old people who are without employment and have no means of supporting themselves. Many of our Christians are in dire circumstances. -J. Perdue.
Barquisemeto, Venezuela, South America-Pray for a sister who received the Baptism and whose family is trying to hinder her; also pray that more may seek and receive the Baptism.-E. Yngve Olson.

## REPORTS S: RERPERS

AKRON, OHIO-We are praising the Lord for the way He is blessing in the First Pentecostal Church. We are at present in a very profitable revival with the Sanders Brothers, who are being assisted by G. B. McDowell from Texas. I came here in March as successor to the late C. A.
MoKinney. The work in general is Mckinney. The work in
forging ahead.-J. O. Savell.

GREENVILLE, FLA.-We recently closed a 3 -weeks meeting with the 14 -yearold evangelist, Beatrice Wells of Fair-
view, W. Vas., as the speaker. Between 25 view, W. Va., as the speaker. Between 25 and 30 professed salvation, 4 received the Baptism in the Holy Spirit, and there were 8 additions to the church. We have class.-J. A. Brooks, Pastor.

LEVELLAND, TEXAS-The Lord has blessed us with a good revival, Myrtle WolEvangelists. Twenty-two prayed through to God and 9 were filled with the Holy

Ghost. In the seven months we have been here, we have added three Su day School rooms and a $32 \times 20$ addition to the main auditorium. Our Sunday School attendance is running over the 100 mark. It pays to have Sunday School rooms.-James Alford Plant, Pastor.

WINDSOR, PA.-It is with joy in our hearts that we report the blessing of the for the past several weeks. Evangelist H. E. Hardt of Falling Waters, W. Va., was with us for a time of revival effort. His with us for a time of revival effort. His
ministry to the saints was especially anpreciated and will long be remembered. There was a real breaking through among the young people. Although weather conditions were unfavorable most of the time, the services were well attended through-out.-Gladys I. Buchwalter and Dorothy R. Brosey, Pastors.

BENTON, ILL-We have enjoyed a 3 -

Frank Moffett, Tulsa, Okla. The Spirit of the Lord was greatly manifested from time
to time. Twenty knelt at the altar for to time. Twenty knelt at the altar
salvation and others received the tism in the Holy Ghost. Sister Mof fett conducted children's services each evening and about 40 children attended
these interesting meetings. The Sunday these interesting meetings. The Sunday School attendance has grown much. Brother Moffett is a "straight shooter" and full of fire. The whole church has been revived and the spirit of love and faith is still with us.-Ray Willis, Pastor.

TULSA, OKLA.-Evangelist Clara Grace has just closed a 7 -weeks revival in her home church, at Fifth and Peoria, in
Tulsa. This was the most Tulsa. This was the most successful revival More than 100 were converted or reclaimed, and more than 30 were filled with the Spirit. Every department of the church felt the effects of this revival. Paul Meacham, a preacher among the deaf of Meacham, a preacher among the deat of
Oklahoma, Kansas, Arkansas, and Mis Oklahoma, Kansas, Arkansas, and Mis
souri, has a group of about 30 deaf mutes who meet in this church. During this who meet in this church. During this
revival a number of the deaf were saved, revival a number of the deaf were saved,
and 3 or 4 were filled with the Spirit and spoke in other tongues with perfect
articulation. Thirty united with the church.

## -Guy Phillips, Pastor

CALEXICO, CALIF.-Brother and Sister Cecil Vaughan came here a year ago last October, and began the work without any outward encouragement, suffering many hardships. God gave them many souls, and a Sunday School was begun with a record of 254. Brother and Sister Vaughan Calif. A good start had been made to, Calif. A good start had been made toThe wards erection of a church building. The lot had been paid for and there was Buckner has taken Buckner has taken over the work. He is an able minister with a vision and also having blessed him in work begun, God church at Leadville, Colo. Sister Cumice church

SIDNEY, MONTANA-We just closed a 3-weeks evangelistic Bible conference under Gibson, Negro Evangelist, of Paree Calif. People drove for thirty miles in weather 20 degrees below zero, night after night to hear this anointed man of God Ministers and delegations from ther churches came every night. Then the fire fell! God began to baptize with the Holy

Ghost. Many who did not believe in Pentecost could not resist the plain Scrip-
tural teaching followed by heaven's blessing, and no longer are prejudiced. The church debt was wiped out. A complete
plaster job was donated to finish the inside of the church, and the best spirit started this work now prevails.-Pastor and Mrs. A. J. Morrison
GALVESTON, TEXAS-Last night we closed another revival here in the city
where "sunshi e comes to spend the winter." The Sun of righteousness shone
through the caverns of sin and lighted the pathway of many. From night to night for four weeks, the unique evangelism of
Jack and Esther Martz of Pennsylvania was like a song that struck all harmonies
and a lamp that ki dles all other lights. Sermons with dramatic flourish and
strikingly human made an irresistible pull on the lives of many, who claimed no
righteousness. In two of the week-nights, forward for prayer. Very impressive was forward for prayer. Very impressive was
the sight of men in khaki, joining the had never heard the fundamental Story, was wondrously saved; a woman of an other faith, having attended services for tized; a young man who reluctantly attended one evening service, found cure For the first time here, the radio station gave our Eastern speaker the privilege of being on the air every day for five weeks as "Your Singiag Evangelist."-William

SOUTH FLORIDA DISTRICT COUNCIL
The sixteenth annual District Council Orlando South Florida District convened at Council was advertised to run from the 11th to the 14th, but because of the sweet spirit of unity that prevailed throughout, we were able to close a day earlier than scheduled.
This was by far the best District Council that has ever been held in South Florida. Each one had the warmest love and friendliest spirit toward the other.
Truly, the Lord was among His own, and directed and guided the business affairs.
It was more like an old-fashioned camp meeting than a Eusiness session.
W. E. Emanuel was re-elected District
Superintendent, I. J. Bolton was reSuperintendent, I. J. Bolton was reelected Assistant Superintendent, and H. S. each one on the nominating ballot. Ou A. G. Voight and Jess McGuire.

The Orlando Assembly, Mayme Williams, Pastor, entertained the Council, about 150 attending. The warm hospitality of the We are looking forward to the greatest year of activity and blessing that the Secretary-Treasurer.


Due to the fact that the Evangel is made up 14 days before the date which us 16 days before that date.
GRIDLEY, CALIF--Jan. 5-; Evangelist and Mrs. Joe Long. H. E. Rhodes, Pastor LOUISVILLE, KY. -2735 S. Fourth St.;
Jan, 5 , for 3 weeks; Hans F. Bretschneider, Jan. 5, for 3 weeks; Hans F. Bretschn
Evangelist.-J. J. Humphries, Pastor.
GENEVA, OHIO-Jan. 5-; Kenneth L. Steger, Coffeyville, Kansas, Evangelist.GIRARD, OHIO-Jan. ${ }^{5-19}$; Wm. Kautz of Lancaster, Evangelist.-A. M. Cherry,
Pastor.
SOUTH BEND. IND. -1115 S. Michigan St., Jan. E-19; W. R. Williamson, Chicago, III., Evangelist. - $\dot{\mathrm{C}} . \mathrm{C}$. Burnett, Pastor. GREENVILLE, TEXAS-Dec, 29-; Mr
and Mrs. A. J. Pope, of Dallas, Eivan gelists.-Fred D. Wall, Pastor.
BISMARCK, N. DAK.-Jan.
weeks or longer; for 2
whristian Hild of Fargo, Evangelist.-Marvin C. Miller, Pastor.
GILLETTE, WYO.-Jan. 5-19; Alma D Meyer, Sisseton, S. Dak.,
M. Stanley Files, Pastor.
weeks; George Hayes, Houston, 29, for 4 weeks; George Hayes, Houston, Fexas, RUSSELLVILLE, ARK.-Dec. 28 -; Paul Bruton, Evangelist.-Frank H. and Mar-
garet Beard, Pastors. CLAREMONT, N. H.-Dec.
ander H. Clattenburg, Akron, Pa., Evan-gelist.-Fred Smolchuck, Pastor

HOLLY, COLO.-Dec. 29-; Evangelist and Mrs, R, D. Zook and daughter
Dorcie B. Arnold is pastor.-By Evangelist.
GRESHAM, ORE.-S. E. Kelly and Lawrence Sts., Dec. $31-$; Peter Jepsen,
Evangelist.-O. R. Cross, Pastor. ARDMORE, OKLA.-Dec. 29-Jan. 19, or
nger; J. A. McPhail, of Tulsa, Evangelist. -Ed. M. Bice, Pastor, of Tulsa, Evangelist. CHAMBERSBURG, PA.-3rd and Washington Sts., Dec. $29-$ Jan. 19; Gay Benson,
Evangelist.-Milton T. Wells, Pastor. YATES CENTER, KANSAS-Jan. 5-Lloyd Logan, State C. A. President, Evan-
gelist.-1. D. Rayborn, Pastor.
SAN BERNARDINO, CALIF- 1165 F Street ; Jan. 5 , for 3 weeks or longer; Ed-
ward Robison, Houston, Texas, Evangelist.
-R. M. Hargis, Pastor, SAN FRANCISCO, CALIF,-Giad Tidings Temple, Dec. $11-$; Evangelists Paul
COLCHESTER, HLL-Dec. 29 , for ${ }^{3}$ weeks or longer; Helen Cox and Dorothy
Larson, Evangelists.-Myrtle J. Jones, PEKIN, ILL-Dec. 31-: revival opens with watch-uight service; Evangelist and
Mrs. J. R. Harris, Tulsa, Olea.-Glenn DETROIT, MICH.-Polish Pentecostal Church, 12138 Conant Ave., Jan. $5-12$; elist. N Stecewicz. Pastor OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLA.-9th and Phillips Sts., Jan. 5-; Cordelia Donnell
and Mildred Holler, Evangelists. Earl Davis is pastor.-By Evangelist.
DETROIT, MICH, -16760 Lahser Ave.;
Dec. 29, for 3 weeks; Jean and Angel Dec. 29, for 3 weeks; Jean and Ange
Benefiel, Loveland, Colo., Evangelists.
James A, Davis, Pater KENOSHA, WIS,-Dec. 29-Jan. 19 ; cast Saturdays $7: 30-8: 00 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$., Station LONGVIEW, TEXAS Jan. 1-; J. B. Smith Evangelistic Party. Inez and EdSummers, Pastor.
MT. TABOR, N. J.-Jan. 5, for 3 weeks Edwin and Irma Anderson, Radio's Singing Evangelists, Centerdale, R. I. A.
Emery is pastor.-Alevia Underhill, SecreCANTON, OHIO-Northeast Ohio Fellowship Meeting, 313 Elgin Ave. N. W.,
Jan. 6. Services $10: 00,2: 30$, and $7: 00$.

MISSIONARY CONVENTION wionary Convent Kis Three-day MisLincoln Sts., Jan. 3-5. Brother and SisMarguer Holleman of South India, and present. Fred Vogler in charge.

MISSIONARY CONVENTION
ATT, KANSAS-Missionary Co
tion, Jan. ${ }^{6-7}$. First service Monday night; all day Tuesday. Brother and Sis-
ter Carl Holleman of South India, and Marguerite Flint of North India, will be TUISA OKLA "B Ho
TULSA, OKLA.-"Back Home Week," Faith Tabernacle, 13 th and S. Trenton, Dec
$27-J a n .5$. All ministers and missionaries who have gone out from Faith Tabernacle urged to be present. Different preacher
each night. George Blaine, Chief of Detectives of Tulsa, will speak at the
Watch-night service.-W. F. Garvin, Pas-
FOUR-DISTRICT BIBLE CONFERENCE Bible Conference- Ath Annual Four- District Monday night. Program under direction of F, D. Davis, H. M. Reeves, G. W. Hardcastle, and David Burris, Superintendents
of the Texas, West Texas, Oklahoma and Arkansas Districts Respectively. Free rooms furnished to ministers as far as
possible. No business; only a time of prayer, worship, singing, preaching and a new consecration.-J. E. Hamill, Pastor,

## FELLOWSHIP MEETINGS, S. S. AND

 CHEROKEE, OKLA.-All-day Fellowship LOCKNEY, TEXAS-C. A. Rally, Jan Box Clat Holt is pastor-Fred E, Ball SOUTHARD, OKLA.-All-day Fellowship Meeting, Jan. 14; C. A. Rally at night.Ed. Springer, Pastor. PITTSBURG, KANSAS-New Year'sRally, Jan. 1. District Superintendent V. G. Greisen
ley, Pastor.

LONDON, ARK.-Fellowship Meeting, 2est Central Section, Jan. 13. Services
2:00 and $7: 30$.-Ottie E. Gaugh, Sectional 2:00 and
Presbyter
PARAGOULD, ARK,-Fellowship Meettional Presbyter J. S. McMahan in charge Dec. 31 , special watch-night service.-Alfe A. Bradley, Host Pastor.

ST. LOUIS, MO.-C. A. Rally, St. Louis
 ST. LOUIS, MO.-S. S. Rally, St. Louis Section, Palm and Jefferson Aves., Jan.
$19,2: 30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Henry Hoar is pastor.Elmer J. Boettcher, S. S. Secretary, St.
Louis Section, 5608 Highland Ave PRATT, KANSAS-New Year's Day C. Basket iunch will be served.L. Glea ORLANDO, FLA--South Florida Dis: trict C. A. Rally, Jan. 1. Bring basket
lunch. Everyone invited.-Mrs. Jas. A.

ENID, OKLA-All-day Fellowship Meet ing, Jan, 1. Dinner on grounds. District
Superintendent G. W. Hardeastle, Night Speaker. Visitors from many states ex OKMULGEE, OKLA.-Sectional Young People's Rally and Watch-night service,
Dec. 31, $7: 30$
p. m. Lee Krupnick of Tulsa, one of the main speakers. Bring FINDI Glena E. Millard, Pastor. Fellowship Meeting, 406 East Sundusky St., Jan. ${ }^{6}:$ T. K. Leonard is pastor.
Services 10:00, $2: 30 ;$ ministers' meeting 6:00; evening service 7:30,-R. A. Hoff OMAHA, NEBR.-Annual Sectional FelOwship Meeting, 19th and Cass St. Jan.
Services 10:30, $2: 00$, and $7: 30$. District President Lester L. Dickinson expected to -D. W. Throne, Sectional Secretary.
KANSAS CITY, MO.-Sectional Fellow ship Mecting, Independe..ce and Spruce Sts.,
Jan. 6. Services $10: 30,2: 30 ;$ C. A. Rally :45. Bring basket dinner, also musical Listruments, Luther Sherlund is pastor,
Van L. O'Dell, Sectional Secretary, 1506
J. Blvd.
WAYNESBORO, PA--Fellowship Meet ing, Capitol Section, Calvary Tabernacle,
West Third St., Jan. 6. Prayer service West Third St., Jan. 6. Prayer service 7:30. Albert Skymer and Clarence Lefever,

Speakers.-Frederick D. Eide, Secretary, | Capitol Section |
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KIRKWOOD, MO.-Fellowship Meeting,
St. Louis Section, McKinley and Magnolia St. Lous Section, Mekinley and Magnolia
Ave., Dec. 30 . Services and speakers:
$10: 00$, R. M. Riggs, for ministers; 2:30,
Henry Hoar; 6:30, C. A.'s, Brother Shock-

## church. Brother Vinyard is pastor.-Clar ence Wiegand, Secretary-Treasurer. GREER, S. C.-Sectional C. A. Rally Recreation Hall, Dec. 29, 3:00 p. m. E. W GREER, S. C.-Sectional C. A. Rally, Recreation Hall, Dec. 29, 3:00 p. m. E. W. Bethany, of Spartanburg, will speak. Special music and singing; C. A.'s of Special music and singing; C. A.s of Spartanburg, Greenville, and Greenwood counties co-operating. C. A.'s of Colum- bia, S. C., and Augusta, Ga, are invited. G. E. Wilson, Field Representative. 46 LOCATION CHANGED <br> Hall, in Tremont Temple, 82 Tremont St. Dec. 28, 8:00 p. m. Evangelist Edwin P Anderson, New England C. A. President Anderson, New England C. A. President, special speaker. All C. A.'s and those sperested in C. A. Youth Movement urged to be present.-F. Wesley Pope, Sectional C. A. Secretary, 45 Hillerest Ave., Mel-

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