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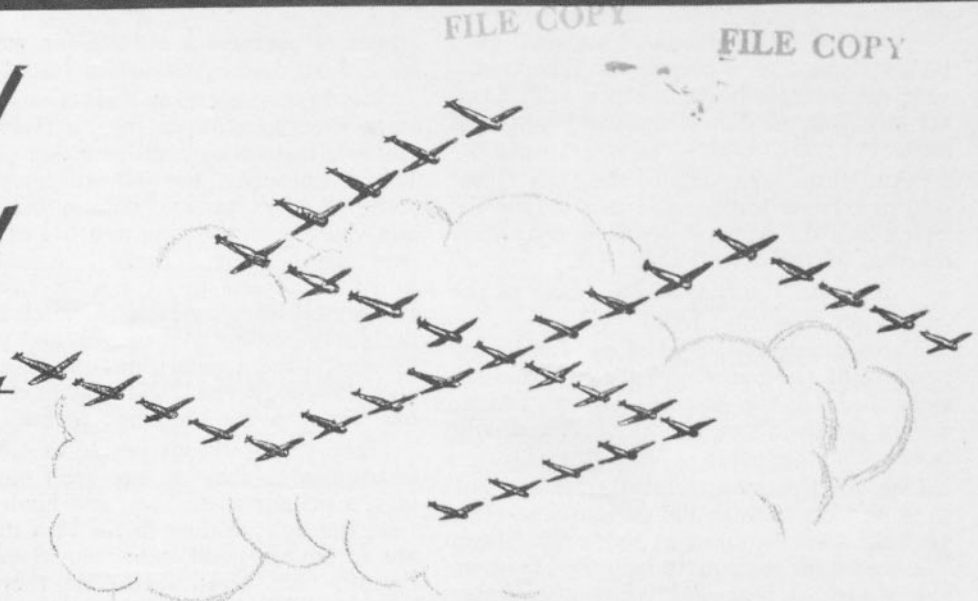
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He Beheld the City and **WEPT** over it

by Zelma Argue



"And when he was come near, he beheld the city, and wept over it, saying, If thou hadst known . . .
"For the days come that thine enemies shall . . . lay thee even with the ground." Luke 19:41-44.

"If thou hadst known!"

London, for centuries, "first city of the world," if thou hadst known! With your teeming millions, your rushing omnibuses, your shuttle-like tubes, your hundreds of houses of prayer, your palaces of pleasure, and world-famed houses of play-making. Your days of undisturbed gospel preaching, like golden sands of the hour glass, kept slipping, slipping away. Ah! If thou hadst known! What voices have been lifted in warning within your streets and great halls! Have you known the days of your visitation? Have you known that over and over again the Lord has come near to you? He has looked upon you, searching diligently through your streets for signs of godliness. With penetrating gaze He has beheld your activities, watching and observing each heart inclined to prayer. In the persons of your prophets and intercessors, He has come to you, has wept over you, lifted a voice of warning. Did you know that within your lovely English streets a thousand churches would be demolished, your tall spires and steeples laid low, your beautiful cathedrals of world-famed architecture devastated? Did you know the time would come that no longer could the lights of your mission halls shine out? No longer the trumpet, drum and flag rally bystanders at some brightly lighted corner to a soul-

winning street meeting? Did you know that only pure hearts will be sure temples for God? Did you know that your historic treasures, cherished for centuries, would be counted as mere kindling wood, that your consciousness of station in life would be vastly altered, as high and low would hurry to the dens and caves of the earth for shelter? London, did you know that still it might be said, "He beheld the city, and wept over it"? We believe God will bring you through this hour of trial, for the sake of many times the "ten righteous" within your borders. It is surely to His power we look for aid, in answer to prayer.

"If thou hadst known . . . !"

Cities of Continental Europe, "if thou hadst known," that so soon a strong iron hand would be over you, to control what you would hear, see, and think, and where you would go! Poland, did you know it was your God-given day of visitation, when not many months gone by there were raised up as many as five or six hundred Pentecostal groups within your borders, with their full-gospel testimony, with their baptismal services at the river in early spring, when hundreds upon hundreds of winter converts would come for baptism? Mothers of Poland, did you realize that your young sons would be torn from you, and your beautiful young daughters, the light and

joy of your hearts stolen from their homes or from the streets, and sent to the barracks, and you yourself helpless, sent to work at hard labor in the fields, with no house of God open for comfort?

Belgium, when the faithful Nortons and their noble workers witnessed in your cities, in high places and low, from the palace of King Albert to the humble places of shop and street and barracks, did you know that was your day of opportunity?

Rotterdam, Holland, now you are laid low, by an epic air raid, did you know that in one day there would be slaughtered 30,000, and 100,000 more left wounded? Did you know some months back that you were having your day of opportunity? A modern and beautiful Full Gospel building was erected within your borders? Did you appreciate it and flock to it to hear the warning voice through the Spirit and the Word, while yet you could? Ah! He has beheld your streets, and wept over them. Surely in you have the words been fulfilled, "For the days shall come that thine enemies shall . . . lay thee even with the ground, and thy children within thee!"

Eastern Europe, hundreds of Full Gospel groups have witnessed for the Lord while yet they could. Did you realize it was your day of visitation?

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More Than Conquerors

Donald Gee

"And the Holy Ghost descended in a bodily shape like a dove upon Him, and a voice came from heaven, which said, Thou art my beloved Son; in thee I am well pleased." Luke 3:22.

"And Jesus being full of the Holy Ghost returned from Jordan, and was led by the Spirit into the wilderness, being forty days tempted of the devil." Luke 4:1.

"And Jesus returned in the power of the Spirit into Galilee." Luke 4:14.

Three wonderful stages of our Lord's experience of the Spirit. In the first one He was filled; in the second He was tested; and in the third one He was anointed with power.

One of the most critical times in our lives as Christians is the period next after we have been baptized in the Holy Ghost. We need quite a bit more help than we did before. I look back with unspeakable thankfulness to God that they helped me after I had been baptized.

You will notice the ministry of our Lord Jesus. Directly He was filled with the Holy Ghost, He did not start preaching to huge crowds. He did not immediately start healing the sick and performing mighty wonders. Something mysterious happened. The Spirit—it was the Spirit of God that filled Him—drove Him into the wilderness to be tempted of the devil, and He was tested severely before He could stand and say that the Spirit of the Lord God was upon him for public service.

Over in England we had no end of fuss about the first voyage of that ship, the "Queen Mary." But before she ever began her journeys across the Atlantic, she was taken up and down the coast of Great Britain and tested in all kinds of weather—tested for power, tested to see how much pressure she could stand, tested to see what strain she could bear. After God puts the Pentecostal engines in us, He tests us before He gives us many jobs to do. The reason why some people who have had the Baptism for years have not done much is because when they were put under strain they showed signs of weakness—they looked as if they might crack—and so the Lord never used them much. The Lord Jesus had forty days of terrific testing under pressure and He came out gloriously approved. Because of that it says He returned in the power of the Spirit into Galilee.

We are tested for pressure. There are special temptations which can only come to us after Pentecost, and our future usefulness—not our personal life and salvation, but our ministry of usefulness and helpfulness to other people—depends on whether we come through the testing before us. Our Lord had a threefold temptation after He was filled with the Spirit. That threefold temptation is referred to in other parts of the Bible as the "lust of the flesh, the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life."

The devil came when Jesus was hungry, and said, "If thou be the Son of God, command that these stones be made bread." It was a temptation to use the new power for Himself. "You are hungry, you have the

power to perform a miracle for yourself." He did not do it. Wonderful Jesus!

The first temptation that comes to you is to use the Baptism in the Holy Ghost for your own enjoyment, your own pleasure. If you fail right here you will lay the first stone on the road to failure, but if you win you are on the road to a life of usefulness and blessing. There is a lot of joy in Pentecost and in letting the Lord have His way. But you have to watch that the flesh does not lay hold of you, and you say, "I must have a good time. I do not care about anybody else." If you start talking like that you are beginning to fail.

Many dear precious people of God need instruction so they do not spoil our meetings, spoil our assemblies, and hinder other folk, through yielding to the idea that they are to have a good time themselves. The Baptism was given them that they might be a blessing to other people. I know speaking in tongues is grand, because I do it myself, every day, and you cannot tell me anything about the blessing of it. But I have learned this, that God wants me to enjoy that lovely gift in a way that will not hinder other people. I find I get the best of it now when I am alone with Jesus. I have had some wonderful talks to Him in tongues, and I want to tell you He understands.

There is a story about an old Scotch woman. When people talked to her about speaking in tongues, she said, "I can talk to the Lord that way, and the devil does not know what I am saying!" Now I confess I do not have chapter and verse for that, but I believe it is true!

Some people want to enjoy themselves all the time, and their enjoyment hinders other folk. That was the trouble at Corinth. "If any man speak in an unknown tongue, let it be by two, or at the most by three"—not too much of it, especially in the assembly, because your joy and your pleasure may be hindering other people. There is a statement in the book of Proverbs, a word of wisdom, which I always like to apply on this line: "Hast thou found honey? eat so much as is sufficient for thee, lest thou be filled therewith, and vomit it."

Speaking in tongues is finding Pentecostal honey! And hallelujah, isn't it refreshing! But if you have too much of it you will get sick.

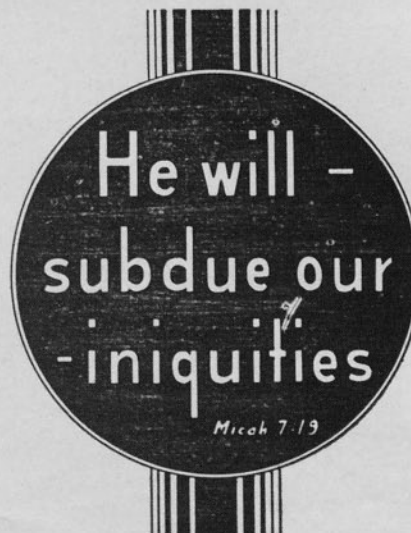
When I was a young man a friend started a candy store, and hired a young lady. I said, "How is it the young lady does not eat all the profits?" He said, "I'll tell you. When ever we hire a new girl we always give her permission to eat as much candy as she likes during the first week." He said, "That always cures them. They eat so much the first week they will not touch it the rest of the time." If you eat too much of *anything* you get sick and vomit it. So concerning the beautiful Pentecostal honey, speaking in tongues, the apostle Paul said in 1 Corinthians, "Let it be by two, or at the most by three." You will find it will suffice.

Another way in which we can misuse spiritual gifts is on the line of our wanting to use them to bring us into prominence. Deep down in our hearts there is often a desire to be seen. We need to spend much time waiting on God that He will really search our hearts. Often we do not recognize our motives. Sometimes unconsciously we use these spiritual gifts to bring ourselves into prominence. In the most of us there is a certain desire to be in the limelight, and if we are not careful Pentecost will pander to it. We need to wait upon God and ask Him to give us a deeper experience of the Cross in our own hearts.

If you get offended because people do not make enough fuss over your gift of tongues, you had better watch, or you will lose the anointing of the Spirit. I remember when we had one or two messages in tongues, and then we had number three—and she spoke in tongues like a trombone, it rolled like thunder. There was something about it—I may not always know when it is in the Spirit, but I know when it isn't—and that time I knew it was not of the Holy Ghost. I could not interpret it. There was nothing to it. She was just showing off. After the meeting a big six-foot man came up to me on the platform before I could slip away. He said, "I want to speak to you." I said, "Yes, brother." "Why didn't you interpret my wife's message in tongues?" I said, "Was that your wife?" "I want to know why you didn't interpret it. Don't you know, my wife came to this meeting especially to speak in tongues?" I said, "Is that so?"

God save me from trying to use the gifts of the Spirit to bring myself into prominence. Rather let me pray that every time the Spirit uses me Jesus alone is exalted and I somehow be blotted out of the picture. Manifestations that draw attention to self always have something wrong about them. They should draw attention to the Lord Jesus Christ. My lovely Pentecost was bought for me by the crucifixion of my Lord, and the gifts of the Holy Ghost are being brought to me by the blood of Jesus. Should I use the results of His agony and bloody sweat for personal gain? If ever I do, may God Almighty forgive me and save me.

The devil took Christ up into a high mountain, and showed Him all the kingdoms of the world and the honor and the glory of them, and said, "All this power will I give thee, and the glory of them: for that is delivered unto me; and to whomsoever



I will I give it. If thou therefore wilt worship me, all shall be thine." Thank God, Jesus stiffened up like a ramrod. Worship the god of this world? Never! Jesus answered and said unto him, "Get thee behind me, Satan: for it is written, Thou shalt worship the Lord thy God, and Him only shalt thou serve."

In some measure there comes to us in our Pentecostal life a temptation to compromise with the spirit of the world, and when a Spirit-filled believer compromises with the spirit of the world he is going downward fast. God has called us to be a separated people.

Now this temptation is not so likely to come to you in the first days of your new experience, but in a little while, when the novelty has worn off, it will surely come. The temptation to compromise with the spirit of the world and to rub off the sharp edges of the separation comes to every one of us sooner or later. But if you want to keep in the flow of the blessing, keep yourself unspotted from the world. Remember the word of the Lord, "Come out from among them, and be ye separate, saith the Lord, and touch not the unclean thing."

I know all too many, some of them dear to me personally, who have been baptized in the Holy Ghost, but today they are back in the world. Some have said, "Brother Gee, can you backslide after Pentecost?" You can. That is why I am preaching about it. God save us from it. O God, keep us separate from all the sinful world.

Some months ago I held a meeting in the church of one of our English pastors, and I felt things were a bit dim. I found there was an undercurrent of dissatisfaction. I felt the assembly was not healthy. As soon as I began to feed them with the Word of God I could see the trouble with the folks was they were hungry, starved. I got to the heart of the matter on a Sunday night, because in the first part of the meeting we had a wonderful blessing, the Spirit of God was among the people, and there was a desire to tarry and wait on God, but that pastor shut down the meeting with a snap and said, "Brother Gee, I want to go home. Come on." I felt heart broken. I felt we ought to stay. When I got home I found the whole reason was, he had a certain program of music he wanted to listen to on the radio!

I thank God for the radio, and I thank God for the multitude of testimonies I have heard of people who have been saved and blessed through ministry over the radio. But God save us from abusing the thing. That man was abusing it, filling himself with the spirit of the world, and he had lost the anointing of God.

I remember the first time I got a car, I was tempted to spend hours and hours and days taking it apart, putting it together, and polishing it. It put my ministry into absolute jeopardy. I was spending the time in the garage that should have been spent in the prayer room. God has to come first, and if we are failing on the line of consecration and separation we are heading straight for disaster.

The victory over that is the victory that Jesus had when He said, "Thou shalt worship the Lord thy God." To keep fit and to keep overcoming on this line, is to be a worshiper all the time. There is positive power and victory in worship. If you want to keep the Spirit-filled life be worshipers.

Cultivate worship not only in word, but in deed and in truth—the worship of obedience, the worship of giving to God of thy substance, the worship of doing His will continually.

On my journeys I carry in my bag a copy of Wesley's Journal. It is my constant companion. I read in my Wesley's Journal that on a certain day Methodists had a consecration meeting and renewed their vows to the Lord. There is great blessing in continually renewing our vows to the Lord. There is an inward crisis when for the first time in your life you



surrender all to Jesus, but it is a grand thing to have frequent consecration services. It is a grand thing for those who have had the Baptism in the Holy Ghost to renew their vows. It would be a grand thing for you to spend an hour or more waiting on the Lord and as you are there renew your vow, and say, "All to Jesus I surrender; I surrender all."

In the last temptation the devil took Jesus up to a pinnacle of the temple, and said, "If thou be the Son of God, cast thyself down from hence: for it is written, He shall give his angels charge over thee, to keep thee." Thank God for the significant answer. "It is said, Thou shalt not tempt the Lord thy God." Isn't the devil cunning? He quotes the Scriptures and says it is written. And the Lord Jesus said *it is written again*.

One of the most dangerous things you can do is to stand on an isolated text. I am not standing on a text, I am standing on the Book. Praise the Lord! People say, "Is there scripture for it?" We want the Book for it. We want the Scriptures, we want the whole Word of God. There is a saying, "You can prove anything from the Bible." Mark you, there is a certain amount of truth in it, if you take an isolated text. We have to use the whole Word of God. That is why we should read the Bible through. God help us to get soaked with the Word of God—absolutely soaked with it. If you are filled with the Word without the Spirit, you will dry up; if you are filled with the Spirit without the Word, you will blow up! But if you are filled with the Spirit and the Word, you will grow up. We must be filled with both the Spirit and the Word.

The first temptation is when the Baptism is new, and the individual is tempted to use it for himself. The next step in temptation is to let down on the separation, to lose the consecration; but those that keep consecrated are the ones who come to the final temptation. They are tempted to fanaticism, to throw themselves from the pinnacle. If the Lord Jesus had yielded to this temptation and had cast Himself down from the pinnacle of the temple, He would simply have been a crushed and mangled mass of flesh and bone. I know many who have wrecked their whole spirit-

ual usefulness by fanaticism. If you are waiting to throw yourself from the pinnacle, I say come back into balance, back into common sense, back to the precious Word of God.

Walk on the high places, but be able to come down again. Learn to walk the mountains with Jesus. You cannot be a mountaineer if you cannot keep your balance. The temptation is to presumption. I was impressed in reading the book of Joshua again recently. It is the book of the promised land and whole chapters are devoted to describing the borders of the land. The borders of the promised land were described with precision. It was presumption to go outside. God's Promised Land has borders and it is right to claim what is inside the borders, but it is presumption to claim what is outside. There is inside still very much land to be possessed, and I cannot understand some people's wanting to run outside the borders before they get what is inside. God save us from presumption.

I have heard of some places in America where they cast snakes around. This is fanaticism. Then there is an idea floating around, that if you live close enough to the Lord you will never die. If you die it is a sign you are backslidden. That is presumption. I do not find anything in my Bible to warrant that. May God keep us in sanity and balance all the time. That is why I think Spirit-filled folk should read their Bibles and get to know them more and more. Isn't it grand that the Lord Jesus was filled with the Spirit and filled with the Word too. At twelve years of age He was so filled with the Word that He was more than a match for the D. D.'s in Jerusalem, and at thirty years of age He was more than a match for the devil. The book He quoted from every time was the book of Deuteronomy. Some may think it is a dry book, but the Lord Jesus loved it. The Bible is a wonderful book. God help us to open it up. God help us to get in balance.

It is not difficult to drive a car if you go by a few simple rules, and I am simply giving you the rules of the heavenly road, that is all. If we look up into glory we see a Man there, the High Priest who was tempted in all points like as we are, and yet without sin; and He is able to succor them that are tempted. If you want to live an overcoming, Spirit-filled life, go to the One who overcame and by His Spirit within you He will overcome for you. In every hour of need whisper that sweet name, Jesus, Jesus, Jesus and, bless God, He will bring you through more than conqueror, and you will go on in the power of the Spirit, live a life of usefulness, and be a blessing everywhere you go.

The Great Thing in Prayer

The great thing in prayer is to feel that we are putting our supplications into the bosom of omnipotent Love. Before and above everything, let us take time ere we pray, to realize the glory and the presence of God.—Andrew Murray.

A Suggestion

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The Insanity of a Dictator

Read Daniel 4.

There is a tree in Sequoia National Park, California, 260 feet in height with a diameter at the foot of 45 feet. Its trunk alone contains enough wood to make 40 five-roomed houses. Such was the tree of which Nebuchadnezzar dreamed, only far vaster. It was a picture of a dictatorship reigning over the world "the height thereof reached unto the heaven, and the sight thereof unto the end of all the earth . . . and all flesh was fed from it." Dan. 4:11, 12. And it was a God-given power. Daniel says: "the Most High God gave Nebuchadnezzar . . . the kingdom; . . . and because of the greatness that He gave Him, all the peoples, nations, and languages trembled and feared before him." Dan. 5:18, 19.

The whole is an amazing picture, for all time, of human power at its strongest, measured against the power of God. No dictator could exceed the absolute power and authority of Nebuchadnezzar. His wealth was immense, his power unbounded, his enemies destroyed, and his own image worshiped as a God. "Whom he would he slew, and whom he would he kept alive." Dan. 5:19. Then came the warning dream, given him in pure mercy and grace—a tree dashed to the earth, isolated, and its portion with the beasts of the fields. With the warning unheeded Nebuchadnezzar is plunged into the most awful fate recorded of any monarch in history. The depth of his punishment, as always, was measured by the height of his iniquity. He was made what his heart was—a beast, "till thou know that the Most High ruleth in the kingdom of men, and giveth it to whomsoever He will." And the crowning uniqueness of it all is that the entire narrative is a State paper, a decree of the dictator himself, recording with his own hand the whole incident for the whole world.

The crisis of Nebuchadnezzar's life approached in a dream of the night. With the exquisite tact of the love of God, a still small voice speaks to his soul in the night watches giving the sleeping man a vivid picture of coming danger. "Hew down the tree, and cut off the branches,

shake off his leaves, and scatter his fruit." At the same time the dream indicated that whoever and whatever was the tree, it was no picture of complete destruction. "Nevertheless leave the stump of his roots in the earth." Dan. 4:15.

Characteristically, the Most High now stamps home the coming danger by explaining it to the endangered soul in plain and explicit words. If doom alone was meant, it would fall unforecast. But God's love foretells the worst, to save. "This is the interpretation, O king, and it is the decree of the Most High . . . that thou shalt be driven from men, and thy dwelling shall be with the beasts of the field . . . till thou know that the Most High ruleth in the kingdom of men, and giveth it to whomsoever He will. . . . Wherefore, O king . . . break off thy sins by righteousness, and thine iniquities by showing mercy to the poor." The warning to show mercy to the poor strikes the deep note of evil dictatorship—savagely cruelty. "Comfort the poor, protect and shelter the weak, and with all thy might right that which is wrong," were the words of a godly dictator of ancient England, Alfred the Great. Such noble thoughts are as unknown to any modern dictator as they were to Nebuchadnezzar.

Now that the dictator has had his explicit warning, a pause—one of those dread pauses in life when God is silent and a man is being proved—follows for a period of twelve months, when at last the crisis arrives. "At the end of twelve months"—a blank concerning which we know nothing—"the king spake and said, Is not this great Babylon, which I have built for the royal dwelling-place, by the might of my power and for the glory of my majesty?" As we have watched the vast restorations of Rome and Moscow and Berlin, we beheld the real efficiency, and the immense constructive capacities, of dictators. If efficiency were the standard by which we judge dictators, most dictators would deserve their power.

It was in "the royal palace of Babylon" that Nebuchadnezzar was walking at the moment. In the neighborhood of Babylon an inscription has been unearthed of the actual words of Nebuchadnezzar. He had rebuilt Babylon on a scale of colossal splendor. But his especial pride, as the inscription reveals, was the royal palace. "I have adorned," Nebuchadnezzar says, "no part of Babylon—that city which is the pupil of my eye—as I have the palace. Silver, gold, metals, gems nameless and priceless, objects of rare value, immense treasures have I heaped together, to adorn the abode of my majesty." Nevertheless, with the smashed tree before his eyes, Nebuchadnezzar might have remembered that *the most magnificent career, without God, is a vanity of vanities*. A Roman Emperor, when he was dying, cried, "I have been everything, and everything is nothing." Then, ordering his funeral urn to be brought, he said, "Little urn, thou shalt contain one for whom the world was too little." "All power corrupts," says Lord Acton, "and absolute power corrupts absolutely."

Like a flash falls the thunderbolt. "While



Wash me,
and I shall be
whiter than snow

Ps 51:7

the word was in the King's mouth, there fell a voice from heaven, saying . . . the kingdom is departed from thee." The Septuagint adds, concerning the dream, "he kept the words in his heart." Nevertheless Nebuchadnezzar had plunged again into the round of social pleasures and imperial politics and ambitious dreams. The tree waved its branches over the world unconscious that every month an axe crept closer to the root. Nebuchadnezzar was totally ignoring the Most High. He, like the modern dictators, banked on "the weakness of God." Nor, it seemed, not without reason. Jehovah had chosen a holy city—that city was in ruins. Jehovah had built a divine temple—its sacred vessels were now the playthings of Nebuchadnezzar's palace. Jehovah had chosen a peculiar people—that people was now rotting in the ghettos of Babylon. Exactly so, the dictators today are scattering and crushing the church of God—and nothing happens!

The warning of love, laid by Nebuchadnezzar in its grave, now springs to life in judgment. And God's estimate of a proud and merciless dictator is appalling. As a beast in heart, he is now made a beast. What Nebuchadnezzar was adorning—himself—suddenly vanishes into a wild animal, and in a moment he is degraded not merely to a beggar but a brute. "The same hour was the thing fulfilled upon Nebuchadnezzar: and he was driven from men, and did eat grass as oxen" (a form of insanity, known as lycanthropy, in which the patient imagines himself an animal. The demoniac often betrays the symptoms of insanity; and it remains to be seen how far the devil-controlled leaders at the end will betray mental symptoms) "and his body was wet with the dew of heaven, till his hair was grown like eagles' feathers, and his nails like birds' claws." For seven years the dictator was a madman, for only so could the colossal accumulations of pride, that blacked-out God, break down. So deeply is the coming world dictator's character that of a brute that his only title, throughout the book of Revelation, is "the Wild Beast."

But how blessed to know, as vividly revealed here once again, that, so long as a man is alive, behind the worst distresses there is a loving and pardoning God. When we cannot be drawn to God we can be driven to Him. When rank, honor, power, and even manhood, have been lost, this dictator says, "I, Nebuchadnezzar, lifted up mine eyes unto heaven"—the recognition of God, the enthronement of God, the worship of God; and the pardon was instantly proved in the cure—"and mine understanding returned unto me, and I blessed the Most High." It is exquisite to remember that in the world's dawn, "the Lamb hath been slain from the foundation of the world." Rev. 13:8. In other words, Calvary has always been efficacious, from the first sinner

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to the last, for in the mind of God Christ was crucified from the foundation of the world.

The crowning glory of all is the new character of the dictator. The open confession of such a record could not be surpassed for humility: yet Nebuchadnezzar says, "It hath seemed good unto me (it hath seemed to me comely) to show"—and that by State paper addressed to the whole world—"the signs and wonders (the miracles of abasing judgment) that the Most High hath wrought toward me." The miracle of the humility competes with the colossal character of the pride. And such is the lovely graciousness of the new nature that this is what he says of the God who had crushed him beyond any man living. "Now I, Nebuchadnezzar, praise and extol and honor the King of heaven; for all His works are truth, and His ways justice and those that walk in pride He is able to abase."

The Last Key

By D. H. Dolman

George MacGregor once told how he frequently used to visit an old minister in his Scottish manse. The old man was a devout child of God, a great Bible student and faithful minister. His wife was an invalid. For a long time she had not been able to leave her room.

"Every time I visited my old friend," MacGregor said, "I felt there was something wanting in his spiritual life. I could not think what it might be. It seemed as if there was something he was afraid to surrender to God.

"One morning as we were on our knees in fellowship, he suddenly got up in the middle of prayer with a short apology. He rushed into his wife's room. 'Darling,' he said, 'you know I loved you better than anything on earth; but, dear, I love the Saviour more. If He should make it clear to me that I should have to go to China and leave you, you will not be disappointed if I go?' The dear saint smiled bravely at her husband and said, 'Then you go. For years I have been praying that I might not be a hindrance to you.'

"The old man had surrendered the last key into the Master's hands. The devil had been taunting him with it, that he loved his wife more than the Lord.

"That same evening the nurse went into the room to make the old lady ready for the night. She was lying in bed with her eyes closed, a graceful smile on her lips. The Lord had called His child home. Startled, the nurse ran down stairs to break the news to the husband. There was no answer to her knock. She opened the door. The old man was bending over his Bible. She came nearer. He did not move. His spirit had fled. He had been afraid to have to leave his wife behind. He surrendered the last key. The Lord graciously and mercifully took them both home together."

A Suggestion

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A Meditation on Healing

Charles Elmo Robinson

If ye shall ask anything in My name, I will do it. John 14:14.

When may it be fairly said of a request that it is made in Jesus' Name?

When David's young men said to Nabal, "Give, I pray thee, whatsoever cometh to thy hand unto thy servants" (1 Sam. 25:8), they were asking in the name of David—by David's authority, asking something that David had told them to ask, something that David wanted them to receive from Nabal.

The text speaks of our asking something by Christ's authority—"in My name"—for something Christ has expressly authorized us to ask for, something that Christ wants us to have. When we do that we may fully rely on the attendant promise of Jesus, "I will do it."

Let us suppose we ask God to heal us of a fever. On the surface this looks all right. Jesus, in the days of His flesh, healed every one who asked Him to do so; we are plainly told that the prayer of faith shall save the sick; and we are sure that God's highest purpose concerning us is that we shall be well. So on the surface the request sounds like one made in the name of Jesus—by His authority. As I meditated on this, the following supposed conversation between God and us came to me:

God. "Why does My Son want Me to heal you of this fever?"

Us. "This body that is sick has been given to Him by an irrevocable grant, and He wants it kept in the highest state of efficiency as with it I work for Him. Moreover it is the temple of His Spirit, and He wants it kept in the perfect repair that that temple should be kept in."

God. "Very well. Seeing the healing is actually desired for the furthering of My Son's purposes I will heal the fever. The request is granted.

"But for your information and future guidance I shall add this: If you had replied that the chief reason for making the request of Me was that you might enjoy freedom from the pains and discomforts of sickness for your own selfish purposes, I should probably have refused you. If you know the Scriptures this refusal of Mine would not surprise you for you know I have already, through My servant James, made proclamation of the fact that 'Ye ask and receive not, because ye ask amiss, that ye may consume it on your lusts.'

"Some people makes requests in order that they can pride themselves on being

so near to God that God answers their prayers; or so that they can boast themselves above their brethren who still suffer affliction; or so that they can be more comfortable as they pursue their worldly vocations; or be able to make more money to lay it up as treasure for themselves. In other words they want the thing asked for that they may use it to satisfy their lusts, i. e., for their own selfish purposes.

"When I see such things to be the real aim back of the request I feel sure it is not being made in My Son's name, for He does not want to have Me help you in satisfying your carnal, selfish desires or purposes.

"Your heart seems to be clear of all such carnal purposes in asking to be healed of your fever, so, as I said, the prayer is granted. You are healed."

The Death of Miss Prayermeeting

Miss Faithful Prayermeeting died recently at Neglectville in the state of Worldliness. She was born many years ago in the midst of revival fires. Miss Prayermeeting had lived a notable life until recent years. For some time she has been confined to her home because of business engagements and severe attacks of fatigue and nervousness. These symptoms were always more noticeable on prayer-meeting nights. She was troubled with stiffness of the knees and coldness of the heart, inactivity, weakness of will-power, and generally diminished vitality marked the last stage of her illness.

Her decease was accompanied by much sobbing and groaning over the "good old days" of her early life, but only a few stood by her in her last struggles. She leaves, to mourn her loss, many churches, preachers, and official dignitaries; also unsaved persons outside the pale of the church, who often sought her help in times of trouble.

The remains will be taken before the Judgment Bar of God where the Searcher of all things will inquire into the real cause of the untimely death of so worthy a servant. It is suspected that treachery on the part of her caretakers and professed admirers will be discovered as responsible.—A. O. Moore.

The School of Sorrow

It was a blind minister of the Gospel who wrote these words: "In the night He is preparing thy song; in the valley He is tuning thy voice; in the clouds He is deepening thy chords; in the rain He is sweetening thy melody; in the cold He is moulding thy expression; in the transition from hope to fear He is perfecting thy lights and shadows. Despise not thy school of sorrow, O my soul! It will give thee a unique place in the universal song."

Conversion

The entire change in conversion consists of four things: A change of views, a change of affection, a change of state, and a change of life.—Alexander Campbell.



He healed them
that had need
of healing

Luke 9:11

Wamdi, a Faithful Witness

By Phyllis H. Wintrup

She seemed such a timid little thing that day—the day when she first visited the girls' school at Biliri. Perhaps she thought she was unnoticed there at the back of the schoolroom; but no, the white teacher singled her out, spoke to her encouragingly, and gave her a pencil and piece of paper on which to copy the letters of the alphabet. How awkwardly she grasped the pencil! And little wonder, for never before had she held such a thing. A capable white hand put the pencil in the proper position, and then guided the little black hand in forming the first letter of the alphabet. So began Wamdi's contact with the white missionaries.

Six months went past, months filled with things of absorbing interest to the Tangale maid. She was learning to read, and this was opening up new vistas before her mind's eye, for is not the sole literature of the Tangale the grandest literature in the world—the Word of God? Then there were the church services, and the story of a God of such surpassing love for sinners as to give His only-begotten Son to die in their stead. A God of love, when she had known but the gods of vengeance! Who would not respond to His call? And the miracle of regeneration was wrought in the heart of Wamdi. As expressed in her own Tangale tongue, she "laid her mind against the body of Jesus." Surely a graphic picture of trust!

"If any man be in Christ, he is a new creature; old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new." So wrote the Apostle Paul, and so experienced our little Tangale maid. The things which yesterday she did without a qualm of conscience, today she could not do. But alas, there were others to be considered besides herself; there were her parents, who had not scrupled to sell their daughter's body to gain profit for themselves. But that body was now the dwelling place of the Holy Spirit of God, so how could she give it to the vile use which Christian lips hesitate even to name? Steadily she refused to debase herself. Scoldings, threatenings were in vain, even though those scoldings came from lips whereon was the stinging poison of asps. But they did not stop at threatenings: they seized her and beat her and cast her into her little hut to reconsider everything. This was repeated day after day. Then, one day, when the beating had been particularly hard, she made her way to the white "Mother," to tell her of what she was suffering for the gospel's sake. "Mother's" heart was inexpressibly touched, but she bade the girl go on in her stand for the right, reminding her of what Christ had borne for her. The Tangale maid, with aching body and troubled heart, looked at the missionary with eyes that pierced to the very soul. "Is it worth while, all this suffering?"—this was the burden of her mute gaze. What she saw in the eyes of the missionary gave her confidence and reassurance; her drooping shoulders straightened, her chin went up, and Wamdi

went back to her home to "endure, as seeing Him who is invisible."

A month later she came back to the Mission Compound. Her slender body showed the cruel welts of scourging, but she was no longer cast down. "They beat me and threw me into my hut," she said, "but I began to sing, for my body was exceedingly happy. Then I began to praise Jesus, and a great love rose within me. I thought of my father and mother, and I prayed that God would turn their minds from their evil ways and give them faith in Jesus Christ." Consolation in Christ? Yea, Wamdi had found it, and out of weakness was made strong.

No longer timid, she witnessed to the other members of her household of the transforming power that had come into her life through her acceptance of the gospel message. And she prayed for those who had so despitefully used her. Then, one Sunday, a wonderful thing happened: Wamdi's mother went to church! Only those who have lived in a pagan community and seen to some extent the hold superstition has on the lives of the older people can appreciate what this step meant. And now the old hatred of the things of God has been banished from the heart of the mother, and who can say but that her mind is also lying against the body of the Lord Jesus?

The other members of the household were likewise affected. Wamdi's sister had been one of the leading belles at the lascivious pagan dances of her people. From that life of depravity she was won to be a zealous follower of the Lord. To her has been given the gift of poetry and song: she has written several hymns and has set them to the strangely elusive native tunes of the Tangale. Two brothers are also following after the things of Christ, so Wamdi's witnessing has been abundantly fruitful.

But the example of the Tangale maid extended far beyond the boundaries of her own home. Other girls were later subjected to the same kind of persecution, and Wamdi was to them a comfort and an inspiration. She was as it were the standard-bearer of the emancipation of Biliri women from the thralldom of paganism, and right bravely did she carry the banner of the Lord.

Is this a story of the dim past? By no means. All of these events have taken place within the last three years. Verily, there are those of our own day and age who have

drunk deep of His cup of woe, triumphant over pain, and who are even now joyfully following in the train of the conquering Son of God. And of these is our little Tangale maid, Wamdi.

He Beheld the City and Wept Over It

(Continued from Page One)

"If thou hadst known!"

Norway, how favored you, together with all Scandinavian countries, have been! In your capital city of Oslo in 1906, Brother Thomas Barratt commenced preaching the Latter Rain message, ministering these years to a great congregation God raised up, and not ceasing his faithful life of zeal unto God until his homegoing in January, 1940. Did you know that the fatefully prophetic words "they shall betray one another," would be fulfilled in your lovely land of fiords, and majestic mountains? At the great European gathering of Full Gospel workers, in Stockholm, Sweden, in June 1939, when invitations for a similar gathering one year later, to another country (England) were being proffered by the brethren, it was your own Brother Thomas Barratt (as told me later in New York by Nicholas Nikoloff) who arose in all humility, and replied, "Brethren, I feel this will be our last great European Full Gospel gathering, and that by 1940 it will be too late for another." Faithful witness to Norway, now your labors are ended, your sword is replaced in its sheath, and your voice on earth is silenced. You labored while yet it was day in your beloved Norway, before the night should come when there, no man could so freely work!

"If thou hadst known!"

Coast of China, what tears have been wept by countless missionaries, over your sins! Canton and Shanghai, beautiful harbor cities of South China, did you know your day of visitation? Canton, did you know that you were so soon to become a "ghost city," of silenced deserted roads, and demolished and deserted factories? that your great population would be trekking inland, knowing not whither; frightened, homeless? Did you know your hour? Shanghai, did you know that severed limbs would be seen suspended in air from your poles and wires (as told me by eye witnesses) and that in your streets helpless mothers, deprived by bombs, of homes, of husbands and older children, would, without shelter give birth to helpless babes as the bombing was proceeding? Did you know that your young men would be seen lying in your streets disemboweled, or with half the face shot away, lying in pools of their own blood? Did you know that the footfalls of all your missionaries would echo against you through the ages? That their beds of sickness, malaria, smallpox, dysentery, contracted as the cost of giving the gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ to that vast inland empire of which you have been the gateway, would forever bear witness to the effort to make known to you the call of God?

"If thou hadst known . . . !"

O, Cities of America, favored beyond all computing, have you known the day of your visitation? Have you known that Jesus has come near to you? has looked upon you searchingly—no thought, desire, nor ambition hidden from the penetrating white light of His all-seeing eyes? His pure eyes that

Be not faithless,
but believing

John 20:27



cannot look upon sin with the least degree of allowance, have been turned upon you, in all your unparalleled opportunities. Did you know that you will be called to give an account for it all? With what grace, and marvelous condescension He has seen fit to call through a myriad host of voices, through radio, through any type of channel that might startle the indifferent to attention! He has repeatedly, over and over, faithfully called. That no soul might have been overlooked, or passed by, He has despised no channel as too humble to use, if yielded and cleansed. Through His witnesses He has called you. Through His intercessors, He has wept over you. Through His ministers He has called, *called, CALLED* you to repentance, to confession of sin, to turning from iniquity, to turning with the whole heart unto Him. Through His prophets He has warned you. Do you know that while it has been day, they worked, but that night is coming when no man can work? Do you know that you will give an account for all the light that has been given to you? As you proudly look up to the heights of your tall skyscrapers, do you remember the words, from Revelation, "and the cities of the nations fell . . ." Do you realize a day is coming, when "the lofty looks of man shall be humbled, and the haughtiness of men shall be bowed down, and the Lord alone shall be exalted in that day"?

America, with your great white ways, thronged by myriads of blinded pleasure-seekers, what is Christ's diagnosis of you today? If E. Stanley Jones, before returning to India at the conclusion of his furlough warned Americans that they are living in a "motion picture age where the emotions are aroused, but the will unmoved," and that the "religious life of America is being infected with a sentimentality that feels, but will not act. Soul hardening may be—is—setting in" then, what would Christ Himself say? America, He is beholding you, weeping over you through hidden intercessors, and saying, "If . . . if . . . if thou hadst known!" What consecrated witnesses have traversed, so tirelessly, your highways! What consecrated footsteps have echoed through your streets! It is all recorded. God will require an account of it all. *America! He looks upon you! He still beholds . . . and weeps!*

"If thou hadst known!"

O backslider in heart, if thou hadst known the shortness of your little hour of choice, would you have permitted the enemy of souls to entice and deceive you, to rob you of that which is more precious than gold, that all too late you would find yourself undone, stripped and naked in the eyes of God? Jesus weeps, not only over the city whose golden day of visitation has past, but also He weeps over you as an individual. You will find that Jesus will turn and look upon you as He turned and looked upon Peter when Peter, hearing it said to him, "Thou also art of them," denied Him thrice. Peter went out and wept bitterly. You too will go and weep bitterly, when your chance to bear reproach for Him is forever gone by.

"If thou hadst known!"

O steward of earthly possessions, Jesus still sits by the treasury and observes as the offerings are cast in. He sees the widow's mite still. He sees those who sow bountifully. He sees those who sow sparingly. He sees too that the day is coming in

which men will cast away their silver and their gold, for it will have no longer any power to help them, or to help others. He foresees the day when Antichrist will take over the riches of this earth, and the individual's power over personal accumulations will not exist. How many, many, many have said with regret over opportunities that were neglected and can never be recalled, since depression day began that it has been their great loss and grief that resources once available, but now no longer theirs, were not put to use for the glory of God.

"If thou hadst known!"

Intercessor, the time is short! Weep and pray on, a little longer. Jesus beheld the city, and wept over it. Your tears are honored to flow with His tears. They, with the prayers of all the saints, are all laid up. In Revelation 8 we read, "And another angel came and stood at the altar having a golden censer, and there was given unto him much incense, that he should offer it with the prayers of all saints upon the golden altar which was before the throne." Will you have many prayers there? Shall I?

The "much incense" is the Name of Jesus, which is offered with all our prayers, and the sum and substance of all the petitions of all the church are summed up in the cry, "thy kingdom come!" Only when all the prayers are offered up, amounting to a great cry, "even so, come, Lord Jesus," is our Lord willing and ready for the tribulation to commence. That cry moves Him to action. Only then is it recorded, "And the angel took the censer, and filled it with fire of the altar, and cast it into the earth, and there were voices, and thunders, and lightnings, and an earthquake." "And the seven angels which had the seven trumpets prepared themselves to sound." The verses which follow, describe the tribulation events which follow the sounding of the seven trumpets. It is in the "days of the sounding of the seventh angel . . . the mystery of God should be finished." Rev. 10:7. So our prayers contribute directly to bringing back our Lord. Pray on, and do not faint. Angels will attend you as you pray.

"If thou hadst known . . . !"

Faithful Christian hearts, whether we know and grasp it or not, our time is short. Housewives, are you "busy about many things"? Once, late at night, a phone call came for my mother to visit a very sick woman, who was asking for her. With the cares of a home, and small children, my mother put it off until the morning. Very early, the phone rang. The woman had died in the night. My mother's anguish, back in those childhood days, I have never forgotten. "She called for me. O, if I had only gone!" was her great regret. An opportunity gone forever.

Sunday School worker, would you have minded getting up that hour earlier, taking your car, and going away out to get those little children who could not come otherwise, if you had realized that so soon those boys would be youths, called to the defense of their country, gone out of your grasp, perhaps forever? Would you have begrudged the time spent on them, winning their confidence, and telling them of the Lord?

"If thou hadst known."

Patient Pastor, expended evangelist, consecrated missionary: what bliss is yours, if you like Paul, have found yourself able to say, "I was not disobedient unto the heaven-

ly vision!" When midnight has come, and the doors have closed, then every saint of God will thank God for the grace that enabled them to follow where Jesus led.

"If thou hadst known . . ."

"For the days shall come that thine enemies shall come . . . and compass thee round . . . and shall lay thee even with the ground, and thy children within thee." Luke 19:43, 44. Once in what I presume was a vision, the Lord let me get a glimpse of a silent, desert place of battle. Everything was laid flat with the ground. Every living form was now silent and cold, laid even with the ground. That vision was when I was very young, not yet out of school, but its effect has never left me, and at every remembrance of it my heart has inwardly mourned for what lay ahead of our present generation. "If thou hadst known?" Ah, that is it! We have not been taken unawares, but have known through the Spirit and the Word. May we be faithful to the Lord, and to our calling as last-hour witnesses!

We find a city in the first book of the Bible, we find one in the closing pages of the Bible—a city that will never be destroyed.

Abraham "looked for a city which hath foundations, whose builder and maker is God." The Apostle John saw this city. "I John saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down from God out of heaven . . . And God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes; and there shall be no more death, neither sorrow, nor crying."

When we get there, doubtless we shall be inclined to say to the Apostle John, "Why didn't you tell us it was so wonderful?" No doubt he will reply, "I told you! I told you the streets were gold. I told you the gates were pearls. I told you the city had no need of the sun. I told you there was a rainbow around about the throne. I told you there was no night there!"

"The kings of the earth do bring their glory and honor into it. And the gates of it shall not be shut at all by day, for there is no night there. And they shall bring the glory and honor of the nations into it. And there shall in no wise enter into it anything that defileth . . . but they which are written in the Lamb's book of life."

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They Beckon to Us . . . They Want Our Christ

Maynard L. Ketcham, North India

Surely this is an open door if ever there was one—among these "untouchable" villages of outcaste leather workers. I am writing from Kaligunj, down in Bengal, just on the edge of the backwash of the great Gangetic delta.

It may be interesting to you to know that Kaligunj means "town of Kali," Kali being the gruesome, bloodthirsty demon goddess who symbolizes death to the Hindu. Kali goes on an occasional spree, so they say, decapitates her five husbands, drinks their blood, bedecks her neck with their skulls, and goes out to woo five more innocents. Let us hope that Kali does not take it into her head of visit us before we leave her domain—an ever present possibility in the minds of many superstitious Hindus.

A Crying Need

During my present extended visit to Kaligunj we have surveyed this territory to a distance of seven or eight miles round about and have found twenty-five villages of "moochies," or leather workers, with a population of about five thousand. The same conditions prevail within a radius of forty miles of Kaligunj, so if you are good at figures you can compute yourself something of the need. Wherever we go the one plea is heard, "When are you Christian missionaries actually coming here? We hear so much about what Christianity does for downtrodden people such as we are—but when are WE going to have an opportunity to espouse it?"

What Answer Can We Give?

Our hearts move us to promise immediate help, but our hands are tied, for we feel it is impossible to assume more obligations than we have at the present time.

Mohammedan and Hindu societies recognize this as an open door and stand ready to gain an entrance. But the moochies know that Christianity alone can lift them . . . they beckon to us . . . they want our Christ. Do you think we ought to do something to give the gospel to these thousands who are asking for it, or should we let the Mohammedans gather the fruit from this ripened harvest field? Are you willing to stand with us in prayer and to give us all the backing you can for the evangelization of this great area?

Travel Sidelights

The Kaligunj visit comes at the end of a tour of East Bengal when Brother Munshie, Brother Haldar and I visited between us over twelve churches. We rejoiced to find new groups of Pentecostal believers, new churches to be dedicated, new seekers after God's fullness.



Leaders from 25 villages of untouchable shoemakers in Kaligunj who met with Mr. Ketcham to beg for the gospel to be given to their people.

This is rather a poor time of year to travel in East Bengal, as it is midway between the rainy season floods and the hot season drought. The houses in East Bengal are built up on blobs of mud, raised in the midst of a vast swamp. In the hot season they may be reached on foot; during the floods boats go from doorstep to doorstep—but between seasons you wallow in the mud, either on foot or by boat, and consider yourself fortunate to cover a mile per hour.

If time would permit, we could give you some interesting sidelights of our trip—such a mighty army of mosquitoes that people have to provide mosquito nets to protect their cows at night—so much malaria that no person escapes its curse—the little roly-poly boat with only two inches of freeboard and a cabin six feet long, three feet wide and three feet high in which three of us live almost continually day after day. The balance was so delicate that we could not roll over in our sleep without affecting it enough to cause the boat to ship water. In addition to all this I had the misfortune to fall overboard, suffer a severe bruising, contract a bad cold, develop sinus infection and sprain my back!

A Parish of Fifty Million!

In closing may we ask you to pray that workers may be available for the Bengali work which is developing rapidly. Brother and Sister Woolever and ourselves are the only ones in the mission who speak Bengali, and we have a parish of over fifty million. Brother Woolever feels a call to the Bengali work in Calcutta. Then there is the Purulia work to care for, the great East Bengal field, and now this urgent need in Kaligunj. PRAY FOR BENGAL!

REVIVAL IN JUNEAU, ALASKA

Pastor Ralph E. Baker reports a real visitation of the power of God in Juneau during a campaign just held by Lester F. Sumrall, of



Leper fisherman, North India, seated in his little boat awaiting his opportunity to spear a turtle.

Chicago, Illinois. The results showed this to be the greatest stir Juneau has ever known. Night after night the church was filled to capacity and many were turned away. Among those who attended the services were some who had not stepped inside a church for many years. During the campaign twenty-seven souls sought the Lord for salvation, and the saints were refreshed and built up in the faith.

After a two-weeks campaign at the Assembly of God, Brother Sumrall conducted services for another week at the Memorial Presbyterian Church in Juneau where he ministered through an interpreter to the native Alaskan Indians.

DOROTHY GANZ MEMORIAL CHURCH

"October 15, 1940, will ever stand out in my memory," says Constance Eady, of Bangalore, South India, "since on that day the Dorothy Ganz Memorial Church at Kaveripatnam was dedicated—in memory of my beloved co-worker whom the Lord took to Himself in October, 1939. The money for building this church was sent to me by Miss Ganz's colleagues at the University Clinic of Chicago, Illinois, where she worked prior to coming to India, and by her mother, Mrs. Stewart, of Chicago. It is a lovely church, situated on the main road between two Indian towns, with outcaste villages surrounding it.

A Sacred Moment

"Crowds had gathered outside the building, and it was a sacred moment when Walter Clifford, of Colombo, Ceylon, fitted the key in the lock, opened the door and we all entered.

"A large photograph of Sister Ganz was hung on the wall, and then the dedication service began. The fragrant life of our sister was spoken of, her love for the people of India, and her longing that a church should be built at Kaveripatnam—a longing which was now being realized. It was a solemn and beautiful service, and at the close a number signified their desire to yield themselves to the Lord. Five strong men immediately stepped to the front, asking for prayer and yielding their lives to God.

"As I stood there I felt that our beloved Sister Ganz was just looking down on us and smiling as she saw the church she had longed for in Kaveripatnam, erected and filled to overflowing, and souls saved and going on with the Lord."

HEALTHY GROWTH

In Fan Ling, South China, the work opened by Lula Bell Hough only nine months ago is being blessed of the Lord. Miss Hough states that outside of a small amount given toward the Bible woman's maintenance, the work has been self-supporting from the start. As soon as the people knew that a work was to be opened there they began to bring in benches, Bibles, songbooks, prayer mats, bell, etc. until the church was completely furnished. The work has grown so that now they have sixty-eight Sunday School scholars and forty or fifty out to other services.



Christian people coming in boats through water-logged rice fields to Pithabari church, North India. The church building, as well as the homes, is built on large mounds of mud raised from the morass of the Ganges Delta.

Gleanings from Our South American Mail

News from Brazil

From Lavras, Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Olson write: "Looking back over the past three months we feel we have much for which to thank God in spite of some severe battles along the way. From time to time at our altars we have witnessed repentant souls finding salvation. At least two have been filled with the Spirit, and sick bodies have been healed by the Master's touch. Last November it was our joy to baptize six converts in water, and yesterday three more. Thus our work is showing a steady growth, both numerically and spiritually.

"From December 30 to January 11 we conducted our second Daily Vacation Bible School for the children, taking advantage of their summer vacation. All seemed to enjoy the school thoroughly, and we believe the precious truths taught will bear fruit in their lives in days to come.

Progress Despite Persecution

"In November it was my privilege to visit Carmo do Rio Claro and baptize the first fruits of the work there—seven believers. In spite of persecution the work has made good progress, and we have recently sent Brother Oswaldo Campolina to take charge there. Pray that God will use him to the salvation of many in that needy section. From other outstations comes news of persecution, but at the same time good tidings of souls finding Christ. We are hoping in the near future to enter two new towns which we understand are especially open to the gospel at this time.

"At present we are busy with the preparation of notes for our forthcoming series of intensive Bible studies in Uberaba and Uberlandia, March 19 to April 1. These periods of training are important and very profitable, since many of our workers have had little opportunity along this line. Pray that as we expound the Word and as the workers receive, we shall all be anointed in a special way."

Special Meetings in Sao Paulo

Theodore Stohr writes concerning special meetings held at Sao Paulo in January, which proved to be a time of real blessing: "Many attended our services for the first time, and some received a definite experience of salvation. One of the faithful sisters in our church has been praying for years for the salvation of her only son, who is married and has two children. One night he went to a dance where he got into a fight. In his anger he threw a knife and tried to kill a man, but God in His mercy caused the knife to miss its mark. A few nights later he and his wife dropped into our service and were wonderfully

NEWEST ARRIVAL

We are introducing to you the youngest member of our missionary family, Sharon Jewel Udd—a baby girl who arrived November 28 to gladden the home of Brother and Sister Ragnar Udd, our missionaries in Belgian Congo. We regret the tardiness of this announcement, but the letter which conveyed the important news was very much delayed in getting through and did not reach us until a few days ago.

saved. Praise the Lord! No cases are too hard for Him.

"During the special meetings we conducted a Daily Vacation Bible School in the afternoons, which proved to be a real blessing and has resulted in several being added to our Sunday School.

"Our two native workers are busy for the Lord and give a report of victory, in spite of opposition from the enemy, who is trying hard to destroy God's work. Both of these men are doing good work and are worthy of your interest. Please remember them in prayer, and if you wish to help in their support we shall appreciate this assistance."

Word from Venezuela

E. Y. Olson reports concerning a recent trip made in company with Brother Jordan, of Carora. "We set in order the assembly in Aguada Grande, where there are some eighty members, translating into Spanish the constitution for local churches. The pastor reports many conversions and healings in his rural work.

"Our three-day visit stirred the whole village, so that the chapel and yard were completely filled for the services. Twenty-five were saved, including some fine men, and several young men offered themselves for the work of the gospel. How we need a Bible training school!

"A ten-hour trip on horseback took us up into the mountain region of Santa Elena, where the people still file their teeth to a point. There we found a fine congregation of fifty people, fervent in prayer and praise, receiving revelations and visitations as in the early church. This church we also set in order with pastor and four deacons.

"It is a joy and privilege to serve the Lord in this field."

Advances in Peru

Herbert Felton

Four months have swiftly flown by since we last wrote, and during that time there has been an advance in the battles for Christ in Peru.

At the end of October we moved from Miraflores to Lima, in order to be nearer the church and in a better position to do visitation work. Early the following month we had a

series of special meetings with a native evangelist, the first effort of its kind in Lima. God is giving us brethren who more and more are able to carry on the work, and we do praise Him for this.

Reinforcements

In November six missionaries arrived in Peru, three of them returning for a second term of service and the remainder beholding for the first time the barren, sandy shores of Peru. Then in the same month six more students graduated from the Bible school, three of whom are already in full-time ministry in different parts of the country. There is a general hunger for the things of God manifested all over Peru—truly reinforcements are needed to take this land for Christ!

Annual Conference

After Bible school graduation the annual conference of Pentecostal workers of Peru convened in Miraflores for three days. Forty-one workers and delegates, representing all the Pentecostal work in this country, met for fellowship and for the forming of plans to advance the work. The following officers were elected: Forrest Barker, Superintendent; Walter Erickson, Advisory Member of the Executive Committee; Herbert Felton, Secretary-Treasurer. A blessed spirit of unity prevailed, and it was felt to have been the best gathering of the kind in this country.

Native Ministry

A new hall opened in Lima less than two months ago in charge of one of our Bible school students has been greatly blessed, and already they are having to enlarge the little hall to hold the increasing numbers who are seeking the Lord. God is blessing our branch church at Miramar, where the native pastor has been greatly used in prayer for the sick. We are planning to open still other branch churches as we are able and find capable workers to place in charge.

Recently two of our Bible school boys from Lima made an extended trip to the center of Peru. Though it was the rainy season, when travel in the mountains is difficult, they gladly suffered cold and rain and hunger, sleeping out one whole night in the driving rain with no protection of bedding. In this trip they held meetings in four churches, sold 34 Bibles, 59 New Testaments and 360 Gospels, and gave out over 3,000 tracts, with a prayer that God would bless each one.

Starting the New Year

On January 1 a union baptismal service was held in Lima when thirty-three confessed their faith in Christ by immersion. LeRoy Williams, assisted by a native pastor, did the baptizing.

We are asking God for great things in Peru, expecting that He will give all that would result in glory to His great name.



Baptismal Service, Lima, Peru, January 1, 1941

LeRoy Williams, assisted by native minister, baptizing 33 candidates from the churches in Lima, Callao, Miraflores and branches.

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THE DYING WORLD AND THE LIVING WORD

IN "CHRISTIAN" AMERICA

According to *The Lookout*, there are seventy heathen temples in the U. S. A., half of them being on the Pacific Coast.

JEWS IN ITALY

It is estimated that nearly half the Jews of Italy are unemployed as a result of the Government's anti-Semitic measures, reports *Jewish Chronicle*.

LIQUOR AND CRIME

Judge Joseph T. Zotoli of Massachusetts has stated that more than ninety per cent of the adult population of the penal institutions of Massachusetts are there because of offenses caused by drunkenness.

AMERICA'S AVERAGE FAMILY

The average American family contains only 3.8 persons. For fifty years the American birth rate has been declining, but the decrease in family size during the past ten years has been greater than during any previous decade. Here is the way the decline has been recorded: Census of 1890, 4.9; 1900, 4.7; 1910, 4.5; 1920, 4.3; 1930, 4.1; 1940, 3.8. Are Christian parents obeying the Lord's command, "Be fruitful, and multiply, and replenish the earth?" (Gen. 1:28), or are they leaving the increasing of the population to those who will bring up criminals and enemies of God instead of Christians, Sunday school teachers, preachers, and missionaries?

MODERN EDUCATION

Modern educators talk much of self-expression. Don't influence the actions and decisions of the children, they advise; let them grow naturally. A news item from Russia, published in *Elim Evangel*, shows what such a method leads to: "Eli Ageenko, top class pupil of the village school at Zavidovo, Central Russia, failed to pass an examination he had entered. He took an old rifle, loaded it, and shot and killed his teacher." It is not the nature of humans to grow up to be good. Unless trained otherwise children grow up to be evil. Parents and teachers who have failed to bring children into subjection to the laws of God, will have much to answer for in the Judgment.

THE DREAM CAME TRUE

A remarkable story of the conversion of a Jew in New York City is told in *Jewish Missionary Magazine*. He was ninety-five, hungry after the truth. He went to "Father" Divine, the Negro false Messiah, and gave him a thousand dollars to tell him who the real Messiah was. He was taken to one of the "Heavens" and, after remaining two days, returned home sadly disappointed. That night he dreamed he would meet someone in the park the next day who would tell him the truth. The next day in the East River Park he was approached by Mr. Schoen, a gospel worker. He readily accepted the Messiah when told of the Lord Jesus Christ, and praised God for this answer to his dream.

MERCY IN WRATH

An incident published in *Elim Evangel* is a striking answer to the Scriptural prayer, "In wrath remember mercy." Hab. 3:2. A Pentecostal sister in London writes: "While sitting with my husband and a friend in a shelter adjoining a large public-house (saloon) on Sunday night, much loose talk was going on among other occupants. I rebuked the people, who at once began to mock at Christianity. In that skeptical attitude they went into the public-house. Within ten minutes a bomb fell on it and sixty people were hurled into eternity. We who remained in the shelter were unharmed. Covered with rubble, I got up with this thought: 'To them the judgment of God: to us His great mercy.'"

SATAN'S AIM IN THE WAR

"The extinction of missionary work on many large fields, including the vast unevangelized field in Europe, is a chief aim of Satan in this war," writes G. P. Raud in *The Prophetic Word*. "The World War was different; the aim then was not a new world order, such as would drastically affect missionary work. Wherever the present totalitarian order establishes itself the Lord's work withers. Since the dark Middle Ages the devil has never attempted so powerful an attack upon the Church of Christ. It may be one of his last great attacks, launched because he sees that the coming of Christ is near. However, we can overcome Satanic hostility, thank God, if we will pray through as did Daniel, who prayed twenty-one days before Satanic opposition was overcome and the answer appeared. See Daniel 10."

"TO THE JEW FIRST"

Realizing that the gospel is the power of salvation "to the Jew first," several of our Pentecostal workers are laboring among the Jews in our larger cities. For about three years Brother and Sister Gregg and their associates have carried on a work in Chicago at 4026 West Van Buren Street, known as the "Assemblies of God Hebrew Mission." The work has been hard and discouraging at times but the Lord has worked with them and they have seen some blessed results. Recently another such work has been opened, this one by Sister Sarah R. Berman at 5023 Eighth Avenue in Brooklyn, New York. There is a reading room open to the public and services are held Saturday nights. Other individuals are witnessing and distributing literature to the Jews of other parts of the country. Let us pray that there may be much fruit from their labors. (A pamphlet telling of the work in Chicago may be had free by writing to the Mission there.)

LIVING IN PSALM 91

The story is told in *Elim Evangel* (London) of an old Pentecostal brother who was bombed out recently. When the air-raid alarm sounded he went into a block of brick shelters in the alley behind his house, where previously he had pinned on the wall the words of a chorus that is sung a good deal these days:

"God is our Refuge, be not afraid,
He will be with you, all through the raid;
Though bombs are falling, and danger is near,
He will be with you, till the 'All Clear.'"

One large bomb dropped behind the shelter, and one in front but the shelter with these lines tacked on the wall was undamaged. Many houses on that street were demolished but all the inhabitants were in the shelters and not one was injured or even scratched. The ninety-first Psalm is the best air-raid refuge man can find!

MISSIONS IN EUROPE

Says *Sunday School Times*: "Wonderful is the way missions proceed in the midst of the chaos and crash of events. In Holland, receipts up to July 1, 1940, exceeded those to July 1, 1939. A report from Denmark expresses surprise that giving for missions has been so generous, although it is known that money could not be sent out of the country but for the present must be deposited in banks. In Norway also the missionary periodicals report unabated interest in the churches. One hopes, therefore, that in our own land there may be no weariness in supplementing any deficiencies in the budgets of missionary and Bible societies of the depressed lands of Europe."

Our own Foreign Missions Department is doing everything possible to help Pentecostal missionaries who are cut off from support from their homelands. Any offerings sent to the Foreign Missions Department for this purpose should be designated, "For Emergency Fund."

NEEDY YUGOSLAVIA

According to *Prophetic Word*, a missionary in Yugoslavia (population 15,700,000) has said: "The heathen in Africa or China know as much about the Bible as the Serbian Orthodox in Yugoslavia." Large sections of the country have not a single witness for Christ.

THE LORD'S DAY IN INDIA

The Lord's Day Leader tells of many educated men in India, men with degrees from Oxford, Cambridge, German and American institutions, lawyers, teachers, who have expressed their profound appreciation of the Christian Sabbath. They pronounce it one of the most valuable things that has come to India from its relation with Britain. They say that more than any other thing, it has stabilized life by giving one day of rest in seven. The Hindus go along quite a while without a holiday and then have three or four all at once. Mohammedans fast from sunrise to sunset, then for as many days overeat. By having the regular one day's rest in seven this fault is being overcome. These Hindu lawyers shut down their offices on Saturday night and will not enter them until Monday morning.

THE JUDGE'S COMMENT

Federal Judge George A. Welsh has made a statement which must be nearly unique in the record of American courts, according to *Christian Century*. It was January 10. A young minister who refused to register for the draft was being tried. Before Judge Welsh sentenced the young man to a year and a day in prison, he said: "I have to obey the law. I would obey it if it meant my life. As a judge, I must sentence you, but as a man with sons I admire your strength of character, although I don't share your views. Countless millions feel as you feel and are in accord with the ideals you have expressed. You must have wrestled with the problem in solitude, but America is not normal today and you must be charitable with us. Consider that I am your father, and I am talking to you as if you were my son. It may seem hard for a boy to feel that the ideals he stands for are stricken down and that he will have to wear stripes in a prison cell, but the law of the land must be obeyed. The sentence I give you is imposed upon me as a judge ordered to uphold the law. What I am about to do makes me feel like Pontius Pilate."

CONDITIONS IN CHINA

From *Missionary News Letter* we take the following five questions and answers, written by Andrew Gih, Chinese evangelist, which tell something of conditions in China today:

Q. How many war orphans are there in China?
A. Twenty million homeless little destitutes!

Q. Is the Chinese government doing anything to help them?
A. Yes, but the need is so great, all efforts are inadequate.

Q. Is Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek a Christian?
A. I will tell you what I have heard of him, and you judge for yourself! He reads his Bible daily, asks blessing at every meal, and conducts family prayers. When he invites high officials of the government to dinner he never serves wines or cigars. He gave a personal testimony to the nation over the radio as to why he believed in Christ.

Q. How is communism in China?
A. China is not fit for communism. Chinese love their homes, and about eighty per cent of the people are farmers tilling their own ground. Officially speaking there are no communists in China, for the pink-not-red-enough army has officially given up communism and has taken the "Free People Principles."

Q. How is the gospel message accepted in China?

A. The work of the gospel in occupied territories is hindered a little, but hearts all over China are hungry as never before. The refugee Christians are carrying the revival fires everywhere they go.

THE SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

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Elisha's Last Days

Lesson for March 23. Lesson Text: 2 Kings 13:14-21.

A DYING PROPHET'S LAST ACTS. 2 Kings 13:14-19.

"Now Elisha was fallen sick of the sickness whereof he died." Even the most useful life must come to a close. It is appointed unto men once to die; and Elisha must go the way of all the earth. But Elisha had no regrets. For about sixty years he had performed God's will in the prophetic office, and what a lot he had accomplished in his lifetime! Lives of great men of God challenge us all by showing us the tremendous possibilities of a single lifetime. Beloved, let us redeem the time!

"And Joash the king of Israel came down unto him, and wept over his face." It is recorded of Joash that "he did evil in the sight of the Lord," because he kept up the ancient idolatry of the house of Jeroboam. Yet he evidently cherished tender feelings and respect for the dying prophet, for he came to visit him and to receive his dying counsel and blessing. It would be to our spiritual advantage to attend the sick beds and heed the words of godly ministers and aged saints. They may have a great many spiritual secrets to pass on to us out of their ripe experience, which will help us over the path they have trod.

Joash repeated over the dying prophet the same words Elisha himself had spoken at the time of Elijah's translation, "O my father, my father, the chariot of Israel and the horsemen thereof." He as much as said: "O Elisha, God has been with you and has blessed and protected Israel because of you. Now that you are departing, what shall befall us?"

Instead of giving the king a direct answer, Elisha, moved by sudden inspiration, told him to take a bow and arrow and shoot it out of the window in the direction of Syria. The king undoubtedly knew how to shoot better than Elisha, yet the dying prophet put his hands upon the king's hands which held the bow and arrow, thus signifying that the king must not reckon his own hands sufficient for him, but depend upon the power of God for help. Psalm 18:34; 144:1; Zech. 4:6.

After the king shot the arrow, Elisha explained the significance of his action. The arrow was "the arrow of the Lord's deliverance." God was going to give Joash victory over the Syrians at Aphek. Having given Joash this assurance, Elisha gives a second command. Joash was to take arrows and smite the ground with them. It would seem, after having performed one symbolic act which promised victory over Syria, that Joash would have most zealously and repeatedly smitten the ground. Yet he struck only three times and stopped! "And the man of God was wroth with him and said, Thou shouldst have smitten five or six times; then hadst thou smitten Syria till thou hadst consumed it: whereas now thou shalt smite Syria but thrice."

Why did Joash smite only three times? Perhaps he thought it a useless thing to smite the ground repeatedly. Perhaps he didn't believe at heart that Syria could be fully vanquished. At any rate he missed the golden opportunity of gaining permanent victory over Syria because he was half-hearted and gave up too soon! Here is a lesson for us.

THE FOLLY OF GIVING UP TOO SOON

1. In trying to live a victorious Christian life.

There's an amusing fable which relates that two frogs in search of richer feeding-ground jumped into a bucket of cream they found standing near a brook. "May as well give up," exclaimed one, after floundering around vainly trying to get out. "We're goners!" "Keep on paddling," said the other, "we'll get there!" "No use," replied the first "too thick to swim, too thin to jump, too slippery to crawl; bound to die anyway; may as well, tonight." And he sank to the bottom and died. The other frog kept on paddling, paddling, paddling. The next morning found him perched on a mass of butter which his paddling had churned!

Reader, are you tempted to give up because you have fallen into some sin? Are you discouraged because you have repeatedly failed to keep your temper, to keep from wrong emotions and

make requests to Him, preparations are made to give the answer, but the angels are told that if the person making the request is not waiting for the answer when it is sent, the thing prayed for is to be brought back to this room."

How many times did Elijah pray before rain came? 1 Kings 18:41-45. How many times did Naaman dip before he was healed? 2 Kings 5:14. George Muller prayed every day for sixty years for the salvation of certain men before they were finally saved! Don't stop praying. Jesus said, "Men ought always to pray and not to faint." Luke 18:1-8.

"Unanswered yet? Faith cannot be unanswered; Her feet were firmly planted on the Rock; Amid the wildest storm prayer stands undaunted, Nor quails before the loudest thunder shock; She knows Omnipotence has heard her prayer, And cries, 'It shall be done, sometime, somewhere.' And cries, 'It shall be done, sometime, somewhere.'"

3. In attempting to do service for the Lord.

Service for the Lord is not always easy and that is as it should be. Christians are called to be soldiers who can endure hardness, not helpless invalids who go to heaven in wheel chairs! Giving a testimony, speaking in a meeting, giving out tracts, building a Sunday School, establishing an Assembly of God church in a new field, preaching and teaching natives in heathen lands—all these things involve difficulty, stress, and strain, and call for plenty of perseverance and Spirit-given grace. But let us not give up!

Said Thomas Edison, "I never do anything by accident. When I have fully decided that a result is worth getting, I go ahead on it and make trial after trial until it comes." No wonder Edison was one of the world's greatest inventors!

The architect of the Episcopal Cathedral in Cleveland made sixty plans for that building, one after another, all of which were rejected. He was about to give up. "Make sixty-one, John, if necessary," urged his brave wife. He did so and the sixty-first plan was accepted. But suppose he had stopped at sixty!

A famous man, when asked why so many people never accomplish much, said, "They come to the place where they turn back. They may have killed the dragon at the first bridge, and at the second, and perhaps even at the third; but the dragons are always more dangerous the farther we go. Many turn

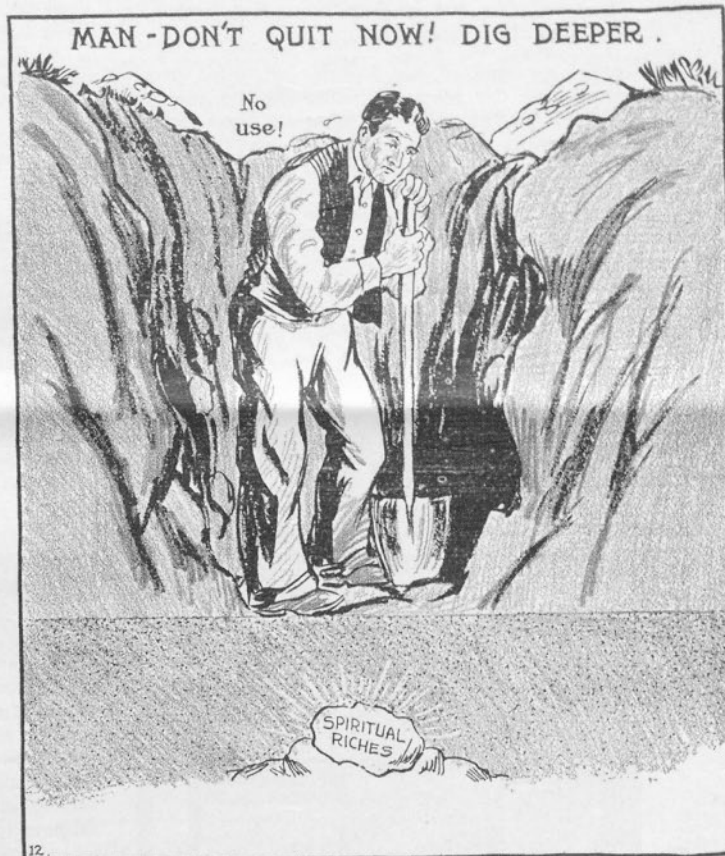
back disheartened; few will meet the monsters to the end. But those who do have won forever!"

A DEAD PROPHET'S LIVING INFLUENCE. 2 Kings 13:19-21.

There had been power in Elisha's life to ward off judgment. As soon as he was dead, bands of Moabites invaded Israel; not great armies to meet them in open battle, but roving, sneaking bands that plundered and murdered by surprise. May we not assume that faithful proclamation of God's Word by faithful men and woman withholds God's judgment from us today?

Elisha's influence lived though his body was dead. Certain Israelites were about to bury a man when they spied in the distance one of these bands of Moabites. Fearing to fall into their hands, they hastily deposited the corpse in the nearest convenient place which happened to be Elisha's sepulcher and beat a hasty retreat. But!—the dead man upon touching the bones of the prophet revived and, it is likely, he returned to his people with his astounding testimony!

There are multitudes of God's choice saints who "being dead" (Heb. 11:4), yet speak today. (Continued on Page Twelve)



thoughts? Wanderer from the fold, have you decided you cannot live the Christian life because you have failed so often? Take new hope! Keep paddling! "A just man falleth seven times and riseth up again." Prov. 24:16. You are weak in yourself. But Christ's strength is made perfect in weakness! Sin shall not have dominion over you! Say with Micah, "Rejoice not against me, O mine enemy: when I fall I shall arise . . . the LORD shall be a light unto me." Micah 7:8. Put all your trust in Christ, and He will keep you from falling. "For in all these things we are more than conquerors through Him that loved us." See Rom. 6:11, 14; 8:37; Jude 24.

2. In prayer. Have you become discouraged because of unanswered prayers? Have you ceased to pray for loved ones, for the healing of your body, for the Baptism in the Spirit? Perhaps you stopped praying too soon!

A woman dreamed she died and went to heaven. One of the angels showed her a room in which many bundles were piled in a corner. Finding her name on several of them, she said, "Why, what does this mean? I remember praying for those very things when I was down on earth!" The angel replied, "Yes, when any of God's children

GOOD NEWS

VIOLENCE

A man accused of burglary is in our jail. Last night in our daily paper, three columns of space were given up to telling the details of the many deeds of violence said to have been in his life. The editors know what the people want to read, and they print it—using three columns of precious space to describe one man's deeds of violence. It is not gentleness and goodness in a man's life that "makes" the front page. If a good man tenderly kisses his wife on the public square as he is leaving her, you do not read about it in the paper; but if he kisses some other man's wife, especially if he uses force to accomplish his purpose, that has a prominent place, with scare headlines, on the front page. Men love to see violence, love to read about violence, and are easily led into violence. The world today is like it was in Noah's day when God said, "The earth is filled with violence." God gave that as His reason for destroying the earth with a flood.

Today great nations are exerting their utmost strength and cunning to violently destroy human lives and property. They gloat over their horrid crimes against their fellow men, and feel aggrieved when we express dissatisfaction at the violence they display, pillaging, burning, bombing, and striving with all their vast might to destroy the people of peace-loving nations that hinder their plans to attain world dominion. They want to do the other nations so much harm that those nations will bow to the demands of power-mad dictators, and nationally accept places of servitude.

Tales of violence assail our ears when we turn on the radio, and fill our eyes when we look at the paper. The pictures and doings of gangsters, thieves and murderers daily have great prominence; while the details of prize fights,

wrestling matches, bull fights, war horrors, sex orgies, bank robberies, kidnappings and every sort of violence fill the press and the minds and conversation of the people.

In Noah's day, when the violence became so great as to be intolerable to the Lord, and He planned to destroy the world, He provided a way of escape for all who would accept His help, and sent out word to all who would, to come into the Ark and be safe. Those who accepted the invitation entered the Ark, and behind them God shut the door. The Flood came, but they were safe. Those who did not go into the Ark were destroyed in the Flood. It was the fact that they neglected to accept the way of escape offered them that brought about their ruin.

In our day, likewise, the same God, with the same loving purpose has worked out a plan, and has sent an announcement of it to all who will hear. In Noah's day it was an Ark of wood; in our day it is the Lord Jesus Christ. The Ark was the only way in Noah's day; Christ is the only way in our day. Christ invites, "Come unto Me and I will give you rest." He says, "Behold I stand at the door and knock. If any man hear my voice and open the door, I will come in to him." Rev. 3:20.

As we read of the foolish, self-willed people in Noah's day who refused to go into the Ark with Noah, picturing to ourselves their despair and ruin as the water reached higher and higher, we feel sure that we should not have been so foolish. But even as we think these thoughts about those foolish men and women who drowned in Noah's day, many of us sit idly waiting, seeing all the signs of violence about us, and realizing that any day may be the very last one in which we can flee to Christ and be safe from the lake of fire, and yet we sit, and sit, and sit. "How shall we escape, if we neglect so great salvation?" Heb. 2:3.

Be persuaded, sinner. Wait no longer. The Lord is at hand. Jesus assures you, "Him that cometh unto Me, I will in no wise cast out." John 6:37. Come, come today.—C. E. R.

MISSIONARY PRAYER REQUESTS

Wale Wale, Gold Coast—Please pray that while we are ministering in the English and Mori languages we may also learn the language of the Mamprusi tribe.—Arnold C. Weston.

Mrs. J. M. Perkins who has put in many years of faithful service in Liberia is greatly in need of prayer for healing. Pray also that her husband may be given strength to care for her.

Bangalore and Krishnagiri, S. India—We praise the Lord for the many who are being saved. Please pray that all will go on to a deeper knowledge of our Lord.—Constance Swinfen Eady.

Martandam, Travancore, S. India—Pray for the villages here and for finances to open and develop the new stations.—Helen Lenart.

Galle, Ceylon—Pray that we may see a harvest of souls among those who have heard the Word in these past few months.—Carl F. Graves.

Pray for the complete healing of Mrs. J. W. Juergensen and her two children, now home from Japan.

Hilo, Hawaii—Bernice Strickland, one of our workers in the Hawaiian Islands, is suffering from an attack of nervous exhaustion. She is confined to bed and unable to carry on her work. Pray for her complete recovery.

ELISHA'S LAST DAYS

(Continued from Page Eleven)

How is this possible? Good men and women of the past live on, (1) in their writings. Paul has gone, but his Epistles still explain the gospel. Spurgeon has gone, but his sermons are still read by thousands; (2) by the example of their lives and deeds. The obedience of Abraham, the courage of Luther, the prayerfulness of Brainard, the consecration of A. B. Simpson and C. T. Studd, the faith of George Muller and Hudson Taylor still stir men and women to follow in their train. (3) in the memory of loved ones. The memory of a mother's love has kept many a man from falling into sin and has spurred him on to succeed in life.—J. Bashford Bishop.

BOOKS AND BIBLES LOST

Paternoster Row, a tiny London street in the shadow of St. Paul's, was demolished by bombing recently. That street—the name is Latin for "Our Father"—held the offices of many Christian publishers, Pickering and Inglis, of Marshall, Morgan, and Scott, and of many other firms which publish and distribute Bibles and religious books and papers. Around four million volumes were destroyed. However, the publishers immediately set up offices at other locations and carried on without missing one issue of their papers. In spite of difficulties Paternoster's work—Our Father's work—goes on.

PASSING, ONE BY ONE

We have today received a letter from E. B. Crump, Secretary of the Texas District Council, from which we quote as follows:

"I am writing to inform you of the death of three of our ordained ministers of the Texas District, all having passed away in the past week or so. The names are as follows: F. O. Whitehead, of Godley; T. P. Anthony, of San Antonio; and L. F. Joyner, of Jacksboro. They were all faithful in the Lord and we hated to give them up. But God knows best."

VOTING IN OREGON

Herald of Holiness reports a victory for Christian forces in Oregon. Voters defeated both a constitutional amendment which would have opened the state to unrestricted gambling and an attempt to repeal the liquor control law.

A GREAT MISSION WORKER

Mel Trotter, the well-known evangelist who recently went to be with the Lord, founded 67 gospel missions.

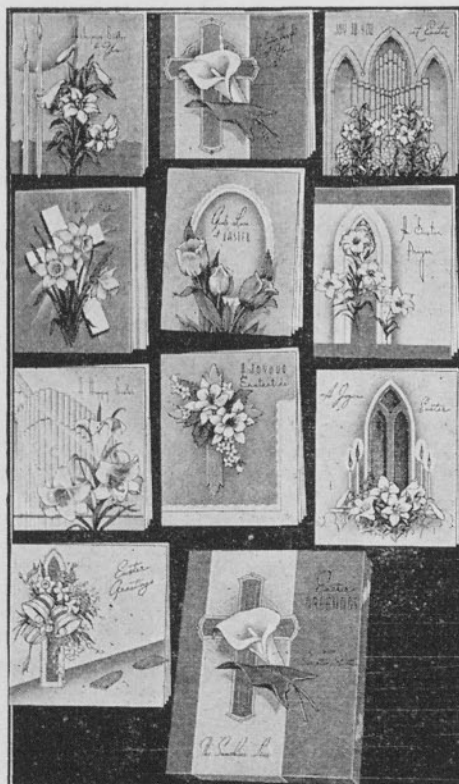
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REPORTS FROM THE REAPERS

BROKEN ARROW, OKLA.—A 3-weeks meeting was conducted here recently by Evangelist B. O. Oslin. Eleven were saved or reclaimed, and 5 received the Holy Ghost Baptism. In spite of bad weather, good interest prevailed throughout the meetings.—Albert Ogle, Pastor.

HEALDSBURG, CALIF.—We just closed a 3-weeks meeting with Evangelist Treva Constant. The Lord sent His blessing on the meeting each night. People were at the altar for salvation and the Baptism with the Holy Spirit, and backsliders were brought back to God.—Seth Hartman, Pastor.

REDLANDS, CALIF.—We have just closed a 3-weeks revival with Evangelist Irl J. Walker of Portland, Ore. We thank the Lord for the wonderful interest shown and for the mighty presence of the Lord in our midst. The Lord mightily drew sinners to the altar, healed sick bodies, and baptized believers with the Holy Ghost and fire. The Lord has given Brother Walker a blessed ministry, and we are looking forward to his return this summer for an old-fashioned tent meeting.—E. C. Williams, Pastor.

EVERETT, WASH.—Evangelist and Mrs. J. D. Saunders of Battle Creek, Mich., have just completed a 6-weeks campaign at Bethany Temple. The Spirit of the Lord moved upon the people in a blessed way and revived the church. Some were saved, but it seemed that the Lord was pleased to move upon the hearts of the believers and over 40 of them received the Baptism in the Spirit. The revival is still going on in the hearts of the people and we are experiencing blessed after-results from these meetings.—C. E. Butterfield, Pastor.

TORONTO, CANADA—We are in the midst of a great revival in Glad Tidings Tabernacle with Evangelist G. B. McDowell of Irving, Texas. The power of God has been manifested in a marked way since the first service. The tabernacle is filled each night of the week and on Sundays it is packed to overflowing with chairs in the aisles. Every night folk are being saved and filled with the Holy Spirit and many sick bodies have been healed. It is one of the most deeply spiritual meetings we have ever had. It has become a city-wide revival for folk are coming from all parts of the city and getting saved. The meetings will continue indefinitely as the Lord leads. Never before has our tabernacle been stirred in this manner. Evangelist McDowell is truly the man of the hour for our tabernacle.—H. R. Pannabecker, Pastor.

WEST FORK, ARK.—On February 23, the 4-day Bible Conference of the Ozark Section Arkansas District came to a close. The Spirit of the Lord was mightily with District Superintendent W. D. Burris as he taught from the Word of God. People came from many parts of the State and some from other States. At every meeting they gave heed to the things of God, and Christ was exalted. At one evening service, as Brother Burris with broken spirit spoke from the Word, the melting power of God settled down on the congregation until every soul was moved. While many wept, others hurried to the altar crying out to God. Hardened backsliders shed tears of repentance. Mercy's door was opened, and there was great joy in that place. Omer Jarrell, Presbyter, was with us and did much to encourage our people. This meeting will be of lasting benefit in this section.—J. P. Mason, Pastor.

SHEPHERD, TEXAS—A 2-weeks revival was conducted here recently by Evangelist and Mrs. R. A. Bryan of Houston, who not only brought stirring and heart-searching messages but were on inspiration in many ways. The church was wonderfully stirred and revived. A number were saved and filled with the Holy Spirit. Every night the altar was filled with men and women seeking God. At times Brother Bryan had to turn the pews into

altar benches as the entire congregation would be praying through to a closer walk with Jesus. Many marvelous healings were performed, demons were cast out, and the power of God was manifested in a glorious way.

All churches in this locality were brought into a more friendly spirit, and an invitation was given to Brother and Sister Bryan to hold an old-time brush arbor meeting in July. It is a blessing to any church to have Evangelist and Mrs. R. A. Bryan in a revival, for their messages are as God gives them and the old-time shouting is believed in.—A Deacon and Members.

PUEBLO, COLO.—The Lord has blessed every effort of the people of Glad Tidings Tabernacle the past year. The following revivals were conducted: Brother and Sister Leonard Palmer were with us last spring, Brother and Sister Verne Crews were here for a short meeting during the summer, and Brother and Sister Paul Grubb were here for our autumn meeting. All of these revivals proved an added blessing to the work and as a result, a number of new members were added to our roster. During the past year we also organized a Women's Missionary Council in two departments. Mrs. W. A. Danielson is president of the Foreign Missionary department. This group is now keeping one native worker in Africa, one in India, one in Central America, and is paying some each month toward the support of a missionary, also sending some as undesignated. Mrs. Maude Edson is president of the Home Missionary department. Over 200 garments have been distributed in our city, comforts have been given to out-going missionaries and Bible school students, and 5 comforts have been sent to the Missionary Rest Home in Springfield. Our missionary giving from the church has also shown an increase. During the year 1940, we had 85 more each Sunday in our Sunday School attendance than in 1939.—R. A. McClure, Pastor; Mrs. George Strong, Secretary.

MIDWINTER CONVENTION, NORTHERN CALIFORNIA AND NEVADA DISTRICT COUNCIL

We are happy to report a blessed time of profitable instruction and spiritual blessing at our Convention at Sacramento, February 4-7. Besides the ministry of some of our own District brethren, we were privileged to have Charles Weston, Superintendent Oregon District, and Ben

Hardin, Superintendent Southern California District, with us and their ministry was greatly enjoyed.

One of the outstanding services was the Home and Foreign Missionary meeting in which Fred Vogler, Assistant General Superintendent, Springfield, Mo., and several missionaries spoke. The following missionaries were present: Marguerite Flint, India; W. W. Simpson and B. T. Bard, China; James Vigna, Tibet; Ruth Couchman, Peru; and Mr. and Mrs. John H. Kennedy who are expecting to go to Africa soon.

Sunday School conferences were held by Bernice Mast with the help of other Sunday School workers, and the Women's Missionary Council met twice. Boxes of canned goods were distributed to the Home missionaries, as a good supply had been brought in for that purpose.

A report of our Home Missions program was given by Floyd Thomas, pastor at Happy Camp, showing that a real work is being done. The assistance given by the Women's Missionary Council is proving a great blessing in connection with our Home Missions program.

The dates for the Annual District Council and Camp Meeting were set for June 23-27 at the St. Helena Camp Ground, St. Helena, Calif.—R. J. Thurmond, Secretary-Treasurer, P. O. Box 398, St. Helena, Calif.

SIDNEY, MONTANA—Last night we closed the most glorious 4-weeks revival we have seen anywhere in years. Harold Robeson of South Dakota was the evangelist. He certainly is a whirlwind preacher with the old-time fire and anointing. God has been preparing our assembly for a revival for some time. The house was set in order and conditions were ripe.

The fire fell the first week and continued to grow in intensity and power. Many who had been indifferent about seeking the Baptism got so starved for what they saw and heard that they tarried until several of our young married folk were gloriously filled with the Holy Ghost and fire, some refilled, a number of backsliders were reclaimed, and many signs and miracles of healing were witnessed from week to week. God moved in a mighty visitation.

The folk did not want to go home. As many as 50 or 60 would still be kneeling, sitting, or standing weeping and praying, shouting and praising God, till midnight, and some were dancing in the Spirit. Old grudges were confessed, former hatreds made right. A number of outstanding healings were wrought by the power of God as we prayed for the sick on Friday nights. Many fell under the power for the first time in their lives. A woman from Fairview, Montana, 12 miles north of here, came for prayer for her eyes. She had been injured in a train accident

a year ago. Her condition was hopeless, as she had pieces of glass in the eyeballs which the doctors could not remove. She could not close either eye completely and was in misery. We anointed and prayed for her, and last night after a week and a half I asked her how she was. She replied, "Oh, I am completely healed!" One backslider came with a broken foot. He was reclaimed and prayed for, and ran down the aisle with no shoe on and came back to church without crutches. Some of our young people had remarkable visions.

People drove from 15 to 60 miles to attend the meetings. Several desired water baptism. As the ice on the Yellowstone river is now 30 inches thick, a local hardware company donated the use of a large galvanized tank which we placed on the platform. Fourteen were baptized in water. Yesterday morning we received 5 new members into the church. Our Sunday School record of 113 was broken, there being 125 present. We are surely rejoicing at God's wonderful visitation here in Sidney.—Alfred J. Morrison, Pastor.

REAPING HER GIFTS

"Princess Eugenie of Sweden sold her diamonds that she might build a home for incurables. On one of her visits to the home, she met a wicked sick woman to whom she talked about Christ. She told the matron on leaving that she hoped special attention would be given to that poor creature. She was anxious that before this woman died she would become a Christian. One day she found this woman with a bright face because her heart had become radiant with a new hope.

"With tears in her eyes, the princess said to her husband on returning to the palace, 'I saw the glitter of my diamonds today in the tears of penitence.'"

WHICH CANNOT BE SHAKEN

During a severe earthquake in California, a little old lady sat quietly on the front porch singing, "How Firm a Foundation." After the quake, when asked why she did it, she replied, "I was just atinkin' how wonderful God is—great enough to shake this old earth. But I knew I was safe 'cause I was on a firm foundation, Christ my Lord." God says in Heb. 12:26, 27, "Yet once more I shake not the earth only, but also heaven . . . that those things which cannot be shaken may remain." Are you firmly founded on Christ today?

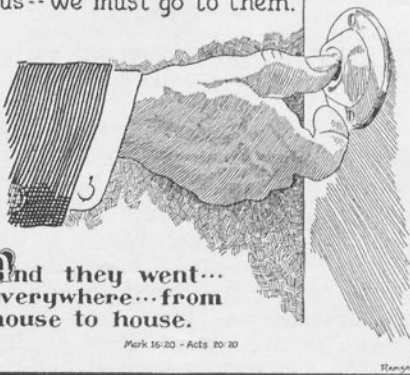
ANYWHERE WITH JESUS

Samuel Rutherford, writing from his prison, which he calls "Christ's palace in Aberdeen," says, "I sat and thought of the Lord Jesus until every stone in my prison-house glowed like a ruby."

Nothing lies without the reach of prayer except that which lies outside the will of God.—E. M. Bounds.

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"O Children! a Star is shining
 Into the hearts of men—
 It is Christ with a voice of singing,
 'Rejoice! for I come again!'"

"For the long, long night is passing,
 And there cometh the golden day;
 I come to My own who love Me,
 To take them all away."

"It may be today or tomorrow,
 Soon it will surely be;
 Then past are the tears and the sorrow—
 Then Home forever with Me."
 —Ter Steegen.

"I AM THE TRUE VINE"

As I thought of the Vine and the branches, what light the blessed Spirit poured direct into my soul! How great seemed my mistake in having wished to get the sap, the fulness out of Him. The Vine now I see is not the root merely, but all—root, stem, branches, twigs, leaves, flowers, fruit; and Jesus is not only that: He is soil and sunshine, air and showers, and ten thousand times more than we have ever dreamed, wished for, or needed.—J. Hudson Taylor.

HOW FAITH COMES

I suppose that if all the time I have prayed for faith were put together, it would amount to months. I used to say, "What we want is faith." But faith did not seem to come. One day I read in the tenth chapter of Romans, "Faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the Word of God." I had closed my Bible and prayed for faith. I now opened my Bible, and began to study, and faith has been growing ever since.—D. L. Moody.

ALL ONE BODY

"Every failure of any member, even the weakest, in the whole body of Christ, makes it just that much harder for every member of the body. Our victory or defeat is bound up together as a body, the church universal, for all ages. Our cause, our hope, our final destiny is one. Victory or defeat for each member of the body spells victory or defeat for every member each time, and for all time. We rise or fall together."

NO LOW THOUGHTS FOR HIM

"The older I grow, and I now stand upon the brink of eternity, the more comes back to me the sentence in the catechism which I learned when a child, and the fuller and deeper its meaning becomes. 'What is the chief end of man?' 'To glorify God and enjoy Him forever.' No gospel of dirt, teaching that men have descended from frogs through monkeys, can ever set that aside."—Thomas Carlyle

THE CALL

"I hear the voice
 Of One who calleth,
 Calleth sweet and clear,
 For men to reap for Him
 A harvest white."

"O soul of mine, rise up and answer Him
 Before the night,
 The long night falleth,
 And the day be gone, thy day be gone."

REDEMPTION DRAWETH NIGH

Soon the last golden sunrise
 Shall deck the eastern sky;
 Soon the last "watch" be ended—
 "Redemption draweth nigh!"
 Then may this bright incentive
 Within our spirits burn:
 "It may be that this morning
 The Bridegroom may return."

"History's pages but record
 One death grapple in the darkness
 'Twixt old systems and the Word;
 Truth for ever on the scaffold,
 Wrong for ever on the throne;
 Yet that scaffold sways the future,
 And, behind the dim unknown,
 Standeth God within the shadow
 Keeping watch above His own."
 —Lowell

COMING MEETINGS

Due to the fact that the Evangel is made up 14 days before the date which appears upon it, all notices should reach us 16 days before that date.

RAINIER, ORE.—March 23—; Evangelist and Mrs. Don Malough, Seattle, Wash.—Merle A. Glew, Pastor.

WILMINGTON, CALIF.—March 2—; Gene Martia, Creston, Iowa, Evangelist.—Grady L. Fannin, Pastor.

KINGSBURG, CALIF.—March 9—; Wm. F. A. Gierke of Los Angeles, Evangelist.—A. Forsgren, Pastor, 1108 Union St.

LYNDEN, WASH.—7th and Liberty Sts., March 9—; R. R. Nichols, Evangelist.—Russell Rexroat, Pastor.

DAWSON, MINN.—March 9, for 2 weeks at least; Norma Dahl, Evangelist.—Lloyd Christiansen, Pastor.

LIVERMORE, CALIF.—563 North L St.; meeting in progress; Mary E. Warren, Evangelist.—Carl T. Carlin, Pastor.

MASON CITY, ILL.—March 1—; J. R. Harris, Evangelist. LeRoy Filby is pastor.—By Evangelist.

CHECOTAH, OKLA.—March 9, for 2 weeks or longer; Philip Johnson, Evangelist.—W. L. Farmer, Pastor.

McALESTER, OKLA.—March 23, for 3 weeks or longer; N. W. Webb, Coleman, Texas, Evangelist.—L. H. Arnold, Pastor.

HUTCHINSON, KANSAS—March 9—; Evangelist and Mrs. F. A. Sturgeon, Longview, Wash.—R. R. Morrison, Pastor.

KANSAS CITY, KANSAS—7th and Riverview, March 23—April 13; Evangelist and Mrs. Edw. Argue, Winnipeg, Canada. H. B. Garlock, Pastor.

HOPE, ARK.—March 23—April 13; Wm. F. McPherson, Sanford, Fla., Evangelist.—J. E. Hamill, Pastor.

GRANITE CITY, ILL.—24th and Grand Ave.; March 23, for 3 weeks; Anna C. Berg, Sioux Falls, S. Dak., Evangelist.—Thomas F. Zimmerman, Pastor.

COMMERCE, OKLA.—March 12, for 3 weeks or longer; Arthur Arnold of Oklahoma City, Evangelist.—Harry Rogers, Pastor.

HANSEN, IDAHO—March 18, for 3 weeks; Evangelist and Mrs. E. W. Fagerstrom, Springfield, Mo.—John C. Cox, Pastor.

SPRINGFIELD, MO.—Glad Tidings Church; March 18, for 3 weeks or longer; Evangelist and Mrs. Glenn Kelley.—Earl J. Hance, Pastor.

STRAFFORD, MO.—Potter Assembly, March 2—; Lillian Crouse and Karlene Burt, Evangelists.—Elmer A. Frink, Pastor.

SAN JOSE, CALIF.—4th and San Antonio Sts., March 9—; Guy Renfrow and Leonard Rogers, Evangelists.—Max Freimark, Pastor.

CAMBRIDGE, MINN.—Gospel Tabernacle; March 9, for 3 weeks or longer; Ernest L. Powlesland, Evangelist, Donald M. Edison is pastor.—By Evangelist

CARLSBAD, CALIF.—March 16—April 6; Carl and Edna Goodwin of Los Angeles, Evangelists. Earl and Lola Davis are pastors.—By Evangelists.

ELIZABETH, N. J.—645 S. Broad St.; March 16, for 3 weeks; Beatrice Wells, Child Evangelist.—A. D. Christensen, Pastor.

BUFFALO, N. Y.—688 Tonawanda St.; March 2, for 2 weeks or longer; H. E. Hardt, Falling Waters, W. Va., Evangelist.—Gordon R. Bender, Pastor.

EAST ST. LOUIS, ILL.—84th and State Sts.; meeting in progress; Joseph and Helen Dunets, Edinburg, Ill., Evangelists. Imo Hisserich is pastor.—By Evangelists.

DEARBORN, MICH.—7041 Schaefer Road, March 2—23; Otto J. Klink, Miami, Fla., Evangelist. All neighboring assemblies invited to co-operate.—W. Daryle Webster, Pastor.

BIBLE CONFERENCE

HODGE, LA.—Bible Study, sponsored by Northeast and Northwest Sections, March 17—21, District Superintendent L. O. Waldon, Main Speaker, assisted by E. L. Tanner, Assistant Superintendent, and Margaret Miller, S. S. and C. A. President. Services morning, afternoon, and night. Accommodations free as far as possible. Meals on free will offering plan. For accommodations write Pastor James E. Allen, P. O. Box 1662.

NEBRASKA DISTRICT COUNCIL

The 24th annual Nebraska District Council will be held in the Old Fashioned Church, 6th and Sycamore Sts., Grand Island, Nebr., April 8—10. Assistant General Superintendent Fred Vogler will be the main speaker. Rooms furnished as far as possible for ministers and wives. Delegates come prepared to secure rooms in hotels or other rented rooms.—A. M. Alber, District Superintendent, 831 N. Kansas Ave., Hastings, Nebr.

EASTERN DISTRICT PRAYER CONFERENCE

LEWISTOWN, PA.—Eastern District Prayer Conference, Full Gospel Tabernacle, 110 Logan St., April 8—10. Frederick F. Reidenbach is pastor. Services 9:00, 2:00, and 7:30. Free accommodations for visiting ministers, missionaries, and friends as far as possible. Meals on free-will offering plan. Kindly write ahead to Pastor Frederick F. Reidenbach, 431 Logan St., Lewistown, Pa. District Superintendent Flem Van Meter is planning to be present. We believe our Lord is giving a solemn call to prayer in these days. Pray, plan, and come!—Frederick D. Drake, Prayer League Leader.

TEXAS DISTRICT SPRING CONVENTIONS

San Angelo Section, Brownwood, March 13—14; Greenville Section, Sherman, March 18—19; Dallas Section, Peak and Garland Sts., Dallas, March 20—21; Tyler Section, Tyler, March 25—26; Lufkin Section, Palestine, March 27—28; Beaumont Section, North End Assembly, Port Arthur, April 1—2; Houston Section, Denver Assembly, Houston, April 3—4; Yoakum Section, Yoakum, April 8—9; Valley Section, Brownsville, April 10—11; San Antonio Section, Glad Tidings Assembly, San Antonio, April 15—16; Austin Section, Luling, April 17—18; Waco Section, Corsicana, April 29—30; Ft. Worth Section, Riverside Assembly, Ft. Worth, May 1—2.

All conventions begin at 10:30 a. m. the first day, 2:00 and 7:30 p. m. All our ministers are requested to be present and renew their fellowship with the District. All licenses to preach and exhorters' permits must be renewed at this time, and our ordained ministers are to fill out the questionnaire. Those desiring to make application for ordination will be required to meet the Committee in section where they reside, at time of convention. For information write District Superintendent F. D. Davis, Route 1, Box 420, Ft. Worth, Texas. Special thought will be given to Sunday School work in each convention.—F. D. Davis, District Superintendent.

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

TRINITY, TEXAS—Fellowship Meeting, March 13. R. L. Bennett will be with us. Dinner on grounds.—O. L. Gates, Pastor.

TRENTON, MO.—Sectional Fellowship Meeting, March 17. Services 10:30, 2:00, and 7:30. C. A. Service 6:30.—Glen McClure, Pastor.

SHARP, OKLA. (8 mi. S. W. of Okmulgee)—Sectional C. A. Rally, March 31, 7:30 p. m. Otto Goins, Sectional Representative, in charge.—Hattie Coffee, Pastor.

ZION, ILL.—Sectional C. A. Rally, March 22, 7:30 p. m. An evening of fellowship with special music and an inspiring, timely message are planned. C. E. McCarrill is pastor.—James E. Hyllberg, C. A. Sectional Vice President.

(Near) **LOCKNEY, TEXAS**—Sectional Convention, Central Plains Section, West Texas District, will convene at Cedar Hill Church, March 26—27. Those desiring credentials should appear before the committee. Rooms provided for visitors as far as possible. Mrs. Eddie Strickland, Route 2, Lockney, Texas, is pastor.—J. W. Tucker, Presbyter, Turkey, Texas.

NORTHWEST DISTRICT S. S. CONVENTIONS

Paul D. Pittman, Lawrence, Kansas, will conduct a series of Sunday School Conventions in Idaho, assisted by the District Superintendent. Schedule follows: Caldwell, March 12—13; Gooding, March 14—15; Pocatello, March 18—19.—Frank Gray, District Superintendent.

WEST TEXAS DISTRICT SPRING CONVENTIONS

South Plains Section, Tahoka, Texas, March 11—12; Pecos Section, Crane, Texas, March 13—14; North Plains Section, Shamrock, Texas, March 19—20; Central Plains Section, Cedar Hill, Texas, March 26—27. All who desire licenses please meet the committee at one of these conventions.—H. M. Reeves, District Superintendent, 1313 Milwaukee St., Plainview, Texas.



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SECTIONAL CONVENTION SHAMROCK, TEXAS—North Plains Sectional Convention, West Texas District, March 19-20. Out-of-State ministers will receive a hearty welcome. J. J. Grubbs is host pastor.—H. M. Reeves, District Superintendent; J. A. Thomas, Presbyter.

TALOGA, OKLA.—Northwest Sectional Council, Community Hall, March 31-April 2. District Superintendent G. W. Harcastle in charge. W. S. Bragg, District Secretary; J. S. Murrell, Sectional Presbyter. First service Monday night, a C. A. rally, W. C. Shackelford, District S. S. and C. A. President, in charge. Tuesday, all-day fellowship meeting with dinner on grounds. Rooms furnished as far as possible.—Erling Saxehid, Pastor.

OKLAHOMA SECTIONAL COUNCIL MEETINGS

Northwest, Taloga, March 31-April 2; Northeast, Broken Arrow, April 14-16; Panhandle, (not located), May 12-14; East Central, McAlester, May 19-21; Southeast, (not located), June 16-18. Each of these meetings begins with Young People's and Sunday School Rally on the first day mentioned, at 7:30 p. m.—W. S. Bragg, Secretary-Treasurer, Box 128, Okmulgee, Okla.

SOUTH CUMBERLAND, MD.—Potomac District C. A. Convention, 17 Elder St., March 26-29. Coley H. Jacobs is pastor. First meeting night of 26th, then 3 meetings daily. Mr. and Mrs. Charles Shuss, Warren, Ohio, special Speakers. District Superintendent H. M. Strickland and Etta Reckley will also take part. All pastors and one delegate, preferably the C. A. leader, from every church, and all District officers urged to be present. Free rooms for delegates and pastors, and as far as possible to all visitors. For reservations write Mrs. Cecil Cowgill, 205 Mary St., Cumberland, Md.—Ernest V. Bergquist, District President, Kitzmiller, Md.; by Hazel Devore, Secretary.

OPEN FOR CALLS Evangelistic or Pastoral

Fred Patterson, 501 E. Lee St., Brownwood, Texas.—Am ordained, in fellowship with General Council; single. Personal references if desired.

Evangelistic

Warner L. Miles, 509 Marsh Ave., Kansas City, Mo.—Have resigned the pastorate at Liberty, Mo., and am open for evangelistic calls.

Evangelistic

William E. Greene, 1601 N. E. Dekum St., Portland, Ore.—Have a family, but travel alone. Am ordained; with General Council 14 years. Reference: Charles G. Weston, Superintendent Oregon District, 1595 S. Capitol St., Salem, Ore.

MISCELLANEOUS NOTICES

NEW ADDRESS—700 Bernice Ave., Hattiesburg, Miss. "I have accepted the pastorate here."—A. T. Hickman.

NEW ADDRESS—1111 E. 5th Place., Tulsa, Okla. "We are now in evangelistic work; at present in Illinois District."—J. R. Harris.

NEW ADDRESS—400 Corsicana St., Hillsboro, Texas. "We have accepted the pastorate of Liberty Temple."—Mr. and Mrs. S. D. Garrett.

NEW ADDRESS—1240 Harding Ave., National City, Calif. "We have accepted the pastorate of the Downtown Tabernacle, 627 Sixth St., San Diego, Calif.—Pastor and Mrs. Floyd McWhinney.

WANTED—Evangelists, Gospel Gleamers, tracts, full gospel literature, for free distribution among the poor.—Mrs. Bill Terrell, Trousdale, Okla.

WANTED—Used 6-volt public address system suitable for street meetings. State price and full description in first letter.—A. M. Snelson, Rugby, N. Dak.

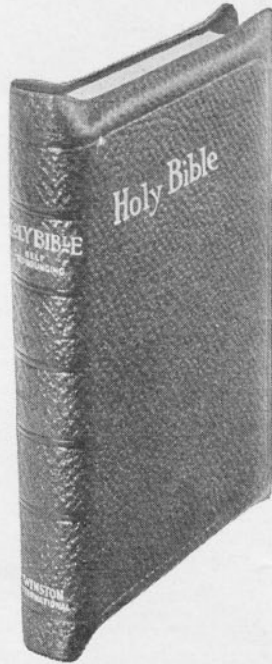
WANTED—To get in touch with Pentecostal people and others coming to Fort Leonard Wood. We invite them to our services and shall be glad to render them any spiritual help possible. Our church is the nearest Pentecostal assembly.—A. L. Burnett, Pastor, Box 14, Rolla, Mo.

WANTED—Workers, well recommended, able to take care of singing, music, preaching, and soul-winning in Home Mission efforts in Gospel Tabernacles and Tents. If you have house trailer, it will serve good purpose.—S. W. Noles, Superintendent Georgia-South Carolina District, Box 1101, Columbus, Ga.

NOTICE—A cordial invitation is extended from the Gospel Tabernacle, 681 Princeton Ave., Trenton, N. J., to the soldiers of Pentecostal faith at Port Dix. They and their friends will be welcomed at our services and we stand ready to render any spiritual assistance to them.—Frederick H. Huber, Pastor.

NOTICE—We shall be glad to hear from parents or others interested in the moral and spiritual welfare of boys stationed at Fort George G. Meade, Holabird Q. M. Depot, Aberdeen Proving Ground, or Edgewood Arsenal, or other war work. We offer our personal services and the ministry of our church.—Full Gospel Church, Saratoga and Monroe Sts.; E. F. M. Staudt, Pastor, 918 N. Fulton Ave., Baltimore, Md.

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BROADCASTS

"The Friendly Family Fellowship," Station KGDE, Fergus Falls, Minn., 1200 kilos., Tuesday through Fridays, 8:00-8:30 a. m.; Sundays, 9:00-9:30 a. m. Conducted by Pastor and Mrs. B. C. Heitze. "Revival Back Home Hour," Station KGDE, Fergus Falls, Minn., 1200 kilos., Sundays 11:00-11:30 p. m., conducted by Gospel Tabernacle, the pastor and the evangelist.

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