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Songs in the Night

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By reason of the multitude of oppressions they make the oppressed to cry: they cry out by reason of the arm of the mighty. But none saith, Where is God my Maker, who giveth songs in the night? Job 35:9, 10.

One is reminded of the scripture in which the Lord spoke of the children of this world being wiser in their generation than the children of light. The world realizes how serious the night is and makes provision for men to have songs. Our Radio programs are built around music —songs for every hour of the day, but especially for the night.

In times of sickness, distress or heartaches, one may find it easy to carry on as long as the sun shines, but with the setting of the sun comes the heaviness that makes it hard. Nights are very real—nights of sin, of trials, of sickness, of financial losses, of misunderstandings. Yet man is willing to try everything but God. his Maker, who gives "songs in the night."

Let us look at the night of sin, the night when burdens piled upon our lives until we were unable to see even the slightest ray of light. We had no faith in the future. We were afraid to die because we felt that eternity could hold nothing good for us. Night? Yes, a very real one. Christ is the light, and they that walk without Christ live in darkness. As I walk about from day to day, I see men living in the night. Even though the sun may be shining brightly, all about them is the darkness of uncertainty. They do not know where the next step will carry them, because of the darkness that covers their path.

Christ died to save men from this night of sin, and to bring sunshine and blessing into their hearts.

Then there is the night of trials. All of us have trials—difficulties, things that no one can really understand but us. In fact, we can never tell anyone just how we feel about it. As I shake hands with various folk, I never know just what is written in their hearts, the weight of the load they carry. Yet I know that Christ can bring light in a night of trial.

When I was small I went to my grandmother's to spend the summer. At home I had three sisters and a brother, and being the oldest of the family, many times I was forced to give up to the others. I had looked forward to my stay at my grandmother's because I knew I should have everything my heart desired. The first few

days were filled with excitement. I had an air rifle and the promise of a bicycle and several other things that I had always wanted. About the fourth day, as the sun began to wend its way to rest, I sat down on the edge of the porch and began to think of home. It was getting dark and the night began to settle down around me. The consciousness of night made me think of those that I loved betteryes, better than toys, better than the gun, better than the bicycle. I went to bed without my supper and cried myself to sleep. I was homesick. With the coming of the next day I found it easy to get along until again the night was settling down, and then again homesickness overcame me. I was unable to stay any longer at grandmother's house.

There is the night of misunderstanding. We have all at one time or other been misunderstood. It is not hard to be misunderstood by our enemies; but when we are misunderstood by our closest friend, the one we have faith in, the one we look to, the one we are sure knows the feeling that is in our heart, then it is that night settles down around us. That is a very severe trial. I do know that God can stretch forth His hand to shed light in this night of misunderstanding, and can bring the sweetness that can ease the pain in our heart.

Then there is the night of financial loss, when suddenly, without a moment's warning, the job that we counted on, the home that we had enjoyed, the bank account everything disappears, and one finds oneself without the necessities of life. During the past ten years many have gone through this time of financial loss. It is a very difficult, a very dark night, and yet God has a song even for it. David said in the 32nd Psalm, "Thou art my hiding place; Thou shalt preserve me from trouble; Thou shalt compass me about with songs of deliverance." God has songs of deliverance.

I like that song especially well, "Take your burden to the Lord and leave it there." Some ten years ago, when I suffered a nervous breakdown and lost fifty pounds in weight—I was unable to preach, and the devil constantly told me I was losing my mind—God brought to my heart that wonderful song. It became the song of that night.

In the 40th Psalm, David tells us, "He hath put a new song in my mouth, even praise unto our God: many shall see it, and fear, and shall trust in the Lord." And in the night season the God of David will put a new song in our mouths also.



A young lady who was extremely indifferent came home one day, and as the tears flowed down her cheeks she asked me the way of salvation. As I pointed out to her the way to find joy and peace, she told me that the songs of a woman in the community who was quite poor and took in washing for a living, had inspired her to come to me. She said, "Whether it is cold or hot, it does not matter; she always has a song in her heart. I want to live like that, so I shall have a song continually in my heart."

I like to look back to the songs of the early church: "Faith of our fathers! living still," "A mighty fortress is our God." Today some of our songs are like the boy who whistled in the dark; he was not whistling because he was brave. He was whistling because he was afraid. Some of the light songs of today are not God-given. We are losing out of our hearts the spirit of true worship and adoration and in its place we are substituting foolishness, lightness and frivolity. "Jesus, Lover of mv soul," written by Wesley in an hour of great distress, "Rock of Ages, cleft for me, Let me hide myself in Thee," by Toplady these are songs that were given to men in the nights of their life, nights of misunderstanding, nights of difficulty and distress.

Some years ago there came to my attention the story of that song. "Held in His mighty arms." A missionary was returning from the foreign field, his body fever-ridden. He had boarded a freighter in order to save part of his passage money, so that another missionary might be sent in his place. As he lay in a bunk in the hold of the ship, unable to get up for his meals, a sailor ministered to his needs. One morning the sailor came with his breakfast and found that the missionary had passed away in the night; and tucked under the pillow of his hammock

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The God of the Heavens Shall Laugh 7. J. Jones at the Springfield Assembly

P SALM 2 is a very remarkable Psalm, especially as applicable to the times in which we live. Let us remember that the Early Church preached the gospel from the Psalms. They had no New Testament; they preached from the Old Testament, including the Psalms. When Jesus talked with the two disciples on the Emmaus Road, He was careful to begin at Moses and all the prophets, expounding unto them in all the

Scriptures the things concerning Himself. Hence the Psalms are prophetic in regard to the birth, resurrection and coming again of the Lord Jesus Christ. They are as much prophetic, as truly the God-breathed Word of Truth, as any other portion of the Bible.

The first three verses show us there is a row on—agitation, commotion, a conspiracy, a movement to rebel against God and against Christ. "Why do the nations rage" (the word "heathen," of course, means "nations") "and the people imagine vain things? The kings of the earth set themselves, and the rulers take counsel together, against Jehovah, and against His Anointed, saying, Let us break their bands asunder, and cast away their cords from us."

We ask the same question, "Why do the nations rage?" Why do they want to put God out of their reckoning? Why do they want to break loose from God? The kings set themselves against Him with hostile contempt. The rulers of the earth set themselves against Jehovah and against His Anointed. His Anointed is Jesus, and the whole thing is an anti-God and anti-Christ conspiracy.

"Let us break their bands asunder, and cast away their cords from us." When did they say that? When Jesus first appeared. I believe the first fulfilment of these three verses was at the crucifixion of the Lord Jesus, for these words are quoted in Acts 4:25 as applicable to Pilate and Herod. "For of a truth against Thy holy child Jesus, whom Thou has anointed, both Herod, and Pontius Pilate, with the Gentiles, and the people of Israel, were gathered together, for to do whatsoever Thy hand and Thy counsel determined before to be done." So these verses had their application to, and at least partial fulfilment in the rejection of the Lord Jesus Christ, when they said, "We will not have this man to reign over us."

While these verses had a partial fulfilment at the crucifixion of Christ, I believe that all through the Church Age there has been this revolt against Christ. "Cast away His bands from us. Rule out the Christ. Rule out the Bible." As we near the end of the age we are seeing a greater hostility toward Christ and all that is of God. We are seeing a greater conspiracy. I believe we are in the last days of this age and I believe the anti-Christian spirit will yet grow more violent, more powerful, more determined to break His bands.

We can hear the rumblings of rebellion. We can hear the God haters and the Christ opposers. All around us the spirit seems to be gathering momentum. The opposition that was manifested toward Christ in the days of His flesh is now being manifested toward the Church, His anointed ones. For Jesus was anointed of the Spirit, and He is the One who anoints today. When you have received the anointing of God you should get ready for opposition. Sometimes we hasten to take all the good things in the Book of Acts, but we hesitate to take the unpleasant things. Remember that if you have a revival you are bound to have a row. The devil is not yet chained up. He is still at large, putting forth his darts, knowing that his time is short.

They were faced with a conspiracy against God and against Christ, in Acts 4. A lame man had been healed. He had never walked, though he was over forty years old, but when Peter had said, "In the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, rise up and walk," he not only had got up but had leaped about. I don't blame him for leaping and dancing. He had a long time to make up for. Why shouldn't he dance? That is what I say about some people who get saved and get happy. They haven't been saved very long, and they have a long time to make up for.

But what did they do with the preachers? They put them in prison for the night, and the next day they brought them before the Sanhedrin and asked by what authority they had healed the man. Peter said, "By the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom ye crucified, whom God raised from the dead, even by Him doth this man stand here before you whole." And he went on to tell them how there is no salvation except through His name.

The rulers were in a dilemma. The men who were supposed to be on trial were turning judges and were telling them what was wrong! They said, "What shall we do? We can't stop this thing. We had better just forbid them to teach any more in the name of Jesus and set them free." Peter said, "We cannot but speak the things which we have seen and heard." So they threatened them, and then let them go.

What did the disciples do? "Being let go, they went to their own company, and reported all that the chief priests and elders had said unto them. And when they heard that, they lifted up their voice to God with one accord." They reminded God of these verses in Psalm 2. They repeated how Herod and Pilate, with the Gentiles and Jews, had conspired against Jesus, and then prayed: "Now, Lord, behold their threatenings: and grant unto Thy servants, that with all boldness they may speak Thy word, by stretching forth Thine hand to heal; and that signs and wonders may be done by the name of Thy holy child Jesus."

Get a few hundred people praying like that, and something is bound to happen. What happened? "The place was shaken where they were assembled together; and they were all filled with the Holy Ghost." What does that mean to me? It means that the only answer to great lawlessness, rebellion, bolshevism, God-hate, and the anti-Christian spirit is the shaking power from heaven.

While they wave the red flag of revolution, we wave the red flag of Golgotha's redeeming Blood. Of course we are "Reds." We are the reddest people you ever saw, in the sense that we believe the only answer to the needs of this bleeding, war-torn world is the evangel of the bleeding Man of the Tree. God shook the house as if to say, "This is the answer to the people's revolt. The power that saves and heals and fills My people is the very power that shakes this house and that shall rule the world from the river unto the end of the earth."

Do you know what the trouble is today? It is a struggle as to who is going to reign. God has settled that a long time ago. He has planned who should reign. The Man who died and rose again is the One who is destined to rule forever.

In Psalm 2:4-6 we read, "He that sitteth in the heavens shall laugh: Jehovah shall have them in derision." I like that. Look at the grandeur of the Word of God. Here is an agitated world, a tumultuous world, nations in a rage, nations plotting and saying, "Let us break God's bands, let us rule Christ out, let us do away with the Bible." And what does God answer? He doesn't even get up from His throne. He remains seated. Contrast the two positions—on the one hand, the agitated earth ruling out Christ, persecuting the saints, burning the Bibles; and on the other, God sitting in the heavens without moving in the least, in spite of all the tumult! He is serene with perfect composure. He knows that He started the worlds in their course and that He will keep them moving when men have all finished. He won't need any dictators to help Him.

help Him. "He that sitteth in the heavens shall laugh." He draws the curtain aside for us to see that presiding over all the affairs and destinies of world empires is a throne that ruleth in the armies of heaven, and that One is sitting upon that throne who holdeth the nations in the hollow of His hand. He is the One who undoes the little crack in Nebuchadnezzar's head so that he loses his reason for seven years until he learns that God ruleth in the kingdom of men and giveth it to whomsoever He will, then tightens it up again. God has only to touch the mighty of earth to let them know that He rules.

When God laughs it is a sorry business. God isn't laughing now. He is loving. All through this dispensation of grace God is loving—not imputing our trespasses unto us, but looking upon us through Christ. He is longsuffering, not willing that any should perish. But the day is coming when He shall begin to laugh. He shall laugh in wrath and anger.

He says: "Because I have called, and ye refused; I have stretched out my hand, and no man regarded; but ye have set at nought all my counsel, and would none of my reproof: I also will laugh at your calamity; I will mock when your fear cometh." Prov. 1:24-26. When God laughs at nations and individuals He laughs in judgment. But He isn't laughing tonight. He is saying, "Kiss the Son," get saved today, turn from your sins and cry for mercy, for now is the day of salvation. The attitude of God is one of forbearance. God is in Christ reconciling the world to Himself. He isn't laying our trespasses on us. If He were we should sink to hell.

This is the day of grace, the acceptable year of the Lord, the time of favor. That is why there is such a display of amazing grace. But the day fast approaches when the doors into the kingdom of heaven will be closed, the Book of Life will be closed, and another book will be opened—a Book of Judgment.

"Jehovah shall have them in derision. Then shall he speak unto them in his wrath, and vex them in his sore displeasure." Do you know that God can trouble them? He had only to look at Pharaoh's chariot wheels and they came off., God can glance at some of these tanks and put them out of action—I mean these anti-God concerns who think they can do what they like. There is One who rules, and He has the last word. He has His plans for this old world. He soon shall vex them. Those who oppose Him shall soon know His wrath and His judgments.

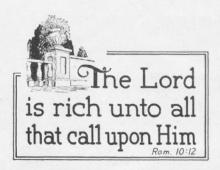
"Yet have I set my king upon my holy hill of Zion." It is as though God said, "Do what you like with Him. Crucify Him if you choose. I will bring Him forth from the tomb again, and He shall reign." God says, "Do what you like with My saints. Put them in prison. Cut their heads off. But you can't put out the blaze. As soon as you quench it in one place, it will break out in a thousand others." Men cannot destroy the Church. "God is in the midst of her; she shall not be moved: God shall help her, and that right early." Psalm 46:5. Those words might be applied to the Church, for He lives within the Church.

Despite all the opposition on earth, despite all the antagonism of men, and all the forces that might combine to thwart His purposes, God is going to make His Son the King Eternal. He as much as says, "I defy any-one to dethrone Him." The One for whose head they twisted a crown of thorns in mockery, at whom they scoffed, and upon whose cross they put a writing of derision, that One has been reserved by God to reign as King of kings, Lord of lords, the Potentate of the universe. We are hastening toward the time when the whole of this world shall be under the magnificent sway and rule and domination of the blessed, glorious Immanuel, the Prince of peace. Let men pour on their fury. Let them make it hotter than ever for God's people. Let hell itself loose. When all have done their utmost, God will defy them, for He says, "Yet have I set my king upon my holy hill of Zion." Packed into that little word "yet" is the thought that in spite of all the enemies of God can do, His eternal plan is fixed.

We see not yet everything under His rule, but in my mind I have the vision of the time when He shall reign over all the earth. The devil and all forces that are arrayed against Him can never do any more than God permits. Am I sure of that? Positive. Here is the Scripture: "For to do whatsoever thy hand and thy counsel determined before to be done." Isn't it wonderful to know that the devil can go only so far? So if God allows him to whip things up, Amen. If God allows the devil to have a loose hand, it is only to hasten the divine plan and speed the coming of Jesus.

"I will declare the decree: Jehovah hath said unto me, Thou art my Son; this day have I begotten thee." Psalm 2:7. That word "begotten" refers to the resurrection of Christ. In Acts 13:33 we read, "God hath fulfilled the same unto us their children, in that He hath raised up Jesus again; as it is also written in the second psalm, Thou art my Son, this day have I begotten Thee."

Was He not dead? Did they not kill Him? But what did God do? On the third day He begat Him from the tomb. So Jesus was born from the dead and said to



be the Firstborn from the dead. The Jesus who was pushed away, rejected, set outside, God begat from the tomb in resurrection power. He was born from the horrors of death. Does it not say it was impossible that He should be holden of it? God loosed the pangs of death and Jesus emerged from death as from a woman so that He became the Firstborn of the dead never again to return to corruption.

"Ask of me, and I shall give Thee the nations for Thine inheritance, and the uttermost parts of the earth for Thy possessio

Psalm 2:8. God spoke to Jesus and said, "Ask what You want. Ask and I will give You the isles of the sea, and the uttermost parts of the earth." That surely must have included the U. S. A. "Ask of Me, and I shall give Thee the nations for Thine in-heritance." Jesus has not received that yet. He is literally going to have the nations, for they are His inheritance and His possession, but we do not see it that way yet. Why? The devil is loose. He is still instigating rebellion and God hate in the hearts of men. But the thing will end in the greatest controversy that ever has been, and amid the blasted hopes of civilization will arise the everlasting kingdom and throne of our glorious everlasting Saviour.

I do not believe the world is going to evolve into something better. I believe it is going to dissolve into something worse, and then be turned over to the rule of Christ. Remember the image Daniel saw was demolished and out of that demolition came the kingdom that filled all the earth.

God has His plan for this age, and His plan is that His own dear Son shall be the King of this earth for a thousand years at least. Don't spiritualize that away. Keep it for literal interpretation. When He was here they said, "Away with Him, we don't want Him." He had no place to lay His head. But God said, "He is My beloved Son; I have reserved the rights of the throne for Him." The kingdoms of this world shall become the kingdoms of our God, and of His Anointed, and He shall reign.

Read what God says in Psalm 110. "Sit thou at My right hand, until I make Thine enemies Thy footstool." From the day He ascended from Olivet He sits there expecting until His foes be made His footstool. How long must He sit? When God's moment arrives He shall gird His sword on His thigh. He shall ride prosperously, and His arrows shall be sharp in the heart of the King's enemies.

"Thou shalt break them with a rod of iron; thou shalt dash them in pieces like a potter's vessel." Psalm 2:9. He is going to dash His enemies in pieces, as it distinctly says. Friends, Jesus is coming. Who? The Jesus who died in shame, whom God raised from the dead, who occupied the throne of the most excellent glory, who sits at the right hand of the Majesty on high waiting until His enemies be made His footstool. He shall ask for the nations, and God will not refuse Him.

What will He do when He comes? Won't He find things in alien hands? Yes, He will find the nations in the raging. But wicked; the Antichrist will be raging. But will find the nations in the hands of the He will dash His enemies in pieces. He came the first time He never broke anything. The only things He broke were the hearts of men-and He is breaking our hearts with His love today. But the next time He is coming as the Lion of the Tribe of Judah. He is coming to rule with a rod of iron. He shall bring peace to a warring world and straighten up every Satanic thing there is. Make speed to return, Thou Desire of Nations, Thou long-looked-for Saviour. The darker the world grows, the more hearts bleed, the greater is our longing for His return. Do you want Him to come?

"Thou shalt dash them in pieces like a potter's vessel." Jesus never did that. When He came He never broke a bruised reed nor quenched smoking flax. He came with tenderness—to bless, to bleed, to save. But next time He is coming to blast and smite every Satanic thing. The Beast, the Antichrist, the boastful one who leads the revolters against God, will be annihilated by the breath of the Anointed One. There will be no chance for men to be saved then. If I were not saved tonight I should be sure and get saved now.

Where is the gospel in this? It is in the last three verses of the Psalm. "Be wise now therefore, O ye kings: be instructed, ye judges of the earth. Serve Jehovah with fear, and rejoice with trembling. Kiss the Son, lest he be angry." There is plenty of opposition against Jesus. If you doubt my word, just get soundly saved and filled with the Holy Spirit and you will have a few rows before long. There is still great opposition to God and His Christ, but does that make any matter to the child of God? No. The opposition helps him to know he is right. The devil is only mad against the person who is right.

Settle it in your heart, and be sure of this, if you are not at peace with God tonight: the Man who bled and died God has pulled from the tomb, has exalted to heaven, and shall send back to earth to judge and to rule with an iron rod. That Saviour has

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To Bring Glory to God

ETER and John went up to the temple at the hour of prayer. They had seen the Master going out early to pray. They knew that He made prayer to the Father the first and foremost thing in his life. Now they sought to follow His example. And that is God's plan for all His saints. "First of all, supplication, prayers, intercessions, and the

plication, prayers, intercessions, and the giving of thanks." For whom? For our own selves? No, "for all men." And the prayer should begin with kings and all in authority. God gave His Son for all, His Son gave His life for all, and the Spirit is for "all flesh." And so the saints are bidden to utter constant prayer to Him for all men "who will have all men to be saved, and to come to the knowledge of the truth." 1 Tim. 2:1-4.

At the Beautiful gate they saw a poor lame man. What did he want? What most men want—money. Ask the first man you meet, "Would you like to have a million dollars?" Watch the greediness with which he will say, "I should say so!" Why do men want money? For the same reason that Gehazi followed after Naaman. Men want money, food, and raiment, and things to consume on their lusts. Do they want wealth to use for God's glory? God alone can tell. In His love He withholds wealth from many, for it would be their ruin.

Peter and John had known the case of the rich young ruler to whom the Master had given the word, "Go and sell that thou hast, and give to the poor, and thou shalt have treasure in heaven: and come and follow Me." They had seen his sorrowful look as he went away, and had heard the comment of the Master, "How hardly shall they that have riches enter into the kingdom of God!" And they had heard His word to themselves, who had left all to follow Him, "Fear not, little flock; for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom." So they coveted not the mammon of earth.

Looking at the crippled man, Peter said, "Silver and gold have I none." But they did have something. What was that? The presence and power of Him who made the heavens and the earth. And they had a passion to glorify His name. Peter said, "In the name of Jesus of Nazareth rise up and walk." The man received the life there is in that wondrous name, and "leaping up stood, and walked, and entered with them into the temple, walking, and leaping, and praising God."

The Son of God, speaking to His Father, said, "What shall I say? ... Father, glorify Thy name." Then there came a voice from heaven, saying, "I have both glorified it, and will glorify it again." And the Son, in His prayer to His Father just before going to Calvary, declared, "I have glorified Thee on the earth." The Father was glorified by the Son and by the service of the Son, and He is glorified in all that is wrought in the worthy name of the Son.

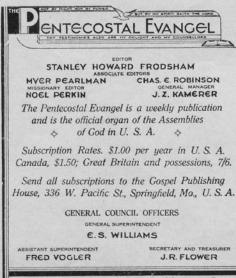
Concerning the angel of His presence that accompanied the children of Israel in the wilderness, the Lord God declared, "My name is in him." The very nature of God was in him, and thus the Israelites were to respect, to honor, to hallow that name. And His name (His nature—and that nature is love) was in the Son. God was in Him, reconciling the world unto Himself. The Holy Spirit is alike called the "Spirit of the Father" and the "Spirit of Christ," bearing the name, the nature of both the Father and the Son. He has been given to glorify the Son, and in the very glorification of the Son, the Father is glorified. Those who live under the continuous anointing of the Holy Spirit, who is called the "Spirit of glory," will seek to live and do *all* to the glory of God.

Thus Peter and John were seeking to bring glory and honor to the Son of God and to the Father. The rulers were incensed and bade them speak no more in that name; but they continued to extol and give glory to that name, declaring, "Neither is there salvation in any other: for there is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved."

God will glorify that name yet again. It is written, "The glory of the Lord shall be revealed, and all flesh shall see it together." What is the glory of God? It is the emanation of His love. His Son was the emanation and manifestation of His love. His presence, the presence of His glorious Son, is spoken of as "the glory of the Lord."

How do the saints give God glory? By the expression of their love, manifested in praise and worship. When the promise is given, "He will give grace and glory," it is just the promise of the emanation of the love of God to His children. So when the apostle bids us, "Follow after love," he is bidding us to pursue that which will enable us to bring most glory to God. Paul bids us, "Follow after love, and desire spiritual gifts." Why desire spiritual gifts? To bring glory to God.

The apostle speaks of one spiritual gift that is greatly despised. The Master was despised and rejected of men, especially by the religious leaders of His day, and what He today gives is despised and rejected, especially by the religious leaders of our day. We refer to the gift of tongues. This is the language of love spoken out by the



Entered as second-class matter June 25, 1918, at post office at "Springfield, Mo., under Act of-March 3, 1879. Accepted for mailing at special rate provided in Sec 1103, of Oct. 3, 1917, authorized July 3, 1918. saint who loves the Lord, to the Lord he loves-a language not understood by man, but fully understood by the God of love. Paul, who loved his Lord much, thanked God that he spake in tongues more than they all. That is, he spoke more in this language of love that glorified the God of love. The apostle has left instructions, "Forbid not to speak with tongues." In giving glory to God in this manner, the saint finds word of the Master true: "Give, the and it shall be given unto you," and the Lord gives spiritual edification to the one who thus gives Him glory, so that he is built up in his most holy faith.

David loved the Lord, but one day he swerved from that love. Instead of seeking first and only to dwell in the presence of the Lord, to behold the beauty of the Lord and to be ravished with His love, he turned aside and committed a vile act of adultery. This brought grief and not glory to the heart of his loving Lord. Sin always does.

The Lord said to him, "I anointed thee king over Israel... and gave thee the house of Israel and of Judah; and if that had been too little, I would moreover have given unto thee such and such things." Because of this sin, the hand of God's loving discipline came to David, in order that he might once again become a partaker of His holiness. David repented and cried for the restoration of the joy of salvation. He petitioned, "O Lord, open Thou my lips (for sin had closed them); and my mouth shall shew forth Thy praise." The sweet singer of Israel desired once more to bring glory to God. So he cried for the removal of that which had hindered communion, "Wash me throughly from mine iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin."

In His love God has given us Christ. He has given us also the blessed Holy Spirit. He declares to us, "All things are yours, and ye are Christ's." Shall we turn aside from One who has shown us such love to that which will bring Him grief and not glory? God forbid.

In order to bring glory to God the saints must seek to keep that Spirit-given injunction, "Keep yourselves in the love of God." They will do so by making prayer first and foremost. In their fellowship with the Lord of love, they will receive His love. It will be shed abroad in their hearts by the Holy Ghost. It is possible to be very zealous in the defense of certain doctrines, doctrines that are true, and yet lose out in love. They of Ephesus did, and the Master bade them repent and come back to their first love.

"Follow after love." Paul did. Forgetting the things behind, he pressed hard for the goal—to win Christ, the Lord of love. Go to the apostle's prison cell in the last days. What is his testimony? "I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course." He had reached the goal. What was the prize? Henceforth, a crown! And the promise of this is not to Paul alone, but to all like-minded, who love the presence. the appearing, the coming of the Lord of love; who look forward henceforth to reign with Him. To share His throne! To be His bride! To be eternally His! To share His glory!

In the meantime, let us do all to bring glory to that worthy name, living every moment of every day wholly for the glory of God.—3. H. F.

Service and Reward

ET us not be weary in well doing: for in due season we shall reap if we faint not. Gal. 6:9.

The Word is full of encouragement to labor, to work for the Lord. A cup of cold water given in His name shall not lose its reward. A grain of mustard seed grew so much that it increased into a tree—a big reward for putting a mustard seed into the ground. And if the least act, giving a cup of cold water, brings a reward, how much more will be the reward for continuous, faithful, self-denying service? One who converts the sinner from the error of his way shall save a soul from death and shall hide a multitude of sins. James 5:20. A just reward will be rendered for such service.

When one sinner repents, there is joy in the presence of the angels of God. Here is a glimpse of blessing, the condition of heaven being changed by the action of a servant of Christ down here, in leading a sinner to repentance. It is joy on earth plus joy in heaven—joy added to joy. That is the immediate result. The reward to the servant here is hidden, held in reserve, a surprise for him.

Some will say, "Lord, when saw we Thee an hungered and fed Thee? or thirsty and gave Thee drink? When saw we Thee a stranger and took Thee in? or naked and clothed Thee? or when saw we thee sick, or in prison, and came unto Thee?" They had forgotten all about it. He had not. To the faithful servants He will say, "Enter thou into the joy of thy Lord." The faithful servant of Christ is made joint partner, partaker with and sharer of the joy of his Lord. Language fails to portray, imagination is bankrupt to conceive, the joy of the Lord. The joy that was set before Him was so great that He endured the cross, despising the shame, in order to receive it.

"In the morning sow thy seed, and in the evening withhold not thine hand: for thou knowest not whether shall prosper, either this or that." Eccl. 11:6. "Blessed are ye that sow beside all waters." Isa. 32:20. The rain washes down the seed from the hillside and the fertile valley is covered with bloom. Not all the seed matures, but enough does to transform the landscape. The rain conveys the seed and in due time a portion blossoms. Drop the seed of the Word continuously in faith, in confidence that He, who commanded you to sow beside all waters, will and must cause some to blossom and bring forth fruit for His glory. There may be wayside ground and the birds of the air will take the seed away, there may be rocky soil and thorny ground, but there is always the good ground.

The seed is the Word. There is no fault with the Word. The Word of God, the seed, is bound to bring forth fruit if sown. You do not know the nature of the soil when you sow the seed. The commission is, "Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature." Let us obey the command as far as we are able.

Some will vield thirty, some sixty and some a hundred fold. The seed brings forth and increases. It has its reward. The sinner who is saved and whose life is transformed, who brings forth a hundred fold, has his reward; but do not overlook the fact that the sower of the seed will also get his reward.

How much? Try to calculate it. The hundred fold being replanted, there is a proportionate increase, and that increase being again replanted, there is further increase. Stephen, you have not seen the end of the increase through your martyrdom. Epaphras, you have not seen the final increase of your fervent labor in prayer. Col. 4:12. Dorcas, you have not seen the final increase of the pile of garments made for the poor and destitute through your example.

Christ has His rewards. They are hidden. All you have to encourage you is the exhortation to be steadfast, unmovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord—a definite statement, command, entreaty—and then is added the encouragement, "Forasmuch as you know that your labor is not in vain in the Lord." It is vain out of the Lord. There are lots of vain works, and they accomplish as much as a weather vane that just goes round and round. But your labor is not in vain as long as it is in the Lord.

He who takes note of the fall of a sparrow, its progress, its momentum, the force of its concussion, the nature of its struggles, will not lose sight of the effort, the energy, the power, the prayers put forth for the extension of His kingdom, for the salvation of souls that His Son died for, and that His will may be done on earth (where it has been perverted, disregarded, defiled) as it is in heaven. The reward is as sure as the integrity of the One who gave the assurance, "Your labor is not in vain in the Lord."

Songs in the Night

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were the words of the song: "Safe is my refuge, sweet is my rest, Ill cannot harm me, nor foes e'er molest." God had given him a song in the night, yes, a very real song.

About four years ago I was riding one of the new streamlined trains. I walked into the dinette to get a lunch and found that the only vacant seat was across the table from a young man who was under the influence of liquor. At first I rebelled, and then God seemed to speak to my heart that I ought to sit down. As I sat there the young man broke in to ask me some questions and later informed me that he was a radio singer, one who is quite well known. He had been under the influence of liquor most of the time, he told me, for the past two years. He was in a very real night. The things he had counted on, lived for, had suddenly dis-appeared and he could hardly stand it. He had been tempted by the enemy to turn to liquor, hoping thereby to drown his troubles.

As I talked with him my mind went back to the Scripture I had been reading: "Where is God my Maker, who giveth songs in the night?" So I asked him, "Don't you really like to sing?" and the young man answered with an oath, for which he apologized, that

he had no song in his heart. Then it was that it crossed my mind that God could put a song in this young man's heart. So I told him the story of Jesus, the story of Him who is the real author of all true music and singing.

After some time we went back to the observation car where we had a seat and there we had a prayer meeting. God marvelously came and touched him with His hand, and saved his soul. The next morning, at the hotel in St. Louis where I stopped to visit with him, I found that he was rejoicing in his heart for the song that Some months afterwards a was there. friend called by attention to the fact that he was singing on the radio. I heard him sing and he announced that it was for a friend that he hoped would be listening in, "Why didn't somebody tell me about Jesus?" He gave up the ways of sin, and today there is a growing hunger in his heart to live and work for God. Thus God gave him a song in the darkest night of his life.

The night of sickness, just about three years ago, settled down over my body. I had been very strong most of my life, but suddenly, without warning, I found myself seriously ill, for days, and then weeks, and then finally months. I remember distinctly that I oftentimes looked to God and asked that a song might come into my heart. Though I often tried to sing, I found myself lacking a song—a song of victory, a song of deliverance.

As Christmas drew near I had been at death's door for twenty-one consecutive days, with hemorrhages from my lungs, given up by the finest physicians. It seemed that it was just one long night. I often asked God for strength to endure the pain during the day, and then at night asked Him for grace for the night until another day. This night I was at the end of my journey. I felt that I could no longer battle against the odds and must have help or give up.

About two o'clock in the morning I asked the nurse to read to me from my Bible of the faithfulness of the Lord. As these scriptures touched my heart I prayed, asking God to come and do for me what He had not yet done, and plant a song in my heart. Suddenly His hand touched me, and I had a song. From my lips broke the words of a song which I do not know entirely, just a part: "Oh, the blessed new day, the glad new day!" And as I repeated what I knew God's blessing fell into my heart. As the nurse called in other attendants and they made ready for me to pass away, God sent into my heart a peace and a deliverance together with the song. Within thirty minutes I was sound asleep. While my friends had assembled to see me die, God had stretched forth His hand to heal. The coming of the morning found my fever gone, the hemorrhage had ceased, and I was on my way to complete recovery. Yes, it was a song, a real song in my heart.

No matter what the night is in your life, God has a song of deliverance for every difficulty, every heartache, every pain. God can give you a song if your home is broken. He can give you a song if you are sick. There is no need so great, no night so dark, but that our God can bring to your heart a song. "And He hath put a new song in my mouth, even praise unto our God: many shall see it, and fear, and shall trust in the Lord." Psalm 40:3.

H. A. JOHNSON

How the Thailand Governor Found Christ

Some years ago a missionary was in the Malay Peninsula in a region where he had never been before, and was very much surprised to hear that the governor of that province believed in Christ. He inquired if any missionary had ever been there, and was told that no preacher had visited the place, but that once a man was there selling copies of a book. The governor heard of this book, and bought one of the volumes. The missionary expressed a desire to see the governor. Soon he received a request to visit the palace, which he did, accompanied by his wife.

As they entered the beautiful grounds about the palace, they saw through the trees an old man with grey beard, clad in white, standing on the veranda of the house, and by his side his wife, also in white. When they caught sight of the approaching visitors, they exclaimed, "Hosanna! Ho-sanna!" When they were all seated together on the veranda, the old man told of their remarkable experience. Thirty years before, when he and his wife were one day mending some of their idols, he suddenly stopped and called her attention to the wonderful character of the human hand, capable of making so many things. He said that his hand was a greater thing than these lifeless images they were mending. Then he de-clared that human beings, intelligent and creative, were greater than these pieces of wood and stone that they shaped into images and worshiped. "How absurd it is for us to worship these dead things, as if they could do anything for us!" he exclaimed.

His wife agreed with him, saying that she had often thought the same thing. They decided that they would worship these cretures of their own hand no longer, but would destroy them. This they did, and returned to the empty room from which they had taken the idols, wondering what they should worship now. The governor said to his wife: "There must be a Being greater than man who made man, and the earth and the stars. We will worship Him, the greatest Being in the universe."

For thirty years they had been going together into that empty room to bow before their God, "feeling after Him, if haply they might find Him," as the Apostle Paul said to the Athenians. It was a striking instance of Paul's statement in his letter to the Romans, that even thoughtful heathen are led to believe in a great Being because of the evidence of His intelligence and power revealed in nature. Paul said: "The invisible things of Him since the creation of the world are clearly seen, being perceived through the things that are made, even His eternal power and divinity, so that they are without excuse." Through all these years these two lifted up their hearts to Him in worship, striving to obey the law of God written upon their hearts.

But they needed more light, and anxiously hoped for it day after day and year after year. The governor said that at last he heard of a man in his province who was

selling a book. A sudden thrill of confidence came into his heart that this book was what he had waited for so long. In eager haste he sent for the man and asked about the book. The man said: "This is the greatest book that tells about the greatest Being in the universe." With trembling hands the governor took it. It was a copy of the Christian Scriptures, translated into his own language.

As he read the Old Testament, he said, the pictures seemed very familiar, for they were just the pictures of the life of his country. When the governor and his wife came to Paul's sermon to the Athenians on Mars Hill, where he spoke of the people worshiping the "unknown God," he said: "Wife, we have been living in Athens 30 years."

Through this Word of God alone, without a human voice to help them, taught by the Holy Spirit of truth, they came to know the true God and Jesus Christ whom He has sent.

When the governor ceased to worship idols, he told his people of his convictions and practices, but he could not tell them much about any other religious life. When he came to know his Bible, however, he was prepared to teach them and help them to know the truth and obey it. The people had asked him for a statement of his faith, and he told the missionary that finally he had written it down. Going to a little box he took from it his confession of faith and read it aloud.

With keenest anticipation the missionary listened to learn what a man thus taught only of God would formulate as his creed. It began thus: "I believe in God the Father, who made all things. I believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God, as my Saviour. I believe in the Holy Ghost as my Comforter and teacher." The statement contained the fundamental essentials of the faith that is accepted by the evangelical Christian Church, with no addition of false views. The missionary said farewell to the aged couple, telling them that he soon expected to go home to America to visit his parents. The governor looked appealingly at his newlyfound Christian brother and said:

"Missionary, I am an old man, and may not live until you come again, but I wish to ask one favor. When I die I will go to heaven, but I will be far back among the unworthy ones, for I have been an idolater and have done so little for my Lord. But you will be close to the Throne, for you have had a long life of blessed service. Please promise that you will tell Jesus that I would love to be allowed to come near to Him just once that I may see His glory."

This man was the only person who had the right to present any of his people to the king and he had not appreciated the difference between the kingdoms of the earth and heaven in some of these things. Like a little child he believed and loved his Lord, and in his humility he counted himself one who would sit far down at the feast. With tears of joy they separated. More than a year later the missionary visited the place again. The governor had gone to behold the King in His beauty, and to realize that he would not have to wait for any special introduction by any man. The governor's wife was living, and was teaching her people the truth as it is in Jesus.

There are many instances of people who have been led to know the true God and to find peace and joy in Christ simply through the reading of the Bible, without any person to teach them. The Holy Spirit has been their teacher, leading them into the light of life. It is a striking evidence of the sufficiency of the Word of God to give all men everywhere all the light they need to make plain the way of salvation.

Watch

"Grievous wolves shall enter in among you, not sparing the flock.... Therefore watch." Acts 20:29, 31. Watch yourselves; watch the flock; watch your doctrine; watch your life; watch the enemy—above all things, says the Apostle, *keep awake*.

The nearer we draw to God, the nearer Satan draws to us. "On account of many onslaughts of Satan," says Pastor Hsi of China, "my wife and I for the space of three years seldom put off our clothing to go to sleep, in order that we might be the more ready to watch and pray. Sometimes in a solitary place, I spent whole nights in prayer; and the Holy Spirit descended."

In a solitary place, I spent whole highes in prayer; and the Holy Spirit descended." Do, says Paul, as I have done: "watch admonishing—with tears." Paul could tell men that they were the enemies of the cross of Christ, but he always told it to them weeping. Watching does not mean a hard criticism of others: it means a trembling carefulness over one's self, and a tender anxiety over other souls.

An old minister used to pray for the "grace of tears." The church needs weeping over, but let us see that our admonishing is salted with the brine of the soul.

Thomas Toller, of Kettering, England, was once asked how he could remain so unmoved when all his hearers were weeping. He replied, with deep emotion: "My weeping time was *yesterday.*"

The Prayer Habit By George Muller

"I live in the spirit of praver. I pray as I walk, when I lie down, and when I arise. The answers are always coming. Thousands and ten thousands of times have my prayers been answered. When once I am persuaded a thing is right, I go on praying for it until the answer comes. George Muller never gives up!"

A true Pentecost will produce a mighty conviction for sin, a humble and holy people who will strive for a deeper walk with God.

WOMEN AND ALCOHOL

Last year four hundred women were in New York's Women's House of Detention suffering from acute alcoholism, reports the Christian Herald. Ten per cent of them were under twentyone; forty-five per cent were between twenty-one and thirty. In other words, more than half of these women were under thirty-suffering from acute alcoholism.

SINGING WHILE DEATH IS RAINING

A most encouraging letter has been received from an Evangel reader in war-torn England: "Last year when the blitz was so bad we would get into the cupboard (closet) under the stairs as soon as the sirens began at dusk. And we, with our six children from five to sixteen in age, used to sing these words to the tune of 'Blessed Assurance, Jesus Is Mine,' 'God is our refuge, be not afraid. He will be with us all through the raid. When bombs are falling and danger is near, He will protect us till the "All Clear."' How it encouraged our souls. The children, all except the eldest, used to sleep all through the heavy raids. We have had danger very, very near but the truth of the text, 'the Angel of the Lord encampeth round about them that fear him, and delivereth them,' is certainly true to those who trust Him.

PRESERVED AT PEARL HARBOR

Three thousand lives were lost in the surprise attack on Pearl Harbor on December 7, most of whom were sailors and soldiers, but God preserved some of His children in a remarkable way. Brother Harry Jaeger received a letter from the head of the Navigators in Los Angeles (the Navigators are Christian boys in the Navy who band themselves together to pray and witness for Christ) saying: "We have word from the Navigators in Pearl Harbor, and in the raids there not one was injured except one who received a minor burn. All those boys who have been living for Jesus have been preserved by the power of God."

Raymond H. Smith, a missionary tells how his vessel, carrying a number of missionaries to India, chanced to be caught in the raid at Pearl Harbor. We quote from a letter he wrote to L. Eicher of the World Wide Prayer and Missionary Union:

"I was up before 7 a. m. having a look at the beautiful shores as we approached Honolulu. At eight o'clock we went into the dining salon for breakfast. Looking out through a window, someone remarked, 'I wonder if they are having parachute drill in Honolulu. Something looks like white parachutes up in the sky.' Someone else noted the planes and the darker wisps of smoke and said, 'It must be anti-aircraft drill,' as the white blotches stayed up in the air. Later when we went on deck, the air over the city was filled with these drifting bits of smoke. We could then hear the sound of firing, but our pilot came on board nonchalantly and we turned toward the harbor.

"At sea a destroyer was steaming madly back and forth. Smoke bursts in the sky speckled the blue with a hundred blots, while the billows of smoke were now so dense we concluded it was a smoke screen. The smoke seemed to be coming from three centers. We did not realize it was from burning battleships. There was a continuous roar of guns. We lined the rails and watched with the greatest interest. To us it was still nothing but intensified maneuvers, even when bombs fell near our ship as it came through the narrow inlet. We did not know until later that the bombs were meant for us, so that our boat would block the narrow harbor entrance. Neither pilot nor captain knew it was real warfare."

In spite of the extreme danger, the ship docked safely and the passengers unharmed were rushed off to a safer spot away from the waterfront.

Does not the Bible promise, "When the enemy shall come in like a flood, the Spirit of the Lord shall lift up a standard against him"? Isa. 59:19.

Dying World the Living Word

WHAT OUR SOLDIERS NEED

A young soldier was asked how ministers might better entertain the soldiers. He replied: "Wc have been entertained to death. Give us the gospel."

LIQUOR AT PEARL HARBOR

According to a Religious News Release which quotes Senator Brewster of Maine, the sale of liquor has been banned by the authorities at Pearl Harbor since the declaration of war. If liquor is viewed in this light in an alert area, one wonders why it is permitted to be so prevalent among our armed forces in general.

PAUL AND NERO

The Axis powers are bent on establishing a new world order in which the gospel of Christ will have little if any place. Missionaries of the Cross are bent on establishing a very different kind of world order. Which will triumph? At present the Axis has wiped out missionary work in many lands. It even holds many gospel missionaries as prisoners. But there is encouragement in history, as well as prophecy. Go back to the days of the Roman Empire. As Dr. S. M. Zwemer points out, "A person standing in the Roman Forum would have been deemed insane to assert that the great figure of Nero was less significant than that of a certain poor man in the Mamertine Prison named Paul. But now, after centuries, men call their sons Paul and their dogs Nero."

A STORY OF TRAGEDY AND HEROISM

The Pentecostal Testimony, organ of the Pentecostal Assemblies of Canada, tells of the torpedoing of a ship on which two of their promising new missionaries were sailing for Trinidad, British West Indies. It was the Lady Hawkins, which went down in the South Atlantic on the night of January 19. The missionaries are Brother Robert A. Parkinson and his wife. Sister Parkinson was among the survivors, but on February 1 Brother Parkinson was still missing.

The Toronto Daily Star carried a glowing account of Sister Parkinson's heroism in the grim sea-war tragedy, as did many other American and Canadian newspapers. It said: "Mrs. Robert A. Parkinson of Toronto was

the heroine of the 71 survivors of the torpedoed Lady Hawkins. She is safe in Puerto Rico, after five days in an overcrowded lifeboat, but her husband is unreported, believed to have been one of the more than 250 who lost their lives. "As bodies of five, dead from exposure, were

committed to the sea from an overcrowded lifeboat, Mrs. Parkinson led in prayers. At other times she buoyed up the courage of the others by leading in hymn singing."

Sister Parkinson and her husband became separated in the disaster. In her own words: "We were both together, and so far as I knew we both jumped into the water. Debris hit me but I was able to push it aside. I believed my husband was floating beside me, but when I looked he had disappeared. The ship went down as I reached the lifeboat."

The lifeboat was built for 13 but there were 76 crowded into it. Among these were only two women, besides a two-year-old girl. Sister Parkinson said she fought all night to keep the older lady from being crushed, but finally this lady died. She believes she may have died from crushing, rather than from exposure. It must have been a trying ordeal. During the five days on the open sea those in the lifeboat lived on the slimmest rations until picked up by a passing ship.

We join with our Canadian brethren in praying that the God of all grace shall continue to uphold our sister in her hour of trial.

BROKEN HOMES

Last year, reports Christian Victory, 140,000 husbands and wives were "rent asunder" by the divorce courts of this land. These involved the destiny of over half a million children.

MISSIONARIES IN CHINA

In a letter from the China Inland Mission-an interdenominational and international organization having approximately 1350 missionaries in China-they inform us of missionary conditions in China: "You asked whether the Japanese are interning our missionaries. As far as we know, our workers in the parts of China occupied by the Japanese are considered as enemy aliens and are probably limited in their movements and activities. We have reason to believe and hope, however, that at least some of them are permitted to carry on their work. It is probable that many of them are watched by Japanese officials and have to report periodically concerning what they do. We have not received any word from them so far, although we hope that ultimately it will be possible for mail to come through from that part of China. The greater part of our missionaries are in Free China and not in the parts occupied by Japan.'

SPREADING THE GOSPEL In Hong Kong there is a great JAVANESE. confectionery estab-252525252525252 mer grown on of why my my lishment known as On Luk Yuen, a energhong with a splice ing purely Chinese concern. It has shops all over southern China. It sent its manager all the way to America to buy the latest type of candy and icecream-making machinery. Once a week, reports the London Christian Herald, the hundreds of workers in the factory and in the shops take an hour off for prayers, for they are Christians. It is a delightful little service in which all, manager, salesman, and waitress, join. Into each package of goods the firm sells goes a

small sheet printed in red ink. It reads. (shown at right) in four languages-Javanese, Malay,

Chinese, and English: "Jesus said unto them, I am the bread of life; he that cometh to Me shall never hunger; and he that believeth on Me shall never thirst." John 6:35. Ask Peter Cheung, the manager, and he will reply, "We are bakers, not missionaries, but we do scatter that Bible message far and wide."

These workers were also responsible for the erecting of a church building in Hong Kong. And even now (this was before the fall of Hong Kong to Japanese hands) they are planning the building of a church in another section of the city to evangelize the Chinese who live on the water.

War has made life cheap in the Orient and the yearning after eternal life exists everywhere. Truly, these Chinese Christians in far-away Hong Kong are setting us an example in Christian effort worthy of our respect and commendation.

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South American Conference

VIRGIL SMITH, BRAZIL

During the first week of November the International South American Conference of Pentecostal workers was held in Porto Alegre, Brazil. Representatives from several countries gathered in the large Assemblies of God church building. Ordinarily the seating capacity of this church is 1,300, but it was estimated that the Sunday audiences during the convention were 1,800. All visiting ministers were invited to take part in the evening evangelistic services and it was marvelous to see the response to the gospel message.

Morning and afternoon meetings, for workers only, were devoted to the discussion of subjects of vital interest to the evangelization of this neglected continent. Plans were made for very definite steps forward in the training of native workers and the publication of better helps for Sunday Schools.

Among the most interesting features of our program were the reports given by Brother Ball, who is now working in Chile but who for more than 25 years has been engaged in work among Latin-American peoples and who has had opportunity to visit most of their countries. It was very profitable to hear of the methods being used and the victories gained in these neighboring lands.

But perhaps the most encouraging and helpful feature of the conference was the privilege of witnessing what the Lord has done in the State which we were visiting. Until recently there had been only one missionary family in this State. As a result of their work there are now about 50 churches with a membership of 8,000. In the conference there were 40 or 50 workers from these churches. The trials, persecutions and difficulties which it cost to lay the foundation of this work are certainly bearin abundant fruit in the multitudes who now worship the Lord.

At Our Home Base

After the conference, Lawrence Olson spent a week with us in Joinville, conducting daily Bible classes which were very well attended and greatly appreciated by the Christians. The evening meetings were not quite so well attended because of heavy rains, but in spite of this a number came to the altar seeking salvation, some of whom are showing indications of a real touch from God.

One Sunday about 40 Christians from Joinville packed their lunches, rented a bus and went to the village of Palmital where we have opened an outstation, to attend the baptismal service. For several months some of our men have been



13 converts baptized by Virgil Smith at outstation of Palmital

cycling out to this community each Sunday to hold meetings. It was surely a great joy to hear the fervent testimonies of those whom God has so wonderfully saved from lives of drunkenness. Thirteen were baptized in water, a number of these having already received the Baptism in the Holy Spirit. Others have given proof of regeneration but cannot yet receive water baptism because of marriage complications so common in this land. We have well grounded hopes that from this beginning the work in Palmital will enjoy constant growth.

We are thankful to the Lord for a moving of His Spirit throughout our entire field. In every outstation there has been a fresh outpouring of power to the salvation of sinners and awakening of Christians.

Pentecost in Peru

HERBERT B. FELTON

On January 5 the Peruvian Mission of the Assemblies of God closed five days of blessing unprecedented in any conference in the history of the work here. The 21 missionaries and 18 recognized Peruvian workers, as well as delegates from the churches (with back of them more than 1,000 members of the Pentecostal body in Peru) send greetings to our fellowship in the United States.

During the conference encouraging reports were received from most of the fields which we reach with the gospel, 28 towns being directly represented. A real advance was noted in comparison⁴ with the report given at the previous conference. Several churches have been built, several new congregations formed, and eight new workers received into fellowship. Best of all, we are happy to report the spirit of unity that prevails on the field.

The brethren who held office last year were re-elected for a further term: Forrest G. Barker, Superintendent; Herbert Felton, Secretary-Treasurer, and Walter Errickson, Advisory Member.

On the last day of the conference 28 were baptized in water.

Our Work in Lima

As to our work in Lima, we are glad to say that God's blessings continue, but we are never fully satisfied, realizing that He has much more in store for us.

Recently we were surprised when without any special effort on our part the Sunday School attendance reached the record of 195. The average attendance is double that of a year ago, or any year in the history of the church. The building is far too small to handle these crowds. Imagine the difficulty in teaching with the men's Bible class of around fifty and the women's Bible class of over forty in such a small space that there is not even an empty bench for a division between the two, while the children's classes are just a few feet away. We have opened two halls in different parts of Lima hoping thus to relieve the congestion in the central church, but we find that our dear people want to come "home" Sunday mornings for Sunday School. However, they do attend the branch churches Sunday evening as well as week nights, which leaves us room to invite the unsaved into our hall.

One of these branch lighthouses, opened just a short time ago, is located near the cemetery. For a period of more than two weeks beginning with "All Saints Day" thousands of people visited this cemetery, and not a few in passing our hall stepped in to rest a while, which gave our brethren glorious opportunity to break to them the "Bread of Life." Tracts were given out and much work was done for the kingdom during those "fiesta" days.

Reaching the Upper Class

An employee of fourteen years in one of Lima's leading drug stores was converted some months ago. He has lived a very different life before his old friends and has given out gospel literature, testifying verbally as well. Noting these things, the owner of the drug store commended him very highly, and more than that, asked for some of the literature for himself, at the same time purchasing a Bible for his own use. In a conversation with us, he personally expressed the desire that we would convert ALL his employees. It is rare that the upper classes in Peru receive the gospel in that attitude.

A second occurrence of like nature came to our notice only last week when the owner of a hacienda came to visit us and expressed his gratitude for the work that we are doing for Peru through the preaching of God's Word. Several of our brethren are working for him and he specially commended one of these, a student in the Bible School. He even offered to give this brother a free hall for preaching the gospel in one of his haciendas in the south, if he would simply go there to live in order to change the lives of his employees at that place. Does this not rejoice your hearts to hear that the gospel has not lost its power and that it is truly being FELT in the lives of these Peruvians?

ON THE FORWARD MARCH

Erma Miller and Lillian Flessing, Sao Carlos, Brazil

Praise God for the blessings of the year 1941. It was our joy to see 34 follow the Lord in water baptism and 14 receive the blessed Baptism of the Holy Spirit. Many were the glorious healings that we witnessed as the power of God moved among the people. We began 1941 with a hall that held 30 people we are entering 1942 with a building that will accommodate from 250 to 300. At the beginning of last year our group numbered nine baptized believers, whereas now our Sunday congregation averages from 50 to 75. In all we can say that the two churches in our charge are on the forward march. Truly, "the Lord hath done great things for us, whereof we are glad."

Since the New Year we have been much in prayer and the Lord has been with us in a precious way. It is our earnest desire to see a real Holy Ghost revival such as they had on the day of Pentecost.

We do not know how much time remains to work for Jesus. Everything seems to point to His soon coming, but we want to do all we can until He appears in the clouds.



Young people in Sao Carlos baptized December 7, 1941

Among the Jungle Indians of Paraguay

ALBERT WIDMER, BRAZIL

"Come to our people and speak about the Good News," begged the old chief of a great Indian tribe in the heart of Paraguay. "How many people do you have in your Indian habitation?" I asked, to which he replied, "We are three times thousand beings."

And so at the last military outpost of Argentina we equipped the old motor truck with food, water, gasoline and everything needed for an adventurous undertaking in a wild region such as this, and set out with a group of Indios Mansos (tame Indians) who served not only as guides across the cactus and thornbush wilderness, but also as interpreters to the savage tribes. Days of hard struggle followed as we guided the truck through the monotonous jungle which was interrupted only by deserts where travel became even worse because of the soft sand. The tropical sun beat down mercilessly until my skin tanned almost like an Indian's. The few night hours that we snatched for rest were spent stretched out on the warm sand, while two or three of our Indios stood guard against the numerous tigers or gigantic snakes.

Completely exhausted, we arrived at the village of the sons of the jungle, where we were soon surrounded with hundreds of Indians of all ages who had already been looking out for our "beast with the circular legs" which they could hear from a great distance. They made the most comical faces; some fell on the ground laughing, while others were rubbing their stomachs as a sign of amazement and astonishment, for never before had they beheld such a strange animal. I jumped from the truck and began to distribute salt and other things to my new friends, to create confidence among them.

"We Are Neglected"

Delegates of the venerable chief came to bid us welcome, letting us know that already they had been waiting for more than four years for a white man to visit them but it had never come to pass till now. "They are afraid to travel among us," was their complaint. "The white man likes to live well, likes to eat well, likes to have a good house, likes always comfortable, and we the Indios have to remain in ignorance about the teachings of the God of the Christians. We are neglected and even badly treated and persecuted by the white men."

Such words grieved my heart, for of a truth we have not made sufficient efforts to fulfill our responsibility in evangelizing these isolated Indians—just for the reason that it is a difficult and sacrificial task. It is certain that if these tribes become civilezed before receiving the gospel they are much more difficult to reach for Christ, whereas now they seem susceptible to the influence of the Spirit of God.

A Weird and Horrible Sight

In order to acquaint myself better with these simple people and find out the easiest way to reach them, I attended one of their dance feasts. For a number of days the Indian women had been at work making a strongly intoxicating drink called **aloja** and preparing the fish which the men had caught in the near-by river. When night came the dancing started in the square of the village. The dancers had their heads covered with long feathers; their arms and legs also were beautified with colored bird dress taken chiefly from parrots. These ornaments against their red-painted bodies gave them a terrific aspect. The dance was interrupted at intervals as various groups took time out to devour big pieces of fish and gulp down a great amount of the intoxicating aloja, which increased their drunkenness constantly. The dance consisted of furious rhythmical movements, accompanied by an orchestra of bamboo pipes which produced a horrible sound. The whole scene was repulsive and hellish, giving to a Christian the impression of being among a multitude of demons let loose from the pit. All night long the dance continued until the vessels were empty and the strange creatures, heavily drunk, flung themselves upon the sand round about the dancing square, from which they only arose, awakened from sleep by the heat of the sand, the following day.

Many thoughts crossed through my tired mind that horrible night while attending the heathen festival among these strange inhabitants of the virgin jungles—a people ignored by the civilized world as if they were not human beings.

A Funeral Ceremony

On one occasion I was present at a funeral ceremony. The body was buried in a shallow and still more narrow grave, and for almost a week the Indians carried water from the nearby swamp which they poured over the sepulcher. This, as I learned later, was in order that the corpse might decompose more quickly. Afterwards the grave was opened and the corpse, which was of course already putrefied, taken out. A number of witch doctors then started the horrible task of scrubbing off the flesh from the bones, and painting the bones-some red, some black. During the whole process the nearest relatives of the deceased attended the ceremony, crying and howling loudly, though not one tear could be seen in their eyes. They would beat their chest and arms with sharp sticks until the blood spurted from their tortured bodies. The painted bones were gathered in a large, similarly painted clay pot, placed in an algaroba tree and covered with leaves in order that they might not be easily detected. The hut, together with all the belongings of the deceased, was burned, amid great lamentations -this they did in order that the spirit of the dead should not be attracted by his possessions and return to live in the village, causing trouble.

Light in the Darkness

Sad sights such as these filled my heart with a profound pity and longing to win these peculiar jungle people to God. I prayed for the sick, cleansed and disinfected their horrible wounds and sores, taught the children to sing gospel choruses, and translated some of the main texts of God's Word. Under the open tropical sky, in the moonlight nights of El Gran Chaco, it was my privilege to preach the message of heaven to audiences of hundreds, and later thousands of Indios who with rapt attention listened to the gospel made understandable to them through interpreters.

When the time came to leave, it was not easy to part from the dear Indios who could not comprehend why I should go away now when they were becoming my friends. I assured them that we would beseech the great "Creator Father" that He might bless the Indios and send them men that would love and sympathize with them, helping them to understand the Law of Heaven. The Indians also promised



Assemblies of God missionaries in Santa Catarina, Brazil. Left to right: Virgil Smith, Albert Widmer, J. P. Kolenda, Antonio Lemos, Mr. and Mrs. O. S. Boyer.

that if white men should come to explain to them the gospel, they would not kill them but would receive them well and help in every way to establish a mission.

The command to preach the gospel to every creature definitely includes these poor, rejected Indians in the unexplored regions of South America. For centuries they have remained in spiritual darkness, but now, thank God, they are being awakened until tribe after tribe is receiving the light of the glorious gospel of Jesus Christ.

Adventures in Venezuela E. YNGVE OLSON

Although war clouds hang low over the whole world, praise God that in Venezuela there is still peace and liberty to preach the gospel.

Our anniversary convention here proved a real blessing in many ways—bringing together the workers and missionaries of Pentecostal belief, encouraging their hearts to greater effort, and resulting in the salvation of souls. The enemy brought great trials in an effort to destroy this advance step for God, but there was victory.

A Baptistry out in the Wilds

On the night of the anniversary I filled the car with local preachers and we drove to a chapel out in the country where the people had been congregated most of the day awaiting our arrival to baptize several candidates. After leaving the car, we walked two miles in the darkness, carrying the organ, to find the chapel which was filled to overflowing with believers besides some unconverted children.

When we arrived, the native preacher said, "Here is our pastor. God has answered prayer. Now you see we are not deceitful, for our pastor has come as we said." And so we went on with the service, baptizing six in water. Can you imagine a concrete baptistry in a mud chapel out in the wilds, with the water obtained by troughs at the eves of the roof or from some water hole? This region has few rivers or streams, thus baptistries have to be improvised. The service concluded triumphantly with the salvation of two souls.

A Lighthouse in the Desert

We can send you good reports from the field. Christmas morning I left to make an extended trip to three of our outstations. My first stop was Carora, from which point, with a bus load of believers, we made the twentymile trip across the desert to a village called San Francisco. Here the work was started about four years ago by the native pastor who is a marvelous example of self-sacrifice. In obedience to the call of God he sold his farm

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HAMAN'S DOWNFALL Lesson for Mach 8. Lesson Text: Esther 2:21-23; 5, 6, and 7.

In our lesson today, God's providential dealings are blessedly illustrated. Let us notice all the various *happenings* in our text and see how they all worked together for the good of those who loved God, and likewise brought judgment and retribution to the wicked.

1. Mordecai "happens" to discover a plot to kill the king. 2:21-23. As Mordecai sat one day by the king's gate he overheard two of the king's disgruntled servants plotting to kill their master. Being loyal to the king, he at once reported the matter to Esther who in turn reported to the king who promptly inquired into the matter and executed the two miscreants. The event was recorded in the royal chronicles and for the time being forgotten. Little did Mordecai realize the significance of his loyalty. It pays to be loyal especially to King Jesus!

especially to King Jesus! 2. Esther "happens" to find favor in the sight of the king. 5:1-5. Following Esther's period of fasting she entered the king's presence. "And the king held out to Esther the golden sceptre... so Esther drew near and touched the top of the sceptre... Then said the king, What wilt thou, queen Esther?" Some suggestive thoughts: (1) Esther approached the throne in fear and trembling and found grace in the king's sight. So may we. Heb. 4:14-16. (2) The king expected Esther to have a definite petition and said, "What wilt thou?" God expects us to have a definite request when we come to Him and offers to meet our every need. We receive not because we ask not, because we expect not. (3) Only those who are ready for the sword can touch the sceptre. "If we suffer we shall reign with Him."

3. Esther "happens" to delay her request. 5:6-8. Was it only by chance that she waited until the second day's banquet before making her request? Not at all. Esther had fasted and prayed and was led of God. If she had made her request the first day she would have been a day too early! Lessons: God will lead us in marvelous ways if we will keep in touch with Him and seek order from heavenly headquarters! This leading may, at times, be what we would call spectacular; more often it may be unconscious and providential guidance.

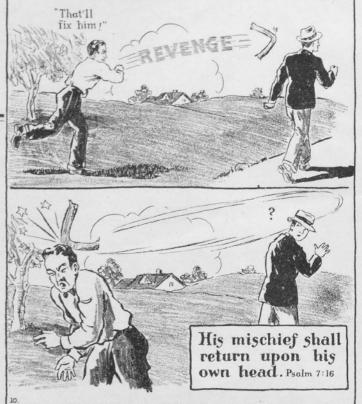
4. Haman "happens" again to cross the path of Modecai and plots his death. 5:9-14. Haman went from the king's court with a happy heart. He had been exalted by the king and now he was being greatly favored by the queen. But his joy was short-lived. For as he left the court he passed Mordecai who refused to pay him homage. When he reached home his wife told her enraged husband to prepare a gallows on which to hang his enemy and Haman's anger is temporarily abated. Here we have an illustration of the ease with which earthly happiness may be dissolved. Haman had wealth, power, and honor, yet a little thing like a personal slight could make him utterly miserable and unhappy. Earthly satisfaction is dependent upon circumstances; true satisfaction is be found only in the heart that is rightly reto lated to God and is never dependent upon circumstances.

5. The king "happens" to spend a sleepless night, 6:1-3. On the night before Esther made her request, on the very night that Haman plotted Mordecai's death, the king was unable to sleep. And instead of having musicians play for him, instead of taking some sleeping potion, he "happened" to have the royal chronicles read to him. It also "happened" that the forgotten incident of Mordecai's loyalty was among the events read to the king. Realizing that he was indebted to Mordecai, the king determined to reward him on the following day. How wonderful is the providence of God! Everything depended upon a sleep less night! And God saw to it that the king stayed awake. Several lessons are suggested here: (1) Blessings may come from sleepless nights! On such occasions, instead

of fretting, we may give ourselves unto prayer which may mean the saving of souls; we may spend the time in quiet reading and meditation on the Word which may result in new revelations of Jesus. (2) Providential Books. Just as surely as God caused the king to read the book of royal chronicles, so He also causes certain books to come into the hands of people whose lives are revolutionized through reading them. George Muller "happened" across a book of the life of Franke who was used of God in maintaining a faith orphanage. And this book greatly inspired and influenced Muller in his faith work along the same line so that eventually his work was greater than that of Franke!

6. Mordecai honored and Haman humiliated. 6:4-14. Haman "happened" to come early to the king's court just when the king was wondering how he could reward Mordecai. How ironical are the remaining verses in the chapter. Said the king to Haman, "What shall be done unto the man whom the king delighteth to honor?" Answered Haman, thinking that he was the man the king had in mind, "Let him be clothed in the king's apparel, placed on the king's horse, and led through the streets of the city by one of the king's most noble princes." "Splendid!" replied the king, "Mordecai is the man; and you may have the privilege of escorting him through the city and of proclaiming him as the man whom I desire to honor." Crestfallen Haman obeyed the king's request and returned to his home sick at heart. Lessons: (1) Mordecai's good deed had been recorded at once but not rewarded. It is good that it was so. Christians are not promised immediate and full reward for their loyalty to Christ, but "a book of remembrance is being written." Let us "Cast our bread upon the waters" for we shall find it "after many days." Eccl. 11:1. (2) Through pride men deceive themselves. Haman's exalted opinion of himself brought about his humiliation. "If a man thinketh himself to be something when he is nothing, he deceiveth himself." Gal. 6:3. "Pride goeth before destruction; and a haughty spirit before a fall." Prov. 16:18. The only safe place for a Christian is the place of humility.

7. Haman becomes the victim of poetic retribution. Read chapter 7. Notice how every circumstance of the story thus far dovetails together for good to Esther and her people. She made her



request to the king who suddenly realized that he had signed the death warrant of his own queen and that Haman was the enemy of whom she spoke. One of the servants later suggested as punishment the gallows Haman had prepared for Mordecai. The king seized upon the idea and Haman died the death he had planned for Mordecai. "Chickens come home to roost," is the old saying. And it is true, for it is just another way of saying, "Whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap." Psalm 7:15, 16; 9:15, 16; Prov. 26:27. That is the dark lesson of the story. The bright one is that even when a wicked Haman works against us, all is well. For God works all things together for good for those who commit their cause to Him!—J. Bashford Bishop.

THE STORY OF WONG MOON HIM

This man came to the United States 18 years ago, was converted in a Christian Mission in San Antonio, Texas, and at the present operates a grocery in that city, says The Sunday School Times. His ambition is that one day he and his eight sons may all be preachers of the gospel in his homeland. However, he is not marking time until some far-off opportunity comes. As soon as he found Christ he began writing his 80-yearold mother in China, to tell her of the joy of the When she, too, was converted he Christian life. sent money to buy the property next to her home to be used as a preaching center. Then he wrote to the nearest Baptist missionary, asking him to "send a Chinese minister to preach at Hoy Sun every Sunday. I will pay the expenses." Later, he had ten phonographic records made of himself preaching and singing the gospel. These he sent to China with the request that they be played to his mother and then to all the villagers

Wong Moon Him also sent ten handkerchiefs with gospel messages written upon them, to distribute among young people interested in learning about Christ. He gave an order on the Bible Society at Shanghai for Testaments and other literature for wide distribution. More recently he has been licensed to preach, and seven Chinese were converted at his second service. His seventeen-year-old daughter has volunteered for missionary work in China.

Send 25 cents for large packet of assorted tracts.

The God of the Heavens Shall Laugh

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to be met, and therefore the timely admonition is, "Be wise." The man is a fool who resists God and persists in sin. "Be instructed." Don't be deceived by the ungodly plans of man. "Futility" must be written across every plan that leaves out Christ.

"Kiss the Son." That is only another way of saying, Be at peace with Him, do homage to Him, get right with God. Lay down your arms of rebellion, and hide yourself in God's eternal love.

Did you know there is such a phrase in the New Testament as "the wrath of the Lamb"? That seems to be a strange expression, for the lamb is the most inoffensive, the most passive creature in the animal world. Yet in Rev. 6:16 we hear the kings of the earth, and the rich men, and the bondmen, and every unsaved person crying out to the mountains and rocks, "Fall on us, and hide us from the face of him that sitteth on the throne, and from the wrath of the Lamb." Look, friends! This Jesus who is all compassion, who died for us, has to be met by every man and woman, boy and girl. He can be met on terms of mercy tonight, but if you continue in a course of rejection you must meet Him in the day of His wrath. The wrath of the Lamb is like a flaming sea of burning oil. The Jesus who today is all compassion, because of outraged love and persistent rejection shall then be filled with wrath, and every rejector will have to meet Him.

And the Psalm closes, "Blessed are all they that put their trust in him." The marginal reading is, "Blessed are all they that take refuge in him." You would know what that means if you were in Europe tonight. The Son is the God-appointed Air-Raid Shelter. Are you hiding in Him? Are you under His blood? Is He your refuge? Have you kissed the Son; have you come to peace with God? Christ is coming to give to this warring world peace. He is coming to rule the world with a rod of iron, coming to dash in pieces all opposition, coming to reign to the ends of the earth, coming to receive His God-given rights. Are you ready for that day?

This is not a fairy story. It is God's holy truth. I believe it down to my boots, and the more so as I see the signs around which convince me that we are in the closing days of the age. It cannot be very long until the burst of the blessed Advent is upon us, the sound of the trump is heard, and the glorious unveiling of our Christ will reveal His lovely face. Perhaps God is letting things happen to the nations to loosen people from their attachment to the things of earth. Let us lift up our heads, for our redemption draweth nigh.

What Are You Giving?

Brain service can be bought. Lip service can be hired. Physical service can be contracted for. But what God asks is heart service.

AWAKE AMERICA!

America has learned almost too late that saboteurs are working secretly and cleverly to undermine our government.

Gree Gull Gospel Literature in Public Places

"I want to ask you to pray with me definitely over something," writes Zelma Argue from Los Angeles, "that is constantly brought to my mind in traveling, and that is the question of boxes for our full-gospel literature in **public** places. Yesterday we went to Santa Monica and Ocean Park. Away out on the end of the two piers we saw Christian Science literature boxes with their sign: 'Free Christian Science Literature.' Getting on the bus today in Hollywood, we saw another Christian Science literature is kept in all these boxes. Somebody **must** be responsible. And so far we are not beginning to compete with them in **public** places.

"There are tons and tons of our good literature, that, if we could have each assembly take an interest and salvage it, they could stamp it with the name and address of their assembly and regularly place it in public boxes labeled conspicuously: 'FREE!' "

Brother Arthur Berg, Sioux Falls, S. D., says: "Five railways come into our city. We have a FREE Gospel Literature box in each of the five railway stations. They are kept filled by the Missionary Ladies of the church with our used **Evangels** and Sunday School papers. In addition, we pay for one subscription for the women of the State Penitentiary; two subscriptions for the men of the State Penitentiary; one for the Y. M. C. A. reading room; and one for the Public Library. These bear bruit, too, for folks come to me in our services, and say, 'Brother Berg, you don't know me but I know you. I have been in the State Penitentiary many years and your literature helped me there. Now I am out and I want to come to your church.' I have had them tell me this after having been in the Penitentiary as long as good fruit."

We are asking for the co-operation of every assembly, as in this way can this plan for the spreading of the gospel become far-reaching. Appoint someone to be responsible for the collecting of used literature and to give it out to those who have charge of the various **Evangel** boxes. It takes a systematic plan to carry this through for regular and constant effectiveness.

If your assembly has a workable plan whereby our full gospel literature is distributed in public places, write to us that we may pass on these ideas to other assemblies.

Our leaders should have been **awake** to the danger and **acted** sooner.

The same is true in the spiritual realm, for an ounce of spiritual prevention is worth a pound of moral salvage. The enemy of souls is secretly scheming to sabotage the spiritual lives of boys and girls, especially during vacation months. Let us awake!—before Satan fills their hands and hearts with devilish devices.

We believe that you will do your part, so to help you in this glorious antisabotage campaign we are making the March issue of **Our Sunday School Counsellor** a special Vacation Bible School number, containing several articles by experienced Vacation Bible School workers. You cannot afford to miss this special Child Evangelism number of **Our Counsellor**.

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Kansas Regional Conferences Topeka, Feb. 27-28 Wichita, March 2-3

Two Regional Sunday School Conferences are to be held in the Kansas District in cities and on dates given above. The Topeka Conference will be held in Pastor C. J. Utley's Assembly, 610 Lime St.; the Wichita Conference will be held in Pastor Charles Sheall's Assembly, Lincoln and So. Main Sts.

These Conferences will be vastly different from previous Conferences held in Kansas. New, helpful, and interesting features will be introduced to Sunday School workers. Officers and teachers are urged to attend the Conferences. M. L. Grable, superintendent of the Sunday School Department at the Gospel Publishing House, will assist in these two Conferences.

Learn Christ before you think of learning doctrine.

A Correction!

REGIONAL S. S. CONFERENCES

In the past two issues of this publication we have advertised a Regional S. S. Conference to be held in Phoenix,



Arizona, on Feb. 24-25. A change has been necessitated, so we now offer the following dates for the Arizona Conferences, also the date for the first one in California:

Feb. 24: Tucson, Arizona

Chas. O. Green, host pastor Feb. 25-26: Phoenix, Arizona

N. D. Davidson, host pastor Feb. 27: Prescott, Arizona

Chas. L. Elmes, host pastor

Mar. 3-4: South Gate, California E. L. Friend, host pastor

These are in the National Tour of Conferences being sponsored by the Gospel Publishing House, and conducted by our field representative, Robert L. Hillegas. Watch for announcements of dates and places of other Conferences.

Every pastor, superintendent, officer, and teacher of the Sunday School should learn how to work more effectively and pleasingly to the Lord through the delightful and profitable sessions of the Conference nearest him.

RUSSIANS AND THE GOSPEL

A recent letter from a Ukrainian missionary tells how he was granted admission to the prison camp for Soviet soldiers in Poland, and how a religious service was held there on September 28. The letter, published in *Bible Society Record*, reads as follows:

"Through personal conversation with the camp officers, it was learned that this service was to be a trial meeting. They wanted to see the reactions our preaching would have upon these Bolshevists. I was instructed to report at the camp at 3 p. m. Two officers and two soldiers went with me. About a *thousand* men were gathered. When I climbed to an elevated platform, the Red commander gave the commands 'Caps off'—which, as you know, in old Russia was a sign of preparation for prayer. I began by saying, 'Anybody can leave who would not listen to a religious service.' About *twenty* left. "When singing began, some prisoners took it

up. Evidently there were believers among them. The message was about the storms of life and Jesus who alone can lead out.

"Some fell to their knees (this is a sign of reverence among Russians to what they hear). Soon handkerchiefs appeared, and when the invitation was given, practically every man raised his hand.

"A few copies of Russian and Ukrainian Scriptures were distributed. Oh, the joy on the faces of the recipients! And the sorrow of others!

"A soldier pressed his copy to his heart. But he could not endure the anguish on the faces of his comrades. Finally, he tore off the covers, divided the copy among them—a portion to each. Even this seemed too much to possess; so the portions were divided and distributed so that each man of a greater number possessed at least a leaf. Tears were seen in the eyes of those who got just a leaf. They even kissed them. There were cases where these prisoners would fast for several days—which was the greater sacrifice in view of their meager rations. Fasting continued until enough food was collected to tempt some owner of the Scripture to exchange it." Since that time, permission has been granted for the distribution of Russian Scriptures in several prison camps, and the American Bible Society is undertaking to have 30,000 New Testaments printed immediately. The Society is ready to supply hundreds of thousands of Testaments to these Russian prisoners if funds permit.

ADVENTURES IN VENEZUELA (Continued From Page Nine)

and cattle, starting out with no financial backing. He still is without outside support but somenow the Lord has provided for him and his family of ten children. It was our pleasure on Christmas Day to baptize six converts there and to dedicate this brother to the gospel work. About three hundred gathered at night to hear the little program and the message of the gospel. Praise God for a lighthouse in the desert!

A Congregation Scattered over the Hills

After returning to Carora, we set out in company with the native pastor, over the hot desert sands to the foot of the hills, then up the dangerous mountain trails, to visit one of the largest congregations in our circuit but one which missionaries have seldom reached. Here we made ourselves at home in the mud house of the native pastor-amid the goats, chickens, turkeys, dogs. During our stay we made out on the native fare. Services were held every night, climaxed with a great watch-night service when all the believers of the four or five congregations gathered together in the main chapel. Our last service was on New Year's morning when about twelve were reconciled to the Lord in a time of real melting. There are about two hundred believers scattered over these hills, and the work is moving forward, with souls being saved continually.

New Advance

It was our privilege to visit Acarigua, one of the leading cities of Portuguesa, a place that has had the gospel testimony for quite a few years but no work has resulted. It was my first trip there and we congregated the dozen or so believers for three services. In the evening thirty or more gathered and almost all went to their knees at the close of the service in desire for salvation or in reconsecration to the Lord. We estimated that about nine sought salvation. Praise God for His marvelous works!

A DECEITFUL ENEMY

The despicable methods of an enemy submarine were related to the Associated Press by a survivor of the recently-torpedoed ore carrier Venore. The survivor said: "I was in the crow's nest on watch when we sighted a light. The light blinked in code that the vessel was a lightship. She told us to come over near her. Fooled completely, we started toward her, still thinking she was a It lightship when a shell hit us in the bow. didn't do much damage, but we were called to our stations. Then the submarine moved around to our port side and a torpedo hit us. A general alarm was sounded, and the sub when it circled us that time, signaled with her lights as if she were a buoy. She didn't fool us that time and when the second torpedo struck us we were ready for it as much as you can be ready for such a thing."

Imagine an enemy submarine acting so deceitfully as to imitate a lightship! A lightship is a vessel moored in a dangerous spot and displaying a brilliant light to warn mariners of peril. The enemy must have copied the trick from Satan, for of him we read, "Satan himself is transformed into an angel of light." 2 Cor. 11:14. Such will be the tactics of the Antichrist when he appears. The Bible warns us that his coming will be "after the working of Satan with all power and signs and lying wonders, and with all deceivableness of unrighteousness in them that perish; because they received not the love of the truth, that they might be saved." 2 Thess. 2:9, 10. Let us "walk in the light"-the light of Christ-so that we shall not be deceived in any way by the enemy of our souls. It is dangerous to live in the shadows.

REPORTS FROM REAPERS

McALESTER, OKLA.-Evangelist Fred G. Eiting of Dallas, Texas, was with us in a 2-weeks revival. Several were saved, and the church was greatly blessed through the ministry of Brother Eiting.-L. H. Arnold, Pastor.

BATH, N. Y.--January 18th we closed a 2-weeks revival with Mrs. Andrew Rahner, Long Branch, N. J., Evangelist. The blessing of the Lord was upon the meetings and souls were saved. The tabernacle is nearly completed and makes a beautiful place of worship.--Harry S. Landis, Pastor.

EAST TAWAS, MICH.—Brother and Sister Vincent Baroncelli of New York City have just conducted a 4-weeks meeting here. Five souls were saved. God blessed in a wonderful way. Not only was our church edified, but our Sunday School attendance is also increasing in numbers. This revival has been a real blessing to the whole church.—D. C. Marocco, Pastor.

CORTEZ, COLO.—The Lord blessed in a 10-days revival which began January 1st, A. L. Biggs of Muleshoe, Texas, Evangelist. Five souls were saved and many others were stirred. Then V. J. Crews, Assistant Superintendent of the Rocky Mountain District, came for two weeks, in which meeting 6 came to the Lord and 4 received the Holy Ghost Baptism. The whole city has been stirred by these meetings.—Russell G. Fulford, Pastor.

SAYRE, OKLA.—We accepted the pastorate here last June, and are thankful to God for His many blessings. Recently Evangelist Wesley Goodwin was with us

for a 2-weeks revival, in which God graciously blessed. Several prayed through to victory, and others were filled with the Holy Ghost. Our Sunday School attendance has greatly increased, and the revival spirit continues in our regular services. Souls are finding God.—Mr. and Mrs. Arthur A. Price, Pastors.

SAYRETON, ALA.—We came here September 12, and found a small but godly bunch of people. We have had continued growth in every department of the church and Suuday School. We have just closed a very gracious revival with Doreen E. Justus as the evangelist. A goodly number were saved or reclaimed, 4 received the Baptism in the Holy Spirit, 5 were added to our assembly roll, and the whole church was stirred. The soul-inspiring messages of Sister Justus were a great blessing to all.—Joseph H. Harper, Pastor, 2628 41st Ave. N., Birmingham, Ala.

DAISETTA, TEXAS—We have just closed one of the most successful revivals here in recent years. Albert E. Davis, 2607 N. McKinley St., Oklahoma City, Okla., was the evangelist. He preached the Word of God with boldness and plainness. There were 32 conversions, and 8 received the Baptism with the Holy Ghost. The keynote of the revival was "old-time Pentecostal prayer." The evangelist declared that Pentecostal power could only be realized as the result of Pentecostal prayer. The Sunday School attendance showed a marked increase. The wonderful results of this revival prove that God is still in the soul-saving business regardless of the world-wide disturbances now existing.— Roy Shelton, Sunday School Superintendent. COLLINSVILLE, ILL.-We recently conducted a revival in Calvary Full Gospel Church, and God met our effort with oldtime power. Earl Kinison was our evangelist, and God used him in a wonderful way. Some 18 were saved or reclaimed, and one received the Baptism in the Holy Ghost. Possibly the outstanding feature of the meeting was the attendance of so many who had never been in the church before. Many nights the house was packed, and the closing night many were standing even after folding chairs had been placed in every available space.-Vernal D. Gibson, Pastor.

KANSAS CITY, KANSAS—We are praising God for a successful revival with Evangelist Christian Hild. Large crowds attended the services every night and were greatly blessed by the sincere ministry of our brother. There were 56 souls saved, many of whom have become members of the church, and we are reaping much good and lasting results. The revival spirit is continuing and souls are being saved in our regular services. Our Sunday School is steadily growing, and a new record of 733 has been set. Evangelist Hild is a staunch Sunday School booster.—Hershel W. Barnett, Pastor, Victoria Tabernacle.

WEST PLAINS, MO.-We have just closed two weeks of very successful meetings with the Murrays, Texas Singing Evangelists. Large crowds attended. On the second Sunday night the church was packed and scores were turned back at the door when the seating capacity was filled up. Many came to the altar seeking God. Brother Murray is an old-fashioned preacher with a blessed ministry, and the people of West Plains will long remember the visit of Brother and Sister Murray in our midst. People came from a distance of 30 miles night after night, the country round about seemed to be stirred, and we are still praising the Lord for His blessing upon our church.-Earl T. Lamons, Pastor.

CHILDRESS, TEXAS—A short time ago a meeting was conducted here by Evangelist Wesley Goodwin of Chandler, Okla, which was a blessing to our church. We are now having a revival with Howard Taylor, Paul Reed doing the preaching, and God is blessing us in these services. We are now in our third year as pastor of the church here, and every department of the church here, and every department of the church is growing. We are also making plans for our West Texas District convention which will convene here April 28-30.

God has given us several additions to the church, and through the faithfulness of our people and the help of God we have been able to make quite a lot of improvements on our buildings and fixtures. Our people seem encouraged to go on with God.—Fountie L. Ridley, Pastor.

CUT BANK, MONT.-January 25th we closed a very profitable meeting with the colored evangelist, Bruce Gibson, of Pasadena, Calif. Good interest was shown by the unsaved, and as a result many new people were reached. The Sunday night services had overflow crowds. The closing night brought 4 to a decision for Christ. A man and his wife and son walked down the aisle hand in hand to give their hearts to Jesus. The next day a man wrote a letter saying that he had decided for God, as a result of the Sunday night service. The Christians were blessed and built up by the inspired teaching of the evangelist. Brother Gibson and I visted our outstation on the Blackfoot Indian Reservation. We held two services. Three raised their hands for salvation, and a number were anointed with oil and prayed for. January 24th a meeting was held at Kevin, Mont., with a capacity crowd in attendance.-J. R. Edgar, Pastor.

The things that men and women strive hardest to possess are the things that are most speedily forgotten concerning them when they are gone.

ATTENTION, Sunday School Secretaries!

Watch for new 1942 Sunday School Report Forms which will soon be mailed to all our Schools. Solicit the aid of your pastor in promptly filling out and returning this report to our office. Your failure to sup-ply us the names and addresses of your workers would make it impossible for us to help them.

Let's move together in our work of winning the lost to Jesus. May count on your faithfulness, Sunday School secretaries ?- The Gospel Publishing House, Springfield, Missouri.

TURLOCK, CALIF .- After two weeks of TURLOCK, CALIF.—After two weeks of prayer, the old-time power is falling in Bethel Temple. The past week 11 have received the Baptism in the Holy Ghost, 3 have been saved, and 4 reclaimed. Those who have received the Baptism have had such wonderful experiences that we are reminded of the early days of Pentecost. God's power is just the same today. Some are seeking the manifestation of the glory of God for the first time. The revival will continue. It pays to pray.—Brother and Sister H. E. Alford.

MILFORD, TEXAS-We are praising God for His rich blessings upon us at this time. We have just closed a revival with Evangelists Loraine and Jennie Busby, 1828 Evangelists Lorane and Jennie Busoy, 1625 Richardson Ave., Dallas. The revival was deep and progressive, with a real revival and work of grace in the children's church. There was a remarkable increase in the Sun-day School, the attendance having almost doubled. The revival will long be remem-bered, for the Word grew and multiplied, and there were some very precious and re-

bered, for the Word grew and multiplied, and there were some very precious and re-markable healings among the Lord's people. The Lord e abled us a few years ago to conduct a revival near Milford. Later a new church was built half a block from the business district. The building is paid for and there is room on the lot to build a parsonage. We have a well established and growing Sunday School. We are resigning to move to llonsto, and cover your pravers growing Sunday School, we are resigning to move to Houston, and cover your prayers for the work we are leaving behind that God may send them a man of God as pas-tor, and that the work will be built up and continue to prosper.—Mrs. Mae Adams, Pastor Pastor.

ORFGON DISTRICT COUNCIL

The Orego District Council convened at Portland, Oregon, January 14-16, with Ern-est S. Williams, P. C. Nelson, and Frank Gray as special speakers. The ministry of these brethren was greatly enjoyed by all. A number received the Baptism in the Holy Spirt in the evening services. The last night Br ther Nelson spoke, and then prayer was offered for a large number of sick and afflicted. It was agreed by all that this Council was blessed with the greatest atte dance and sweetest spirit of any i the history of the Oregon District. Our District is showing progress in Home Missi n work as well as many advances made by established assemblies. The past year has heen blessed with many successful revivals. The Orego District Council convened at revival-

revivals. Throughout the election there was a manifestation of God's presence. Brother Williams sp ke on "Reasons for our General Council Fellowship." Atwood Foster of Current Pellowship." Atwood Foster of Council Fellowship." Atwood Foster of Council Fellowship." Atwood Foster of Cottage Grove was elected as our new Dis-trict Superintendent, and Alan H. Banks of Albany as Secretary-Treasurer. These services have now become history, but the memories of this glorious occasion still main very vivid in our minds .- G. O. Baker.

SAFFORD, ARIZ,-September 10, 1939, SAFFORD, ARIZ.—September 10, 1939, we came here to establish a work. The inhabitants for many miles around were found to be largely Mormons, and harves-ters from Texas, Oklahoma, and Arkansas, many of whom were Pentecostal. At that time the nearest Assembly was 80 miles away. Several times in the past efforts had been made to start a work, but with-ont success. Being assured of God's lead-ing, we refused to become discouraged. After several weeks of open-air preach-ing at a cotton-pickers' camp, we secured After several weeks of open-air preach-ing at a cotton-pickers' camp, we secured an old tin garage, and on November 3rd we began Sunday School and church serv-ices. It was necessary to purchase a stock of junk, price \$100, to secure this The Lord blessed from the beginning. About 100 have been saved, reclaimed, and refilled, and a number have been bartized in water and in the Holy Spirit. Sunday School attendance averages about 50, the record number being 100. The C. A.'s number 30 or more. In September, 1940, the church was set in order, and a pas-toral election held, with the District Superintendent presiding. We were elected u an-imously. The membership includes about 30 adults. A building fund has been startso adults. A building lund has been start-ed which totals about \$200 cash. In the Western States, church membership con-stantly shifts, as many are transients. Recently Evangelist Vaughn of New Mexico held a 2-weeks revival for us, in which about 10 were saved, one received the Baptism, and the church was strengthened. Please may for this new add each for Please pray for this new and needy field -Pastor and Mrs. A. O. Reynolds and coworkers, Evaline Collett and Vada Jeffers and

coming MEETINGS

Due to the fact that the Evangel is nade up 14 days before the date which ppears upon it, all notices should reach 5 16 days before that date.

TALOGA, OKLA.—March 4—; Dewey eath, Evangelist.—Erling Saxelid, Pastor EL DORADO, KANSAS-March 2-; Wesley Goodwin, Evangelist.-Paul C. Samuelson, Pastor.

CHATHAM, N. Y.-Celvary Gospel Tabernacle, Feb. 22-March 8: revival in progress.-Marvin E. Yost, Pastor.

BLYTHEVILLE, ARK,-Feb. 17-; Hil-liard G. Griffin, Dallas, Texas, Evangelist, -H. E. Simms, Pastor.

NEWPORT NEWS, VA.-Gospel Tab-ernacle, March 4-22; Evangelist and Mrs. Virgil Dullabaun.-Chas. R. Shuss, Pastor. CHICO, CALIF, —Park Ave., near 15th, eb. 24—; Kenneth McConchie, Evangelist. Paul E. Radley, Pastor.

EDGEMONT, S. DAK.—March 1—; D. Quackenbush, Evangelist.—W. O.

EDGEMONT, C. D. Quackenbush, Evangehst.- vr. Ziegler, Pastor. TOLEDO, OHIO-March 17-April 5; Evelyn Olsen, Tacoma, Wash., Evangelist. -Wesley J. Domm, Pastor.

MEDFORD, ORE.—11 Newtown St., Feb. 22—March 15; Carl and Edna Goodwin, Evangelists.—Leonard Weston, Pastor. SIDNEY, MONT.—Feb. 22—; L. H.

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PITTSFIELD, ILL.-March 10-22, or longer; W. M. Stevens, Springfield, Mo., Evangelist.-G. H. Hollister, Pastor.

Evangelist.—G. H. Hollister, Pastor. RUSSELL, KANSAS—March 8, for 3 weeks or longer; Raymoud Campbell, Evan-gelist.—G. C. Jaus, Pastor. CHICO, CALIF.—Feb. 23, for 3 weeks; James K. McConchie, Evangelist. Paul Radley is pastor.—By Evangelist. YORK, PA.—474 S. Pershing Ave.; March 1, for 2 weeks; Wilfred Brown, Evan-gelist.—Albert D. Skymer, Pastor. HARVEY, ILL.—153rd and Loomis, March 1—22; Evangelist and Mrs. Jack Saunders.—W. J. Sawyers, Pastor. WATERTOWN, N. Y.—Feb. 22—March

WATERTOWN, N. Y.-Feb. 22-March Amelia Joseph, Evangelist.-Ernest Mor-an, Pastor.

gan, Pastor. MINNEAPOLIS, MINN.—Fremont at 25th Ave. N., Feb. 15—March 1; Christian Hild, Evangelist.—Russell H. Olson, Pastor. CHECOTAH, CALIF.—Feb. 18, for 2 weeks or longer; Evangelist and Mrs. Beau-ford Hannum.—W. L. Brown, Pastor.

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Evangelist.-L. C. Sloan, Pastor.
CANTON, OHIO-313 Elgin Ave. N. W.;
Feb. 24, for 2 weeks or longer; D. L.
Sanders. Jefferson City, Mo., Evangelist.Niels P. Thomsen, Pastor.
WEST NEW BRIGHTON, S. I., N. Y.9 DuBois Ave.; Feb. 22, for 2 weeks or
lenger; Elwin Argue, Winnipeg. Canada, Evangelist.-Thos. R. Brubaker, Pastor.

BINGHAMTON, N. Y.-Conklin Ave. and High St., March 8-29; Peter Jepsen, Seattle, Wash., Evangelist.-John Kellner, Pastor.

SEADRIFT, TEXAS-March 1, for recks or longer; R. A. Bryan of Houst lyangelist. R. G. Cadell is pastor.-

FRESNO, CALIF.—Armenian Pente-costal Church, Mono and N Sts., Feb. 23—; J. Earl Douglas, Evangelist.—Chas. Kalem-karian, Pastor.

BELLFLOWER, CALIF.-Center Blvd. and Stevens St.: March 1, for 3 weeks or longer; Arne Vick, Evangelist.-Clifford Andrews, Pastor.

NEWTON, KANSAS-118 N. Poplar, Feb. 22-; Evangelist and Mrs. Arthur Knowles, San Diego, Calif.-Silas S. Rex-roat, Pastor.

WEST MONROE, LA.—Meeting progress until March 8; Evangelist Mrs. Don Mallough, Seattle, Wash.—E Tanner, Pastor. t and E. L

RICHMOND, VA.-2051 Grayland Ave., Feb. 26-March 8: Young People's Revival; Eileen E. McAlister, Evangelist.-Wallace H. Heflin, Pastor.

WEBB CITY, MO.—March 1, for 2 weeks or longer: Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Schaffer, Jackly and Joyce, of Colorado, Evangelists. Joe Wooldridge is pastor.—By Evangelists.

ST. PETERSBURG, FLA.-532 33rd St. S.; Feb. 24-March 8, or longer; Frank Kooistra, Evangelist.-E. M. Brengle, Pas-tor

tor. JEANNETTE, PA.—Special Evangelistic and Waiting Services, Feb. 22—March 15; B. F. Crane, Newark, Del., Evangelist, Mortgage will be burned during the serv-ices.—A. E. Gidman, Pastor. WILKES BARRE, PA.—First Pente-costal Church, 25th Anniversary meetings, Easter Sunday, Monday, and Tuesday; District Superi tendent Flem Van Meter, Speaker.—Byron D. Jones, Pastor. NEEDHAM, ALA.—Fifth Sunday Meet-

NEEDHAM, ALA.—Fifth Sunday Meet-ing, March 29. Revival begins April 5; J. H. Standifer, Alabama District C. A. President, Speaker.—W. A. Robinson, Pas-

tor. MILES CITY, MONT.-Leighton Blvd, at Center Ave.; March 3, for 2 weeks or longer; Bruce Gibson, Pasadena. Calif., Evangelist and Bible Teacher,-Leonard and Frieda Palmer, Pastors. BETHLEHEM. PA.-th Ave. and Schaeffer St., Feb. 25-March 1, Flem Van Meter, Superintendent Eastern Dis-trict; March 2-b Beatrice Wells, Miami, Fla., Girl Evangelist.-M. Q. Spencer, Pas-tor.

tor. EVANSTON, II.L.—Special Day of Pray-er, Gree leaf and Elmwood Ave., March 12. Services 11:00, 3:00, and 8:00. Neigh-boring pastors will bring the message at each service. Refreshments served to those coming from a distance.—Elizabeth J. Asheroft, Pastor.

Ause conf. g. from a distance.—Elizabeth J. Ashcroft, Pastor. NORTH BERGEN, N. J.—Ministers' Irstitute, sponsored by Hudson Valley and North Jersey S-ctions, Metropolitan Bible Listitute, 5029 Hudson Blvd., March 3-4. Morning, afternoon, and evening sessions for ministers a d their companions. Room and board available at the Irstitute. For detailed information write Thos. R. Bru-baker, 254 Rice Ave., Staten Island, N. Y. JEANNETTE, PA.-March 8-15. Min-isters' Retreat. Discussion on Ministers' Problems: the War and Us; Prophetical Implications of Today; Holliness; Insurance; Missionary Effort etc. Three services daily. Leaders: Flem Van Meter. D. Mc-Dowell, Niels P. Thomsen, E. Bord, B. Mahan, and others. For free entertainment write' A. E. Gidman, P. O. Box 185, Jean-nette, Pa.

nette, Pa. KANSAS CITY, KANSAS-Sectional Ministers' Institute and Bible Conference, 7th and Riverview. March 2--4. First service Monday night; all-day services Tuesday and Wednesday. Morning sessions for ministers only; afternoon and evening for the public. District Superintendent V. G. Greisen in charge. Robert Morrison of Hutchinson, night speaker.-H. B. Gar-lock, Pastor.

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 KANSAS MINISTERS' INSTITUTE AND DEEPER LIFE CONVENTIONS
 Woodston, Feb. 23-25; Kansas City, 7th ard Riverview, March 2-4; Arkansas City, March 9-11; Parsons, March 16-18.
 The meeting in each place will be for two days' duration, beginning Monday night 7:30. The two days' duration, beginning Monday night 7:30. The two morning sessions will be for ministers orly, with afternoon and evenings for the public. The District Presbyters desire that all Exhorters and Licensed Ministers be present at one of these Institutes. Room provided for ministers.—V. G. Greisen, District Superintendent, 1017 S. Market St., Wichita, Kansas.
 GOOSE CREEK, TEXAS-Home Coming Week, March 8-15, with J. O. Savell of Akron, Ohio, main speaker. March 15, Home Coming Day, all-day services, dinner served for everyone present. Speakers for the day: J. O. Savell, Akron, Ohio, and U. S. Grant, Bartlesville, Okla. F. D. Davis, Superintendent Texas District, a dother ministers and workers will have part in the program. All former pastors, members, and Bible School students especially invited. In the evening service we will bur the clurch mortgage. For further information write Pastor Troy B. Helms, Box 118, Goose Creek, Texas.

KINSEY, MONT.-Gospel Tabernacle; meetings in progress under auspices of Miles City Full Gospel Tabernacle; conducted by Pastor and Mrs. Leonard Palmer, assisted by C. A.'s.-Leonard Palmer.

by C. A.'s.-Leonard Palmer. BIBLE CONFERENCE The Winter Bible Conference of the Southern Missouri District will be held at Thayer, Mo., Feb. 24-26, The Dis-trict Presbytery will meet February 24th, and will examine all applications for minis-terial recognition. Those applying for papers should plan to be present. Dis-trict Superintendent R. M. Riggs will speak Wednesday morning. David Bur-ris. Superintendent Arkanasa District, will be one of the principal speakers. C. C. Helvey of Dixon, evening speaker. C. Church will provide rooms for all ministers and workers who attend. For reservations and inther information write M. M. Brewer, Pastor, Box 252, Thayer. Mo. OKLAHOMA SECTIONAL COUNCIL

Dicker Box 253, Thayer, Mo.
 OKLAHOMA SECTIONAL COUNCIL MEETINGS AND BIBLE CONFERENCES
 East Central, Muskogee, March 9–11; Southeast, Antlers, March 16–18; Central, Norman, March 23–25; South Central, Norman, March 23–25; South Central, North Central, Hominy, May 11–13; North-April 03–15; Panhandle, Hammon, April 03–21; Northeast, Miami, May 4–6; North Central, Hominy, May 11–13; North-verst, Waynoka, May 18–20, All these serv-ices begin with a rally at 7.30 p. m. on Monday.
 Note: All licensed ministers and exhorters must meet the Board at a Sectional meet-ing in order to have their papers re-newed.—W. S Bragg Secretary-Treasurer, Box 128, Okmulgee, Okla.
 TEXAS DISTRICT SPRING

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TEXAS DISTRICT SPRING CONVENTIONS
Wichita Falls Section, Fitth and Broad Assembly, Wichita Falls, March 3-4; San Angelo, Section, San Angelo, March 3-4; San Angelo, Section, Greenville, March 10-41; Dalas Section, Irwin, March 12-41; Warob 5-4; Section, Polyteehnik Church, Ft. Worth, Greenville, Section, Ararch 12-41; Kuroth 5-4; St. Worth 5-4; St. Worth, Section, Polyteehnik Church, Ft. Worth, March 12-41; Huston Section, March 12-41; The Section, Tyler, March 12-42; Luikin Section, Tyler, March 12-42; Kuroth 11; Houston Section, Cuero, March 3-4, Srin Section, McAllen, April 4-5; Austin Section, McAllen, April 4-5; Austin Section, McAllen, April 4-15; Austin Section, McAllen, April 4-64.
March 31-45; March 31-41; Houston Section, McAllen, April 4-15; Austin Section, McAllen, March 10-41; All those desiring to present and renew fellowship with the District. All licenses must be renewed in the seconventions. All those desiring to make application for ordination will begin.
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OPEN FOR CALLS Evangelistic or Pastoral

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Patterson, Muldrow, Okla,-""References if desired."

ABOUT OUR FATHER'S BUSINESS



In and near Detroit, Michigan there are twenty Full Gospel Sunday Schools. George B. Nixon, shown at left, is superintendent of the Berea Tabernacle: J. R. Kline

is pastor. These friends are not slothful about their Father's business.

Our Brother Nixon writes us an interesting article which appears in the March issue of Our Sunday School Counsellor. His School is very enthusiastic about the Counsellor and now fifty members in his School subscribe for the paper-not only officers and teachers, but lay-workers as well are receiving the Counsellor regularly.

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

CESTOS, OKLA.-Fellowship Meeting, arch 10. W. P. McCaskey is pastor.-March 10. V C. C. Comer.

March 10. W. P. McCaskey is pastor.— C. C. Comer.
THREE RIVERS, MICH.—Western Michigan Pellowship Meeting, 523 N. Maple
St., March 2. Services 10:30, 2:30, and 7:00. W. C. Richardson is host pastor.— Raymond De Vito, Secretary-Treasurer.
KANSAS CITY, MO.—Sectional Fellow-ship Meeting, Independence Ave. and Brooklyn, March 2. Services 10:30, 2:30; C. A. rally 7:45. Peter Miccoli is pas-tor.— I. L. O'Dell, Secretary-Treasurer, 3308 E. 13th St., Kansas City, Mo.
CARDIN, OKLA.—Northeast Oklahoma Fellowship Meeting, March 2. Services 10: 00, 2:00, and 7:30. Special speakers ex-pected. Basket lunch served at noon.— Leslie J. Moore, Secretary-Treasurer, Box 195, Cardin, Okla.
ALGER, OHIO.—Northwest Ohio Sec-tional Fellowship Meeting, March 2. Serv-ices 10:30, 2:30, and 7:30. Wilbur J. Cox is pastor. W. J. Domm, Chairman; J. H.
Wilkerson, Vice Chairman.—Forrest Ander-son, Secretary-Treasurer.
ABERDEEN, MISS.—North Mississipii

is pastor. W. J. Domm, Chairman; J. H. Wilkerson, Vice Chairman.-Forrest Anderson, Secretary-Treasurer.
 ABERDEEN, MISS,-North Mississippi District Fellowship Meeting, County Courthouse, March 1, Everybody within reach urged to attend, especially ministers and special singers. Bring your basket and spend the day. S. G. Mansell in charge.
 WYCKOFF, N. J.-Two weeks of Fellowship Meetings, every night except Monday and Saturday, beginning Feb. 24. All nearby Full Gospel churches invited to attend, voung people's rally, Feb. 27.-Lynan Hoover, Pastor, 77 Westervelt Ave., Hawthorne, N. J.
 EVANSTON, ILL.-Third Anniversary Meeting, Illinois Christian Women's Fellowship, Feb. 26. Services and speakers: 3:30, Mrs. L. Johnson of Waukegan; 7:45, Mrs. Cook. Refreshments served to those coming from a distance.-Mrs. L. G. Creamer, Secretary.
 BOSSIER CITY, LA.-Monthly Fellowship Meeting, Full day March 3. Church dedication, Tuesday aftermon. Dinner served at church. Services in charge of Warren Dement, Presbyter.-Wm. T. Holcombe, Pastor.
 LEBANON, IND.-Southern Indiana Fellowship, Meeting, Cult Scutter Indiana Fellowship, Meeting, Full Gospiel Tabernacle, 522 W. Powell St., off Jamison St., all day, March 2. Dedication of new tabernacle at might service. E. I. Bruton, Chairman of Fellowship, Howard R. Davidson, Secretary, Treasurer of Fellowship and pastor of local church.
 MORHEAD, MINN.-Interstate Fellowship Meeting, American Legion Hall, City Park, March 2, 203 and 7:30 pp. m. C. A. service 6:15. E. E. Krogstad of Willmar, Evening Speaker. Ministers and saints from the Dakotas will receive a real welcome. Evening Speaker. Ministers and saints from the Dakotas will receive a real welcome. Distored at the service at real welcome. Seavers and saints from the Dakotas will receive a real welcome. Seavers and saints from the Dakotas will receive a real welcome. Seavers and saints from the Dakotas will receive a real welcome. Seavers and saints

Pastor. CINCINNATI, OHIO-Southwestern Ohio Fellowship, 1224 Race St., March 9. O. E. Nash is pastor. Services 2:30, 6:30 Minis-ters' Meeting, and 7:30. Hope to have District Superintendent G. F. Lewis and District Secretary Earl E. Bond as speak-ers. We urge that you attend.—Andrew G. Basell. Secretary-Treasurer, 142 W. Winter St., Delaware, Ohio.

MISCELLANEOUS NOTICES

NOTICE—Pentecostal mothers having sons sent to Sheppard Field for training, please write me and I will contact your son.—Pastor E. B. Crump, Fifth and Broad Church, residence: 2132 Avenue K, Wichita Falls, Texas.

Falls, Texas. NOTICE—Bethel Temple, 108 Buckeye, Dayton, Ohio, extends the hand of fel-lowship to members of other assemblies coming to Dayton to work at Patterson or Wright Field. Listen to radio broadcast, "Bethel Temple Hour," Station WHIO, 1200 kilos., Sundays 8:30-9:00 a. m.-A. B. Cox, Pastor; by Raymond Sanders, As-sistant Pastor.



February 4-6 Inclusive

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 Schoolcraft Assembly of God
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 Union City Full Gospel Mission
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 MINNESOTA Personal Offerings
 68.60

 Alexandria Gospel Tabernacle
 90.36

 Dodge Center A of Godw Tab
 12.59

 Elmore Full Gospel Tabernacle
 4.10

 Guthrie Full Gospel Assembly
 4.00

 Hopkins Gospel Tabernacle
 9.30

 Leconard Sunday School
 50.60

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 9.30

 Princeton Gospel Tabernacle
 22.88

 Pequot Lakes Cory Brook Gospel Tab
 6.42

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 Hattiesburg Assembly of God
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 Laurel First Assembly of God
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 Louisville Full Gospel Tabernacle
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 Pascagoula Assembly of God
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 Denton Assembly of God
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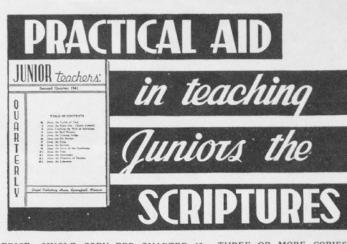
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