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Have You Been Born Again?

"Marvel not that I said unto thee, Ye must be born again." John 3:7.

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Believe
on the Lord
Jesus
Christ.

WE hear too little preaching on the Bible doctrine of Regeneration. This is the truth which our Lord so emphatically declared to the moral, cultured, scholarly Nicodemus, a ruler of the Jews—a member of the Sanhedrin. This doctrine was preached with mighty convicting power, under the anointing of the Spirit, a generation ago, by practically all evangelical ministers. It has brought conviction to thousands of proud, moral, self-righteous unbelievers. There is still power in that message.

We wish to lay before every thoughtful hearer three propositions, which we believe will be accepted by all who believe in the inspired Word of God. The first of these will give us something to think about; the second, something to weep over, and the third something to shout about.

I. TO BE WELL-BORN YOU MUST BE BORN TWICE. This is something to think about. To some this may be as great a conundrum as it was to the famous Hebrew scholar who came to Jesus by night to confer with Him about the approach to the Kingdom of God. The story in briefest outline is related by John, in the third chapter of his Gospel. The imagination paints the picture of Jesus and John, His beloved disciple, on a moonlit night, on a flat housetop in old Jerusalem, awaiting the arrival of the learned Nicodemus, according to appointment. We see him face to face with Jesus, the lowly Galilean. "Rabbi," he begins, "we know that Thou art a teacher come from God, for no man can do the miracles which Thou doest except God be with him." Our Lord does not take advantage of this very courteous salutation and this remarkable admission. He knows what Nicodemus really wants to know-how to enter the kingdom of God. All the Jews believed this kingdom was soon to be set up. and hoped to enter into it, and share in its glory.

With that forceful double asseveration, "Amen, amen"—so reads the original—Jesus declared in the most solemn way, that even a moral man like Nicodemus, to enter

the Kingdom, must be born again—"Verily, verily, I say unto thee, Except a man be born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God." John 3:3. Nicodemus, thinking only of the physical birth, is puzzled and asks how a mature man can be born a second time. Our Lord replies, "Except a man be born of water and of the Spirit, he cannot enter into the kingdom of God." v. 5.

By being born of water does our Lord mean baptism? Some so interpret these words, but that would make baptism a saving ordinance, occuring previous to the spiritual birth, and this is out of accord with many other Scriptures. Those who heard Peter in the house of Cornelius, were not only born again but even baptized in the Spirit before they were baptized in water. Of the Jews who accompanied him from Joppa, Peter asks, "Can any man forbid water, that these should not be baptized, which have received the Holy Ghost as well as we? And he commanded them to be baptized"-not that they might be saved, but because they were saved. Acts 10:47, 48.

Some hold that the phrase, "born of water" is a reference to the natural birth, by which we are brought into the world—our first birth—our *generation*, and all agree that being born of the Spirit is our birth into the spiritual world—our second birth—our *regeneration*. If this exegesis is correct, then we understand our Lord to say to the great scholar, "It is not enough to be born into the physical world. It is necessary also to be born into the spiritual world, and this

Spirit." The context favors this interpretation, for in the sixth verse Jesus emphasizes this great truth-"That which is born of the flesh is flesh"-that which is born of sinful human nature is sinful human nature. However trained, cultivated, or refined, however moral or gifted or learned, the natural man is blind to spiritual things and cannot understand them. "The natural man receiveth not the things of the Spirit of God: for they are foolishness unto him: neither can he know them, because they are spiritually discerned." 2 Cor. 2:14. The natural man cannot see the kingdom, much less enter it. He can neither obey, understand, nor please God. The natural man has a carnal mind, and "the carnal mind is enmity against God: for it is not subject to the law of God, neither indeed can be. So then they that are in the flesh cannot please God." Rom. 8:7, 8. Let us resume the quotation from the

is accomplished by the agency of the Holy

lips of our great Teacher, "That which is born of the flesh is flesh: and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit'-that which is born of the Holy Spirit is born into the spiritual world. By the exceeding great and precious promises the regenerated man has become partaker "of the divine nature, having escaped the corruption that is in the world through lust." 2 Peter 1:4. Regeneration is not a reformation of the old self-life, but is a creative act of God through the agency of the omnipotent, life-giving Spirit—"But as many as received Him, to them gave He power"—the right, the privilege-"to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on His name: which were born, not of blood, nor of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man, but of God." John 1:12, 13.

The regenerated man is a new being—"If any man be in Christ, he is a new creature (creation: old things are passed away: behold all things are become new. And all things are of God." 2 Cor. 5:17, 18. The believer has "passed from death unto life" (John 5:24 and 1 John 3:14), has passed "out of darkness into his marvellous

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Our "Hiding Place"

The Story of Some Modern Miracles
Zelma Argue

Sang Moses, "The eternal God is thy Refuge." Deuteronomy. 33:27.

Sang Isaiah, "Enter into the Rock." Isaiah 2:10.

Sang David, "Hide me under the shadow of Thy wing." Psalm 17:8. And, "I have covered thee in the shadow of my hand." Psalm 51:16. "Thou art my hiding place."

Sang Charles Wesley: "Cover my defenseless head with the shadow of thy wing ... Other refuge have I none...."

Sang Fanny Crosby: "Hiding in Thee! Hiding in Thee! Thou blest Rock of Ages, I'm hiding in Thee!" In days of hazard, exposure, conflict, of metal helmets, and air raid shelters, the Christian can cry, "O, Lord, I flee unto Thee to hide me!" Psalm 143:9.

What promises these are? Where are you dwelling? Where am I? "Call upon me, and I will answer thee, and show thee great and mighty things," is the promise of Jer. 33:3.

We must see that we do not treat these promises in a passive way, but by faith lay hold upon them, if we would find them real. Many, looking to God, have really been amazed at the way God has answered when they have called. "Call upon me...!"

Days such as these through which we are passing are causing many to put to the test great promises found in the Word of God. Continually there are coming to our knowledge accounts of deliverances acknowledged to be miraculous, and in answer to earnest and believing prayer. Many who read these lines will probably have read such an account, entitled "Three Men on a Raft," which has appeared in different publications. including the "Readers' Digest" for June of this year. This is an account of how, "On January 16 a U. S. Navy torpedo plane, launched from a carrier, ran out of fuel in mid-Pacific. Thirty-four days later its crew staggered ashore on a small island 500 miles to the southeast.... Harold Dixon, who commanded the plane," and his two companions "had drifted across the windswept, sun-scorched Pacific on a tiny rubber

What arrests our attention is that in their extremity the men prayed for rain to drink, for food to eat, and for help. Mr. Dixon in his stirring account, relates, "About the fifth day lack of water bothered us seriously. We had had no rain. We broiled in the sun watching showers approach, then fade away. We knew that if we didn't get rain we wouldn't last long. It was Gene who suggested that we pray for help. I had been thinking about that too, but had been ashamed to make the suggestion. In the blazing sun, surrounded by sharks and rolling waves, we held the first of what became a daily prayer service. Each of us mumbled his way through a prayer, then asked God to take care of our loved ones back home if we should die, and also to look after our

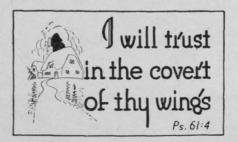
shipmates at sea. We also asked for rain to drink. Hardly had we stopped praying when a tremendous black cloud appeared, and rain poured from the heavens. The deluge lasted five minutes, and we had our first drink in five days.

"On the evening of the sixth day we sang such words as we could remember of, "When the Roll Is Called Up Yonder," and the "Little Brown Church in the Vale," and once more asked for rain and food. The next morning Aldrich got a fish by simply leaning over the side and stabbing it. That afternoon we had another heavy shower and more water to drink. That afternoon, too, we shot the alabatross. The bird had landed on the stern of the boat." The account of the thirty-four days is remarkable throughout, even to the very hour of their landing. "... A strange silence and an increasing wind, with rain, told me that we were at the edge of a hurricane. If we didn't get ashore now, we never would. In the late afternoon we came in over the reef in a burst of crashing surf, and were tossed headlong into shallow water.... Outside we heard the hurricane, snapping trees and pounding up a terrible surf. One day more and it would have done what starvation, thirst, wind, sun, and sharks had failed to do."

In many phases of life people are really looking to God. A broadcast that came direct from the scene of Pacific activities, carried the voice of a nurse, who acknowledged, "By the grace of God, I was enabled to stay at my post of duty for over three days and nights." An officer, speaking on the same trans-Pacific program, said, "In the midst of dropping bombs, I saw a foxhole. I ran over, and in this foxhole I saw an officer on his knees praying. There is no infidelity here. I went in, and knelt beside him, and prayed too."

"Cover my defenseless head with the shadow of Thy wing!"

A party of four of our own missionaries, returning from Liberia, Africa had an exciting encounter with a submarine, and their ship was reported as lost. When they came to the port of Freetown, they had difficulty in gaining admittance, and had difficulty in persuading the harbor authorities of their identity as the "West Lashaway," which had been definitely reported sunk by the submarine known to be operating off the coast at that time. These four had started out



standing upon such promises as this one among others: "Thou shalt be far...from terror; for it shall not come near thee.... This is the heritage of the servants of the Lord." Isaiah 54:14, 17.

"Cover my defenseless head"

Not long ago I had a touching letter from a young relative of mine who is a mechanic with the air force. He was "returning to give thanks" for a miraculous deliverance shortly before when he had been servicing a great plane. It was a dark night, and he stood in water just outside the airport, and placed his hand on the propeller, giving it a preliminary twirl. Unknown to him, the ignition switch had been left on inside the plane. With a force that in a wonderful way merely grazed him, when it might easily have killed him (as had occurred in a similar instance there not long before), he found himself there in the dark, saved from what might have been a terrible death. He felt that the angel of the Lord had delivered him, and wrote "returning thanks."

"Thou art my hiding place and my shield." Psalm 119:114.

Not many days ago in Winnipeg, I had the privilege of sharing in a meeting where the mothers and relatives who have boys in active service were gathered in their monthly meeting at Calvary Temple to read letters, to find help in the Scriptures, and to join in united intercession. Many tears were silently stealing down the cheeks of those dear mothers. There is a book kept on the pulpit, where the names of young men in the service may be placed, to be remembered faithfully and regularly in prayer. Already hundreds of names have been placed in this book, and faithful prayer is made on their behalf. Sometimes a mother's older son has gone first, and now the younger son, a boy not yet out of his teens, is starting out too, carrying with him the tenderest ties of that mother's heart. How those precious godly women fled to the Scriptures for confidence and for strength. One mother read to us the 91st Psalm. Later she arose and told us of a recent day when she was walking on the street, and an unbearable burden of prayer came upon her. In her immense distress she cried unto the Lord. Then she said, something occurred which she had not yet mentioned before, for fear it would be misunderstood. An angel appeared just over. and went before her for some minutes, then disappeared. Next morning she received a telegram from her eighteen year old boy, who had been in great danger, and the telegram said among other things the one word, "Safe!"

"I have covered thee in the shadow of my hand." Psalm 51:16.

Not long ago in a convention in Southern California, a godly father arose and related a remarkable instance that concerned his son, a young man in the Navy. I understand this story has also been told over the broadcast, called "I Was There." This son had known the Lord, the father related, although for some time he had not been living as close as he might have done. Not long before, related the father, while tears of humility and gratitude were flowing, his son had been on a ship in the Far East that had been torpedoed. Numbers of the boys did not survive, but two hundred were saved. His son struggled in the water, and watched the

rescue of others. It scarcely seemed he was destined to be among the fortunate ones. Then after his long wait, as he saw the 195th one rescued, then the 196th, the 197, the 198th, the 199th, he was rescued the last one of all. He was number 200! Again the ship he was on was torpedoed out from under him. This time he struggled in the water for nine hours, praying as best he could. After nine long hours, he was rescued. He sent word to his father, who, amid many tears, arose to give God the glory in the midst of the congregation. "Thou hast covered my head in the day of battle." Psalm 140:7.

"A Hiding Place! A Hiding Place!"

Jesus is my Hiding Place!"

The world does not comprehend nor enter into this mystery. "He shall cover thee with his feathers," is the way David expressed the solace and comfort derived from confidence in God. Not long ago I heard the story of a woman of God who has recently lost her beloved husband, a consecrated minister. As days passed by the sense of her loneliness increased upon her until the weight was very great. One day she sat in a great congregation, but the crowd around her only made her the more keenly aware of her bereavement. Her heart seemed bursting. Then, in the hush came a still, small voice within. These were the words, "But I have covered you with My feathers." At first she was puzzled. Then she thought of the words of David, "He shall cover thee with His feathers." She meditated, and it came to her that feathers meant protection, warmth, nearness, and comfort, and her great burden gave way to thanksgiving from a loving and grateful heart.

"Precious Hiding Place!
Precious Hiding Place! 'Neath the shelter of
His wing!
Not a doubt nor fear, while my Lord is near,
And I'm sheltered in His love!"

To mothers left behind, to those who have been called away, to all who are burdened and perplexed, there is still the privilege of hiding in the wounds of Christ. "Lord I flee unto thee to hide me." Psalm 143:9.

"Nothing can molest, nor drive my soul away!"

Perhaps a personal testimony might be fitting here. Not long ago we were on our way home from a six months constant effort on the evangelistic field. Our meeting dates had often ran so close together that we merely had time for a night on the train from one to the next. Christmas day had been spent on the train on a transcontinental journey, in order to make connections for revival and District convention dates that immediately followed. We had spent Christmas day visiting with young servicemen in our coach, sharing their confidences, and reminding them of the Lord. A busy time had intervened. Easter had been spent visiting two different camp detachments for the Lord. Other services followed, added to which had been the burden of prayer as new contacts were made to reach servicemen, in addition to regular services. Finally we were en route home, but with the sense of greatly expended strength, especially for

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my father. Going through the Rockies he remained all day in his berth, while I often spoke to him of their grandeur and beauty. Towards evening he decided to try to get out at the last station in the mountains, which was Banff. He reached the platform, and walked a few steps. He said to me, "My knees seem to be giving way!" He walked a little farther, in order to lean his elbow on the station window. I looked upon him with alarm. He said, "Zelma, I'm going!" I ran for help. A soldier hurried up to him, and two or three others assisted him, carrying him back across the station platform. We did not doubt but that he was gone. I had prayed, "O Jesus, help us," but now thought, "To think that after thirtyfive years, his home going should be here, on this station platform!" But once in his berth, warmth returned, and as we prayed, and others in many places have joined with us in prayer, God has seen fit to raise him up again. He can scarcely himself grasp the fact of his recovery, but desires to "return to give thanks."

Just because the days are dark, let us not readily get panicky, nor too readily give up heart. God is still on the throne, and ready still "His wonders to perform!"

"Hail sovereign love which first began
The scheme to rescue fallen man!
Hail wondrous love and matchless grace
That found my soul a hiding place!
A hiding place! A hiding place!
Jesus is my hiding place!"

The above wonderful words were written by Major Andre, and found after he had been executed as a British spy during the Revolutionary War in 1776. But they have a message voicing the wonder and rapture of every heart that contemplates the hiding place that we have found in Christ. "Since my life is hid away with Christ in God, Since my life is hid away with Christ in God, I am happy night and day, all my sins are washed away.

Since my life is hid away with Christ in God."

Till the Sunset Colors Kindle

"It doth not yet appear what we shall be: but we know that, when he shall appear, we shall be like him." 1 John 3:2.

In the mountain forests to the west of Dohnavur, our children find the cocoon of the atlas moth. It hangs from a twig, like a small brown bag tied up, and left there and forgotten—a mere two inches of papery bag. And however often we see it, we are never prepared for the miracle that emerges. For miracle it is: a large, almost bird-like creature, struggles through the very narrow neck of the bag. It has wings of crimson and pink, and blended green of various soft tones, shading off into terra cotta, brown, old gold. Each wing has a window made of a clear substance like a delicate flake of talc, and on the edge of each is a pattern of wavy lines or dots, or some other dainty de-From wing-tip to wing-tip, nine, sometimes ten, inches of beauty, one of God's lovely wonders—that is what comes out of the brown paper bag. Nothing preserved in a glass case can show it, for the colors fade; but fresh from the hands of the Creator, it is like something seen in a dream, pure faery. What if our life within these detaining months or years be like the life within the dull brown bag of the cocoon? One day something will emerge to the glory of His grace. Can we not, then, sustained by the Bread of heaven and the good Wine, continue in this hidden labor and spiritual fight till the sunset colors kindle and the stars appear?—Amy Carmichael.

M'Cheyne's Secret?

A traveller anxious to see where M'Cheyne had preached, and worked, went to the Scotch city and found the church. He told the old sexton he had come a long way and wanted to see where M'Cheyne had preached. The sexton said, "Come on," and that old grey-haired Scotchman led the way into M'Cheyne's study. He said, "Sit down in that chair." The traveller hesitated a moment and then sat down. On the table in front of him was an open Bible. He said, "Drop your head on the Bible and cry like a child. That is the way our minister got ready to preach." He said, "Come on with me." He took me up into the Scotch pulpit before the open Bible. "Now," he said, "stand there and drop your head in your hands over the Bible and begin to weep." He said, "That is the way our minister preached."

A Statement of Faith

I believe Jesus Christ to be the Son of God. The miracles which He wrought establish in my mind His personal authority, and render it proper for me to believe whatever He asserts. I believe, therefore, all His declarations, as well when He declares Himself to be the Son of God as when He declares any other proposition. And I believe there is no other way of salvation than through the merits of His atonement.—

Daniel Webster.

A Consoling Vision

John, the disciple of Christ, lived in a similar day to our own, a day in which it seemed as if the powers of darkness were triumphing over all that was true and righteous and holy.

But on the isle of Patmos God gave him a vision to encourage, to edify, and to sustain the saints. This message brought great consolation to the early church; and it is of unspeakable blessing to us who are living in the last of the last days, when all nations are being shaken, and the Desire of all nations is about to come. Hag. 2:7.

John saw the ultimate triumph of the righteous, and all heaven and the whole creation rendering praise and worship to Him that sat upon the throne and to the Lamb. He saw the sealing of the twelve times twelve thousand of Israel. He saw the plagues coming to the earth, of which those in Egypt were but an earnest. He saw the overthrow of all the powers of evil and the destruction of the harlot church. He heard the joyful Amen and Hallelujah of the true bride of Christ when the day of her marriage had come.

He saw the triumph of the living Word and those who followed Him, the called, the chosen, the faithful. He saw the beast to whom Satan had given all authority, and his false prophet, thrown into the lake of fire. He saw Satan first hurled into the bottomless pit for a thousand years' imprisonment, and later cast into the lake of fire. He saw the judgment of the great white throne, and all those whose names were not written in the Lamb's book of life cast into the lake of fire. He also saw the new heavens and the new earth in which righteousness shall dwell, where there shall be no more sorrow, no pain, nor death, and where no evil shall ever dwell.

The question arises as to who will be the residents of the new heavens and the new earth. Who will be able to dwell in this greater Eden, this heavenly Paradise? Come back to the scene enacted nearly two thousand years ago, where at a place called Calvary there are three crosses erected. Listen to the word from the One upon that central cross to the dying thief beside Him, "Today shalt thou be with Me in paradise." Luke 23:43.

But we might say, "Master, you do not know the nature of this man. Are you not familiar with his terrible police record? He is such a menace to society, that is why he has been sentenced to death. This man is utterly vile and evil."

Yes, there is no doubt that this sinner was utterly vile. But do you know the power of the blood of Calvary's Lamb to cleanse? Do you realize the power of His cross to transform? Do you know the grace of Him who speaks in compassion to the vilest of the vile, and says, "Neither do I condemn thee: go, and sin no more"? He came for the express purpose of dying for the ungodly, and His word to every sinner is, "Him that cometh to Me I will in no wise cast out." John 6:37. And the dying Saviour who pardoned and cleansed and transformed the dying thief on Golgotha's

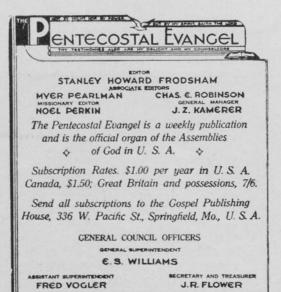
hill, is the living Saviour whose word today to every sinner is "Come." You can understand that word "come" and you can act on that word. He further adds, "Whosoever will, let him take the water of life freely." Rev. 22:17.

The apostle Paul had a revelation of the power of the cross to transform, and declared: "God forbid that I should glory, save in the cross." Gal. 6:14. That one offering—the offering of the Sinless One for the sinner, the Just for the unjust, the Holy One for the unholy and vile—provides an eternal perfection for all who put their trust in Him. They shall be like Him—holy, spotless, undefiled.

The Lord looked down from heaven to see if there were any good, and found—how many? Not one. All needed salvation from sin—the salvation He provided at Calvary. Only those who have availed themselves of this provision and have been washed in the blood of Calvary's Lamb will be found in the heavenly city. It does not matter how vile the sinner, his sins may be a hundred times as great as those of the dying thief, the blood of God's spotless Son avails to cleanse away all sin and all unrighteousness.—S. H. F.

Behold, He Cometh

Pondering the sacred promises of the Lord's return, which are written for our hope, we find warnings of startling immediateness, but also mysterious suggestions of possible long delay. In the post-ascension Gospel of Revelation, the word is constantly sounding out, "Behold, I come quickly," while in the parables of the kingdom, contained in the closing chapters of the Gospel according to Matthew, we read, "While the Bridegroom tarried"; and "After a long time, the Lord of those servants cometh and reckoneth with them." Yet both of these Gospels have the same keynote: "Watch, therefore, for ye know neither the day nor the hour wherein the Son of man cometh," Matt. 25:13; and "Blessed



is he that watcheth and keepeth his garments." Rev. 16:15. Hence we conclude that these texts are part of a complex system of prophecy, wherein incitements to hope and checks to impatience are so perfectly balanced as to keep the Church ever expectant, while restraining her from being ever despondent.

For nothing can be plainer to the unprejudiced reader of the New Testament than that it is the purpose of the ascended Bridegroom to have His bride constantly, soberly, and busily waiting for His return, until the appointed time of His detention in the heavens shall have expired. Hence, as says Archer Butler: "He has harmonized with consummate skill every part of His revelation to produce this general result; now speaking as if a few seasons more were to herald the new earth; now as if His days were thousands of years; at one moment whispering into the ear of His disciple, at another retreating into the depth of infinite ages. It is His purpose thus to live in our faith and hope, remote yet near. Our attitude is to be of constant vigilance that awaits a contingency ever at hand. This, the deep devotion of watchfulness, humility and awe. He who knows us best knows to be the fittest posture of our spirits.—A. J.

The Disease of Distrust

If we believe the New Testament, we believe that men were once "made whole" without medicine or doctor. If this was a fact in New Testament times, why may it not become a fact in the present day? If it is a fact, it is the most beneficent fact in history, and being such, it ought, if possible, to be recalled and re-established. To grasp the question wisely and thoroughly, we must go back to Christ's own time and think with Him. Did Christ heal men? Yes, He did. Did Christ's apostles heal men? Yes, they did. Was the healing mechanical, surgical, medicinal? No, it was not.

Is Christ the same yesterday, today and for ever? Yes, He is. Does Christ still work and reign? Yes, He does. That settles it. Suffering is the same, Christ is the same, love is the same. Then what is wanting? Just what was wanting in Christ's own day. Dost thou believe? Believest thou that I am able to do this thing? All things are possible to him that believeth. He could not do many mighty works there because of their unbelief. We must simply and heartily adopt the belief-most rational belief—that the things which are impossible with men are possible with God. That is all. The belief must not be mere assent; it must be the ruling and ever-active principle of the life. The curing of disease is an important matter. However, to cure the disease of distrust of God is the principal miracle.—Joseph Parker.

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How God Made a Pastor

Lester Sumrall

ERNANDO Monroy was the illegitimate son of a rich English business man. His mother was a maid who been employed in the Englishman's house. The child was never recognized as a son by his father, so at the tender age of seven years Fernando was obliged to go to the plantation and work to support his mother and the three younger children who

Dressed in ragged clothes and hungry, Fernando came out of the field one night. He was ready for a large portion of tortillas and black beans for supper, the same as he had had for breakfast and dinner. Though only sixteen years of age the lad had become a man, for he had made a living for himself and others since seven years of age. Arriving at his humble bamboo hut, he heard loud wails of great sorrow. When he walked into the door of the poorly lighted abode, he saw his two smaller brothers and a sister weeping bitterly. Upon the rough native bed, covered with a coarse straw mat, he saw his precious mother lying cold and pale in death. She had been ailing for some time, but now she had suddenly passed away. The broken-hearted children had sat for some hours by her bedside sobbing in deep grief because their mother could no longer speak to them.

Fernando's heart beat fast and heavy. Strange and furious emotions tore through his young breast. He had borne the tragedy of being an illegitimate son. Now he was an orphan, the oldest of four. His eyes grew moist and blurred with tears, his lips tightened, his jaws grimly set, as he looked upon the dead form of the only source of comfort and love with which his life had

been favored.

The terrible shock of the mother's death was too much for the mental powers of the brother next to Fernando in age. It was found necessary to place him in an institution for the insane. The youngest child was sent to a State hospital for children and nursed for malnutrition. The other was sent to an orphanage. Fernando was left

alone to work and to run wild.

As he buckled down to hard work, his heart wounds slowly healed. He went to the port city of Acujutla where he labored at the docks as a stevedore. Here he became a gun-toting drunkard. Some time later he left the port and came to the great coffee finca, San Diego, to work. His energetic nature and conscientious work quickly placed him in favor with the finca owner, who promoted him to be foreman over a crew of men. Here he paraded as a desperate man. Though only twenty-six years of age he would challenge any man he met, especially if intoxicated.

Fernando did not have any religion. When a small boy his mother sent him to mass. While at church his inquisitive nature lured him too near one of the sacred idols and an old woman hit him on the head for being sacrilegious. This angered the child and turned him against religion, so he would not go back to church again. However, on the coffee finca there was a Roman Catholic church. Fernando paid three dollars a month dues to it for the privilege of feasting and drinking liquor in the church during festivals.

Two itinerant native preachers, illiterate but zealous for God, came to the finca and asked if they might be permitted to preach to the people working there. Being the foreman, Fernando gave them permission to preach. He had his men clean out an old shed for the meeting place. The finca laborers for the most part had never seen a Protestant meeting, and so they turned out in gangs to listen to the queer ministers with no clerical garments and no pomp and ceremony. Soon they found it great sport to mock the preachers and even combined to break up the meetings with rowdiness.

Although Fernando drank a good deal of liquor, he managed to keep sufficiently sober at night time to go along to the meetings and see that the preachers were not molested too much. When he considered that the gang had mocked enough he pulled out his pistol and corbo and sat between the scoffers and the ministers, and demanded that the meeting proceed! Until this time he had not taken the religion of the evangelists seriously. But as he was keeping the others quiet, he was obliged to listen himself.

Before he was conscious of the fact, and although he was not in a mood to confess it, Fernando was weakening. The gospel story was taking root like a good seed. Then one night, while still under the influence of liquor, he dreamed that he died. For the first time since becoming a man he faced eternity and felt the awful reality of a Christless grave. This dream drastically affected his attitude toward life and religion, but he was too proud to admit it to others. It made him all the more miserable to see his evil companions turning to righteous-

In the darkness and wretchedness of conviction, Satan whispered that salvation was not for him-it was only for better people. After this he had a strange impulse to commit suicide. In his contemplation of suicide he conceived the idea that by this he could exterminate himself from the universe. During these dark moments a friend who had become converted gave him a New Testament to read, and he promised to read it every day. In this little book he found refuge from his dreadful misery. Also in

Jesus Save

If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

reading it through, he discovered that the most vile and wicked of men could be changed by the power of Christ.

God wrought a deep repentance in his heart, so that one night after listening to the uneducated evangelists he made the decision to never carry a pistol again, nor would he drink liquor or smoke tobacco any more, neither would he live an immoral life. Christ had at last conquered his heart. He made a public confession of faith and

fully accepted Jesus as his Saviour.

To his surprise his changed life provoked an immediate and severe persecution. His own workers under him ridiculed and mocked him to his face. For a moment his pistol and corbo were thought of-for it was by these that he had maintained respect. But he was now a Christian and could no longer use these weapons of death. He had taken up his cross to follow Christ. For the first time in his life the Roman Catholic church manifested an interest in him. They sought to rescue him from "heresy" and bring him back to the "true fold." How-ever, it was too late, as he had now felt the glorious power of a transformed life.

Fernando Monroy was so overjoyed with his new religion that he wished to share it with everybody else. With the same zeal with which he had propagated evil he now propagated righteousness. He decided they needed a church right there on the finca, so he negotiated with the finca owner for a piece of ground on which to build a church. He purchased the property and built the church with his own funds without asking others for one penny. He named his church Filadelfia—church of Brotherly Love. He became the pastor of the church, working and preaching at the same time.

The church grew beyond expectationsand so did Fernando Monroy. With the kindly guidance and direction of our missionaries, the assembly became firmly established. Later he presented the church to the local congregation, with the surrounding coffee plantation to support the assembly financially. Today, though Filadelfia is in the country, it has 150 baptized members! The most outstanding feature of this church and its pastor is that twelve native ministers have come from this congregation.

After Filadelfia became a thriving church, Fernando Monroy placed one of his own converts over it as pastor, and quit his job to go to another place and raise up a new

Senor Fernando Monroy is now fortyseven years old and in my opinion no more solid character lives on the globe. He is taller than the average native. He is reliable in any task entrusted to him. His Christian life has from the beginning inspired confidence in missionary and native alike. For some years he has been a member of our executive council, being endowed with an uncanny ability to deal with knotty problems. During the months when classes are in session he is dean of the Santa Ana Bible School.

A Day of Prayer—September 7

It has been requested that all saints set aside Monday, September 7 as an international day of prayer. Fervently pray that revival fires will be kindled all over America and that many, both in the armed forces and in civilian life, may turn to God in repentance.

A Blind Man Healed



Pastor David Wellard and Wm. B. Ferguson, the blind man who is healed.

On the Fourth of July when I was fourteen my eyes were severely injured by an accident. I was blinded for thirty-two weeks but finally regained some sight in my left eye. That means that fifty-five years ago I lost the sight of one eye. Ten years ago I lost the sight of the other eye. Four years ago an eye specialist told me that my eyes were dead, that nothing could be done for them. In April, 1942 my wife and I began playing for a revival meeting in Auburn, New York.

When we had attended only a few services, on May 1, 1942, an invitation was given to any who wanted healing to come to the altar for prayer. Evangelist Dorothy Thropp asked me if I wanted to be anointed for the healing of my eyes. Suddenly there was born in me a desire to go to the altar and be prayed for. I knelt there with full faith that God was going to restore my vision. The pastor, David M. Wellard anointed my eyes and everyone prayed that sight would be restored.

Brother Wellard said, "Open your eyes and tell me what you see." I did so and saw the un-

lighted cross at the back of the platform. I counted the bulbs (Christmas-tree size) and he stated that I was correct. I saw the flag and counted the stars in one row. I looked about and saw many things. Since then I have been examined by the same eye specialist, and he said, "I could not have believed it if I had not seen it myself." I am sixty-nine years old.—Wm. B. Ferguson, 13 North Street, Auburn, New York.

Ed. note—The above testimony was received in May. After holding it some time we wrote Brother Ferguson about his eyes. June 27 he replied that he could read our typed letter. The miracle attracted considerable attention and was investigated and written up in the newspapers. One reporter says: "A checkup of certain claims in the story with one of Auburn's leading oculists confirmed the statement that the vision was apparently lost years ago." On May 28 Pastor Willard wrote that "he is able to read fairly large print and his sight continues to improve all of the time. He is now ushering in our tabernacle. He who had to be led into the house and placed in his seat is now leading others in and seating them."

HAVE YOU BEEN BORN AGAIN? (Continued From Page One)

light." "But ye are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, an holy nation, a peculiar people; that ye should show forth the praises of Him who hath called you out of *darkness* into His marvellous light." 1 Peter 2:9. This is something to think about.

The subject is enticing, as it leads us from one rich text of Scripture to another; but we must press on to consider two more propositions. We have said that to be well-born we must be born twice. Now consider our second proposition:

II. IF YOU ARE BORN BUT ONCE YOU

WILL DIE TWICE. Something to weep over.

That there is a death after the natural death is clearly taught in the Scriptures; and the Lord

of life, who knew more about the future state than anyone else who ever lived, had more to say about this subject than any other divinely inspired teacher. In Luke 16:19-31, He tells about two men. Both died. One was carried by the angels into "Abraham's bosom." The other "lifted up his eyes in hell, being in torments." He cried to Abraham for mercy, but the stream of mercy from the Cross of Calvary does not enter hell. He begged for water, but not a drop of water could be had in all the regions of the lost. He begged for Lazarus to be sent back to earth to warn his five brothers, "lest they also come into this place of torment," but the Lord had already given His Word, and had sent His messengers, and no more were to be sent!

In Matthew 10:28, we hear Him saying to His

disciples who were about to go out to proclaim the glad tidings and to heal the sick: "Fear not them which kill the body, but are not able to kill the soul; but rather fear him which is able to destroy both soul and body in hell." On another occasion He said: "Be not afraid of them that kill the body, and after that have no more that they can do. But I will forewarn you whom ye shall fear. Fear him, which after he hath killed hath power to cast into hell, yea I say unto you, Fear him." Luke 12:4, 5.

Who can listen to the awe-inspiring, the terrible, the gruesome words of Jesus as recorded in Mark 9:43-48, without a shudder? To think how near some of us have come to rejecting Christ the Saviour, and going the broad way that leads to destruction! To think that some of our own loved ones are on their way to the hell where the fire is not quenched and the worm never dies! To realize that some dear as life to us are now standing on the very brink of that pit, and may fall in before a year, a month, or even a day, has passed, unless we rescue them!

We have been speaking about the death after death, "the second death," without naming it. In Rev. 20:14 and 21:8, the second death is mentioned and identified with eternal torment in "the lake which burneth with fire and brimstone." Beginning with the 11th verse of Revelation 20, we read, "And I saw a great white throne, and him that sat on it, from whose face the earth and the heaven fled away; and there was found no place for them. And I saw the dead, small and great, stand before God; and the books were opened: and another book was opened, which is the book of life; and the dead were judged out of those things which were written in the books, according to their works. And the sea gave up the dead which were in it; and death and hell delivered up the dead which were in them: and they were judged every man according to their works. death and hell were cast into the lake of fire. This is the second death. And whosoever was not found written in the book of life was cast into the lake of fire."

But who are those who will be cast into the lake of fire to suffer a second—an eternal death? Those whose names are not found in the Book of Life. But whose names are found in that book? The Scriptures answer, that the names of all true believers, blood-bought and blood-washed, are in that book. "Rejoice, because your names are veritten in heaven." Luke 10:20.

"Lord, I care not for riches, Neither silver nor gold; I would make sure of heaven, I would enter Thy fold; In the book of Thy kingdom, On its pages so fair, Tell me Jesus, my Saviour, Is my name written there?"

In Rev. 21:8, certain classes are enumerated of those who will be cast into the lake of fire. Study the list, and see if any who reads this article should be included. It begins, not with the worst of criminals, but with "the fearful and the unbelieving." "The fearful"—those who are afraid to accept and confess Christ and to bear His cross and follow Him. "Whosoever therefore shall be ashamed of Me and of My words, in this adulterous and sinful generation, of him also shall the Son of man be ashamed, when He cometh in the glory of His Father with the holy angels." This follows a similar statement, "Who will come after Me, let him deny himself, take up his cross, and follow Me." Mark 8:34, 38, 39. Who are "the unbelieving"? Those who refuse to accept and confess Christ. Matt. 10:32, 33. But let us read the text, without further comment: "But the fearful, and unbelieving, and abominable, and murderers, and whoremongers, and sorcerers, and idolaters, and all liars, shall have their part in the lake which burneth with fire and brimstone: which is the second death."

There is still another reference to the Second death. This is in Rev. 20:6. If we are truly Christ's at His coming (1 Cor. 15:23) and are

alive, we shall be caught up to meet Him, and if we sleep in Christ we shall be raised (1 Thess. 4:14-17). As John says: "Blessed and holy is he that hath part in the first resurrection: on such the second death hath no power, but they shall be priests of God and of Christ, and shall reign with Him a thousand years." Praise God! true believers are entirely out of the reach of the second death!

This second death is so called because it follows the physical death of the sinner in unbelief, whose eternal state is an eternal death, because he is forever separated from God and left in his sins. John 8:21, 24. A comparison of Rev. 19:20 with Rev. 20:10 proves that this second death is not annihilation, for after one thousand years in the lake of fire the beast and the false prophet are still alive.

We have been considering the awful state of the souls that go down to doom without a ray of hope, go from physical death, which is temporary, to spiritual death, which is eternal. This is something to weep over.

We turn now from this most solemn, gruesome subject to our third proposition. We have said (1) that to be well-born we must be born twice; (2) that if we are born but once we die twice. Now listen!

III. IF WE ARE BORN TWICE WE NEVER DIE AT ALL. Something to shout about!

A bold proposition, you say, and we agree with you. We should not dare to make a statement so amazing if we did not have a solid foundation for it. Hear the words of Jesus as recorded in John 11:23-26: "Thy brother shall rise again. Martha said unto Him, I know that he shall rise again in the resurrection at the last day. Jesus said unto her, I am the resurrection, and the life: he that believeth in Me, though he were dead, yet shall he live: And whosoever liveth and believeth in me shall never die." Next we see Jesus at the tomb of Lazarus, demonstrating His high claims.

But you say, did not many believers die in New Testament times? Yes and no. In the sense that Jesus wanted us to understand the word "die" in this great text, NO. In the ordinary sense of the word, YES. Stephen died, but he saw Jesus standing at the right hand of God to receive his spirit. Acts 7:55, 59. Paul said, "For me to live is Christ, and to die is gain." Phil. 1:21. Why could death mean a gain to Paul? Because it hastened him on into the glory of being with the Lord. He said he was in a strait—a hard place to decide—whether he would prefer to live or to die—"having a desire to depart" (this life), and "to be with Christ; which is far better" (than anything on this earth): "Nevertheless to abide is more needful for you"—by living I can render service for you, and for your sakes I hesitate to say I want to die (vv. 23, 24).

This appears to have been a favorite theme with Paul. In 2 Corinthians 5 he dwells upon the same blessed assurance. The passage is too long to quote in this connection. Note how he says, "Whilst we are at home in the body, we are absent from the Lord."..."Willing rather to be absent from the body, and to be present with the Lord."..."That whether present or absent, we may be accepted of Him." vv. 6, 8, 9. Did you notice the phrase, "That mortality might be swallowed up of life"? v. 4. What a transformation! No gloomy foreboding here of a long sleep with a putrefying body in a grave in some lonely cemetery. If Paul ever had a funeral, he did not attend it himself. He was far away in the glory before Nero's bloody executioners could get many steps toward their homes. Paul conceived of what we call death as setting sail for a "fair and happy land." "I am now ready to be offered, and the time of my departure"-the unmooring of my boat-"is at hand." I AM OFF FOR GLORY! If Paul were living now, no doubt he would say, "the time has come for me to TAKE OFF," using the figure of a voyage in an airship instead of a sailboat. We are bound for the same golden shore This is something to shout about.

The theme is alluring and inspiring, if not illuminating. In what has been said, we have something to think about, something to weep over,

and something to shout about. The pauper Lazarus did not make a trip to the graveyard before he went to the feast of the faithful. A convoy of angels escorted him to a seat of honor right next to Abraham. He really began to live when he died. To use a modern expression, he might have said, "This is LIFE!" In contrast with him we see the rich man, stripped of every comfort, and in greater suffering after death than in the hour of death. In modern speech he might have said, "This death is REAL!"

Let me ask you a pointed question. Have you been born again? Are you sure? If you have not been born again, you will die again after death, and forever! THINK, ACT. Accept Christ NOW. "Behold, NOW is the accepted time; behold, NOW is the day of SALVATION." 2 Cor. 6:2. "To day if ye will hear his voice, harden not your hearts." Heb. 2:7, 8.

"Hasten, sinner, to be wise!
Stay not for the morrow's sun,
Wisdom, if you still despise,
Harder is it to be won.

Hasten, mercy to implore!

Stay not for the morrow's sun,
Lest thy season should be o'er,
Ere this evening's stage is run.

Hasten, sinner, to return,
Stay not for the morrow's sun,
Lest thy lamp should fail to burn,
Ere salvation's work is done.

Hasten, sinner, to be blest!
Stay not for the morrow's sun,
Lest perdition thee arrest
Ere the morrow is begun."

"As I live, saith the Lord God, I have no pleasure in the death of the wicked; but that the wicked turn from his way and live: turn ye, turn ye from your evil ways; for why will ye die, O house of Israel?" Ezek. 33:11.

THE RABBI'S CONVERSION

A Christian minister, Mr. Faltin, in order to master Hebrew, read the Bible once a week with Rabbi Gurland, of Riga. In the course of their reading they came to Isaiah 53, which the Jews never read; and Rabbi Gurland asked Mr. Faltin not to read it. Mr. Faltin replied: "I shall pray that God may give you courage to be willing to know God's saving truths." The Rabbi pondered the remark; and, feeling it cowardly to be afraid of knowing what God has revealed, at their next meeting expressed his willingness to read it. Mr. Faltin remarked: "Let me first read to you the story of Christ's suffering, as contained in the New Testament." After that was done they opened and read Isaiah 53—which was written more than six hundred years before Jesus Christ was born. Rabbi Gurland admitted that this fifty-third chapter was a perfect picture of what Jesus Christ had suffered, and acquired for us on Calvary, and he thanked Mr. Faltin, but above all, God's mercy for leading him into this glorious

But Rabbi Gurland felt a pain in his heart as though he had been stabbed, when he thought of his Jewish people. "What will they say and do when they hear that I, a Rabbi, have become a believer in Jesus Christ? My congregation will dismiss me; my friends will turn against me; the Jews in town who honor me will despise and hate me." However, the Spirit of God gave him strength and courage.

His resignation caused a great deal of talk amongst the whole Jewish community, but the excitement and indignation of the Jewish population was terrible when they heard that Rabbi Gurland was going to be baptized in Mr. Faltin's church, and thus confess his faith in Christ publicly. They threatened that if he dared to go through with it, a number of Jews had sworn they would kill him in the church after his baptism. Mr. Faltin asked the Rabbi whether he would not prefer to be baptized quietly in the manse. The Rabbi answered: "No; Jesus Christ is a living

mighty Saviour, He can protect me, but if He does not, I am willing to suffer—to die for Him."

When the day for the Rabbi's baptism came the Jews were terribly excited. The church was overcrowded with Christians and Jews. The service went on quietly. The minister preached Christ, who came to seek and to save that which was lost. Before the baptism Mr. Gurland gave a short address, in which he stated how he had received the heavenly light through the fifty-third chapter of Isaiah; and that he now believed Jesus Christ to be the promised Messiah and Saviour. During the act of baptism and the rest of the divine service everything was quiet. Jesus once calmed the raging sea; now He pacified the wild hearts. He later on preached the glorious Gospel with joy and power and many Jews and Christians were blessed through his service.-The Hebrew Christian Quarterly.

WHY DO YOU COME ALONE?

A Swedish preacher tells the following: In my home town lived a man whom everyone considered a Christian. He went to religious meetings, and his daily life was such that no one doubted his Christianity. But never had he any testimony about God at the meetings. This man became sick and lay eight months in bed. At the last, one had to watch over him. The last night they were with him awaiting death, when he fell into a deep sleep. When he awoke everyone was greatly surprised over the great change that had taken place in him.

This is what he told: "I dreamed that I died and was taken across the river of death in a boat. There were many boats in the river, some full and some partly full of people, but I was entirely alone. When I reached the other side I saw the New Jerusalem, and Jesus came out of one of the portals to me. He reached out a hand to me with these words, 'Welcome, Brother Lovgren, to the heavenly shores, but why do you come alone?' With sorrow I fell down at His feet and with self-reproach in my soul I prayed, 'Dear Jesus, if you will take me back to earth I will do whatever you wish me to do for you.' Upon this I awoke."

From that time he got well and God used him to preach the gospel of Christ. He became the means in God's hand to bring hundreds of souls to Christ.—Bud og Hilsen.

FROM A SECULAR NEWSPAPER

Pastor G. A. Brewer of Cuba, Ill., sends us a clipping from the Cuba Journal:

"A copy of a little four-page publication called Reveille published by the Gospel Publishing House, 336 West Pacific Street, Springfield, Mo., fell into our hands this week. It is devoted to the men in the army camps and for just plain, common, everyday horse sense, it has anything of the kind beaten we have seen in this war. The language is the common language of the street and factory, language everybody understands and the topics are timely. A copy should be in the hands of every man in the armed forces of the United States and Canada. Not all would read it, but those who did could not help but be impressed and benefited."

GOD'S GIFTS

A king who wished to express his affection for a private soldier of his army gave him a richly jewelled cup, his own cup. The soldier, stepping forth to receive the gift, exclaimed shamefacedly, "This is too great a gift for me to receive."

"It is not too great for me to give," the king replied.

Is not this the way Christ gives to us?

"LIFTED HIM OUT"

The old Chinaman described his experience like this: He was in a deep pit. Soon Buddha came along and pitied him, but could do nothing for him. Confucious came along and said, "If you were not in the pit, I could help you." But Jesus Christ came along and got right down into the pit and lifted him out.



in FOREIGN LANDS



"It Is God"

An airmail letter just received from Lillian Trasher enables us to pass on her grateful acknowledgment of offerings given for the Assiout Orphanage during the month of June, which were remitted as usual by cable at the end of the month.

Miss Trasher's letters simply bubble over with thankfulness to the Lord. "Isn't it just too wonderful the way God has undertaken?" she exclaims. "The people in Egypt have only one explanation to offer, 'Well, it is God!' and surely they are right—prices going up and up, yet God meeting the needs."

As prices increase, our orphan family also is growing, for Miss Trasher tells us there are now 900 orphans under her care. "I have twenty-six babies in my house," she says, "and oh, they are so sweet!"

The God of Miracles

Florence Christie, who recently returned on furlough after spending two years at Assiout relates an incident which illustrates the miraculous way in which God provides for the needs of the orphanage. She tells of a time last year when there were no supplies in the storeroom, no dress material, no flour, and no money. The children were informed of the situation so that they might have a share in the burden, and everyone got down to prayer. A few days later a Red Cross supply boat for the Greek refugees returned to the Egyptian port, having learned that Greece had fallen into axis hands. As a result the orphanage received 2,500 dresses, 2,000



Our "Nile Mother" with Florence Christie the picture was taken shortly before Miss Christie left Egypt for furlough.

sweaters, 500 towels, 200 pairs of men's trousers, 70 large sacks of flour, beans, and rice.

God of the Impossible

The present financial load of this large work is heavy, and from month to month it seems almost incredible that the necessary amount should be supplied—but we are serving the God of the impossible. While, as Miss Trasher puts it, we don't know where the money comes from yet, praise God, it comes, and thus far each month the expense has been met.

As prices soar higher and our orphan family increases, the need becomes even greater—but God is able. As we faithfully do our part in standing behind Miss Trasher with our prayers and loyal support, we believe that He will continue to undertake and see her through this time of crisis.

RADIO LISTENERS-TUNE IN!

Lester Sumrall, continuing his Latin American itinerary, expects to be in Quito, Ecuador the last week in August, and while there he has been invited to speak over HCJB, "The Voice of the Andes." The frequency of this international station is 12½ megacycles, between 12 and 13 on the shortwave band. Since it is one of the strongest stations broadcasting and can be heard in all parts of the world, we feel that Brother Sumrall has been honored with an unusual opportunity and pray that God will bless this far-reaching radio ministry.

He will be heard at 8:30 in the morning (Eastern Time) on the English program, "Morning in the Mountains," also in the evening on "The Friendship Hour."

Make a note of the dates and time, and be sure to tune in!

WITH THE LORD



It is with deep regret we pass on the news conveyed to us in a telegram from the Secretary of State in Washington that "according to official information Gustav K. Johansen died on July 9 at Shanghai." This word was received by our Department of State through the American Legation at Bern.

Our sincere sympathy is extended to Mrs. Johansen who is now located in Los Angeles with her two daughters, Helen age 14 and Lorene age 13.

Brother Johansen was born in Oslo, Norway, April 21, 1905. At the age of sixteen he came to America where two years later he gave his heart to the Lord. In 1925 he attended Glad Tidings Bible School in San Francisco.

Mr. and Mrs. Johansen were married September 19, 1926 and received ministerial license from the General Council in 1930. They were engaged in ministry for some time on the West Coast, being active in-pastoral and C. A. work.

In November, 1934 Mr. and Mrs. Johansen were granted appointment as missionaries of the General Council to North China. They spent a term on the field, and after a furlough period sailed a second time for China in July, 1940. Later, when war conditions became more threatening, it was felt best for Mrs. Johansen with her two daughters to return home, Brother Johansen remaining to carry on the work. We have appreciated their faithful ministry, and the loss of our brother is deeply regretted; yet we know that he has entered into that state which the Scriptures tell us is far better. Our sympathy and prayers are extended to the wife and daughters as well as to other members of the family.

Visiting Mexican Assemblies

Kenzy Savage, who has spent the past two months conducting meetings in our various assemblies in Mexico, tells of a trip made recently in company with Ruben Medina. "We spent a week down on the coast," he writes, "visiting Tuxpam and other points. We planned to travel by bus, but because of the poor condition of the road decided to go by air; so within one hour we changed from the cool climate of Mexico City to the tropics.

"At the first stop I found myself in very unusual surroundings—banana plantations, tropical vegetation, bamboo houses with grass roofs. Our visit was unexpected, but the church soon filled and we had a good service.

"The second night Brother Medina conducted a pastoral election, following which he asked the brethren if they could arrange living quarters for the new pastor. One sister offered to lend her home, suggesting that she could live with different church families until a house could be built. Someone else offered to move to another village and leave his home for the pastor. Another brother had a house under construction, and the women of the church

volunteered to fix it up for the pastor to occupy while the brethren built a parsonage. This last suggestion was agreed upon.

"Since it rained during the night we were faced Wednesday morning with the problem of getting to the next church for a fellowship The local brethren said they could walk the distance which was only about twelve miles; so after horses had been secured for Brother Medina and myself, we started out. I was almost ashamed to ride while others walked but doubt whether we could have made it on foot. You should have seen me, with packages tied to the front of the saddle, very short saddle stirrups keeping my knees on a high level, and a small child riding behind me, holding on for dear life. I was afraid to move around in the saddle for fear the child would fall off. It rained on us part of the time, but we finally reached our destination after a trip of five hours.

"The work at this place is very small, services being held in a private home. The first night the room was crowded out and the doors and windows were filled with listeners. The

second night it did not rain, so our service was held outside where we had a number of strangers listening.

"My, how these people like to sing! During the time intervening between day services they were constantly gathered in the 'church room' singing. There must have been over 100 in attendance at the fellowship meeting, practically all having come on foot.

"We learned that the pastor, who is one of our Bible School graduates, receives from his church weekly between five and forty cents (American money). Recently another denomination approached him with offer of financial help if he would join them, but he refused to compromise and remained faithful.

"After the last service we left by car, thirteen of us riding in a 1936 Ford, and drove as far as possible. Our 'bus' left us on the banks of a swollen river which we crossed by canoe at midnight, then slept out in the open. Our bed consisted of one long plank which had been placed under a tree for a seat. Despite threatening rain, mosquitoes and 'smells,' I slept soundly.

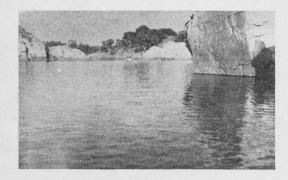
"A river boat picked us up at six the next morning and after three hours landed us in Tuxpan. When we boarded the boat it was almost empty, but by the time we landed there were over one hundred passengers on board, besides a good load of tropical fruit en route to market.

"We felt the trip was both enjoyable and profitable. The people are friendly, and in spite of the fact that most of them are very poor, they go to the extreme in entertaining visitors. I figure that some of the meals prepared for us probably cost as much as their food bill for an entire week.

"We are at present holding revival meetings in the capital, and at the same time assisting Brother Medina in the Bible School. It seems that the great need in this part of the republic is for an outpouring of the Holy Ghost. We have been emphasizing that part of our message and already have seen some results."

THE RIVER NERBUDDA

To some it is more sacred than the Ganges John Lewis



The Nerbudda River, which traditionally is considered to form the boundary between Hindustan and the Deccan, is said to have sprung from the body of Silva and is one of the most sacred rivers of India.

To local Hindu devotees, it is considered more sacred than the holy Ganges, on the ground that it is necessary to bathe in the Ganges for forgiveness of one's sins, whereas this object is attained by mere contemplation of the Nerbudda.

Along its course, especially at places where it is joined by another river, are groups of temples, palaces and bathing ghats. The highest religious rite that a pilgrim can perform is the "Pradakshina of the Nerbudda," that is, to walk from the mouth to the source of the



Left: Third anniversary at Sao Sebastiao, Brazil, where a nice little hall has been erected and paid for. Right: Brother Tostes, worker of whom Theodore Stohr sends encouraging report.

Nerbudda on one side and to return by foot along the opposite bank.

In many parts its sandy banks are the basking ground of huge crocodiles which slide sluggishly into the water on the approach of a craft.

Within a few miles of the military station of Jubbulpore, in the Central Provinces, the Nerbudda passes through a narrow gorge and again through the well known Marble Rocks. These rocks, of pure marble, scintillate in the sunlight as if studded with diamonds.

At times the river becomes a mighty torrent, and according to local superstition the gorge is the home of spirits which beckon evildoers to take a canoe and pass into the rushing waters. We do know, and this is not superstition, that it is the home of swarms of most active bees which at the slightest provocation leave their hives to attack those sightseers who intrude upon their sanctuary.

When the torrent subsides, one may hire a boat, and under orders from the local boatmen that smoking and talking are not allowed for fear of disturbing the bees, enter the gorge to examine at close view the beauty of these brooding rocks about which there is an air of mystery.

Among the trees fringing the Nerbudda, and also in the village close to the railway bridge spanning the river where the line runs to Jubbulpore, there is a huge colony of pretty Langhur monkeys. A full-grown Langhur is the size of a baboon, but is short-coated, with soft grey fur, its face being grey and black. This is a sacred species, and the monkeys are allowed full play in shops and houses of the neighborhood. A villager may be squatting to enjoy his meager fare when suddenly a large monkey will appear and without hindrance share his meal.

NEWS BY CABLE

The following missionaries being repatriated from Japanese-occupied territory arrived safely in Lourenco Marques, East Africa: Mr. and Mrs. Walker Hall and family, Mr. and Mrs. Harland Park and family, John Perdue, Lula Bell Hough, Marie Stephany, Alice Stewart and Henrietta Tieleman.

Mr. and Mrs. Ragnar Udd and family reached Igali Mission, Tanganyika, transferring from the Belgian Congo.

Louise Hackert, Elizabeth Maynard and Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Princic cable word that they are "delayed indefinitely" in Monrovia, Liberia, awaiting passage home.

Lawrence Perrault advises that he has transferred to Costa Rica, Central America. Further word is awaited as to his mailing address.

Anniversary Services Mark Rapid Growth

Theodore Stohr, Brazil

From one end of the field to the other we are happy to report that the Lord is blessing. A short time ago we celebrated the third anniversary of our church in Sao Sebastiao do Paraiso where the work was started by one who already has gone to his eternal reward. Soon after entering this town we thought it best to build since renting proved a problem and a lot could be purchased for almost nothing. God has prospered the work, continually bringing in those that should be saved, until today they count a membership of 80, and the building is entirely paid for, thanks to those at home who faithfully responded to the appeals.

At this writing we are in the town of Uberlandia, also celebrating the third anniversary of the church. Brother Tostes, who is in charge of this work, was formerly a soldier, but left the army, feeling the call of God to gospel ministry. He came to Uberlandia to start meetings, and at the first service fifteen accepted the Lord. Since then the church has grown rapidly until now they have about fifty members. In connection with this work, services are conducted regularly at the neighboring town of Aragary. During the past two nights here we have prayed with eight who were seeking sal-

At the Home Base

In Ribeirao Preto our hearts have rejoiced to see the work growing during these past weeks. Already our lot, 24 x 66, is paid for, and soon we expect to begin building operations. Since wages here are so low and the people very poor, we shall need some help from the outside. Once more we appeal to you who so many times in the past have come to our assistance when we needed funds for the work of the Lord. Those wishing to help, please send contributions to the Foreign Missions Department, designated "Temple Fund," in care of Theodore Stohr.

MISSIONARY IN CONCENTRATION CAMP

Some concern has been felt for Margaret Jay, who formerly assisted in the education of our missionaries' children in Yunnan Province and who was trapped in Hong Kong at the time it fell to the Japanese. Word has now come to us through a Chinese Christian who escaped from Hong Kong that Miss Jay is in a concentration camp. It is feared that she will be suffering from lack of proper food since our informant states that they are allowed only two bowls of dry rice in a day, and every three days a few beans. Let us pray earnestly that the Lord will undertake in this urgent need and make a way of escape for Miss Jay.

The PASSING and PERMANENT

BROADCASTS ON THE BIBLE

The editorial secretary of the American Bible Society, Francis C. Stifler, is broadcasting another series of addresses on the Bible this autumn. The series begins August 6 and continues every Thursday thereafter until November 26, at 1:30 p. m., Eastern War Time, over the Blue Network.

LIQUOR AND ACCIDENTS

The 1941 bill to American automobile insurance companies for accidents caused by drinking liquor amounted to \$15,000,000, according to the American Business Men's Research Foundation. That is the total paid on claims for accidents caused by drunken drivers—motorists who mix gasoline and alcohol, a deadly combination.

AN APPEAL TO PARENTS

Three judges of the General Sessions Court, in an appeal to the parents of New York City to give their children proper religious training during their formative years, said in part:

"We support at enormous cost reformatories and prisons for punitive and corrective purposes. Most of this expense could be avoided were our fellow citizens of every denomination to increase and strengthen religious instruction of the children as society's most effective force for the prevention of delinquency and crime. But infinitely more important than the saving of dollars through building up religious training, would be the saving of human lives from degradation and misery. Prison chaplains tell us that the great majority of those brought to court for wrong doing have had little or no religious instruction. The most potent single force for rearing a decent, law-abiding citizenry is religious training."

"A JUST AND DURABLE PEACE"

There is a great deal of talk about preparing for "a just and durable peace" following this war. Revelation Magazine points out, however, that there will not be a durable peace. Men shall cry, Peace! Peace! when there is no peace. As for a just peace, do we really mean it? A just peace means a peace that shall bring justice to our enemies. How about the rape of Nanking, the sneak attack on Pearl Harbor, the sufferings of German Jews, the unneeded destruction of Rotterdam, and many other crimes? Justice for Germany and Japan might mean the annihilation of those nations from the face of the earth. So let us hope and pray for a merciful peace, if God wills that peace should return to the earth for a season. "A merciful peace will permit time to lick the wounds of war and to fashion splints for earth's broken bones so that the planet may limp along in a way that will permit the spread of the gospel while the Lord holds the door open a little longer."

RUSSIANS WANTING BIBLES

Prof. I. V. Neprash, an authority on Russia. recently stated to Ernest Gordon of the Sunday School Times that the Russian people themselves are spiritually hungry. The efforts of the Godless have not converted the masses to atheism. When a few Scriptures were distributed recently to Russian prisoners in a camp in Poland, they were cut into portions so that more might have a chance to read. Some even saved their food rations to exchange them for these Bible portions. Believers report that when the Soviet armies invaded Poland, Red Army soldiers when free from duty, stole into houses saying, "Do you have God's Book? We heard in our country that, in other lands, there is a book which tells everythingeven tells how to go to heaven after death. We never saw it in our land and would gladly have

Pray that the Holy Spirit shall so work in Russia that somehow the spiritual hunger of the Russian people shall be satisfied.

ASSEMBLIES OF GOD IN BRITAIN

The Assemblies of God in Great Britain have just had their General Council Meeting. Donald Gee writes: "We have had the greatest conference ever. Praise the Lord! There was a record attendance. The business all went through nicely. Howard Carter was re-elected as Chairman for another two years. The biggest thing in the conference was the whole-day of prayer. It was marvelous beyond words, and probably touched something unique in the whole history of the Pentecostal movement in Britain. It is impossible to describe such things. Best of all, it sent every delegate back to his assembly with a new touch of God on his soul. All agree that it was just wonderful."

HITLER USES TRACTS

'To extend his pernicious doctrine of national socialism Hitler has expended \$300,000,000 each year, Gospel Minister states. He has the personal services of 4,000,000 members of the Auslands Organization (Germans abroad) of the Nazi Party. With Satanic subtlety Hitler has put them to work distributing tracts. The tracts he supplies are not cheap-looking things such as many Christians use. They are elegant pieces of printing. "The children of this world are in their generation wiser than the children of light." Luke 16:8.

Christ-honoring tracts can be obtained by those who want them, however. The Gospel Publishing House, Springfield, Missouri, has dozens of new. attractive, two-color tracts which catch the eye and appeal to the unsaved. Send 25 cents for a sample assortment. Ask for either the Service Tracts or the General Assortment.

FISHERS AND HUNTERS OF ISRAEL

Abram Poljak is a Christian Jew from Germany, now in a refugee camp in Canada. In an article in *Prophecy Monthly* he says:

"Forty years ago God sent to the Jewish people a leader in the person of Dr. Theodor Herzl. He wanted to call the first Zionist Congress to Munich. But the Munich assimilant Jews protested: 'We do not want to know anything about Zion. Germany

is our Palestine and Munich our Jerusalem!'
"Herzl went to Basle. There, in 1897, the first
Zionist Congress took place. Herzel pointed to the
dangers of anti-Semitism and entreated the Jews
to acquire Palestine as a national home. The rich
assimilant Jews all over the world answered with
scorn and ridicule.

"The assimilant Jews were able to prohibit Herzl from founding the Zionist Organization at Munich, but they could not hinder Hitler's founding the Nazi Party at Munich and making that city the headquarters of anti-Semitic policy.

"In February, 1933, the Jewish persecutions began. The Storm Troopers were given a free hand. Only a small fraction of the German Jews recognized the greatness of the danger and left Germany. Within a short time Palestine began to flourish.

"Hitler has done much for the building up of Palestine. He forced the Jews to bring man power and capital to Palestine. That in which the requests of Herzl, the 'enticing fisher' failed, Hitler, 'the hunter who hunts' succeeded in. As it is written in Jer. 16:16, 17: 'Behold, I will send for many fishers, saith the Lord, and they shall fish them. And after will I send for many hunters, and they shall hunt them from every mountain and from every hill, and out of the holes of the rock. For mine eyes are upon all their ways; they are not hid from my face, neither is their iniquity hid from mine eyes."

Theodor Herzl and the Zionists are the fishers. Adolf Hitler and the anti-Semites are the hunters. Behind it all is a loving, faithful Jehovah who remembers His promises to the patriarches, and who longs to draw Israel back to a place of blessing in His divine plan.

PRACTICAL CHRISTIANITY

Attendance at a London City Mission hall has increased as a result of a kind act, reports Elim Evangel. Over a year ago German bombs reduced a shop near the hall to rubble. The proprietor, his wife, and his father were found among the ruins by the mission superintendent. He immediately invited them to take shelter in the mission hall, and afterwards he offered the man a part of the building for business premises. The offer was gladly accepted. Out of admiration for this good deed the people of the district have attended the meetings in much larger numbers.

"THE MESSIAH FOR THE GERMANS"

"Do the Germans really think that Hitler is God? I truly think they do," wrote H. R. Knickerbocker in the Daily Express (London). He says he visited Dr. Carl J. Jung, the great Swiss psychiatrist, at Zurich in October, 1938. Dr. Jung gravely stated: "Yes, it seems that the German people are now convinced they have found their Messiah. Since the world war the Germans have awaited a Messiah, a Saviour... so they have their Hitler. If he is not their true Messiah his like one of the Old Testament prophets: his mission is to unite his people and lead them to the promised land. This explains why the Nazis have to combat every other form of religion besides their own idolatrous brand."

An English minister says that in 1936 he had to wait for a train at a Berlin station, while en route to Poland, and he picked up a booklet on the bookstall entitled, "From Positive Christianity to the German Faith Movement." The author gave a brief outline of his conversion, his love for the Bible and prayer, and his work with his church. Then he stated that he had come to the conclusion that Jesus was the Messiah for the Jews, but Hitler is the Messiah for the Germans.

"For there shall arise false Christs, and false prophets, and shall show great signs and wonders; insomuch that, if it were possible, they shall deceive the very elect," warned Jesus. Matt. 24: 24. Thank God, the elect need not be deceived.

THE CHURCH AND STATE IN NORWAY

The Quisling Government has failed in its attempt to dominate the Church in Norway. According to Dawn, all the bishops and all but 39 of the 2,000 clergy and ministers have resigned all State connection, refusing the edict to train youth on Nazi principles. One of the few adherents to the Nazified Quisling Government, Pastor Feyling, was appointed Secretary of State to the Church and Education Ministry, but when he gave a farewell service before leaving for his new office it was to an empty church: his parishioners boycotted him.

Later word comes to the effect that the Church has openly revolted (St. Louis Globe-Democrat, July 27). Six leaders met secretly in Oslo a few days ago, constituted a provisional Church Council, and drew up a manifesto addressed to Norwegian churchmen proclaiming that no compromise peace with the regime is possible and that the Norwegian Church will continue its activities independently and, if necessary, against the Quisling regime. The manifesto was read publicly from all pulpits. "We are fighting for the right to work freely without illegal interference from the State to create a free church," it said.

The brave stand of the Norwegian clergy in the face of repeated threatenings and persecutions has brought a welding together of the Scandinavian peoples. Scandinavian peoples. A bishop preaching in Stockholm, Sweden, said: "In Norway an unparalleled struggle is being waged against aggression and commands our admiration. The great war has many fronts, and among them the spiritual front in Norway is not the least important." The Bishop of Copenhagen, Denmark, said: "The people of Norway inspire our profound love and heartfelt intercession," adding that the unity between the Scandinavian churches is unbroken and stronger than before. Archbishop Kaila of Finland has not disguised his admiration for the Norwegian church leader, Bishop Berggrav.

SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

Jeremiah's Call

Lesson for August 23. Lesson Text: Jeremiah 1.

There are many uncrowned heroes in the Old Testament and among the foremost we might well place Jeremiah. Jeremiah's life was strikingly Christlike in its loneliness, its holiness, its suffering at the hands of the very people he lived to serve. As Campbell Morgan says: "No prophet of the long and illustrious line had a more thankless task than he, and none was more magnificently and heroically true to his sacred ministry."

I. JEREMIAH'S CALL.

1. When he was called. "Before I formed thee in the belly I knew thee; and before thou camest forth out of the womb I sanctified thee, and I

ordained thee a prophet unto the nations." How wonderful! God had a specific plan for Jeremiah's life before he was born. Predestination? Yes! We need not be afraid of the word! This does not take away from human responsibility and free moral agency. God knows the end from the beginning and plans accordingly. "For whom He did foreknow, He also did predestinate to be conformed to the image of His son . . . whom He did predestinate, them He also called." Rom. 8:29, 30.

While specific details of God's plan are not revealed to us all at once, the general purpose of God for us all is clear-"According as He hath chosen us in Him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and without blame before Him in love." Eph. 1:4. "For we are His workmanship created in Christ Jesus unto good works which God hath before ordained that we should walk in them." Eph. 2:10. Chosen in Him! "His workmanship!" "Created in Christ Jesus!" Chosen to be made like Him, to be presented to Him, holy and blameless! What a glorious plan! What an indescribably blessed destiny! Are we giving one hundred per cent co-operation to God as He seeks to fulfill His plan?

2. Why he was called. Was it because he was especially talented? No. God calls no man because of anything in man. He calls because of something

in Himself! He has "called us with a holy calling, not according to our works, but according to His own purpose and grace, which was given us in Christ Jesus before the world began." 2 Tim. 1:9. Salvation from start to finish is "all of grace." "Ye have not chosen Me, but I have chosen you, and ordained you, that ye should go and bring forth fruit, and that your fruit should remain." John 15:16. Thus, God has arranged things so that no flesh may glory in His presence. In simplicity, humility, and gratitude, let us obey God's call in order that He may be glorified!

II. JEREMIAH'S CHARACTER.

"Then said I, Ah, Lord God! behold, I cannot speak: for I am a child." The call of Jeremiah was remarkable in that he seemed by nature and temperament to be wholly unfitted for it. As one reads the book he wrote one cannot help seeing that his was a sensitive soul; that he was very sympathetic, shrinking, retiring, and loving. For him to stand before a hostile, sinful nation and proclaim a message of judgment such as God intended him to proclaim, required him to utterly sacrifice all his natural feelings and to do something totally contrary to his nature. It would have been far easier for one of his make-

up to pray for Israel, to simply weep in secret over their sins; but God called this gentle soul to be a messenger of fearful judgment to come. Let us briefly note two other characteristics of this young prophet.

1. He was youthful. "I am a child." That is, Jeremiah was but a young man, and as such, felt unqualified to assume the responsibility of such a ministry as God intended. God does not limit His blessings and ministries to those who are of more mature age. Consecrated youth can do a great deal for God. "Let no man despise thy youth," said Paul to Timothy. "Be thou an example of the believers, in word, in conversation, etc." A Spirit-filled young man can so live that no older person can look down upon him because of his youth. Humble, consecrated youth

Then the Lord put forth his hand, and touched my mouth. And the Lord said unto me, Behold, I have put my words in thy mouth.

Jeremiah 1:9

can accomplish more for God than "wise," complacent maturity!

2. He was conscious of human weakness. "I cannot speak." To be conscious of human weakness is a blessing not a curse! It is the self-confident individual who cannot be used of God! Jeremiah was not to prevail in his own strength, but in the power of Jehovah! Are we conscious of weakness? Let us not try to excuse ourself from service thereby. Rather, let us recognize that God's strength is made perfect in weakness. We can do all things through Christ who strengtheneth us. 2 Cor. 12:9; Phil. 4:13.

3. He was fearful. "Be not afraid of their faces." God anticipated Jeremiah's unspoken fears. The young man was self-conscious, troubled with stage fright. And many of us know the sufferings of said afflictions, the palpitation of heart, the weakness of the knees, the dryness of the throat! "The fear of man bringeth a snare," the Scripture tells us. We know how true it is! How shall we overcome these things?

III. JEREMIAH'S ASSURANCE.

1. Consciousness of a divine call. "Say not, I am a child: for thou shalt go to all that I shall send thee." One of the greatest sources of

strength in the life of men and women who have done things for God has been the conviction and assurance that God has called them and will therefore enable them to accomplish that which He has planned. Whether we are preaching, teaching on the mission field, teaching a Sunday School class, or working in the kitchen, if we are where we feel God wants us to be, then all is well; we need have no fear. For—"we know that all things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are the called according to His purpose." Rom. 8:28.

2. Consciousness of the divine Presence. Why not be afraid of the face of man? Because—"I am with thee to deliver thee, saith the Lord." God-consciousness will cure self-consciousness. And counting on His presence will help one to overcome all fear. God will not always completely remove the fear; (2 Cor. 7:5) but He will give us the strength to "launch out into the deep," to proceed with the appointed task, in spite of the fear. We may approach our work, be it small or great, in fear and trembling; but as we trust in God, and take the first step—God steps in to

meet us and we find that in the power of the Spirit we are able to accomplish more than we ever dreamed of! 2 Tim. 1:6.

3. Consciousness of divine inspiration. "Then the Lord put forth His hand, and touched my mouth. And the Lord said . . . I have put My words in thy mouth." God gave Jeremiah an anointing, gave him a message from Himself. Here is another reason for fearlessness. When our message is really from God we speak with authority and need not apologize for it. If what we have to say is not from God, we had better keep still. Too many of us are like Ahimaaz, the messenger who had no complete message. 2 Sam. 18:19-32. We are in too big a hurry. We are full of words. We need to take time to wait on God until He can speak to us. Then our words will not fall to the ground. See 1 Sam. 3:19.

IV. JEREMIAH'S COMMISSION.

"See, I have this day set thee over the nations, and over the kingdoms, to root out, and to pull down, and to destroy, and to throw down, to build, and to plant." Concerning Jeremiah's ministry, observe—(1) It was world-wide. Jeremiah's preaching extended not only to his own people, but at his word the mightiest nations of the world rose and fell. (2) It was destructive. His preaching was calculated to root

out, pull down, etc. This does not apply to natural things such as buildings, etc. Sin was to be rooted out. False ideals were to be pulled down. Preaching must at times be negative. Before that which is spiritual can be built, that which is sinful, natural, earthly, must be pulled down. (3) It was constructive. Jeremiah's preaching was calculated to do more than to expose sin; it was to show Israel the way to repentance and spiritual restoration. Effective preaching must be balanced. Some preachers and teachers are lopsided. They continually tear down but fail to lift up. Preachers and teachers will do well to analyze their own ministry. Am I too negative? too destructive? Am I too legalistic? Or am I preaching "too much honey"? Let us keep to the middle of the road.

V. JEREMIAH'S ENCOURAGEMENT.

Read verses 17-19. Whether preacher or layman, these words encourage us to be earnest, bold, and fearless! Opposition is bound to come. Satan will oppose. "But in all these things we are more than conquerors through him that loved us!"—J. Bashford Bishop.

Have you seen the special offer of colored tracts on page sixteen? Turn to it now.

Approved Books

A number of new books have been sent to us for review. We are mentioning some that we recognize as thoroughly sound. However, it does not always follow that we unqualifiedly endorse every statement of every author.

Any book reviewed can be secured from the Gospel Publishing House, Springfield, Missouri.

DARE TO DECIDE-by Ralph W. Neighbor. Cloth bound, 135 pp., \$1.00, Zondervan Pub-

lishing House.

This volume contains nineteen "red hot," logical, sound, Scriptural, and convincing evangelistic sermons. The spicy manner in which Brother Neighbor phrases his thoughts enlivens the sermons and adds emphasis to his points. A few of the chapter titles read: Billions of Biographies, A Time of Wailing, Sailing Time, God's Answer to the Skeptic, An Israelite-Indeed! A Surprised Undertaker, A Thief in Heaven. The author is Associate Director of the LeTourneau Evangelistic Center, New York City. Every soul winner should own and read this book.

GLORY TODAY FOR CONQUEST TOMOR-ROW-by Robert G. Lee. Cloth bound, 158 pp., \$1.00, Zondervan Publishing House.

Both young and old will benefit spiritually by reading the seven sermons contained in this book. Dr. Lee's unusual style and well-chosen illustrations will be a delight and inspiration. Note these attractive chapter titles: Glory Today for Conquest Tomorrow, Sin, The Influence of a Christian Home, The Bigness of Barnabas, Christ the Door to Salvation and Liberty, College Students Conquering With Christ, and Fading Words. This book is thoroughly fundamental. Dr. Lee is one of the most inspiring preachers of today.

SIMPLE TALKS ON THE TABERNACLEby D. H. Dolman. Cloth bound, 228 pp., \$1.50, Zondervan Publishing House.

Dr. Dolman has interestingly taken each part of the Tabernacle separately and linked it with New Testament teaching and Christian experience. Throughout all of this exceedingly valuable material he has emphasized the redeeming work of Christ, the promised Messiah. He has included a wealth of helpful illustrations to drive home his points and in it has incorporated a strong appeal to the unconverted.

CHARLES G. FINNEY, HE PRAYED DOWN REVIVALS-by Basil Miller. Cloth bound, 137 pp., \$1.00, Zondervan Publishing House.

What a burning passion for souls Charles G. Finney had! Time and time again this man of God literally agonized with God until the victory came and God richly blessed and saved many precious souls-by the thousands. It was Finney who sired the evangelistic movement in America which has continued until the present day and will continue if we will follow Finney's

STUDD, FAMOUS ATHLETE AND PIONEER-by Norman Grubb. Cloth bound, 238 pp., \$1.50, Zondervan Publishing

This book is the epic story of "C. T.," one of England's best all-round athletes, who renounced wealth and position to answer the call of the Master to preach the "unsearchable riches of Christ," first of all in China, then India, and finally in Africa. His was a life of hardship, danger, self-denial, and endurance which will be an inspiration to every reader. Over 75,000 copies have been sold-a silent testimony of the book's value.

CHALK-TALK SERMONETTES-by L James Kindig. Cloth bound, 64 pages, \$1.00, Meigs Publishing Company.

Although this book is not new it should be in the library of every worker with children. The best part of this book is that anyone, experienced or unexperienced, with a little practice, can give interesting chalk-talks with a spiritual lesson included. Liven up your children's services with chalk-talks.

CENTENARY TRANSLATION OF THE NEW TESTAMENT—by Helen Barrett Montgomery. Cloth bound, 724 pages, \$1.00; leather, \$2.50. American Baptist Publication

This is an excellent translation of the New Testament in modern English by one who has been a life-long student of New Testament Greek. P. C. Nelson, President of the Southwestern Bible Institute, has read this volume and says of it: "The translator of this Centenary Version has given us a rendering in modern English much easier to understand because she departs from the Greek idioms and gives us the same truths in our own idioms. She has shown a remarkable insight into the actual meaning and force of the original Greek and elucidated for us many obscure texts and solved many hard problems."

REAL ISRAEL AND ANGLO-ISRAELISMby George Leon Rose. Paper bound, \$1.00; cloth bound, \$1.50; 185 pages. Published by

The unscriptural teaching, known as Anglo-Israelism, affirming that the inhabitants of the British Isles and America are descendants of the Ten Tribes carried into captivity by the Assyrians, is rapidly gaining converts. This theory is refuted by Brother Rose's book. Our General Superintendent, Ernest S. Williams, says that this book "is a scholarly handling of the British-Israel subject worth reading by all who wish to be informed concerning this teaching. Some may think that the Church of the New Testament has been woven in as the 'Israel of God' rather than shown forth as a 'New Testament mystery' distinct from Israel. What the author wishes to show is that only through grace and the redemption which is in Christ Jesus is there hope for any, be they Gentiles or Jews, and that those who accept Christ are 'blessed with faithful Abraham' the 'father of the faithful.' The author (one of our own ministers) shows that there will be a restoration of Israel, but this restoration will come through their acceptance of our Lord Jesus Christ, and is not to be found through national birth, be that birth within the British Isles or elsewhere.'

A COMMUNIST'S STORY

A disciple of Karl Marx, steeped in the tenets of the Third Internationale, as an official of the British communist party became a popular speaker, and eventually president of Scottish Workers' Party. He served a 15 months' prison sentence for sedition, after which he became a teacher in the Communist Sunday schools, where children from five to fourteen years of age were taught that there was no God, and that all religions were dope.

Here follows the narrative in his own words: "One day I attended the funeral of a young woman, and heard the hymn 'Safe in the Arms of Jesus.' At that moment God spoke to me. My cold, logical mind melted in the stream of His love. My conversion cannot be explained in terms of psychology; it was a mental revolution, and with it came an overwhelming impulse to tell others to enter into His service.

"After a year or so of evangelistic work, I was appointed missionary to the men employed on a 16-mile tunnel enterprise; no light task, for at the peak of the operations I had 2,600 men to minister to, twelve camps over an area of twentysix miles to visit, sick men to call upon and advise, accidents—many of them fatal—to hurry to, helping the doctor in the blackness of the tunnel, sometimes over our knees in water, but the spiritual response made it worth-while. remember a service I held, 1,800 feet above sealevel, at which seven nationalities were represented -Scots, English, Irish, Welsh, a Frenchman, a German, and a Greek, all bound together in a common bond of love through Jesus Christ."

Lord's Healing

HEALED OF MANY AFFLICTIONS

In 1911 I got overheated and everything went black for some time. It seemed as if my heart were running away. From then on I had nervous spells so bad it seemed at times I could not live, as I would nearly smother to death. We had different doctors but the spells continued. Finally I got so bad I could not stay up. I was in bed two months, the doctor in constant attendance.

I was taken to the hospital in Memphis where I underwent a serious operation. I had diabetes and high blood pressure with the nervous spells. I was a church member and supposed I was a Christian. I taught a class in Sunday School when I was able. I was sent home from the hospital, but the spells continued to torment me.

Finally in 1928 a revival was held in our little town. I was converted and then prayed for with the anointing with oil. The Lord healed my afflicted body. The heart trouble, diabetes, high blood pressure and the nervous spells were healed. They have never bothered me any more. I have been sick at times with malaria, earache, toothache and "flu," but in every case the Lord healed me. I am healed now .- Mrs. C. M. Burleson, Route 1, Burleson, Tennessee.

Ed. note-After holding this testimony sometime we wrote Mrs. Burleson and in April, 1942 she assured us the healing still holds, and she sent us a statement signed by Mrs. Kate Williams, Munford, Tennessee and Mrs. C. H. Gillihan, 704 Breedlove Street, Memphis, Tennessee, in which they say they know Mrs. Burleson's testimony is true.

HEALED OF FALLEN ARCHES

I was a great sufferer from spinal trouble, and I suffered from fallen arches so severely that I could not walk across the floor without my specially constructed shoes on. I was a sinner without hope of either healing or heaven.

One night a magazine was handed to me and the first thing I saw was a verse from the Bible: "My God hath sent His angel, and hath shut the lions' mouth, that they have not hurt me: forasmuch as before Him innocency was found in me; and also before thee, O king, have I done no hurt."

This opened my heart and my eyes. I realized I was living in the darkness of sin, and I cried out to God with all my heart. God gave me a vision. I saw in my vision a man in a white robe opening the door of my house. He called me outside. I asked, "Who are you?" He replied, "I am Jesus Christ the Son of the living God. I have come to open the door for you as I promised your father.

I fell on my face to the ground and cried out again: "O my God, be merciful to me a sinner. Forgive me, Jesus.' He said, "Don't cry, my child. All will be well from now on. Come out

of all evil, and do good."

He reached out His hand and touched my chest, and I received healing of my spine and my feet, and I became a new creature in Christ Jesus. I no longer have a worldly desire.-Charle V. Favale, 1907 Montrose Street, Los Angeles, California.

Ed. note-After holding this testimony some time, as our custom is we wrote Brother Favale and he replied that he is still all right, and he enclosed a letter from Evangelist Frank S. Verdone, 686 5th Street, San Bernardino, California, in which he says he knew Brother Favale before he was healed when he had to wear double steel arch supports, and suffered with a spinal trouble. He is all right now. Never has worn his arch supports since he was healed, and he walks miles every day giving out tracts to the

HEALED OF TUBERCULOSIS AND GANGRENE OF THE RIGHT LUNG

On September 17th, 1927, I went to St. Joseph's Hospital to have my tonsils removed; I had a slight cold at the time. After the tonsils were removed, I showed no improved condition and on the fourth day, four blood vessels broke in my neck. I lost nearly five quarts of blood before it could be stopped, and then I took a violent coughing spell and had a hemorrhage of the right lung. An X ray was taken later which showed a hole two inches or more in the right lung. Each day I was getting weaker and losing weight and from my lung came a strong odor which made it impossible to hold anything on my stomach. Many times after eating I would vomit it all up again. People entering my room could detect the strong odor of my bad lung.

We changed doctors three times and each one said that I could not get better. I lay in bed in a propped-up position for nearly two months and could not lie on either my right or left side as the poison from the lung would empty out and the fumes would nearly choke me.

By this time I was really a shadow of my former self, weighing only a little over one hundred pounds. Then one day a worker from the Pentecostal Tabernacle came to see me (thank God), and she told me how the Lord Jesus Christ would save and heal me, if I had faith and believed He would. She came several times and left a Bible and some tracts for me to read. After reading, I told her that I believed the Lord would heal me, because He healed others, and He is no respecter of persons.

After requesting prayer, R. E. McAlister, Miss Sims, and others, came to the hospital and anointed me with oil and prayed, according to James, chapter 5:14. This was in the afternoon, in the early part of November. That evening my temperature went to normal. In three days time I was out of bed for a while, increasing the time each day, I rapidly grew in strength and weight and in less than one month went home.

After my coming home, the City Health officer came and stated that I would have to go to Victoria Hospital three times a week for a few weeks to be under observation, for the benefit of my folks at home. During one of these examinations I told the doctor how I had a hemorrhage of the right lung and the Lord Jesus

After the first examination he denied that I had ever had a hole in the lung. I told him to go to St. Joseph's Hospital and look at the X ray, which he did. The next trip to the hospital the doctor said that I had a hemorrhage of the lung all right, but he said, "There is no hole in the lung now. If this be true that you say, then the only thing I know is that the old lung passed away and a new one has been inserted in its place, something that has never been known in medical

God made us and it is only reasonable to believe that He can heal us from all our diseases and troubles. Hallelujah!

From deathbed to perfect health! And now at the present time, weighing two hundred and forty pounds! Bless God for ever! Fourteen years have passed and I am as whole as the day the Lord Jesus healed me. I thank God with all my heart for saving me, healing me, and filling me with His Holy Spirit; also calling me to preach the Gospel. For several years I served the Lord

as a personal worker and deacon in the London Assembly with Bro. R. E. McAlister. Later the way was opened up for a full time ministry and the Lord has enabled me in my ministry to see the signs following. I have seen people healed of tuberculosis, insanity, heart trouble, and a number of diseases, by the power of God. Our sufficiency is in Him. He is the same, yesterday, today and forever.

> Pastor James W. Beam, Trenton, Ontario.

LIQUOR AND THE LAW

"Official Washington has put liquor on a pedestal," says John L. Hill. "Yesterday liquor was tolerated by the law; now it is privileged by the law."

Our lawmakers ought to read an Old State House Address by Abraham Lincoln, given at Springfield, Ill. in 1854. An excerpt from that address, quoted in National Prohibitionist, is as follows:

"Law is for the protection, conservation and extension of right things, of right conduct, not for the protection of evil and wrongdoing. The state must in its legislative action recognize this truth and protect and promote right conditions and right conduct. That it will accomplish, not by any toleration of evils, nor by attempting to throw around any evil the shield of law; nor by any attempt to license the evil. This is the first and most important function in the legislation of the modern state. The prohibition of the liquor traffic, except for medical and mechanical purposes, thus becomes the new evangel for the safety and redemption of the people from the social, political and moral curse of the saloon."

REPORTS from the REAPERS indeed happy in His service. Council brethren when passing, come in. You are welcome.—G. W. and Mrs. Morgan, Pastors, Box 346, Louise, Texas.

ALLEENE, ARK .- We have just closed successful 3-weeks revival with Opal Smith of Route 3, Russellville, Ark. Thirteen were saved, and the church was built up. Sister Smith also taught Vacation Bible School. It was a real blessing to the church here.—A. C. Rye, Pastor.

MILWAUKEE, WIS.—We have just closed a 4-weeks revival with the Victory Gospel Trio, at the Mount Vernon Gospel Church. These three young men preached, played and sang the gospel with the old-time Pentecostal power. The Lord saved and reclaimed many souls, and the young people received a new touch from God.—Frank Achtor, Pastor.

SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS-In the revival closed last night at the Los Angeles Heights Assembly of God, several made new consecrations, others were saved, backsliders came back to God, and believers were baptized with the Holy Ghost. Five folcame back to God, and believers were baptized with the Holy Ghost. Five followed the Lord in water baptism. Our church, which is only a little over a year old, was wonderfully helped. God's power was manifested in a marvelous way. J. L. McKinley was the evangelist.—C. H. Owen, Pastor.

FT. DODGE, IOWA-We have just closed a 3-weeks meeting with Lela Hay-cock as evangelist, assisted by Leona ed a 3-weeks meeting with Lela Haycock as evangelist, assisted by Leona
McKinzie. Thirteen received the Baptism
according to Acts 2:4, and one was saved.
Six were filled in two nights, three each
night. One man nearly seventy years old
received his Pentecost and then began to
witness to those on the outside. Sister
Haycock preaches the Pentecostal message under the anointing and without compromise. We thank God for this meeting. promise. We thank God for this meeting and for his ministry.—C. A. Nicholson, Pastor, 1225 Third Ave. S.

(Near) LAMAR, ARK.-We are praising God for the revival just closed, Clyde Daniel of London, Ark., Evangelist. The Lord blessed in a great way and much lasting good was accomplished. Every department of the church was built up.

We do thank God for the uncompromising way in which Brother Daniel brought to us the message of the hour. Seventeen were saved, 15 were baptized in water, and 25 joined the church. We have 25 joined the church. We have 43 new members in the Sunday School. We organized a Junior C. A. class and 52 came into the class. Our C. A. class has an average attendance of 50 each Sunday night. The evangelist has left but we are still having wonderful services. Cod is night. The evangenst has zert but we asstill having wonderful services. God is speaking to us in tongues and interpretation. The revival fires are still burning. A man, 61 years old, and his wife, who is 60 years old, came to the parsonage prayer and God wonderfully saved th prayer and God wonderfully saved them. Our Sunday School broke the record, the attendance going from 88 to 111.—Connie Vann, Pastor.

GANADO and LOUISE, TEXAS-On GANADO and LOUISE, TEXAS—On September 1, 1939, my wife and I came to Ganado to establish a new work for the Lord. At first there were only two members, and we had very limited financial support. But the Lord was wonderful; we took Him at His word, and praise His name, He never fails! We rented a church building which had been vacant for a number of years, and the Section assisted us in securing some material for seats. We paid rent for twenty months, and then the work having grown sufficiently, we We paid rent for twenty months, and then, the work having grown sufficiently, we purchased the property for \$750.00. At the end of 2½ years the property was paid for with the exception of \$250.00. The church was set in order on December 8, 1941, and a very creditable working membership and Sunday School are moving on for the Lord. for the Lord.

We resigned the pastorate at Ganado on May 31, 1942, and moved at once to Louise, Texas, where we feel that the Lord has very definitely called us to begin a new work. July 3, after having been here just four weeks, we closed the deal for a church building and parsonage property. The same consists of two large lots, and a large store building which I can easily convert into a house of worship. It is located on the main street just half block from the highway, and is a perfectly ideal location for a new work. The Lord is moving in a wonderful way, and we are

Coming Meetings

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

TOO LATE FOR CLASSIFICATION

SULPHUR SPRINGS (near Palestine), TEXAS—Aug. 11—; Thomas G. Skoog Evangelistic Party.—T. S. Scott, Pastor.

LAWSON, MO.—Fellowship Meeting, Aug. 17. Services 10:30, 2:00, C. A. meet-ing 7:00, evangelistic 8:00. Basket lunch at noon.—Bennie Clevenger, Pastor, Route 1, Excelsior Springs, Mo.

TOPEKA, KANSAS—610 Lime St., Aug. 13—; Doreen E. Justus, Huntington, Ark., Evangelist.—Claude J. Utley, Pastor.

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LAKEHURST, N. J.—Full Gospel Tabernacle, corner of Brown's Ave.; revival in progress; Leroy K. Dodge, Williamson, N. Y., Evangelist. Neighboring assemblies invited to co-operate.—Helen Moore, Acting Pastor.

CHAMBERSBURG, PA.—C. A. Rally, Capital Section, 3rd and Washington Sts., Sept. 7. Speakers! James Van Meter. 2:00; Wesley Steelberg, 7:00. This may be the final sectional C. A. Rally for the duration. Plan now to attend. Save gas and bring a car full.—Albert D. Skymer, Sectional Vice President, 471 S. Pershing Ave., York, Pa.

ASBURY PARK, N. J.—Aug. 16—Sept. 4; Evangelist and Mrs. William Kautz of Pennsylvania. Neighboring assemblies invited to co-operate.—Edward Schlossmacher, Pastor.

PADUCAH, KY.—28th and Tenne Sts., Aug. 16—; Thomas G. Skoog, E gelist.—Leonard G. Cranor, Pastor.

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EXCELSIOR, MO.—Old-fashioned Brush
Arbor Revival, Aug. 9, for 3 weeks or
longer; Evangelist and Mrs. Franklyn
Murray, Dallas, Texas. Neighboring assemblies invited to co-operate by prayer
and attendance.—E. W. Fagerstrom, Pastor

COMMERCE, OKLA.—Aug. 27—Sept. 13; J. D. Mahaffey of Ada, Evangelist. C. J. Brown is pastor.—By Evangelist. ST. ELMO, III.—Tent Meeting, Aug. 9—; Dorothea Voelker and Mary Crowder, Evangelists.—W. V. Drake, Pastor.

NEVADA, MO.—210 S. Lynn St., revival in progress; Myrtle Daniel, Evangelist.— Harry Rogers, Pastor.

SEDAN, KANSAS—August 16—; Charlotte Rodgers of Topeka, Evangelist.—Claud L. Myers, Pastor.

BYESVILLE, OHIO—20th Anniversary and Home Coming, Full Gospel Tabernacle, Sept. 7. Three services. Basket dinner in basement of church. All former pastors and Christian workers or any who have gone out from this church and are now located in other cities are urged to "come home" for this day. Special speakers at each service.—Mr. and Mrs. Tice Snider, Pastors.

NOTICE—If those having friends or loved ones coming to Miner Field Air Port, will give me their names and addresses, I will try to help them.—I. W. Stovall, Pastor, South Side Assembly of God, 930 L St., Bakersfield, Calif. Home address, 1320 Chester Place.

NOTICE—We have resigned our pastorate at Brockton, Mass., to take up the pastoral duties at the Westbrook Pentecostal Church, 40 Rochester St., Westbrook, Me. We extend a hearty invitation to defense workers or service men located in the Portland area to attend our services. If you have friends or relatives residing in this section, we shall be glad to contact them if you will give us their address.—Pastor and Mrs. Irving Mitchell 88 Capisic St., Portland, Me.

88 Capisic St., Fortland, Me.

NOTICE—If you have relatives or friends in the armed forces stationed at Atlantic City, N. I., please inform them that a warm welcome awaits them at Grace Pentecostal Church 205 Atlantic Ave., two blocks from the Boardwalk. Tune in on "The Tidings of Jov" program Sundays 12:45—1:15 p. m. Station WFPG, Steel Pier.—Wm. F. Voodre, Pastor.

OPEN FOR CALLS Evangelistic

W. J. Bateman, 2344 N. 61st St., Omaha, Nebr.—"Am resigning as pastor of the Benson Gospel Tabernacle in Omaha, and olan to enter evangelistic field Sept. 1 In fellowship with General Council."

MURPHYSBORO, ILL.—July 26—: Olive urns, Evangelist.—J. A. Roberts, Pastor.

OKMULGEE, OKLA.—July 29, for 3 weeks or longer; Arthur S. Arnold, Evangelist.—Glenn E. Millard, Pastor.

SANTA ROSA, CALIF.—Gospel Tabernacle, Aug. 2—16; Fox Evangelistic Party from Canada.—M. P. Bohnet, Pastor.

Iron Canada—M. P. Bohnet, Pastor.
LONG BEACH, CALIF.—439 W. Anaheim
St., Aug. 2—; Hans Bretschneider, Chicago,
Ill., Evangelist.—E. W. Mircey, Pastor.
MINNEAPOLIS, MINN.—Fremont at
2th Ave. N., Aug. 20—Sept. 13; Peter
Jepsen, Seattle, Wash., Evangelist.—Russell
H. Olson, Pastor.

BIG SPRING, TEXAS—W. 4th and Lancaster Sts., Aug. 2-20; J. Paul Bruton, Springfield, Mo., Evangelist.—Homer M. Sheats, Pastor.

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DYERSBURG, TENN.—Tent Revival, Assembly of God, E. Court St. and Broadway, Aug. 16—30; Evangelist and Mrs. Wm. A. Kirschke.—C. N. Rice, Pastor.

PORTLAND, ORE—S. E. 12th and Traylor Sts., Aug. 25—Sept. 13; Mr. and Mrs. Vernon M. Murray, Texas Singing Evangelists.—C. W. Ahalt, Pastor.

TAHOKA, TEXAS—Tent Revival, 3 blocks cast of Bank in O'Donnell, Aug. 3—19; Evangelist and Mrs. J. C. McClesky.—Mrs. Clara Newton, Pastor.

SPOKANE, WASH.—Tent Meeting, Division St. and 5th Ave.; Aug. 2, for 3 weeks; Raymond T. Richey, Evangelist. W. H. Boyles is pastor.—By Evangelist. ST. LOUIS, Mo.—1746 Mississippi Ave., Aug. 2—; Hattie Coffee, Okmulgee, Okla., Evangelist.—F. E. Heady, Pastor, Route 2, Box 22.

CHICAGO, ILL.—Tent Meetings in pro-

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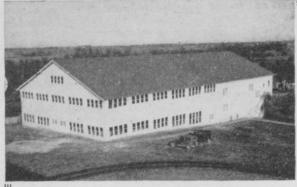
CHICAGO, ILL.—Tent Meetings in progress until Aug. 30, at 2842 N. Fullerton Ave., sponsored by Calvary Tabernacle and Ebenezer Pentecostal Church. Co-operation of near-by assemblies appreciated.—J. Robert Ashcroft and A. A. Anderson, Pastore

tors.

INDIANA BIBLE CONVENTIONS
Two-day Bible Conventions will be conducted by District Superintendent G. F.
Lewis, as follows: Gary Section, Full Gospel Tabernacle, Gary, Aug. 13—14; LaFayette Section, Terre Haute, Aug. 18—
19; Muncie Section, Newcastle, Aug. 20—
21; Bloomington, Newcastle, Aug. 20—
21; Bloomington, Open Section, Bloomington, Aug. 25—26.—E. E. Bond, District Secretary,
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tary.

GALESBURG, ILL.—Victorious Faith Convention, Calvary Pentecostal Church, 266 East South St., Sept. 7. Services: 2:30, C. A. meeting at 6:00; and 7:30. Young people requested to bring instruments. Pastor C. E. Roberts of Quincy, afternoon and evening speaker. Mr. Roberts will continue meetings, evenings, Sept. 7—13; Pastor A. N. Trotter of East St. Louis, special speaker, Sept. 14—20. Supper served Labor Day by local church. All assemblies welcome. Bring your own sugar.—James Clark, Pastor.



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Due to the war, the District Officiary has
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Tennessee District Council and worship
at Assembly of God, E. Court St. and
Broadway, Dyersburg, Tenn., Aug. 25—27.
General Superintendent E. S. Williams,

special speaker. All applicants for ordination are expected to meet the Presbyter Board Aug. 24, at 7:00 p. m., at the Assembly of God. Beds free as far as possible. Meals on free-will offering plan. For further information write the host pastor, C. N. Rice, Hillcrest and Parkview, Dyersburg, Tenn.—J. B. McIntosh, Secretary-Treasurer.

CAMP MEETINGS

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STORM LAKE, IOWA—West Central District Camp Meeting, Aug. 11—23. Dr. Chas. S. Price, speaker. For information write Roy E. Scott, District Superintendent, 1421 E. 12th St., Trenton, Mo.

SIDNEY, N. Y.—Central New York Camp Meeting, Sidney Institute Grove, Aug. 14—30. Speakers: Wilfred A. Brown and Allan A. Swift. For information write Robert T. McGlasson, 28 Vincent St., Carthage, N. Y.

BELEN, N. MEX.—Northwest Sectional Camp Meeting, Aug. 21—30. Guy Shields, special speaker. For information write District Superintendent H. M. Fulfer, 709 N. 12th St., Albuquerque, N. Mex., or Earl G. Vanzant, Pastor.—By Pastor.

SPRINGFIELD, MO.—Interstate Camp Meeting, campus of Central Bible Institute, August 20—30. Special speaker: T. J. Jones and Watson Argue, Einar Waermo, special soloist. For information and reservations write Central Bible Institute, Springfield, Mo.

BI-SECTIONAL CAMP MEETING

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ARIZONA STATE CAMP MEETING The Fourth Arizona State Camp Meeting will be held at the Arizona Church Conference Grounds, Prescott, Arizona, August 18—25. William Burton McCafferty, Bible teacher. Ben Hardin, Superintendent of the Southern California District Council, will be with us during part of the Camp. Other brethren will also be ministering. Bring only blankets, pillows, etc. For further information write C. O. Green, Secretary-Treasurer, 127 S. Cherry Ave., Tucson, or N. D. Davidson, District Superintendent, 1225 E. Fillmore St., Phoenix, Ariz.

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

IRVINGTON, ALA.—Fifth Sunday Fellowship Meeting, Aug. 30. All-day services; dinner on grounds. All neighboring assemblies invited to come and fellowship with us that day.—D. G. Hutto, Pastor.

MISCELLANEOUS NOTICES

WANTED—Back numbers of Pentecostal Evangel for free distribution among the gospel hungry.—J. Christa Awtry, Pastor-Evangelist, 2222 Norwich St., Brunswick, Ga.

NEW ADDRESS—4441 Eaton Ave., Kansas City, Kansas. "After spending 3½ years as pastor of the church at Slater, Mo., we are re-entering evangelistic work." —Chas. A. and Mrs. Parker.

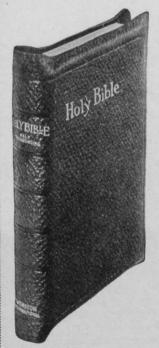
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Joplin First Assembly of God	56.54
Kansas City Full Gospel Tab	59.69
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Kirkwood Assembly of God	30.00
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