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Prayer and the Ministry of the Word

WILL give ourselves continually to prayer," said the Lord's Apostles in the earliest days of the Church, "and the ministry of the Word." Acts 6:4. Prayer first, as the preliminary work, and then the ministry of the Word of God. No mention was made of sermons or addresses about the Word: the gospel was to be propagated by the ministry of the Word itself—the Word of God, committed to them to minister to the people. What a solemn thing that is! God has committed His Word to men to

minister, to handle as a steward handles his master's property. Servants of God, are you ministering the Word like that? But it means that the Word must work in you first, for only as it works in the messenger will he be able to minister it to others.

How does the Word of God work in a believer? In Hebrews 12 we read that it works in us for the dividing between soul and spirit, penetrating to the inmost being and "discerning the thoughts and intents of the heart"-"discerning the mental conceptions" (Fausset). So it is evident that the work of the Word of God in you is, to discern the mental concepts, the innermost hidden thoughts and motives of the soul, and divide them from the spirit, which is the place of the indwelling Spirit of God. The Holy Spirit works in the spirit to divide it from entangling mental concepts and preconceived ideas. Oh, how deeply we need to get away from "mental concepts" of this Book, if we are to minister the Word of Truth to others in purity!

You will find in 1 Thess. 2:4, that the Apostle Paul looked upon this ministry of the Word as a definite trust; "we were approved of God to be put in trust with the gospel," he says, and therefore, "we speak, not as pleasing men, but God"—God who, he writes to the Corinthians, "made us able ministers of the new covenant." Seeing therefore that he has received this ministry, he will not "handle the Word of God deceitfully,"

but by the "manifestation of the truth" his ministry will be commended to his hearers 2 Corinthians 3 and 4.

"Not handling the Word of God deceitfully!" How very easy it is to do that, without knowing it! There is a certain verse, for instance, which does not perfectly agree with my experience, so quite unconsciously it is turned round to suit that experience. Have you noticed that? There is that verse, "he that is begotten of God keepeth himself, and that wicked one toucheth him not." At

> the back of the mind we think: "keepeth himself"—that must mean that God keeps him. How unconsciously that can govern one's reading of the text! But you will find as you proceed that the Bible means exactly what it says: "he that is begotten of God keepeth himself." Certainly God keeps His children, but there is a sense in which you have to keep yourself, so that the wicked one does not touch you. "Keep yourselves from idols," writes John in the same letter. If you allow in your heart an idolatrous love for the things of the world, you will not be kept from going after them. If you fulfil conditions upon which evil spirits can make a medium of you, you are turning from God and opening the door to the enemy. Can you expect to be kept from the consequences? We need to have these mental concepts of what the Bible teaches stripped away, for they lead to handling the Word, not intention-(Continued on Page Seven)

YOU NEED THE CONNECTION



Further Impressions of Pentecost Thirty-Five Years Ago

WM. E. PICKTHORN

In THE Evangel of February 24 we made some extracts from The Upper Room, a Pentecostal paper published 35 years ago by the "Upper Room Mission" of Los Angeles, Calif. The pastors of this mission were Elmer K. Fisher and George B. Studd. Elmer Fisher, in many respects, was one of the most outstanding leaders in the early days of Pentecost, and George Studd always had a blessed ministry in the Word.

Elmer Fisher, who was the father of Mrs. Wesley Steelberg, has been for some years with the Lord; and news has just reached us of the homegoing of George Studd, who passed away in his sleep on February 13. George Studd was the brother of the famous pioneer missionary Charles Studd, and shared with his brother in his days at Cambridge University some of his honors as a great athlete. Like his brother Charlie, he gave away a fortune to the work of the Lord. Brother Studd celebrated his eighty-fifth birthday on October 20, last. It was the pleasure of the editor of the Evangel to be a guest at a dinner party arranged for this occasion.

The Upper Room tells of the spread of the flame which burned in Los Angeles.

The list of services at the Upper Room Mission indicates that the place was a "beehive" of activity, and shows why it was needful that E. K. Fisher and G. B. Studd should both be ministering there. The first issue of the paper contains this announcement: "Bible class and Sunday School 9:30 A. M. Regular services for worship, preaching, and testimony at 11 A. M., 3 P. M. and 7:30 P. M. WEEK DAYS—Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, Bible Study 11 A.M. to 1 P.M. Night meetings, 7:30. All-Day Meetings on the last Thursday of each month, when the ordinances are administered. On the previous day (Wednesday) we always have a baptismal service. In connection with the Mission there are two or three street meetings every night. In the Sunday morning Bible Class we are going through the Book of Acts."

The second issue of the paper adds a new announcement to those given above —"Monday nights our German people have a meeting in their own language." This wasn't enough. So eighteen months later in a report of God's blessing on the work for the preceding year, this para-

graph appeared: "We had no regular watch-night service on the last day of the old year, but instead, we had our first meeting for the Spanish-speaking people. For many months we have had in more or less regular attendance in the Upper Room Mission, a number of saved Mexican brothers and sisters, some of whom already have received Pentecost. So it has been in our minds to have a regular Spanish meeting once a week. Saturday was the only night on which we had no other service in the hall, so Saturday night it had to be; and on the night of December 31, 1910, we had the opening meeting." After that another announcement appeared on the list. It read: "Saturday night: Spanish meeting."

But these people did more than just come to the meeting house and soak up blessings for themselves. The teaching of the pastors forbade that. To the flock in Los Angeles Brother Studd said, "We are filled, filled to overflowing, not for our own enjoyment (though we do enjoy ourselves in God amazingly, and it is right and fitting so to do), but the purpose of the Pentecostal Baptism, is not to spend on ourselves, but to be spent for others. Our lives must be poured out as witnesses to Jesus Christ and His full gospel; we must be witnesses of His power to a worldly and unbelieving church and to lost men everywhere. Pentecost brings to us, as to the early disciples, the capacity and the power to suffer, to serve and to witness."

And this group practiced what they heard preached. A paragraph giving praise to God for the growth of the work at home said, "One of the most encouraging features in the work has been the marked blessings among our young people. God has not only saved many, but He has also made them into a band of real soul winners; and it is a joy to see how they reach out for, and bring to the feet of Jesus, other young people. Especially is this true in the little suburban town of Glendale where a blessed work is going on. Every Tuesday night our young people hold a street meeting there and afterwards invite the listeners to the home of Brother W. J. Sanford where a meeting is held. This cottage home is getting almost too small to hold the congregation that comes in. Over 70 were present last Tuesday and many of them are bright young people from the High School." A later report indicated that the work had grown until Brother Fisher, one of the pastors of the Upper Room Mission, went to Glendale to hold meetings in the Opera House there.

The saints of the Latter Rain outpouring were beginning to hear the call to "go." With street services, visitation of the sick and witnessing from house to house they obeyed the summons "into the highways and hedges." With the establishment of new churches they obeyed the injunction that their witnessing should be in their own Jerusalem, their Judea—and finally in the uttermost parts of the earth. In every issue of The Upper Room there was mention of new towns to which the Pentecostal message had gone.

Typical of the reports of the spread of God's work are these: "God has been greatly blessing Brother and Sister J. F. Berry as they have gone north in a camping wagon, witnessing in all the needy places they can reach by the way. They write (from Monson north of Bakersfield): 'God is giving such freedom and anointings that we feel we are surely in His order—of course we have trials, almost cursings, but God giveth the victory. Perhaps you heard about the blessed time we had at Bakersfield, also at Pixley. At the latter place we met oh, such hungry people.' From Rohnerville, Calif., where Sister Hagg had been ministering for 3 weeks, Brother S. A. Webster wrote: 'Thank God for what He is doing here in Humboldt County. The work here is just in its infancy; but He is willing to pour out the Holy Ghost upon all that will enter in with full assurance. Last night we opened fire in Fortuna a town of 1,200 inhabitants, and held a street meeting there for an hour.' Brother B. S. Moore and his wife were in Oakland, Calif., and wrote: 'We are preaching to hungry souls from various missions and churches." When this report was made the Moores were conducting a tent meeting at the corner of Broadway and 19th Street in Oakland. Subsequent reports showed the development of the work, its moving from place to place in rented halls, and finally to its location in its own building. The same is true of the other places mentioned. Works sprang up in them, and many were baptized with the

God called preachers from among the workers of the local churches. And so a paragraph appeared in *The Upper Room*: "Brother Hovey Foster, who has been so long with us in the Upper Room mission has now gone to Fresno. He reports a blessed day of victory and power there last Sunday and asks that we pray for him and for the work in Fresno."

Preachers were not the only ones who went forth to witness, as the following article under the date of December 1910 relates. "Two young men, Charles Nippa and Frank Owen, who have worshiped with us in the Upper Room Mission, heard the call of God three or four months ago to go eastward with the gospel. Ecclesiastical authorities, as with Peter and John of old, might truly have called them 'unlearned and ignorant men,' but they knew enough to obey God and He has richly blessed them in their obedience. Going by rail as far as their funds would permit, they came to Daggett, Calif., a small railroad town on the desert, where there is no church, but God opened for them the door of the schoolhouse, and gave them a small revival. Three men were converted, and a Sunday School started. From there, Brother Nippa, as they did not have enough money to pay railroad fare, decided to walk across the desert, ninety miles, to Needles, trusting God to supply his need as He did Israel's of old. At Needles Brother Owen joined him, and God gave them open doors among the church people, and confirmed His gospel through them with signs following. After being many weeks in Needles, they felt the call to go on east to Kingman, Arizona. Brother Nippa wrote of this move: 'This is Tuesday, and I expect to leave on Thursday; I don't know whether I shall have to walk or ride, but I know I am going to obey God. I have not had any money for two weeks, but I have had plenty to eat, and it seems to me I am just as happy as if I had millions. God cares for us every step, and it seems to me as if every day of my life now is a miracle and a wonder to myself; a man worthless as I am."

The same call from God came to the people among whom the missionaries ministered in the regions beyond. A report from South Africa said: "Several of the families whom God baptized with the Holy Ghost in Cape Colony have since been called by Him to be living epistles among the blacks in the Zambezi River region. God has taught us that we are not to feed one upon another, as the parasites do, but to have our own individual growth, fruitage and experience in God, as the little plants do when they are taken by the gardner and planted by themselves." This, to the African, is laboring in his own "Jerusalem, Judea and Samaria.'

The printed page was used extensively to God's glory. Everywhere Pentecostal papers had sprung into being. In just a few of the issues of The Upper Room, there were quotations from: The Life of Faith, Fragments of Flame, Living Water, Trust, Word and Work, Cloud of Witnesses, Jehovah Jireh. Victory,

Bridegroom Messenger and The Over-coming Life. Victory, was published by the present editor of the Evangel. These papers were printed, just as many as funds would allow, and were all distributed free throughout the world. The Upper Room reported that its circulation alone had been 80,000 during the first year. A report of the fourth Pentecostal camp meeting at Portland, Oregon, which closed on Aug. 28, 1910 tells of 100,000 pieces of literature in different languages which were mailed at one time.

From China, Rena Helland wrote: "My daughter and I have just returned from Canton, where for the past twelve weeks we have been scattering tracts among the heathen. We gave away about 20,000."



Also from China, Mok Lai Chi, a native Christian minister who had been in charge of one of the Chinese Colleges wrote: "Dear Brother: When I was seeking my Pentecost in 1907, Brother Garr told us one night about the cost we had to pay, and that we must count it beforehand. I did count it, and I did pay all that God required of me. So on Nov. 9, 1907, God's power came on me, and on the following night I was mightily baptized and spoke in tongues. Interpretation followed. A strong message was given to a large audience of between 400 and 500 persons. Shortly afterwards the Lord put it in Brother T. J. McIntosh's heart to start a paper in Chinese. He came to me and asked me to pray about it. When I prayed the Lord spoke very plainly to me, commanding me to take charge of it, and promised me that He would make my brothers help me. I started the paper without any fund and without any help whatever. But in time God sent me help -a scholar to edit the paper, a printer to print it, and small sums of money from all parts of the world to carry on the work.

It was expected that everyone who should be saved would in some way be a minister. Brother Fisher testified: "Shortly after I received my Baptism in the Holy Spirit I heard a brother say that he believed that God would use anyone who would lift up Jesus and honor the

Holy Spirit. It was a message to my soul. Every day it seemed to be breathed into my being; now it has become the mission of my life to exalt Jesus Christ and honor the Holy Spirit."

A quotation from the *India Alliance*, in 1909, said, "Our Lord, in Acts 1:8, says: 'Ye shall receive power after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you, and ye shall be witnesses unto ME.' Witnesses of Jesus and full Salvation! The testimony of Him must be given in God's way in order to be approved of Him. In the Old Testament the fire of God fell to consume the sacrifice—to show God's approval—acceptance. The signs, wonders, divers miracles and gifts of the Holy Spirit, according to His will, were God's witness to the testimony of the early apostles and evangelists.

"Why is there such a lack today of the signs of God's approval of the preaching of the gospel? Is one reason because we have drifted—perhaps unconsciously have been caught in the currents to which we are constantly exposed, opinions of men—coming under the power of 'reasonings,' losing the simplicity that is in Christ, considering that the signs, miracles, etc., belong only to the 'Apostolic age,' that the 'Gifts of the Spirit' belonged and were only necessary to the early church?

"Failing to look constantly at the 'Given Pattern,' has there been a substituting like unto it in form but devoid of power?

"The salvation of Jesus Christ, the Baptism in the Holy Ghost with the promised power whereby God, by signs and wonders and divers miracles and gifts of the Holy Ghost distributed according to His will, confirms the Word preached and accredits the witnesses, may be the way Christ will work through us 'to make the Gentiles obedient by word and deed.'"

A Judge's Counsel

Every morning and evening read seriously and reverently a portion of Holy Scripture and acquaint yourself with the doctrine thereof. It is a book of light and wisdom and will make you wise to eternal life.—Sir Matthew Hale, Lord Chief Justice of England.

Some people say that they will get saved if they can find out where Cain got his wife. If I were going to let a woman send me to hell I wouldn't let it be one who has been dead for six thousand years.—George Hayes.

God doesn't make people sick. He permits sickness, but He doesn't approve everything He permits. He permits people to sin, but He doesn't approve of sin.—Fred Vogler.

THE CHALLENGE

GOD especially chose Paul to show was hid in Christ and in whom Christ was hid.

In Acts 9:1 we read, "And Saul, yet breathing out threatenings and slaughter"! His whole being was charged with the power of evil. Breathing out threatenings! That was just the overflow of the evil within.

The disciples had prayed, "Lord, behold their threatenings." Acts 4:29. The Lord not only beheld their threatenings, but beheld the outstanding threatener. "And as he journeyed, he came near Damascus: and suddenly there shined round about him a light from heaven: and he fell to the earth." Acts 9:3, 4. God made him to taste the dust to prove to him that he was but dust. Then as a great light shone on him, a voice spoke to him: "Saul, Saul, why persecutest thou Me?"

God showed forth His infinite grace to this vessel of wrath and made him a vessel of mercy, and the grace of God abounded exceedingly unto one who was a blasphemer, a persecutor, and injurious. The Lord said concerning him, "He is a chosen vessel unto Me, to bear My name before the Gentiles, and kings, and the children of Israel." Acts 9:15. And as God told him to say this and that, to do this and that, he was not disobedient unto the heavenly vision.

So the transformed blasphemer was equipped with God, charged with God, filled with God, in so much that the power of God actually passed through the very pores of his skin. No wonder that hand-kerchiefs and aprons were taken from his body, and diseases departed from them that were sick, and the evil spirits went out from them, on whom they were laid. Acts 19:12. There was an overflow of the life of Christ within. When Paul embraced the young man who fell from the third floor in Troas, who was picked up as dead, that dead man had to live. Acts 20:9, 10.

Jesus Christ was the Son of man and the Son of God, and perfect as no other ever could be. But Paul was human, a sinner, and he was an evidence of what God could do through man. Listen to the list of sufferings as recorded in 2 Cor. 11:24-28. There was no boast on his part as he recorded these things, the boast was only of what God could put a human being through. He wrote to Timothy, "Thou hast fully known my... persecutions, afflictions, which came unto me...

what persecutions I endured: but out of them all the Lord delivered me." 2 Tim. 3:10, 11. You say, "Pauls are isolated." That may be, but not because God desires it. God is straitened to repeat Himself. God wants to so come in and so fill and refill the saint that the overflow may touch all the beings round about.

The latter rain outpouring of the past forty years has been marvelous in its extent rather than in the intensity in the individual. God wants to have an intensity of operation in the individual, and for it to be marvelous in the *extent* of that ministry.

You say, "But it was necessary to raise up Paul at the inauguration of the church." He was an apostle in the days of the former rain, and do you not think that God is willing and anxious to raise up like men in the days of the latter rain?

God made lights in the firmament of heaven to give light upon the earth. Do not despise the lesser lights. Each is fulfilling its perfect work. He who walks in and out among His candlesticks holds seven stars in His right hand. These lesser lights were made by God, and when God makes lights, they are lights indeed. Paul gave the testimony that "we have this treasure in earthen vessels, that the excellency of the power may be of God, and not of us." 2 Cor. 4:7. Our being baptized and filled with the Spirit is one of the most necessary qualifications for God to manifest Himself, and He desires to manifest Himself through yielded, Spirit-filled channels.

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The intensity of the darkness of the Gentile world in Paul's time demanded special grace and special operations on God's part, and God was equal to the occasion. And the result was manifested. Men declared, "These that have turned the world upside down are come hither also." Acts 17:6. It was not a mere local work of grace; it extended to the ends of the earth. And if the need was great in those days, is it not greater now?

In the days of Noah, God saw that the wickedness of man was great in the earth, and that every imagination of the thoughts of his heart was only evil continually. Gen. 6:5. The earth was corrupt before God; it was filled with violence. And as it was in the days of Noah, so it is today. Men are filled with the love of money, covetousness, lust and ambition. But the promise is that "when the enemy shall come in like a flood, the Spirit of the Lord shall lift up a standard against him." Isa. 59:19.

You have seen the flood. Men have lamented the flood. Now look for the Lord to lift up His standard against the flood; nay, more, look for God to have His flood to meet the flood. In Rev. 12:15, 16 we read, "The serpent cast out of his mouth water as a flood after the woman, that he might cause her to be carried away by the flood. And the earth helped the woman, and the earth opened her mouth, and swallowed up the flood which the dragon cast out of his mouth." The remedy for the disease! That is negative, but God's standard against the standard of the enemy means the triumph of the divine standard.

God limits Himself to using human instruments, and He wants human standard bearers. God's standard is ready to meet the flood of the enemy, but God wants laborers, standard bearers. When? The Lord says, when the harvest is ripe (and surely the harvest is plenteous) we are to pray the Lord of the harvest that He will thrust forth laborers into the harvest. Matt. 9:37, 38. These laborers will need to be soldiers. Pray for the standard bearers to meet the flood of the enemy coming in.

Can you imagine a nation equipped with artillery, munitions, armaments, and every other appliance of war, but no men! The cry today is for manpower, manpower, manpower! God has His equipment, and it is perfect. He has His standard. There is none like it. It is blood-stained, crimson with the blood of the Lamb of God who died at Calvary! Everything is ready. The cry is for manpower. Not Saul's breathing out, but Paul's breathing in, being filled with the Spirit!

Listen to the divine query and the

human reply in Isa. 6:8: "Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?... Here am I; send me." The answer, "Here am I; send me," can only be brought about by our praying the Lord of the harvest to thrust forth laborers. Do your part in praying for the thrusting forth of laborers; and there will be some who will respond to the divine call by saying, "Here am I; send me."

God's ways are past finding out. What ways? His ways of condescension. Jehovah humbled Himself to come down to Isaiah. Jesus Christ did not reckon His equality with God a thing to be tightly grasped, but stripped Himself of His glory, and humbled Himself even to the death of the cross. This was condescension sublime and unique.

Today He condescends to say, "Whom shall I send?" That cry went past the archangel and the angels; they were not allowed to answer. It was a message with no stopover from the throne to the earth. "Whom shall I send?" Seraphim and cherubim, angel and archangel, had no chance to say, "Here am I." Why? Because the divine query was not addressed to them. To whom was it addressed? Who was to reply, "Here am I; send me"? It was the man who had said, "I am a man of unclean lips!" But the fire touched his lips and enabled him to reply, "Here am I; send me." Fire within and on the lips will bring forth a message of fire and unction.

Can you imagine God, almost as it were, begging, "Whom shall I send?" He wants to send redeemed human beings with the divine message to men who have been undone by the enemy of God and man. The God of all grace, the God of light, the God of power, the God of humility, is equal for every emergency, for every flood, for every need. Happy is the man whom He thrusts forth into the whitened fields.

The Christian Workers' Training School

A Report by the General Superintendent
WHEN Sunday School Representatives were invited to Springfield for a Conference three years ago, my field duties were such that I was not able to be present. I see I missed much through this.

During the recent gathering of Representatives I was present and greatly appreciated the fellowship and what I learned. Representatives were present from twenty-eight districts, coming from as far as the Atlantic and Pacific seaboards and from the Gulf to as far north as Canada. We were sorry that restrictions on travel required that representation be held to a minimum. But there

was large representation from points nearer home.

The Lighthouse Plan was discussed and explained, and other features of Christian service were considered. I found the Lighthouse Plan simple, and any, by giving careful thought, can easily grasp its meaning. It is not the purpose of Headquarters to push the Lighthouse Plan for the plan's sake. The plan is to serve as a means to an end—the end being more and better service for the Lord and for His people.

Not only was the Lighthouse Plan considered, but other activities were given careful attention. And not the least were the excellent messages that were given by speakers from different sections. So great was the interest that those present voted their desire that such gatherings might be held annually.

God bless all our Sunday Schools and all the other activities which are meant to further the kingdom of God and help our youth and our fellow men.—Ernest S. Williams.

Parental Delinquency

JARED F. GERIG

JUVENILE delinquency is usually built upon the foundation of parental fumblings, and failures. The poison of parent delinquency is injected into the lives of the children at an early age, and when they grow older they follow the bent of inner urges intensified by wrong example, lack of training, and wilful neglect.

It is from the vantage point of the home and family relationship that we wish to give emphasis to several values which must characterize our homes if they are to influence youth with any degree of success in Christian character and conduct.

The home should first of all be attractive. Many children have turned from the old home because of its "age and antiquity, and because parents were too thrifty to brighten it up with something new." It is much wiser to keep the children in the home than to keep the money in the bank; and a little freshness and new creation, a little change and brightening of the home atmosphere has increasing magnetism in it.

But "the most important thing in the home is not the house, nor the furniture, but the spirit in it. The spirit of comradeship with the child is within reach of rich and poor. By it the child is kept in the home, and his chances of serious delinquency are materially decreased." The tragic breakdown in the present social order is due primarily to an increasing number of homes where the spirit of love, sympathy, understanding and cooperation has become sadly lacking.

It is a serious peril that our homelife becomes stationary and stagnant. It moves toward no goals and inspires no increasing affections. It becomes a point from which we disperse ourselves and our energies, rather than a haven in which we find refuge and refreshing. The sweetest type of heaven can soon become a symbol of hell. Parents, your delinquency may well begin with a home and home-life which is dull, drab and deficient in attractiveness.

The home should not fail of being co-operative. Paul put into a fine couplet, "Children, obey your parents in all things; for this is acceptable in the Lord. Fathers, vex not your children, lest their spirit should be broken." Many a Christian home has had its grief and disappointment over recalcitrant and delinquent children because parents have "laid the law down" too firmly, too constantly and too unreasonably. In later years, children come of age and they assert themselves in a discovery of the world from which rigorous rules have kept them. This is no discourse against discipline; God forbid. But it is an assertion that the child is a human being worthy of being treated as such, and as such to be reasoned with, and to be brought into full fellowship in all the joys of the family relationship.

Parents ought not to refrain from a wholehearted entrance into those wholesome joys which make up the normal life of their children. The family is a co-operative enterprise, a living together, working together, playing together. Parents, take time to share in the joys, problems, tasks and interests of your children. You will find them coming to you, sharing with you, confiding in you and following after you.

The home must also be protective. We certainly do not mean that the home forms a high wall which shuts off the view and silences the noise of all evil on every hand. Parents who guard the lives of their children too severely and too closely are not really protecting them; they are merely keeping them innocent

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Two Tickets to Tokyo

A TRUE STORY BY DR. BERTHA S. BYRAM

A FEW years ago when Korea was painfully learning the ABC's of Japanese rule and State Shinto worship, a young Korean girl worked out a dangerous plan. Daily she watched the school children attend the Shinto shrines against their own desires. Occasionally she heard of Korean Christians who had left the teachings of God to follow the worship of Amaterasu-Omi-kami, Japanese sun goddess. Young people her own age seemed unable to resist the demands of the Japanese government.

"Japan is fighting against Jehovah, the one true God. Oh, Japan is doing a dangerous thing! She doesn't realize what she is doing. Someone must tell her—warn her!" Constantly these thoughts were in her mind as she watched the havoc caused by the new law of worship.

Her name was Miss Ahn. Born of wealthy parents in Northern Korea, she had everything that money could buy. Although her father was an unbeliever, her mother was a Christian, and through her influence the girl accepted Christ. When her mother wanted her to attend a Christian grammar school her father laughed, and refused to hear of it. Instead she was sent to Japan for college training. Here she learned to speak Japanese better than her own tongue, and to love the Japanese people.

At school she always attended the Shinto shrine with her friends. Then one day the Lord began to speak to her. Quietly at first, then more and more commandingly, until she realized the greatness of her sin. Now suddenly she saw the sin of any worship that denied the God and Father of the Lord Jesus Christ. With that realization came the thought that thousands of others were being blinded by pagan Shinto worship. Somehow the government must be warned of its error. But how?

She talked with others, but always the same answer! "Impossible! Who will do it? No one would dare attempt to warn an empire."

And then one day God spoke very pointedly to her. "You do it!" That was unthinkable, she reasoned. She, a Korean young woman, warning Japan! Foolishness! But the thought persisted. "Some one must do it; you go."

For about five years she fought the idea. Returning to Korea she began teaching in a mission school, hoping to

quiet the insistent pleading. But the idea would not be downed.

Then one day in Pyengyang, Korea, she heard a loud voice shouting, "Jesus! Jesus! Repent of your sins, and believe in Jesus." It was old preacher Choi. Some said he was crazy, but here was a man who believed folks were going to be lost if they didn't accept Christ. He was being made a spectacle of derision because he believed the men and women of Pyengyang were in real danger. The voice within, which had been quenched for so long, began again. "You're afraid of what folks will think."

Again the old desire to warn the government of its great sin began to gnaw at her thoughts. But she persistently ignored it. That is, until one day Japanese officials ordered all children and teachers of her school to the Shinto shrine. Miss Ahn refused to go.

Called in by the police, she was questioned. Heart and tongue aflame with love for Christ, she stood her ground. It was utterly impossible for her, a subject of the King of heaven, to worship any other king.

Released, she began to plan. Since a call to the police was preliminary to arrest, she hurriedly gathered her things into a bundle, and with her Bible left the city. In the garb of a country woman she went into the small villages and mountains of Northern Korea. For a week or two at a time she would stay in a village inn, then move on.

Secluded in the inn she would study her Bible and settle the unrest in her heart. For several months she wandered—weeping, praying, studying her Bible. She noticed great similarities between Baal worship of the Old Testament, and the Shinto worship of her time.

She was startled when she realized that God had destroyed the nations which worshipped Baal. Her amazement grew as she read repeatedly of God's protection and defense of those who completely obeyed and trusted Him. Could not God also keep her if she obeyed His voice? She read on, absorbed in her study, and saw clearly God's judgment on His people when they turned aside to Baal.

Again she faced the call. Japan, the land she loved, must be given a chance to turn to the true God. Also she must be warned of the peril of molesting God's people. She determined she would go even if it meant certain death.

Returning to her home she sold her possessions, and bought a one-way ticket to Tokyo. Again in Pyengyang, she found a Korean church elder to whom God had been speaking in a similar way. God had impressed him that he should go to Japan and in some way warn the government. But the elder wasn't wealthy. He had nothing to meet the expenses of such a trip.

Miss Ahn, strongly encouraged, agreed to meet his expenses. They fasted and prayed with friends for days, asking God's plain leading. A few trusted friends of the official class gave them valuable advice. Then, with great care and precision a document was prepared to warn the Japanese Empire of the destruction that was sure to come from God.

Separately the two Koreans traveled to Tokyo, where they met the man's son, as previously arranged. Together they laid plans for the presentation of the document.

A few times in the history of Japan, warnings of great moment, such as the revealing of a plot against the Emperor's life, or the imminence of some great disaster, have been given by messengers from the balcony above the assembled Diet, which corresponds to our Congress. This seemed to them to be the only possible method.

One morning two figures appeared in the balcony above the Diet. An arm was raised, and a long scroll sailed through the air to land squarely in the midst of the surprised statesmen. Guards rushed to the balcony, and the two Koreans were arrested and imprisoned.

Back in the Diet the document was read methodically, and who can say but with some measure of understanding? For leading men of the government came to the prison to speak to Miss Ahn and the elder. Officials were interested in the warning and beliefs held by the two Koreans. Among the prison visitors was a high ranking army general who has since opposed the army's program. While talking with Miss Ahn he told her he knew the harm State Shinto was doing to the nation, and although he was not a Christian he hated Shinto as much as she did, and would stop it if it were in his power.

To support her own beliefs, Miss Ahn read to these men great portions of the Scriptures, showing how nation after nation had been destroyed because they had persecuted the believers in God. She urged them to turn to the true God and accept His Son as their Savior.

Finally, after weeks of witnessing to the very men they had desired to see, they were surprised to be released and sent back to Korea. But the witness had

been given.

Emboldened by the audacious warning given by these two, other Christian Koreans as well as Japanese and Chinese have dared to disobey State Shinto demands. Witnessing against the satanic influence of State Shinto, many have been sent to prison, some serving a 15-year sentence. Miss Ahn was recently reimprisoned.

Still Japan willfully disregards her warnings, and boasts that her shores can never be invaded because her gods are fighting for her. State Shinto is both the strength and weakness of Japan. Strong now because its unity lies in Shintoism; it will soon become weak because God's warning remains the same, "Thou overthrowest them that rise up against thee." Exod. 15:7, R. V. "... the arms of the wicked shall be broken; but Jehovah upholdeth the righteous." Psalm 37:17 R. V.—Condensed from "If I Perish, I Perish," published by the Independent Board for Presbyterian Foreign Missions.

Prayer and the Ministry of the Word

(Continued From Page One) ally with deceit, but not always with straightforward honesty.

In 2 Timothy 2:15, Paul writes of "cutting in a straight line the Word of truth" (Darby), steering straight through the whole Word-no picking out of your favorite texts, but submitting yourself absolutely to the authority of the Book; facing every word, and letting it search and examine you. As Christian workers, What is your attitude toward the Word of God in regard to yourselves? Do you read it straightforwardly, holding a straight course and not twisting about in it? Do you adjust your thinking to the Word? Do you submit to the Word? Unless you do this, the Lord cannot make you "able ministers" of that Word to

"Continue steadfastly in prayer...
praying for us also, that God may open
unto us a door for the Word..." Col.
4:2. Dr. F. B. Meyer said: "I do not ask
the Holy Spirit to bear witness to my
theories for putting the world right, but
to give an open door for His own Word."
Is the outcome of your prayer life a ministry of the Word itself, handing it out
to the people, as a father hands out
bread to his children?

others.

What do you do—just take a text as a peg to hang a sermon on? Are you willing simply to minister the Word? How do you prepare? Do you soak yourself in the Word of God until it is the atmosphere you live in and breathe? That is the best preparation for preaching.

Read it, dwell on it, feed on it, breathe it, until it is incorporated into your very being. Then, when you go to face the people, the Holy Spirit has all this divine material within you to draw upon: but He cannot draw out what has not first been put in. If you do not fill your inner life with this pure Word of God, when you face the people you will speak out from yourself, giving your own views of truth, instead of ministering the Word of Life. If there is in you this deep fountain of the Word of God, God will give you open doors, and if you have to speak at a moment's notice, He will draw out the word that will meet the need of that moment.

Are you prepared to pay the price for being a man of God? It is not only a question of praying for the power of the Holy Spirit, but whether you will give Him the right of way for complete mastery. What about your reading? Shall He decide what you fill your mind



with? The human mind can only hold so much, and if it is ninety-nine parts filled with the things of this world, the Holy Spirit cannot fill it with God's truth.

Evangelists need the dynamic power of the Holy Spirit, and that is free to all, for He longs to communicate Himself to us. There is no difficulty on God's side! The trouble lies in our pleading with Him to empower material that He cannot have anything to do with. We ask Him to empower minds that are saturated with the thinking of the world. Would the Apostles have been the men of God they were, if they had soaked themselves in the newspapers of today? We do not mean that it is wrong to read newspapers, but you know how it is possible for them to dominate the thought life of God's children more than the Word of God. Are we willing to pay the price? You cannot "minister the Word" as the Apostles did unless you are willing to be clean-cut in spirit from "the course of this age," which is under the control of the prince of the power of the air.

Why is it that error flashes through the world like wildfire—lies concerning the Bible, concerning the deity of Christ, and the fall of man? Why is this dryrot penetrating the colleges and the pulpits today? Is it not that the prince of the air has his wireless telegraphy ready, and flashes the errors through the world, while he does all he can to block the knowledge of the truth? No wonder the

Apostles said, "We will give ourselves to prayer" first, and then "to the ministry of the Word." No wonder Paul wrote in Ephesians 6 that our wrestling is not against flesh and blood, and that we need the whole armor of God for the fight, "with all prayer and supplication in the Spirit, and watching with all perseverance" for all saints, and especially for the man who is set for the proclamation of the gospel.

But praise God, our westling is against a foe already defeated. In Christ we are raised to the heavenly places, and we need to understand how to live above the realm of the prince of the air in spirit, so that our minds do not take in the poison with which he has filled the atmosphere of the world.

"We will give ourselves to prayer." There must be this prayer work at the back of all preaching, to drive the pure Word of God through the clouds and fog with which the prince of the air would hinder it. The one thing Satan is afraid of is the pure seed of the Word of God, and just so far as you faithfully minister that, there will be the power of God in it, and the opposition of Satan to it. You may preach a hundred sermons out from your mind and he will only laugh. He is not afraid of your eloquence. Indeed, he can set the mind thinking out exquisite things about the Book; but if the power of God is not in it-if you do not actually minister the Word of God itself-he is not in the least afraid of it. What goes on in your mental life does not touch the realm of the enemy, and that is why all the intellectual preaching of these days accomplishes so little. The enemy is not dislodged, people are not delivered, souls are not set free. It is only when the ministry of the pure Word of God is driving against the forces of darkness that progress is made.

Only prayer will open the door for that kind of ministry, and when the door is opened, the Word can only "run" (2 Thess. 3:1, R. V.), if there is prayer at the back of it. The Lord, explaining to His disciples the parable of the sower, told them that one reason why there was no crop was that "the devil cometh and snatcheth away the seed" before it has time to germinate! So, first give yourselves to prayer, then "preach the Word"; and God will bear witness to your ministry.

"The Word of God...effectually worketh in you that believe." "Lord, let it effectually work in me." Ask the Lord to bring it to full fruition in your life and ministry, that you may be equipped in all the power of God against the prince of the power of the air, and for the fullest ministry of the Word, for His Name's sake.

Europe's Dying Millions

JAMES STEWART

WAS saved, not in a church, but in a football field in the city of Glasgow. I was a football player, and in answer to my mother's prayers God saved me in a football park. I became a boy preacher, and when I was a boy I was preaching to an average of two thousand people nightly in campaigns in Britain. But fourteen years ago, when I was evangelizing in the Orkney Islands, off the coast of Scotland, the Holy Ghost said to me, at four o'clock in the morning: "James, I want you to go to evangelize Europe, starting in the city of Riga, the capital of Latvia."

I had no farewell meeting. Why? Because nobody was interested in evangelizing Europe. They would send me to Africa, South America, China, India; but nobody was interested in Europe. The people of Britain said, "Why, that's a waste of energy. You're an evangelist. Stop in Britain."

I had no financial backing, no board, but I had the Lord. And after many days of hunger and sleeplessness, I arrived in the city of Riga. I did not know a single soul in that city. I could not speak the language. I was almost starving, it was cold, sub-zero weather, but God helped me, and I continued in that city for six months in constant revival. Then God gave me my life's work, and that was to plant the blood-stained banner of Calvary in all the principal cities and towns of Europe.

I fought God for a whole week. I said, "God, You cannot make a fool of me. It is easy to evangelize New York City, Chicago, Philadelphia, Los Angeles, Belfast, or London; but, Lord, Paris is hell—I see it on every side. I think of Budapest, and these other great, wicked cities. Lord, I don't know the languages, and how can I work in these countries in mass evangelistic meetings?"

That week, however, I obeyed the voice of the Holy Spirit and started off to plant the blood-stained banner of Calvary. From Helsinki, the capital of Finland, right down to Athens, the capital of Greece, we have evangelized in every principal city and town in central and eastern Europe, and God has given us thousands of souls.

We usually stop in a city for one year, because we find that the longer we stop the bigger the crowd and the better the results. And so our campaigns last every night for a year. Sometimes they go on for two years. Then we have to go

to the parks where forty thousand people gather together to hear the preaching of the Word.

God gave me my brothers and then my mother, and then my wife from Alabama. We saw that the nationalistic spirit was growing and that later we would be put in prison or prohibited from preaching the gospel in these lands. Hitler started the nonsense about super business. "We are a super race." Then the super suds spread all over Europe, and we were cast out. We saw that the only hope of evangelizing Europe was through the indigenous church principle. We prayed that the Holy Spirit would raise up native international evangelists; and so a crusade was born. God gave us fifty evangelists, some of them speaking seven languages. These men, some of whom are university graduates and some of whom are simple peasant preachers, are all filled with the love of Christ. My younger brother Douglas and I were the evangelistic leaders.

It was a race against time and hell and the war, because we knew that the war was coming, and so God gave us mighty movements of the Holy Spirit and mighty revivals. Just before the outbreak of the war, and even during this war in 1940, God shook cities and gave us great revivals. But that task is unfinished. The war came. I came out of Germany five hours before war was declared. I was a prisoner of the Gestapo later. I got away, and then I crossed at Dunkirk. But the majority of our preachers are wearing a martyr's crown in glory. Some, like my younger brother Douglas, are in Nazi concentration camps; but, thank God, others are carrying on today.

I am just waiting to go back, waiting for a boat to England, and then I go to Europe. Then we shall be starting once more to evangelize. We hope to follow closely behind Russia's invasion army.

I want to plead with you, won't you enlarge your hearts and think of the millions in Europe who have never heard the gospel?

Let me give you an illustration. Here is a city, say of 1,500,000 people. Supposing you have an audience of 10,000 people coming every night for a year. That is not very much, because you are only touching the fringe of the need of that city of 1,500,000 souls. Usually after

six months in a city we have something like 15,000 converts, sometimes 20,000, and they are really saved. In Europe, when they get saved they are really born again. The Word of God says, "If any man be in Christ, he is a new creature: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new." 2 Cor. 5:17. We look after these young converts and build them up in the faith; but what are a few thousand souls in a city of 1,500,000 people? We are only touching the fringe of Europe's need.

Think of France. France has 42,500,-000 people. I was in Paris when the German guns were booming down the boulevard. I was starting, just before Dunkirk, a three-year plan to take Paris for Christ. Paris is a great city, just coming behind New York in size. Chicago is a small city in comparison with Paris; and you can almost go blind looking for a child of God in Paris.

Though France has 42,500,000 people, there are only 750,000 Protestants. Did you ever think of that? Greece has 6,500,000 people. It has only six organized Protestant churches among 6,500,000 people.

There are more missionaries and more Christians in Africa, according to population, than there are in Spain.

You can search all France, all Austria, all Yugoslavia, all Rumania, Greece, Bulgaria, Lithuania, and Poland, and you will not find in any of these great countries any predominant Protestant towns. We have only one predominant Protestant town in the heart of central and eastern Europe. It is in central Hungary, and we call it the Geneva of Hungary because in that city we have a predominant Protestant population. All the other cities are Roman Catholic, Greek Catholic, Jewish, and Moslem.

Do you know that we have millions of gipsies in Europe? We have millions of Moslems, sixteen million of them in Europe apart from Turkey.

One day I was traveling in Esthonia. I had just finished revival meetings in the capital city of Tallinn. God had moved in that city. We just started with ten people, and we were having 6,000 people in the largest auditorium. You had to go five hours ahead of time to get a seat. The men would come running from the plants, without eating any supper; unconverted men came running down the street, trying to find some place in the auditorium.

I came down to the second largest city in that country, and I couldn't speak the language. I had to use an interpreter, and I longed to evangelize the city. I came across a professor in the university and she said, "Mr. Stuart, I would be just delighted to interpret your lecture.

What will you talk about—the writings of Sir Walter Scott?" I said, "Oh, no." "Oh," she said, "pardon me, you're Scotch. You'll talk about Robert Burns." I said, "No, no. I'm going to talk about the Bible." "Oh," she said, "the Bible. I'm not very well versed in current English literature. Could you please tell me who wrote the Bible?" I said, "Why, God." She said, "Who?" I said, "God." "You mean the Creator wrote the book?" "Yes."

She put back her head and laughed and laughed. When she saw I was not laughing she said, "Why, you Scotch have such dry humor!"

Then I showed her my Bible, and she said, "What? My, what a book! You can't cover all that tonight." I said, "Oh, no, no. I'm only going to preach on John 3:16 tonight."

"I see. I suppose he is the principal character in the book."

Now, listen. That was a professor in a university that was in existence before Columbus discovered this continent!

Another day I was traveling by railroad in Czechoslovakia to the capital city of Prague. I was in a typical European compartment train, and there came into my compartment a Roman Catholic monk of a very high order. He said to me, "Good morning. How are you keeping? By the way, you are English, aren't you?" I said, "No, I am a Scotchman." "Are you going to a football match today?" I said, "No, sir. I used to play football. I don't play now since I fell in love." He looked at me and said, "Your sweetheart, your wife?" I said, "No; Jesus." Then he tried to change the subject. I started to talk to him. He got a bit unkind because he wanted to send me to purgatory and I would not go.

Afterwards he forgot who he was, and listened spellbound to the gospel. Then, suddenly, a man came in and interrupted our conversation. He said, "Are you James Stewart?" I said, "Hush!" Then the Roman Catholic priest stood up and said, "What? Are you James Stewart?" I said, "Yes."

What a volume of oaths he let out as he crashed the door behind him! I told this man off for interrupting us, but the priest came back when we were alone. He went out again, looked down the corridor, and than came back in. He said, "Stewart, please forgive me. I cursed you. I lost two hundred fifty members in my church. By the command of the Bishop of Czechoslovakia you are cursed from every high order every Sunday morning in the Roman Catholic church." I said, "Thank you for the publicity." But he said, "How can I curse whom God hath blessed? We are

blind leaders of the blind. They are trying to kill you, to burn you at the stake. Listen, you carry on." He said to me, "You Protestants are fools. You think the darkest spot in the world is in Africa, or in India. You're wrong. It's right here, in the heart of Europe. The next war will take place in Europe. You Britishers are fools. You send the gospel all over the world, when across the English Channel is the darkest mission field in the world."

He said, "Look at me. I am a university man. I am an assistant to the Bishop, but I know nothing of God's way of salvation." I had the joy of leading that Roman monk to Jesus Christ.

We have millions yet in Europe who have never heard the blessed gospel. The reason we have a war in Europe is because we have failed to evangelize Europe. I want to say this. In the space of six years after the armistice is signed, unless we evangelize Europe, there will be another war there. The next world war will not break out in South America, or in India, or in Africa. It will break out in Europe once again.

I have a younger brother, twenty-three years of age, who has been in prison now for five years. We lost him for months. He was wounded, and he was eating grass and shrubs for weeks, hiding from the Germans, when he was captured. In the second camp where he was placed he won fifty-four souls to Jesus Christ. He is in his seventh concentration camp. You pray for him, for this is another long winter. Pray for our suffering saints in Europe. Oh, the dark night of their trials. Pray for them in all their tragedy and suffering, and then pray for our European Crusade.

Today the soil of Europe is sacred because it is drenched by the blood of American boys. Will you not back that blood up, that it may not have been given in vain, by helping us spread the gospel of Jesus Christ in Europe?

It is a great privilege for me to go back, but I know I shall have to see horrible sights. Our Christian girls have been raped, our preachers have been murdered. I know the sufferings of our people, but there is nothing I am so afraid of as to see a need and not be able to meet it.

How would you like to see people dying of starvation and not be able to give them anything, see people dying without the gospel and not sufficient missionaries to send? Pray for us as we go back that God will give us greater revivals than ever, that tens of thousands of precious souls might be saved in Europe. —World-Wide Christian Conservative.

A fuller story of James Stewart's work is found in the book, Dynamite in

Europe, By Eva Stewart Watt, price \$1.50, from the Gospel Publishing House, Springfield, Mo.

Parental Delinquency (Continued From Page Five)

and ignorant of the lurking enemies who wait for them to come out of their parental garrison. Protection is neither innocence nor ignorance, but intelligence. It is knowing right from wrong; it is choosing the right and refusing the wrong. The great protection of the home exists in the character, teaching, example and tie of those in it. These four factors, if made what they should be by the will of man and the grace of God, can make an impregnable fortress out of home, "the chief school of human virtues."

That leads directly to this, that the home must be instructive. Our nation has gone infidel and pagan because the home has lost her teaching ministry. This applies most regretfully to Christian homes. To bring the children up "in the nurture and admonition of the Lord" has been largely left to the Sunday school. There is no longer the audible reading of the Word of God, the family prayer time, the singing of hymns, the learning of Scripture. Where is there definite and systematized instruction in morals, rules for living, how to meet temptation, exemplary conduct, the spiritual values with eternity hidden in them. Where are the teaching parents who take time to instruct in the home, to make knowledge of truth a supreme challenge? Parental delinquency in this indispensable ministry abounds. No parent should be ignorant of Deuteronomy 6:6-7. "These words...thou shalt teach them diligently unto thy children."

Last, but of most importance, the home should be redemptive. Parents who are Christians and who make no attempts to seriously and compassionately win their children to Christ are worse than infidels. Parents who are ignorant of the ways of leading their children to Christ should make that knowledge theirs before the sun goes down upon their spiritual impoverishment and shortcoming. Parents whose lives do not conform to such Gospel standards and consistency as to merit the faith and trust of their children, and to lead them in the paths of salvation and righteousness, must for all time repent of such low living. The order of a child's life is determined by the parents. It is upon the parents to make the home, their lives and their influence completely saving and redemptive. May God grant this above all other considerations. -The Missionary Worker.

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News Flashes

PHILIPPINE INTERNEES RESCUED



Gladys Knowles

N February 3rd, Lt. Col. Haskett Conner gave the final orders to 700 of his men in a Luzon sugar cane field, which resulted in the capture of Camp Santo Tomas in Manila and put to an end the three-year internment of 3,700 American men, women and children! In order to accomplish their end, this courageous 700 had to push their way through 60 miles of Japanese held territory. Hidden machine gun nests awaited them in Santo Tomas. In the dead of night they suddenly broke their way into the camp, and one needs very little imagination to picture in his mind the great rejoicing on the part of those who had so long been imprisoned. One correspondent later wrote: "I tripped once, recovered myself and pushed into the hysterical mob of internees, waving, shouting, screaming—some weeping. The feeble, shadowy light from several candles only partly lighted the large lobby. I could not say anything, the din was so terrific. Hands just felt me, pressed me, and voices cried, 'Thank God you are here—it's been so long!'"

Among those thousands of internees were some of our own Assemblies of God missionaries, and we are praising God, together with their relatives, for the good news of their release. Minnie Tangen

Strum received an official telegram from Washington, D. C. stating: "Pleased to inform you that information received indicates the rescue by our forces of your sister and family, Robert B., Mildred E. and Robert E. Tangen. Physical condition fine. Formerly interned at Santo Tomas!"

Alvin L. Branch, an instructor in one of our Bible Schools, has received a like telegram from the Provost General in Washington: "Am pleased to inform you that information received indicates the rescue by our forces of your daughter, Helen Branch Johnson, and family, Leland E., Constance, Samuel, Margaret Joy Johnson. Physical condition fair. Formerly interned at Bilibid."

The Missions Department has just received our first direct communication from the Philippine internees—a letter written by Gladys Knowles and Doris Carlson on February 10, 1945 and sent through the facilities of the American Red Cross. They wrote in part: "We are glad to let you know that we are safe in Jesus' keeping and expect to be home soon. The Red Cross has informed us that we shall be flown to —— shortly and then shipped home. Many times we have felt the power of prayer on our behalf and wish to thank all who have remembered us."

So there is the story of God's answer to the earnest, endless prayers of thousands of Christian people. No doubt when these friends are safely home in the United States once again, they will be able to tell us of the abiding presence of the Lord, even amid the horrors of Santo Tomas and Old Bilibid Prison.

Thus far, however, we have had no word concerning three single missionaries who were also interned in the Philippines. They are Blanche Appleby, Rena Baldwin and Elizabeth Galley. Let us continue to pray for these friends, that God will protect them, bless them, and bring them safely home.

This great victory in the Philippines should give us great encouragement in praying for our missionaries who are interned in China and Japan. Those in China include: Mr. and Mrs. Fred Baltau and Mr. and Mrs. George Slager. While not actually under internment, Mr. and Mrs. Martin Kvamme and Anna Ziese are in Japanese-held China and are no doubt in need of our prayers. Our only missionary in Japan is Jessie Wengler. As our own bombers are blasting Japanese-held China and the Island of Japan itself, these missionaries stand in need of fervent, believing prayer. "And ALL THINGS, whatsoever ye shall ask in prayer, believing, ye SHALL receive!" Matthew 21:22.



Mr. and Mrs. Robert B. Tangen



Mr. and Mrs. Leland Johnson



Doris Carlson



Elizabeth Galley

Hash!

Just as this "Evangel" was going to press, the Missions Department received two letters from the Philippines—one from Leland Johnson and the other from Robert Tangen. Brother Johnson writes: "You will be delighted to know that our missionaries interned in Camp Holmes, Baguio, are now here in Manila. They are: Doris Carlson, Elizabeth Galley, Gladys Knowles, Robert Tangen and family, and ourselves. Blanche Appleby and Rena Baldwin were taken to Los Banos Internment Camp.

They are still under Japanese army control. We are earnestly praying for their release and safety.

"Our release came most suddenly. So far as can be gathered, the Japanese were utterly taken by surprise. At present they are retaliating with bitter fury. A number of civilians in the Santo Tomas Camp have been killed. That camp is just across the road from Bilibid Prison. Apparently this place is out of the range of their guns. We are behind some large buildings.

"The health of our group of missionaries is improving. Food is doing much to give us strength. However, our nerves are in a bad way. That often reacts upon our digestive systems. Poor and insufficient food has worn us down physically and we are not able to eat the heavy army rations. The Red Cross is now seeking to gradually build us up to where we can take more nourishing foods." Brother Johnson concluded his letter by saying that both the missionaries and the doctors feel that they should return to the United States as soon as possible for a period of rest. Some, however, are physically unable to stand such a long trip just now.

Writes Brother Tangen

"It seems strange to be writing a letter once again, but how thankful we are that we may. The events that have transpired during the last few days seem analogous to the events of the life of a silk worm. After three years of being wrapped up in our cocoon of isolation and internment, we at long last have evolved into the world of freedom, food and blessing. How grateful we are to the Lord for His graciousness to us. Even the events of the last six weeks have proven that His hand has been upon us. We were evacuated from Baguio on December 28, 1944, just before the invasion, January 6, 1945, which proved to be a rescue from the scene of Japanese concentrations. Then we were later evacuated from Bilibid Prison by the American Army as the raging fire was swiftly approaching our camp! So truly our hearts are filled to overflowing with praises to His name.

"Since communication lines have been cut off, the Lord has given to us a son, Robert Earnest, who was born in Camp Holmes on May 28, 1942. He has been a source of real joy and many a weary moment has been gladdened by his cheerful presence.

"Our missionary group has been together for the most of our internment except for Rena Baldwin and Blanche Appleby. They were permitted to remain out of camp and were taken to Los Banos on July 5, 1944. As to their present status we know nothing.

"Our desire and prayer is that the Lord will allow us to soon be united with our friends and loved ones at home. God bless you all!"

New Arrival

Name: Gene Otto Finkenbinder

Born: February 5, 1945

To: Mr. and Mrs. Paul E. Finkenbinder In: Guatemala City, Guatemala, Central America

Wainlet

Weight: 8 lbs. 2 oz.

Congratulations to the parents!

Speed-the-Light Hashes

The Christ's Ambassadors' Speed-the-Light Campaign is awakening wide-spread interest and enthusiasm. Following are some items which show God's hand of approval and blessing on this effort:

- Congratulations to the young people of North Dakota! Their goal of \$1,000 has already been reached.
- The C. A.'s of West Texas are raising money with which to buy a jeep for the use of Brother Homer Goodwin in West Africa.
- The Christ's Ambassadors of South Missouri are raising money to pay for a boat which is already being used by misssionaries in the Bahamas.
- Money for a motor cycle to be used by Brother Hollingsworth in Guatemala was raised at a Four-State Bible Conference held in Kansas City, Missouri. The Church in Detroit Lakes, Minnesota, also sent in \$115.00 which was added to this amount and the C. A.'s of Central Assembly in Springfield, Missouri, made up the rest of the money.
- God has worked marvelously on behalf of the amphibious plane, the first item in our Speed-the-Light fleet. The Lord has moved upon the hearts of the officials in the section where the plane will be operating, permitting us the use of the air field and making it possible for us to obtain the necessary fuel. If God can so move the hearts of these men, who have no personal interests involved, how much more should we be responsive to this need!
- Money is also being raised for a boat to be used by Byron Personeus in Alaska.

So we see that God is working on every hand. However, much money is still needed if we are to reach our goal of \$100,000 during 1945.

Each of the first thousand groups or individuals which send \$10.00 or more for the fund will be given a certificate as a Charter Doner. This certificate is pictured here.

Money for this fund should be sent to the World Missions Department. Be sure to specify, "For the Speed-the-Light Fund."



Arrivals on the Field More News From Greece

A cablegram was received by the Missions Department on February 16 from Monrovia, Liberia, West Africa stating: "Arrived safely." It was signed by Florence

A cable from Syria notifies us that Yumna Malick has reached her destination. The message reads: "Thank God at work again."

Word has reached us of the safe arrival of Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Stawinski in Encarnacion, Paraguay.

A cablegram has been received from Bombay, India notifying the Missions Department of the safe arrival of the following missionaries: Mr. and Mrs. Fred Merian, Mr. and Mrs. Donald Murphy, Ruth Kelly, Harriet Williams and Ethel King.

Another cable was received from Monrovia, Liberia, West Africa notifying us of the safe arrival of Anna Stafsholt. We are truly grateful to the Lord for keeping His hand upon the lives of these missionaries as they have been traveling to their fields of service and we pray that He will make their lives a great blessing to those who are still sitting in spiritual darkness.

Another appealing card has been received from Athens, Greece, written by Harry Mamalis on November 8, 1944. The card reads: "Greetings in Jesus' name. By the power of God we are all safe and able to write to you again. You may be sure that our safety today is only because of the prayers of God's people. Our fiery trials were many, but we are unable to tell of them by letter. Spiritually we are well, but bodily we are still suffering. We are in great need of food, clothing and shoes. Please, if possible, help us. Pray for us."

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Among the Assemblies

OAK CITY, FLA.—Evangelist and Mrs. O. K. Stephenson just closed a 5½-week revival at our church, in which 15 confessed Christ at the altar, 10 received the Holy Ghost Baptism, and many sick were healed. God has done great things for us, whereof we are glad. We give Him all the glory.—G. H. Blair, Pastor.

LEWISVILLE, TEXAS—Just closed a 3-week revival at the church where T. F. Shultz is pastor. A number were saved, 2 reclaimed, one was refilled, and 3 received the Baptism in the Holy Ghost. The church was greatly revived, and a number of sick were healed.—W. M. Cupps, Evangelist, Lewisville, Texas.

(Near) PICHER, OKLA.—Just closed a 2-week revival at Mineral Heights, about 1½ miles from Picher. Ten were saved, 3 received the Holy Ghost Baptism, and the church was wonderfully stirred. Bertha Branum, Box 894, Picher, Okla., was the evangelist. She is an old-time gospel preacher, and is a blessing to the church.—Jewel Anderson, Pastor.

FT. WORTH, TEXAS—We thank God for the way He blessed in the revival conducted last month by Evangelist and Mrs. Lee Krupnick of Tulsa, Okla. Their messages proved a great blessing to the church, and there has been a continual spirit of revival in the church since they were here.—Charles R. Jones, Pastor, Bethel Temple.

BELLEVUE, MICH.—We just closed a precious Pentecostal revival with Elmer Smith of Cincinnati, Ohio, Evangelist. Night after night, for two weeks, God met the people. Altar services lasted until one and two o'clock in the morning. Several were saved, some reported having been healed, and 13 received the Baptism in the Holy Spirit. God is still moving in a precious way, for which we praise Him.—Wesley Wibley, Pastor.

KENTUCKY MOUNTAIN WORK PROGRESSING

T. E. Gannon, Superintendent Kentucky District, reports that during the past year there have been some real revivals in the Mountain work, and a real forward move in mountain missions. He warns that while there is great poverty in the mountains, appeals for clothing and financial aid should be cleared through the District Office. Before responding to appeals of great need, please write for a confirmation to T. E. Gannon, District Superintendent, 630 Country Club Road, Louisville 6, Ky.

KOKOMO, IND.—In a 3-week revival with Evangelist B. E. Hillman of Tippecanoe City, Ohio, there were very fev nights that someone was not saved or Laptized in the Holy Ghost. Many sick prayed for claimed healing. The attendance was wonderful and on Sunday nights the crowds were so great the evangelist had hardly room for the altar. We lost track of the number saved, reclaimed, filled, and refilled. The evangelist put on a Sunday School Attendance campaign that practically doubled

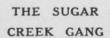
our School. We have a building fund that we are adding to regularly. We need extra room, as we are bursting our bounds.—Carl Isaac, Pastor.

TWO HARBORS, MINN.—A very successful series of meetings was conducted here in January by the Victory Crusaders, Paul and Myrtle Hild, of Fargo, North Dakota. It was

said by many to be the finest revival here in many years. A number came to the altar for salvation, others were revived, and new attendance records were set both in the evening meetings and in the Sunday School. A children's rally was conducted by Mrs. Hild each Friday afternoon; at one of these the church was nearly filled with enthusiastic youngsters.— Allan G. Snider, Pastor, 711 Fifth St.

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CUT BANK, MONT.-We have just concluded three glorious weeks of special meetings with Evangelist Max and Mae Johnson of Russell, Kansas. The midweek attendance held up to the Sunday attendance most of the time, as hungry souls from other churches attended the meetings. The Sunday School attendance reached a new high, and this has left a real incentive for the church and Sunday School staff to work harder than ever, knowing it can be done. Two were refilled, and two received their introduction to Acts 2:4. Old-fashioned tarrying meetings brought the blessing of God to many hearts. Our District Superintendent, Leonard J. Palmer, introduced these consecrated workers to our State, and we are happy to have had the first meeting with them.-Eugene A. Born, Pastor.

OVERLAND PARK, KANSAS-We have had one of our best revivals in four years in our assembly. Verbal Eskew, our evangelist, was greatly used of God in preaching and singing the gospel message. Several were at the altar for salvation and the saints were greatly edified by the ministry of this consecrated worker.—Floyd L. Dennis, Pastor.

YUKON, OKLA.-I have been here 51/2 years and have seen the church grow from a small beginning. We recently completed a Sunday School annex to our church and had the first classes in it January 14. It is proving a blessing to the entire community. Although we have six other churches in this place, our Sunday School is near the top of the list.

We had a blessed revival, December 31 to January 21, under the direction of Evangelist and Mrs. Lester A. Fox. Twenty-five were saved, 18 received the Baptism in the Holy Ghost, 20 were baptized in water, and 22 united with the church.

The city has a population of about 1600 and we are out to get our share for Pentecost .-William J. Myers, Pastor.

MARLIN, TEXAS.—Since our coming here, about July 1, 1944, we have had two revivals. The first was conducted last fall by Evangelist Calvin Lewis. The Lord blessed, Brother Lewis did some good preaching, the saints were built up, and some souls were saved. Then on January 30, Lee Krupnick, the Jewish Christian evangelist, and Mrs. Krupnick began a revival here. Four were filled with the Holy Spirit the first night, and one or two were saved; there was hardly a night that we did not see one or more saved or filled. In all, about 18 were filled with the Spirit and about 14 or 15 were saved. The last night of the revival we had to get extra seats from our Sunday School rooms to accommodate the people.-W. W. Lowrie, Pastor.

BAYTOWN, TEXAS-A 5-week revival has been conducted here by Evangelist and Mrs. W. F. Harding of Houston, This has been one of the most successful revivals in the history of the church. About 20 were saved, and 10 received the Baptism in the Holy Ghost. The power of God was manifested to the extent that during several nights the evangelist could not minister. The ministry of Brother Harding has been a blessing to our church.

We came here seven months ago. Since that time, through the co-operation of the church and the help of the Lord, we have enlarged our auditorium, added 6 new Sunday School rooms, redecorated the auditorium, and covered the entire outside of the church with asbestos shingles. Our Sunday School attendance has doubled.-James W. Drush, Pastor, Box 141, Pelly, Texas.

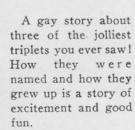
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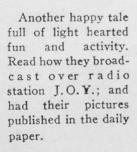
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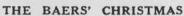


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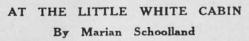


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COLUMBUS, GA.—14th St. and Cherry Ave.; March 25, for 2 weeks or longer; Evangelist and Mrs. A. C. McGaugh, El Dorado, Ark.—R. D. Jones, Pastor.

DUQUESNE, PA.—Gospel Tabernacle, March 18—April 1; Earl W. Winand of Harrisburg, Evangelist.—John and Elva Horn, Pastors.

DILLINER, PA.—March 11—25; Ruby and Merrill Rayner, Lonaconing, Md., Evangelists.—S. F. Rudolph, Pastor.

FT. WORTH, TEXAS—Riverside Assembly of God, March II—; C. C. Helvey, Kansas City, Mo., Evangelist.—Elbert R. Wilkinson, Pastor.

DALLAS, TEXAS—Park and Richardson Sts., March II—; Robert R. Morrison, Springfield, Mo., Evangelist.—Harry E. Bowley, Pastor.

ALTOONA, PA.—First Pentecostal Church; March 20, for 3 weeks; C. S. Tubby, Ontario, Canada, Evangelist.—John R. Hardt, Pastor.

LIBBY, MONT.—April 1, for 2 weeks or longer; Max and Mae Johnson, Dorrance, Kansas, Evangelists.—Fred A. Dalton, Pastor.

HOUSTON, TEXAS—2310 Keene St., March 13—April 1; Evangelist and Mrs. Lee Krupnick.—J. C. Miner, Pastor.

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NASHVILLE, TENN.—11th and Boscoble Sts., March 14—; Evangelist and Mrs. D. Leroy Sanders, Jefferson City, Mo.—J. B. McIntosh, Pastor.

NEWCOMERSTOWN, OHIO—April 1, for 2 weeks or longer; Ruby and Merrill Rayner, Lonaconing, Md., Evangelists.—E. B. Johnson, Pastor.

IRVINGTON, N. J.—58-60 Paine Ave., March 13-25; Evangelist and Mrs. Charles Shaffer, London, Ky.—Jos. R. Potter, Pastor.

PHILIPSBURG, PA.—Maple and water Sts., March 25-April 15; Bruce Hobson, Ottawa, Ontario, Evangelist.—H. A. Christopher, Pastor.

CAMDEN, N. J.—New York-New Jersey District Prayer Conference, Calvary Tabernacle, 570 Walnut St., March 14-16. Services 9:30, 2:30, and 7:45. Wesley R. Steelberg and other able speakers will minister. Predominant note will be Prayer; we urge our brethren, especially of this section, to rally to seek the Lord. For accommodations write Kenneth M. Haystead, local pastor, 115 Harvard Ave., Collingswood, N. J.—Chas. R. Shuss, Prayer Conference Leader.

OKLAHOMA SECTIONAL COUNCILS

Oklahoma Sectional Councils: Southwest Section, Altus, March 12-14. North Central Section, Chandler, March 19-21. Southeast Section, Idabel, April 9-11. East Central Section, Okmulgee, April 16-18. Panhandle Section, Moreland, April 23-25. Northwest Section, Clinton, May 14-16. Northwest Section, Vinita, May 21-23.

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First service, Monday, 7:30 p. m., in charge of C. A. President. Morning service 10:00, afternoon 2:00. Wednesday afternoon licensing service. For other information write V. H. Ray, District Secretary, or F. C. Cornell, District Superintendent, P. O. Box 1341, Oklahoma City, Okla.

TEXAS DISTRICT CONVENTIONS

By permission of the ODT, we are announcing conventions for March. The following conventions begin at 7:30 p. m., first day; then 10:30, 2:00 and 7:30, second day: San Angelo Section, Abilene, March 22—23. Greenville Section, Greenville, March 27—28. Paris Section, Texarkana, March 29—30.

The following conventions begin at 10:30 a. m., first day, with three services daily: 10:30, 2:00, and 7:30: Tyler Section, First Assembly, Tyler, March 13-14. Lufkin Section, Nacogdoches, March 15-16. Wichita Falls Section, 5th and Broad Church, Wichita Falls, March 20-21.

All ministers urged to be present for renewal of their fellowship with the Texas District. Those desiring to apply for ordination, license, or exhorter's license must meet the Committee of their home Section.

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ARITON, ALA.—Bethel Assembly; meeting in progress; Myrtic Cosley, Birmingham, Ala., Evangelist.—J. H. Aplin, Pastor.
SHARP, OKLA. (S. W. of Okmulgee)—March 25—; Clyde Gunter, Jr., St. Louis, Mo., Evangelist.—Hobart and Hattie Jennings, Pastors.

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OKEMAH, OKLA.—Sectional C. A. Rally, March
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special speaker. T. M. Helvey, host pastor.—Hattie
C. Jennings, C. A. Representative.

CHEYENNE, WYO.—Dedication of new building,
First Assembly of God (formerly Downtown Tabernacle), March 18, 2:30 p. m.; C. M. Ward, speaker.
Services each night through March 25, at 23rd St.
and Pioneer Ave.—Paul L. Ferguson, Pastor.

PRAYER CONFERENCE
Wisconsin and Northern Michigan District Prayer
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SOUTH DAKOTA DISTRICT COUNCIL
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BROADCAST—Station WDSM, Duluth, Minn., Saturdays, 11:30-11:45 a. m.,—Allen G. Snider, Pastor, Gospel Tabernacle, Two Harbors, Minn.

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During 1944 the people of the U. S. spent more than seven billion dollars for alcoholic beverages, or approximately \$54 for every man, woman and child in the country, reports the Department of Commerce.

A GENERATION LOST

According to World Dominion, a certain missionary has been preaching recently to tribes in Mongolia who never have been visited since Gilmour was there thirty years ago. This means that a generation has passed into eternity without the gospel.

A MURDERER'S MENTAL AGE

At the trial of the American soldier who murdered the British diplomat, Sir Eric Teickman, Army psychiatrists tried to blame the murderer's low mental age for his crime. Comments *The Watchman-Examiner*, "It is sin which makes murderers, liars, thieves, and fools out of human beings, not their age."

"SECTS" RECOGNIZED IN RUSSIA

It is reported that the "sects" now have liberty to hold religious conferences similar to that granted to the Russian Orthodox Church. Representatives of the Baptists and the Evangelicals came to Moscow from all parts of the Soviet Union, last fall, and the two churches were merged into a single organization with headquarters in Moscow.

BREAD BETTER THAN BEER

The Minnesota Brewers' Association has been ordered by the Federal Trade Commission to stop advertising the untruth that beer is equivalent or comparable to bread in nutritional quality. The Commission declared that it would be necessary to consume a very large quantity of beer to obtain the nutriment contained in a very small piece of white bread!

WITHDRAWN FROM FEDERAL COUNCIL

The American Lutheran Church of Ohio District has withdrawn from the Federal Council of Churches, giving "political meddling" as one of the principal reasons. They also found fault with the Federal Council's policies (1) to "unite all churches, regardless of faith, and even including unbelievers"; (2) "to set up a supergovernment over all nations"; and (3) to encourage "economic tendencies which border on Communism."

THE BIBLE ABANDONED

"From 1934 to 1943 our Sunday School membership has declined 21 per cent," says the Presbyterian paper *Christianity Today*. "Having abandoned the position that the Bible is the very Word of God, the only infallible rule of faith and practice, there is nothing left for the Sunday School but to teach 'religion'. . . . Hence the decline in the Sunday School of the Presbyterian Church in the U. S. A."

TO USE WORLDLY METHODS

The failure of the preachers of the social gospel to attract more listeners to their religious broadcasts has certain church leaders troubled. A committee representing the Congregational, Methodist, and Presbyterian Churches therefore has been formed with the purpose of employing professional script writers, actors, musicians and directors "to give religious broadcasts the appeal contained in leading sponsored programs." What a poor substitute for the appeal of the gospel and the power of the Spirit!

KAUNAS JEWS MASSACRED

When the Germans retreated from the capital of Lithuania they massacred 10,000 Jews in a ghetto in one night, then burned the entire quarter. Colonel Pouyade, commander of the French Normandie air squadron that has been fighting in Russia, said he found heaps of corpses of men, women, and children in the streets and cellars. Once there had been 40,000 Jews in Kaunas. The Germans concentrated them in a ghetto and, during three years of occupation, slew 30,000. Caught by surprise when the Red army advanced so rapidly, they hurriedly massed the remaining 10,000 and machine-gunned them to give vent to their hatred of all Jews. Colonel Pouvade said he was inclined to be skeptical about some of the atrocity reports until he saw for himself the results of the Kaunas crime.

THE WORLD'S ONLY HOPE

An article by E. L. Langston, appearing in the *Church of England Newspaper* recently, ends with the following golden advice:

"Why will our Christian leaders not believe in and work according to God's plan for world security, peace and happiness? Why reject or ignore the prophetic Scriptures? The only hope of the world, according to the Word of God, is the Second Advent of Christ. He and He alone, can right earth's wrongs; and He does so, by first binding the devil and casting him into the bottomless pit, and setting a seal upon him 'that he should deceive the nations no more.' Rev. 20:1-3. Until that happens there will never be any real security, peace or happiness on the earth.

"I would plead with all religious leaders: do not hold out false hopes of coming world security as a result of the operations of the Church, or of another league of nations. For if the Word of God is to be relied upon, those hopes are doomed to be dashed to pieces until Christ comes."

CORRECTION

In the article, "The Trumpets of Christ's Coming," by James Salter, which appeared in the Evangel of February 24, in the third paragraph the sentence "Nowhere in Matthew 24 is rapture referred to," should have read "Nowhere in Matthew 24:31 is rapture referred to." In the fourth paragraph, the sentence "We need not go outside the Bible for our exposition of Matthew 14:31," should have read "We need not go outside the Bible for our exposition of Matthew 24:31."

DOUBLE-DUTY HELMETS

The following letter was received by the Servicemen's Department from a chaplain in Holland.

Gentlemen,

We have occasionally found a copy or two of Reveille falling into our hands and have been blessed by it. I wish that I may have fifty copies of each issue for my men. That's going very easy on the number for I'm not only the Chaplain of a battalion, but also serve many men of other outfits.

I am a Baptist minister, very conservative—maybe too much so at times. I'm quite denominationally minded, but very interdenominationally hearted.

Our work in the European Theater of Operations is sometimes a bit rugged. We often have church services in rain or snow, always in mud. And often our services are punctuated by the roar of guns. Helmets make pretty good seats, but sometimes they are needed on our heads even during the services. Sometimes the men have to run off and man their guns, but they always come back.

Thanks for putting me on your mailing list.

Your Brother in Christ,

Chaplain E. J. Cain

When men meet to worship God under conditions such as this chaplain has described, you can be sure of one thing—they mean business. They are not attending services to impress anyone, nor because they have nothing else to do; they are attending because they know they need what God can give them.

Chaplains on the battle front are speaking to their men with a tremendous spiritual advantage over any preacher or personal worker who has ever spoken to those fellows when they were at home, an advantage which springs from the radically different attitude of men thrown face to face with eternity. Godly chaplains are magnificently meeting a tremendous need—but they can't do the job by themselves!

That's where the Servicemen's Department comes in. Through the Department's supply of literature alone—and that's only one part of the many-fold service we offer them—Chaplains can reach thousands more men than would be otherwise possible. Through the constant contact and co-operation of the Servicemen's Department, the ministries of many chaplains are being visibly augmented.

And that's where you come in. It is only through your prayers and your support that we can help the men who help the boys.

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