

NOT BY MIGHT, NOR BY POWER, BUT BY MY SPIRIT, SAITH THE LORD



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 THY TESTIMONIES ALSO ARE MY DELIGHT AND MY COUNSELLORS
 

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## When Pentecost Came to Madagascar

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**R**AVELO, a woman about sixty years of age, was one day carried into the church as dead, for a simple burial service—not in a coffin, but wrapped in a cloth, as is customary in Madagascar.

During the singing of a hymn, to the amazement of the congregation, she suddenly sat up, alive and well. From that day until now she has been known as "the resurrected one." She has been going about, in a quiet, simple way, preaching the gospel and healing the sick. The Lord graciously baptized her in the Spirit and bid her "Go." At first she demurred saying, "I cannot speak, I am not clever"—but again He spoke, "Go! Preach in My Name and heal the sick."

She has been mightily used both in the salvation of souls and in the healing of bodies. Before praying for the sick, she asks, "Have you repented? Have you given up your idols?" Even cases of insanity have yielded to the simple prayer of faith.

On one occasion, a man, bound with ropes, was brought by two friends to be prayed for. "Have you repented of your sins? Do you promise to give up your idols?" asked Ravelo, and when answered in the affirmative, she prayed for him and told the two men to loose him and let him go. And, lo! once again, as with the Christ-healed maniac of old, this man, hitherto bent upon works of destruction, was suddenly made whole, and though two years have passed away, he is still "clothed, and in his right mind."

Having received a promise from the Lord that she should have helpers in the work, Ravelo met with a young man, whose name is Rajaofera, and recognizing him to be one of these chosen ones, she said to him, "God has showed me that you will help in His work. Go,"—and, she continued, putting her hand on his head, "Go in the name of the Lord. Pray, and wait for the Lord."

A day or two later, as he sat in his little sitting room, the Holy Spirit fell upon him,



Have you  
**PRAYED**  
for the  
**HEATHEN**  
today?

and for days he was under His power and lost in God.

When he intimated to his wife that he had received a clear call to preach the gospel throughout the island, such was the grace of the Lord upon her also, that she readily consented to his leaving her and their large family of children, cost what it might.

Soon after receiving his commission Rajaofera was met by a blind man who asked him to pray for him. "If you do pray," whispered the enemy, "and he is not healed you will be laughed at." "Go in the strength of the Lord," came another voice. He prayed. The blind man received his sight. From this time many marvellous healings have accompanied his faithful ministry. *In over thirty cases blind people have regained their sight, and in one family seven members, all born blind, were healed.*

One man had completely lost his eyes as the result of gas poisoning in France during the war. He used to be led by the hand to the Government Office to receive his pension. He was known to the Governor General and by everyone else in the place.

The Lord met his need in one of Rajaofera's meetings, and he received *new, God-given eyes*. Going to the Government Office he made known to the officer in charge that he no longer needed a pension, as he could now work. The matter was referred to the Minister of Colonies,

in Paris, who sent his congratulation on his having received his sight, and expressing his hope that many others would obtain a similar benefit, but adding that he was to be allowed to continue with his pension. He now works in a bank, near the Residency, and is well known as "the miracle man."

The following is another striking case of healing. A man with a paralyzed leg, who had been in the hospital for a year and could hardly walk with the aid of a stick, came to Rajaofera asking for prayer.

"Have you given up your idols?"—"Yes."

"But you have two more wrapped up. Bring them here tomorrow. Do you really want to give yourself to Jesus and worship Him only?"

Rajaofera came down from the pulpit and, after praying with him, told him to walk up and down without his stick. With the greatest difficulty and suffering the man obeyed. Rajaofera put out his hand and very gently helped him. The audience were singing a hymn. Very soon the stiffness was gone and the man was walking alone. His very countenance was altered, and even his features seemed changed, as if a divine breath had been wafted over him. The congregation was moved to tears, and praised God aloud. Turning to an onlooker, Rajaofera said in *French*, "You can take his stick home," and then, to the man, "You will lean on Jesus now."

Both Ravelo and Rajaofera are readers of one book only—the precious Word of God. Their own language is Malagasy, but the reader will notice that the words in *French* are emphasized. Before the Lord baptized Rajaofera, he had no knowledge of the language, but the Holy Spirit apportioned to him this wonderful gift, and he not only carries about with him his Malagasy New Testament, but also a French copy—and many an opportunity is granted him of reading it, and explaining "the way of this life" to Europeans who visit him.

Let us take yet another peep into some of these scenes where souls are getting deliverance

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# That Offending Brother

ERNEST S. WILLIAMS

**I**f thy brother shall trespass against thee, go and tell him his fault between thee and him alone." Matt. 18:15.

How miserably we fail in obeying this urgent admonition! Instead of going to our brother we often tell everyone else but him. Why is this? Is it because we are so wickedly sinful ourselves that we delight in injuring another? Or is it that we are so cowardly that we fear to take the matter up with him? Or is it that we know that, at least in a measure, we are to blame and yet we are unwilling to share the blame with him?

There is only one way to settle our personal grievances in a manner that will glorify God and retain His blessing upon our own souls, and that is to deal with them as Christ has commanded. Never have we seen those who began to gossip abroad what they felt had been an injury done to them by a brother, but that their own souls have been blighted by a bitter spirit, their hearts and minds filled with unrest and turmoil, and all being made the more painful by the loss of the approval of God.

If some brother has trespassed against you, take him alone and tell him his fault. Have a little heart-to-heart talk with him about it. And remember he is your brother. If you approach him as if you wished to devour him, what better are you than a ravening wolf? The Bible says he is your brother, and although he has offended, he is to be approached in the spirit of love and tenderness, not as Cain who was of that wicked one and slew his brother. Harshness repels; love wins. "A soft answer turneth away wrath, but grievous words stir up anger."

Well do I remember when but a lad in school, one morning another and I had been amusing ourselves more than we ought. Recess time came and our teacher stepped down and spoke to us kindly. "I want you two to spend recess together enjoying yourselves, then return to class without this foolishness." I was then becoming a fairly good sized lad, just at that age when boys know so much, and I blustered up saying, "I don't think we have acted worse than anyone else." "All right," replied our teacher, "if you think you have been doing the right thing—go ahead." Was our teacher afraid of me? Indeed not. He had thrashed some of the worst bullies that ever disgraced a school. When my combative air was met with such kindness, it almost broke my heart. I was not at the time morally big enough to apologize, but a constant apology has been in my heart ever since.

Until we can deal with our brother in a spirit of love, we would do well to wait on our knees until our own hard and unforgiving spirit is subdued. How can we expect to gain our brother if we approach him with bricks? But some may say, "He did wrong and it is only fair that he make it right." Perhaps so, but, may I ask, What sort of spirit are you showing when you try to get him to do this? Is an unchristian spirit more justifiable in you than in him? The Bible says we are to re-

store such an one in the spirit of meekness, considering ourselves lest we also be tempted. "If he hear thee, thou hast gained thy brother." We are to have in mind, not the thought of getting even, but the thought of his salvation. If we could become such Christians that we had more concern for our brother's good than for our own vindication, what beautiful spirits we should be. "And this commandment have we from Him, That he who loveth God, loveth his brother also." "If any man say, I love God, and hateth his brother, he is a liar."

It means so much to gain thy brother. It means gaining him for Christ; who loved him and give Himself for him. So much effort is put forth for the salvation of sinners, yet after they are redeemed, the life of Christ is often crushed through misunderstandings and hard feelings among believers. My beloved brethren, these things ought not so to be. The great work of Christ is to save and to restore. The erring sheep is the one He seeks. The prodigal's return is the joy of His heart. Go to your offending brother, therefore with the thought of gaining him for Christ.

Then he is to be gained for his own soul's sake. Have you thought about his soul? Is it not worth more than all the world? Is he not one for whom Christ died? Would you have him perish because of your failing to show the spirit of Jesus? Some years ago a

dear gospel worker befriended me, but later did something behind my back which I believed unkind and disloyal. We drifted apart, but I never took the matter up to settle it. My heart, however, treasured feelings which ought not to have been there. Then this worker died, and well do I remember my grief as I felt, "We might have had an understanding and gotten this matter out of the way. Now it is too late. Never until we stand before the judgment seat of Christ can it be adjusted now."

Ah my brother, we must either correct our differences here as God would have us, or face them later on. "Brethren, if any of you do err from the truth, and one convert him; let him know that he which converteth the sinner from the error of his way shall save a soul from death, and shall hide a multitude of sins."

Last of all, if you gain your brother, you gain his love and what a prize. How tender and sympathetic is often the love between those who have once not been friends. Once at school another boy and I almost came to blows right in the classroom. Shortly afterward we got together, having reached an understanding of our difference, and from then on we became close pals. Had we not had the disagreement, we could never have enjoyed the happy understanding and its resulting friendship.

Go to your offending brother. Go in the spirit of Christ. Go with your own heart tender. Go not so much with the thought of straightening matters out for yourself as for the sake of Jesus and for the soul of your offending friend. If you gain him, what a treasure! A soul is saved from death and a multitude of sins is covered—his sins, your sins, all the sins that usually result from misunderstandings in the church of God.

## Annual Meeting of the N. A. E.

The third annual meeting of the National Association of Evangelicals has just ended in Chicago. In view of government requirements it was necessary to have a restricted delegation.

All officers and Commissions were re-elected or reappointed for the coming year, Bishop Leslie R. Marston continuing as President of the organization.

The outstanding work accomplished and reported this year by the N. A. E. and its affiliates is as follows:

1. The organization of a National Sunday School Association and the calling of a National Sunday School Convention for October, 1946.

2. The strengthening of the National Religious Broadcasters in their work of insuring the constitutional rights of religious broadcasters to continue radio gospel dissemination.

3. The furthering of War Relief work which not only receives and ships clothing to needy Europeans but effects its distribution in connection with the gospel ministry.

4. The increase of the good work and influence of the Washington office of the N. A. E. in securing passports for Evangelical missionaries and protecting our interests in proposed legislation on Capitol Hill.

5. The organization of the Association of

Evangelical Youth International to integrate spiritual activities, to furnish information concerning youth organizations, and to stimulate evangelistic endeavor among youth.

6. The development of plans for the establishing of an Association of the Evangelical Missionary Agencies for the purpose of assisting missionary bodies in the purchasing of supplies, securing transportation for missionaries, etc.

Other effective agencies of the National Association of Evangelicals are Commissions on Evangelism, Educational Institutions, Church Schools, Industrial and Military Chaplaincies, and Missions.

The National Association of Evangelicals now embraces 17 denominations with a total membership of about 900,000, in addition to a number of colleges, Bible institutes, Mission Boards, and individual churches.

If all preachers, uniformly, would insist on these two points—Christ dying for us, and Christ reigning in us—the gates of hell would tremble.—John Wesley.

How we live is more important than where we live.—Fidelia Fiske, Missionary to Persia.



# The So-called "New Morality"

J. NARVER GORTNER

I PAUSED recently at a book stall, and read a few pages in a book I had never seen before. Not much time was required to ascertain what the writer's views were. The book had been written in the interest of what has been called "the new morality." And the writer was a woman too! Those who believe in this "morality," which in reality is *immorality*, believe that the moral standards which were in vogue when I was a boy are utterly out of date, having been outmoded by modern concepts. Man, we are told, makes progress, and the race in pursuing the process of evolution is climbing upward. Man's conceptions of right and wrong when some of us were children may have been all right *then*, but there have been changes. The world has been moving. And, they would have us believe, it has been moving in the right direction.

What *are* moral standards? Or, rather, upon what are they based? Is there any standard yardstick by means of which conduct can be measured, any standard scale in which actions can be weighed? It is a recognized fact that what has been adjudged right in one age has been adjudged wrong in another; and what is regarded as wrong in one part of the world is looked upon as right in some other part. Whether humanity has been provided with a yardstick wherewith it is possible to measure conduct is an important question. That God *has* given us such a standard, is most certainly true.

God has given us the Bible, and if we want moral standards that harmonize with the divine requirements and can endure the strict scrutiny of the day of judgment, we can find them in this Book. God knew that man is a sinner, that his understanding has been darkened, so that he is incapable of making correct moral standards. So God has made them for him. And it is imperative, if we would not come short of the glory of God, that we measure our lives by the standards God has given us, that we weigh our motives and our actions in God's scales.

Paul wrote, "We dare not make ourselves of the number, or compare ourselves with some, that commend themselves: but they, measuring themselves by themselves, and comparing themselves among themselves, are not wise." 2 Cor. 10:12. Thus we see that there were those in the days of Paul who made their own standards, and that their standards were wrong, as all standards of man's making are likely to be.

Suppose a merchant were to make his own yardstick, and decide as to its length. He makes it to suit himself, and each inch is a small fraction too short. Although hardly perceptible to the inexperienced eye, the yardstick, instead of being thirty-six inches long is just thirty-four. Somebody who needs just ten yards of goods comes in and places his order and makes his payment. He gets the piece of goods and goes home. He finds that he lacks twenty inches of having the necessary ten yards. He goes back to the merchant and registers his protest.

The merchant assures him that he has not been cheated, and in order to prove his point he brings out his yardstick and measures the goods. Sure enough! There are ten yards! But there *are not* ten yards! The yardstick was wrong. It was a yardstick of the merchant's own making. And he made it for a purpose—to cheat his customers!

Such a merchant is liable to prosecution and conviction in the courts. It is necessary that there be a standard by which goods can be measured.

My brother-in-law went to a neighbor's house to borrow a half-bushel measure. The neighbor was away, but his little son was there. The boy wanted to know whether my brother-in-law was going to buy oats or sell them. My brother-in-law wanted to know what difference that made. The boy said, "Well, Dad has two measures; one he uses when he *sells* oats, and the other when he *buys* oats." It is likely that each of the measures was wrong, that one was below par and the other above par. His two measures may be regarded as illustrating man's methods: he takes from or adds to the divine standards for measuring morals, or, more likely, he does both, *taking from* and *adding to* at the same time.

The world changes. We concede that. Conditions in the world change. The views of humanity change. But some of us are still old-fashioned enough to believe that God does not change, and that what was good conduct, upright behavior, when we were young, is good conduct, upright behavior, today.

God has spoken! The Bible is the Word of God! There is no such thing as "the new morality." The only morality that God recognizes is the morality of the Book. The so-called "new morality" is like the merchant's yardstick that he had made to suit himself, two inches shorter than it should have been. He did not make anything in the long run; he was a loser in the end. He lost his business, and then found himself facing a judge and awaiting sentence.

## OUR PLEDGE

Till V Day come . . . and after

Our men still fight and die—our task remains to give them every spiritual aid and life through Christ.

We pledge to serve your sons until the last battle is fought, then to bring them back to assume their place for God in the home church.

We pledge to win hundreds more for Christ in the days of war remaining. To do this we need your pledged support.

REVEILLE

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Let us get our standards out of God's Word, and let us measure our lives, and weigh our actions, accordingly. Then God will not say what He said in days of old, "The bed is shorter than that a man can stretch himself on it, and the covering is narrower than that he can wrap himself in it." Isa. 28:20.

## A Call to Prayer

We were glad to see that President Truman not only proclaimed Sunday, May 13, as a day of praise for victory in Europe, but also a *day of prayer*, in view of the many international problems ahead. We will do well to pray continually for our President and our Government, for difficult days are coming.

When W. E. Gladstone, one of the greatest of Great Britain's Prime Ministers, was approaching the end of his life in 1898, he said to Lord Balfour, who later became Prime Minister: "Balfour, the years of the Victorian era have been comparatively peaceful; but I can foresee, because of the currents that are now running in international politics, that those who live in the next forty years, are likely to have much trouble."

When Lord Balfour reached the end of his life in 1930, he reminded the world of what Gladstone had said to him, and remarked: "The world has seen much evil these past forty years. But I can foresee that those who live during the next forty years will see far more difficulties and more conflicts than we have ever experienced in these past forty."

Pray especially that the Word of God, and the gospel of the Kingdom may be preached in all the world for a witness, and that the Spirit of God may overthrow all hindering obstacles.

## Coming Wrath

Men are looking for a time of peace ahead, but the Word of God predicts a day of wrath, when the Lord will show His anger and wrath against those who will not hearken to the gospel message. It is written, "The Lord revengeth, and is furious; the Lord will take vengeance on His adversaries, and He reserveth wrath for His enemies." Nah. 1:2. The indignation of Jehovah is coming, and it will not be stayed. When the Lord gave the vision of coming judgment to Nahum, the prophet cried, "Who can stand before His indignation? and who can abide in the fierceness of His anger?" Nah. 1:6.

But this same prophet declares that to those who seek mercy "the Lord is good, a stronghold in the day of trouble; and he knoweth them that trust in Him."

But there will be no hope, *no hope whatever*, for those who turn their backs on God's offer of mercy. The Word of God shows that the Lord's wrath will be poured out without mercy on all the ungodly. The day is fast approaching when they will cry to the mountains and rocks, "Fall on us, and hide us from the face of Him that sitteth on the throne, and from the wrath of the Lamb: for the great day of His wrath is come; and who shall be able to stand?" Rev. 6:16.

# Pentecostal Streams

CLAUDE A. ROSSINGOL, SHELBY, MONTANA

CALEB said, "Behold, the Lord hath kept me alive, as He said, these forty and five years." Joshua 14:10. There seems to be a distinct and significant parallel between the life of Caleb and the life of the Pentecostal Movement. There is always something comforting and inspiring in finding a kindred thought or type in the Bible which may be applied to our present-day problems.

Caleb declared, "As yet I am as strong this day as I was in the day that Moses sent me." Verse 11. There are those who have hung their harps upon the willows, stating that Pentecost is not what it used to be. It all depends on what one means when one speaks of Pentecost. The Old Testament Jews regarded Pentecost as a feast. No matter if some ignored it, and others did not rightly appreciate it, there were always some to whom it was a feast.

Today Pentecost is still a feast, even though some may not appreciate it, but the life of Pentecost is the Holy Spirit, who abides with us for ever. Thank God, that the movement of the Holy Spirit is the same today as it was in the day that the Father sent it.

There was no longing on Caleb's part to return to the days when he and Joshua spide out the land of Canaan, and gave their glorious testimony of faith against the overwhelming odds of unbelief. This hale old veteran of eighty-five years said, "Now therefore give me this mountain, whereof the Lord spake in that day." Verse 12. Those same giants were there (with grown children), and the cities were still great and fenced; yet this giant of faith was asking to do what the whole twelve tribes had turned from in abject fear and trembling.

The same Spirit who sustained Caleb is possessing men and women today, and they are going forward for God. Do you say, "They are few"? Well, no one will deny that Caleb was in the minority. I often think of a statement made by Harry Bowley several years ago, "There is a church within a church." There is still a minority moving on, and yet the flesh rubs so close to the Spirit and tries to imitate the Spirit. Pentecost is the same as on that very day in which the Holy Spirit was poured forth upon the infant church, but so is the flesh the same, and the devil likewise (with grown children). Yes, there is no doubt that there is a church within a church. The signs are still following "them that believe." The fire is still burning in the sanctuary.

In Joshua 15:16 we read of the succeeding generation in this family which had such Pentecostal characteristics. After Caleb has possessed the mountain for which his faith had so stoutly contended, he offered his daughter Achsah to a young man "of like precious faith." Would it be a timely suggestion that a truly Pentecostal parent do likewise? Much could be said about the evils of being "unequally yoked together." A young man named Othniel proved himself worthy by capturing the city of Kirjath-Sepher, and was given Caleb's daughter Achsah as a wife. Othniel was persuaded by his bride to ask her father for a field. This is a very wise request for all Pentecostal people.

Have you asked the Father for a field in which to labor and to bring forth fruit? Every child of God should have a ministry which will bring forth fruit to the salvation of souls—the ministry of intercessory prayer, personal evangelism, the giving of our substance. There is a field for everyone, for the Master says: "Lift up your eyes, and look on the fields; for they are white already to harvest." John 4:35.

This field that was given by Caleb may have been very wonderful, but it was decidedly dry! Achsah said, "Thou hast given me a south land," but there was something further needed. It is all right to ask husband or wife or pastor to pray for you, but there are some things which you must pray for alone. You must go back to Father's house, and there you will hear His all-sufficient words, "What wouldst thou?" I well recall the first Sunday School class I was asked to teach. I had not yet received the Baptism in the Holy Spirit but was growing hungry to be filled. My prayer was then with importunity, "Give me a blessing."

Have you ever labored in the harvest field through the long hot hours of a summer day? If you have, then you know the perfect satisfaction that comes through a visit to the water jug with its jacket of water-soaked cloth. Some people do not know the experience of true thirst after righteousness because they have never found a field of labor. "Blessed are they which do hunger and thirst after righteousness: for they shall be filled." Matt. 5:6.

This blessing for which Achsah asked was to meet a specific need—it was to water the field. Achsah had gotten the field first, and then she said, "Give me a blessing; for thou hast given me a south land; give me also springs of water." Joshua 15:19. The field that was given them must have water if there was to be fruit. Why should Christ have promised that the Holy Spirit should be like "rivers of living water"? What is the need of rivers? The field is dry, the world is languishing for the living water, and seed must have water! This blessing has a purpose—it is to water the field!

Achsah received "the upper springs, and the nether springs." There is a source of power on the mountain top, and thank God, there is also a spring for the valley. "Blessed be God . . . who comforteth us in all our tribulation, that we may be able to comfort them which are in any trouble, by the comfort wherewith we ourselves are comforted of God." 2 Cor. 1:4. In the valley experience we may drink of the "nether" springs, but our Christ is the "lily of the valleys," and please note that "valleys" is plural. S. of S. 2:1. He enters the valley with anyone who will accept His company.

Not long ago it became my duty to try to comfort a mother who was suddenly plunged into the valley of despair through the tragic death of her young son. But she refused to take the Savior there, in the depths of her agony of spirit—there were no springs in the valley, and she was an utterly helpless soul. Then, too, we must scale the mountain peaks of victory and there find those blessed crystal

## MEMORIAL DAY

Memorial Day is of special interest this year, for the hearts of many have received fresh wounds from the loss of loved ones in the present world conflict. Christians derive a comfort from their trust in God of which the unsaved know nothing. Nevertheless, only time can erase the deep sorrow which many have experienced. Some have decided to remember sons or husbands with a Memorial Offering, and it has been recommended that attention be turned to our older ministers, whose service to God and the fellowship is worthy of consideration. These faithful ministers of Christ are still with us, although many are of necessity in retirement. Their hearts can be made glad by our remembrance of past ministries and present needs.

Sunday, May 27th

has been designated as a suitable time for the receiving of an offering in all the Assemblies of God. If not convenient to take up an offering for this need on that day, of course it will be advisable to choose some other time. Only be sure that this need is not passed up entirely and that at least one offering every six months be taken by each church in our fellowship. This Benevolence Fund is disbursed 100%, and no deductions are made for postage, office expense, etc. The expense of handling the fund is borne by the General Council office. All remittances should be sent to J. R. Flower, Treasurer, 336 W. Pacific Street, Springfield, Missouri.

waters flowing from the "upper" springs. With a heart overflowing with gratitude I remember the many times when my soul longed for those life-giving waters on higher ground. The Lord will transport us aloft on wings of praise to refresh our souls in celestial fields where joys and glories never fail.

## MIGHTIER THAN PENTECOST

It is certain that we are rapidly approaching the worldwide downpour of the Spirit; for the very judgments which we see around warn us of the revival dated to arrive before the final scenes. So, in linking up ourselves with myriads of Christians throughout the globe in praying for world-revival, world-evangelism, and the return of our blessed Lord, we are praying for solid coming facts, and therefore know we are praying according to the will of God. We are praying for the world the biggest blessing it will ever have on this side of the Great White Throne. A work of the Holy Ghost is before us absolutely unparalleled in the history of the human race.—D. M. Pantou.

## HAVE YOU A GREAT BOWL?

Art thou a beggar at God's door? Be sure thou gettest a great bowl, for as thy bowl is, so shall be thy mess. According to thy faith, saith he, be it unto you.—John Bunyan.



# They Brought . . . Children Unto Him

MINA CHRISTINE ARNOLD

WE find recorded in three Gospels the story of the mothers who brought young children to Jesus. The disciples, knowing that the Master was weary in body and trying to relieve Him of any unnecessary strain, would have sent these little ones away. But Jesus said, "Suffer the little children to come unto Me, and forbid them not, for of such is the kingdom of heaven." Then He took the children up in His arms and blessed them.

Even today there are those who would send the children away before they have come in contact with Jesus. Boys and girls have left church altars unsatisfied because parents or pastors considered them too young to take a stand for Christ. Church leaders and workers have thought that it would be an unnecessary waste of time and effort to conduct special services for the children. Parents—even many saved, Spirit-filled parents—have failed to bring their children to Jesus.

In the natural realm, it is an indisputable fact that we must care for the young. If we would be successful poultry raisers, we must spend much more time caring for the little chicks than for the full-grown hens. In gardening, we do not expect to plant the seed, forget about it until the plants are grown, and then reap a crop. If we would apply the same principle in the spiritual, we would not have the vicious circle of delinquency that is engulfing our United States today. Children are delinquent because parents or other older people are delinquent. These adults are delinquent because they did not receive the proper Christian training as children. Our country has sowed carelessness and reaped crime.

We are not advocating that adults be neglected to make way for a more aggressive program of Child Evangelism. Rather let us labor ceaselessly and tirelessly to bring men and women to Christ, but let us also consider the needs of the children. Perhaps some of our church leaders and parents of a few years ago felt sure that Jesus would come before many of the little children reached the age of accountability, therefore their efforts should all be directed toward winning unsaved adults to Christ. Now those "little children" have grown up to sow the wind and reap the whirlwind, and they are not reaping alone. Let us not make the same error in neglecting the spiritual welfare of the children today.

Some seek to excuse their carelessness by saying that they do not wish to unduly influence children, that they want them to make their own decisions when they are mature enough to do so. They contend that it would be unfair to the child to press the claims of Christ upon him when he is too young to fully understand. This attitude might be justifiable if Satan's emissaries waited until the child reached the age of accountability before striving to win him for their master!

Parents, do you realize the responsibility of your position? You have more influence upon

your children than anyone else will ever have. Before God, your children are your first responsibility. Their welfare, spiritual as well as physical, is more important than your job, your home, your friends, or even your work in the church. Though you win multitudes to Christ, if your own children are not brought up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord, you have failed in your duty.

Children need more than teaching, they need training. It has been well said that "teaching causes a child to know; training causes him to do." Training a child in the Christian way requires more than telling him what is right. It involves example, understanding, prayer, and many tears. It takes time, and patience and the grace of God. But if you have been entrusted with children, dare you fail to bring them to Jesus?

Multitudes of boys and girls today do not have parents who can bring them to Christ, because they are not acquainted with Him themselves. The responsibility for these spiritually neglected children falls upon every Christian. Since their parents cannot do so, we must do all in our power to bring them to Jesus.

Perhaps you feel that you are not capable of conducting children's services or teaching a Sunday School class; or it may be that circumstances prevent these blessed ministries. But organized services are not the only means of winning boys and girls to the Lord. Could you not be a real friend to at least one child? If you can gain his love and confidence, it will be easy to teach him of the love of God and the plan of salvation.

Children seek companions, not only among those of their own age, but also older people. Satan takes advantage of this for there are always filthy-minded, evil-mouthed young people and adults to give small boys and girls a start in the wrong direction.

Opportunities for Child Evangelism are as numerous as the children themselves. Every unsaved child with whom we come in contact

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*Workers at the Gospel Publishing House are vitally concerned about the spiritual welfare of the children. Our Sunday School Department is making up a mailing list of those interested in Child Evangelism, which will make it possible to mail them helpful literature from time to time. If you would like your name included in this list, please write to Mina Arnold, Child Evangelism Secretary, Gospel Publishing House, and give the following information: full name, complete mailing address, number of years of experience in different types of children's work (Sunday School, Vacation Bible School, week-day services, Children's Church, etc.) and whether or not you are acquainted with "Our Sunday School Counsellor." You will receive a free visual aid lesson and other helpful material. Please do not delay, but send your name in NOW.*

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is a prospective member of the kingdom of God, but whether or not that child ever actually enters the kingdom may depend on us. Are we seeking ways and means of winning them to the Lord?

Dealing with children individually about their souls is easier and more effective than working with them in groups. Could you not invite a child to visit you, perhaps for a meal, and after a time of fun and fellowship, explain the way of salvation? Perhaps you could take one or more children for a walk or a ride in God's great out-of-doors, and turn their thoughts to the Creator and His claim upon their lives. If you live in the country or in a small town, could you not arrange for some underprivileged city child to spend a part of the summer in your home? He could learn about birds and plants and insects, and return home with an entirely new outlook on life, but best and most important of all, you would have an opportunity to teach him the way of salvation.

Could not each reader of this page strive to bring at least one child to Jesus? Some, as leaders in children's services, can perhaps bring numbers to Him. Others may be able by personal contact to reach only a few. Let us pray earnestly and labor diligently, not only that children may be saved, but that they may continue to grow in grace and in the knowledge of our Lord. Our efforts will not be in vain if we work in the name and by the power of Him who said, "Suffer the little children to come unto Me."

(The writer of this article is expecting to go out this summer with a co-worker to give instructions and help to those interested in Child Evangelism in the assemblies and camp meetings where workers are interested in this ministry. She can be addressed c/o Gospel Publishing House, Springfield, Mo.)

## RE-EDUCATING GERMANY

Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower has broadcast a proclamation to the people of Germany, informing them that the Allied Military Government intends to maintain control of schools in Germany after the overthrow of Nazism, to see that militarism, national socialism, and racial discrimination are taught no longer.

Surely the German people need re-educating. One horrible proof of this lies in the stories of unbelievable Nazi atrocities which are coming to light as the Americans capture the prison camps in which millions of Jews and others have been starved, tortured and murdered. Congressmen express amazement over the fact that a nation so cultured as Germany could be guilty of such brutality. They need not be amazed. Culture is but a veneer covering the innate wickedness of men's hearts. Unregenerate man is but a beast who may be tamed for a season but whose wild nature will exert itself when sufficiently aroused.

Education did not prevent Germany from ravaging Europe in the past and it will not now. What is needed is a power that will go below the surface and touch men's hearts. That power is the gospel of Christ. It needs to be preached in Germany in the power of the Spirit until men's hearts are changed and a generation of law-abiding, peace-loving Christian youth arises to be a blessing and not a curse to mankind.

OUR



MISSIONARY ADVANCE

# Revival Fires in Guatemala

RALPH HARER

OUR annual conference in Jutiapa shall long live in our memories as one of the most precious times we have experienced on the field!

The first day of the conference our hearts were blessed beyond measure as our brethren from the coast came marching in with their banner unfurled, reading: "I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ, for it is the power of God unto salvation, to everyone that believeth!" As they marched in, a spirit of prayer swept over us and each one went to his knees in prayer. As we looked at their bare feet, we thought of the long journey of 75 miles they had made on foot from the low swamp lands, over the rugged mountains, sleeping out and enduring the hardships in order that they might be in the conference. Why? They had their eyes fixed on the journey's end and the blessings that they felt sure the Lord would pour out upon them. They were not disappointed. The last day of the conference as the services were coming to an end, the people began to sing the parting hymn, when the anointing of the Lord descended and fell like rain.

Eighteen received the baptism of the Spirit! Their shouts filled all the camp!

The blessings continue to fall. A week later we had a marriage of a couple who, about eight years ago, had established their home without God or marriage. They had now heard and received the gospel, and were following the Lord all the way, arranging their marriage and water baptism on the same day. God moved in the evening service. Five accepted the Lord and six were baptized in the Holy Spirit. The community is being stirred for God. People are continually being saved and filled with the Spirit.

We wish at this time to place before you the need of our young men who are consecrated to the Lord for service, but lack Bible training. Ten dollars will put one of these boys through three months of Bible School. Your offering will help send those dusty bare feet over the mountains and into the valleys, announcing the good tidings of salvation, and your offering will be gathering interest in eternity. Why not invest now?

## Flashes!

A cablegram has been received from Ebon Mason, our missionary pilot in Cape Palmas, Liberia, reading: "Completed first missionary flight successfully with Landrus, Steidel, Bassett." We are grateful to the Lord that the missionary plane for Africa is at last in active duty and being made a great blessing to our missionaries. Let us continually pray for the safety of the plane and the pilot.

From Ouagadougou, Upper Ivory Coast, Africa, cheering news comes from the John Halls: "Arrived in good health."

A news flash has just reached the Missions Department from Umuahia, Nigeria from the Kenneth Godbeys announcing the arrival of a new daughter, Donna Ruth, weighing 8 lbs. 1½ oz. Donna Ruth made her appearance on May 3rd. Congratulations to the parents, and may God's richest blessing rest upon this new little missionary.

### FOREIGN MISSIONS DISBURSEMENTS FOR APRIL, 1945

Congo	\$ 1,526.38
Egypt	3,878.25
Gold Coast	4,773.42
Ivory Coast	3,877.48
Liberia	4,148.73
Nigeria	2,852.80
Nyasaland	284.00
Sierra Leone	659.75
Tanganyika	1,158.76
Transvaal	2,789.00
China	5,647.72
Ceylon	1,453.50
India	26,297.51
Palestine and Near East	1,822.50
Europe	1,305.00
West Indies	6,780.15
Mexican Border Work	1,556.61
Central America	11,610.71
Argentina	1,355.75
Brazil	2,554.29
Chile	1,430.77
Colombia	843.00
Paraguay	160.50
Peru	5,228.78
Venezuela	1,856.00
Fiji Islands	215.00
Hawaiian Islands	102.00
Philippine Islands	1,287.00
British West Indies	1,302.50
Retired Missionaries	1,049.99
Non-Council Missionaries	1,866.17
Miscellaneous Fields	4,539.78
Total Disbursements	\$106,213.80
Credited to Designated Accounts	1,587.46
	\$107,801.26
Paid from Reserve Funds	8,466.61
Total Receipts for April	\$ 99,334.65

### MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS APRIL, 1945

Alabama	\$ 848.54
Arizona	738.84
Arkansas	1,628.73
California	19,497.51
Colorado	1,915.00
Connecticut	427.14
Delaware	1,004.55
District of Columbia	791.82
Florida	2,508.79
Georgia	788.81
German Branch	363.36
Hungarian Branch	25.00
Idaho	1,374.75
Illinois	6,160.82
Indiana	1,865.58
Iowa	2,504.12
Kansas	4,453.30
Kentucky	528.20
Louisiana	242.45
Maine	125.11
Maryland	628.33
Massachusetts	522.89
Michigan	6,089.35
Minnesota	4,708.16
Mississippi	204.32
Missouri	6,698.84
Montana	920.01
Nebraska	1,703.59
Nevada	125.10
New Hampshire	4.00
New Jersey	2,036.56
New Mexico	406.73
New York	7,291.28
North Carolina	153.45
North Dakota	2,273.60
Ohio	9,696.16
Oklahoma	5,564.65
Oregon	3,615.81
Pennsylvania	5,215.72
Rhode Island	216.88
South Carolina	124.42
South Dakota	878.67
Tennessee	598.13
Texas	6,674.71
Ukrainian Branch	159.78
Utah	72.88
Vermont	52.00
Virginia	959.62
Washington	8,947.82
West Virginia	398.33
Wisconsin	2,502.12
Wyoming	384.54
Alaska	49.60
Canada	390.19
Foreign	154.95
Legacies	1,015.26
Miscellaneous	2,759.83

Total amount reported	131,990.71
District Fund	8,209.51
Home Missions Fund	5,948.41
Office Expense Fund	2,174.30
Literature Expense Fund	208.99
Given Direct for Home Missions	5,630.08
Given Direct to Missionaries	10,484.77
	32,656.06

Amount received for Foreign Missions \$99,334.65

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**A NEW HEAVEN AND A NEW EARTH**

**P**ETER writes, "Nevertheless we, according to His promise, look for new heavens and a new earth, wherein dwelleth righteousness." 2 Peter 3:13. And the former things shall not come into remembrance.

God was pleased with the first creation. We may be assured that He will not make something inferior but something better when He makes the new heaven and the new earth. The latter will exceed the former as much as grace exceeds law. The dispensation of law served its time until the dispensation of grace came in. The old will serve its time until the better comes in.

John in the last chapter of Revelation gives us a picture of the new Jerusalem. God and the Lamb will be in it. It will be fit for them to dwell in, and it will satisfy them. And it will satisfy His creatures. The first earth was for man and God visited him, He walked in the garden. God is going to dwell in the new earth and heavens, and the saints will be the invited ones. The earth was given to man and he lost it, but the new earth and the new heavens will not be in his keeping. God and the Son are going to keep it, and all man will have to do is to enjoy it and thank God for it.

**WHEN PENTECOST CAME TO MADAGASCAR**

(Continued From Page One)

from Satan's thralldom. There is Rabelaza, once leader of idol-worship in her village, and possessor of the great stone which had been worshiped and held in veneration by all the village for four generations. There is also the drum, with which she mustered the people, inciting them to rum-drinking, feasting, and devil dancing until they were seized with frenzy.

But she was attracted by rumors of Rajaofera's meetings, and came from some inexplicable hunger in her soul.

God's Holy Spirit did His gracious work and she was convicted of sin. Weeping and confessing her guilt, she begged the servant of God to pray for her. She was asked the invariable questions, "Do you repent? Do you give yourself up to Jesus?"—"Yes."

"Will you give up your idols?" Again she assented.

"Then bring me that stone"—at first she denied that she had it, but as Rajaofera insisted, telling her that the whole village bowed down to it, and had done so for nearly 200 years she went off and fetched it: and again she came back weeping bitterly and lamenting her sins.

Rajaofera probed her still more deeply. "Where is the drum with which you call people to drink and feast? Have you really repented?"—"Yes."

"Then bring the drum,"—off she went, all those weary miles, back to her village and returned with the drum.

Upon arriving once more at her home, without either stone or drum, the rage of the Evil One manifested itself, and, overpowering his helpless victim, commanded her to go back and bring them again. Like a demented thing, absolutely under the control of the devil, she started back in the dark and lonesome night—a most daring feat for any Malagasy woman.

"Give me back the stone and the drum," cried Rabelaza. But how Rajaofera prayed—long and earnestly for the poor demon-possess-

ed woman, and the Lion of the tribe of Judah, the stronger than the strong man, suddenly put forth His power—and Rabelaza, with a deep sigh, was free. How she rejoiced in her glorious Liberator! No longer will the sound of the drum call that little village to scenes of riot and drinking, but instead there will be heard the songs and praises of the Most High.

Rajaofera's preaching is simple, very clear, correct, and pure, and comes with great power. People are convicted of sin. The Savior meets the sinner and confessions follow. As Rajaofera prays, one realizes, at once, that he is in touch with God. With face uplifted and illumined, he pours out his soul. He always hears a word from the Lord telling him very clearly, "This, this, THIS," when he is dealing with souls; and he tells them that he must obey the Spirit of God in what He commands concerning them.

There have been hundreds of cases of wonderful healings which can easily be examined and verified.

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**Coming Meetings**

WICHITA, KANSAS—14th and St. Francis; May 6-27; Thelma Wilkins, Granite City, Ill., Evangelist.—Mr. and Mrs. Paul N. Grubb, Pastors.

SAN FRANCISCO, CALIF.—1441 Ellis St., May 20-June 10; Evangelist and Mrs. Don Mallough, Seattle, Wash.—Leland R. Keys, Pastor.

EL RENO, OKLA.—824 W. Wade; meeting in progress; Evangelist ad Mrs. M. G. Griffin, Dallas, Texas.—Vernon E. Wilson, Pastor.

BRAINERD, MINN.—Gillis and A Sts.; meeting in progress; Theodore E. Ness, Modesto, Calif., Evangelist.—R. D. E. Smith, Pastor.

OSHKOSH, WIS.—Youth Crusade, May 27—; Evangelist and Mrs. Irving M. Mitchell.—Elmer G. Bilton, Pastor.

WICHITA, KANSAS—Main at Lincoln Sts.; June 3, for 3 weeks; Otto J. Klink, Miami, Fla., Evangelist.—Chas. Sheall, Pastor.

WORTHINGTON, MINN.—1518 Miller St.; May 27, for 2 weeks; Curtis W. Ringness, Tampa, Fla., Evangelist.—Lloyd Christiansen, Pastor.

NORTH BERGEN, N. J.—Spring Convention, Gospel Tabernacle, 5029 Hudson Blvd., May 22-27; T. J. Jones, speaker. Young People's Rally, May 26.—Nicholas Nikoloff, Pastor.

HARRISON, ARK.—May 27—; N. B. Rayburn, Martin, Tenn., Evangelist.—H. L. Bayless, Pastor.

EDENSBURG, PA.—Bethel Assembly, May 29—; Evangelist and Mrs. Chas. Shaffer, London, Ky., Evangelists.—By Evangelist.

SMITHFIELD, N. C.—Tent meeting in progress; Grace N. Rupp of Dunn, Evangelist.—Mr. and Mrs. Alden A. Yates, Pastors.

**COMMENCEMENT**

Metropolitan Bible Institute, 5029 Hudson Blvd., North Bergen, N. J. Closing exercises, May 30, 2:30

**REPORT YOUR SCHOOL**

Pastor, Superintendent, Secretary, it is important that your Sunday School be on record with the General Council Sunday School Department! Do not fail to report on the 1945 Sunday School Report Form. Otherwise it will be impossible for the Department to keep accurate records and your School will lose the benefits which recorded Schools enjoy. Make your School an active part of our great Sunday School fellowship. Mail your Report Form today!

and 8:00 p. m., at Masonic Temple, 47th St., between Bergenline Ave. and Hudson Blvd., Union City. Speakers: David H. McDowell and Wesley R. Steenberg. Mrs. McDowell will be in charge of musical program.—Nicholas Nikoloff, Principal.

WAXAHACHIE, TEXAS—Annual meeting, Southwestern Bible Institute Alumni Association, May 25, 12:00 noon. Banquet, 2:30 p. m.—Klaude Kendrick, President.

ROCHESTER, MINN.—Southeast Sectional C. A. Rally and Singing, Gospel Tabernacle, June 4. Superintendent P. T. Emmett, Aberdeen, S. Dak., speaker. Amateur Hour-C.A. and HI-C.A. Talent Parade, 2:30. Bible Rally, 4:30; Open Air Rally and Colors Parade, 6:45; Singing and P. T. Emmett speaking 7:45.—R. W. Miller, Pastor.

**MONTANA STATE C. A. AND S. S. RALLIES**

Billings, May 24; Miles City, May 25; Sidney, May 27; Wolf Point, May 28; Havre, May 29-30; Kalispell, May 31-June 1; Hamilton (tentative), June 4. Kenneth Short, of World Missions Department, main speaker at C. A. rallies. Paul Williscroft, State S. S. Representative, will conduct morning S. S. conferences.—Eugene A. Born, State C. A. President.

**MICHIGAN C. A. RALLIES**

Michigan State C. A. Rallies, May 30: Metropolitan Zone, Berea Tabernacle, Detroit; Watson Argue, speaker. Western Zone, Kalamazoo; M. A. Jolley, speaker. Saginaw Zone, Clio; Wm. Fitch, speaker. Northern Zone, Atlanta; Carl Ausbury, speaker. Services 2:30 and 7:30 p. m.—E. A. Manley, President; Vivian Hogan, Secretary.

**NORTH CAROLINA DISTRICT COUNCIL**

The first annual meeting of the North Carolina District Council will be held at Dunn, N. C., June 12-14. J. R. Flower, General Secretary, will be the speaker for the first day. Applicants for credentials are to meet the committee June 12. Accommodations furnished as far as possible. Harry Rupp is host pastor.—F. Wildon Colbaugh, Secretary-Treasurer.

AKRON, OHIO—State-wide C. A. Victory Rally, First Pentecostal Church, N. Howard and York Sts., May 29-30; Flem Van Meter, Pastor, Ralph W. Harris, National C. A. Secretary, speaker. Special instruction class for all C. A. leaders and officers. Three services daily. For free over-night reservation write Flem Van Meter, 498 Schiller Ave., Akron, Ohio. Entertainment arranged for all who come.—W. C. Stepp, State C. A. Secretary.

**GEORGIA DISTRICT COUNCIL**

The Georgia District Council will be held at the Ponce de Leon Avenue Assembly, Atlanta, Ga., June 5-7. The Presbyters will be in session all day Tuesday to review applications for credentials. Those applying for ordination and new applicants for license must meet this committee in person. Tuesday night, Fellowship night. First business session of Council, Wednesday morning. Assemblies send but one delegate each. Rooms provided as far as possible for ministers and delegates. All others urged not to attend, as we have been asked to keep the attendance at a minimum. J. R. Flower will be guest speaker.—W. W. Hurston, District Secretary.

**MISCELLANEOUS NOTICES**

NEW ADDRESS—Box 1112, Chappel, Nebr. "We have accepted the pastorate here."—Mr. and Mrs. Paul S. Bredesen.

NEW ADDRESS—Box 181, Jonesboro, Ark. "I have accepted the pastorate here."—O. R. Ball.

BROADCAST—"Glad Tidings Hour," Pentecostal Tabernacle, Calgary, Alberta, Station CFCN, 1010 kilos., Sundays, 1:30-2:30 p. m., Mountain Time.—Fleming May, Pastor.

WANT TO BUY—About 20 used pews, 10 ft. long, in good condition and well made. Will pay cash. Write R. L. Humphrey, Route 4, Bryan, Texas, stating condition and price.

NOTICE—After 7 years as pastor of Glad Tidings Temple, Lodi, Calif., I have resigned to re-enter evangelistic work.—Stanley P. McPherson, 315 E. Walnut St., Lodi, Calif.

NOTICE—We have resigned as pastors of the Greenfield, Mo., church, to go into evangelistic work. Will travel with house trailer. Address: 105 South Pine, Holdenville, Okla.—Mr. and Mrs. Ted Stephens.

NEW ADDRESS—929 Fifth Ave. W., Calgary, Alberta. "After 5½ years at Gospel Tabernacle, La Mesa, Calif., I have resigned and accepted the call to pastor the Pentecostal Tabernacle at Calgary, Alberta."—Fleming May.

NEW ADDRESS—6825 St. Charles Rock Road, St. Louis, Mo. "We have accepted the pastorate of the Assembly of God in Overland, 2301 Trescott St., corner Wallace, a suburb of St. Louis."—H. V. Foley.

NEW ADDRESS—Have resigned the pastorate at Dover, Pa., and accepted the pioneer work here under the District Home Missions Department. Address of church and parsonage: 253-255 Chestnut St., Sunbury, Pa.—A. E. Hardt.

NOTICE—Will do all I can to contact friends or relatives at Farragut Naval Center or Hospital, upon receipt of complete address. Victory Gospel Center is located 4 blocks west of main gate of Farragut Naval Center.—Mrs. Ellen De Boer, c/o Victory Camp, Athol, Idaho.

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# The Passing and the Permanent

## THE FRUITS OF MISSIONS

Wrote a Marine from Guadalcanal: "When we look at the simple life and the love of God these natives display, it makes you wonder just which race is ignorant or savage." Said an officer stationed on another island: "The people who were head hunters not long ago may have to come over and evangelize our civilized Western world after a bit."

## WHITE MAN'S GREATEST GIFT

American airmen, in conversation with natives of the Solomon Islands, asked, "What do you think is the most valuable thing the white man has brought to you—knives, axes, sewing machines, or what?" The natives replied, "The best thing the white man has brought is the Bible, the Word of God, because it has brought us new life."

## PALESTINE AT THE CONFERENCE

Jewish Palestine, lacking a government of its own, has no recognized status and received no official representation at the San Francisco conference. However, the president of the Palestine Jewish Agency, Dr. Chaim Weizmann, went to the conference to see that the Arab nations, who have delegates, do not usurp Israel's rights.

## "LIKE LOCUST HORDES"

Said the Mayor of Antwerp, speaking of the Germans: "An evil spirit seems to lurk within them. They came twice, like locust hordes, eating all, destroying all. We are the little people. Our only hope is in what is being done at San Francisco." But there will be another and worse attack by evil creatures "like locust hordes," in spite of all men's peace conferences. Read Rev. 9:3-7.

## THE CHRISTIAN ATTITUDE

One day as the great Negro educator, Booker T. Washington, was walking down the street in company with a white friend, he was roughly elbowed into the gutter by a pedestrian who passed. The Negro stepped back on the sidewalk and went on without remonstrance.

"How can you tolerate such an insult?" The friend was furious.

Washington replied, "I defy any man to make me hate."

## ONLY A CARPENTER!

Chaplain J. S. Montgomery of the House of Representatives told of a young carpenter who applied for admission into the Christian ministry. He was without standing or learning, but was deeply sincere and thoroughly industrious. He was examined by the church council, and when he learned their decision he was pained to hear that he had been rejected on the ground of his lowly station and lack of influence. As he looked back on the members of the council he remarked, "There was once a Carpenter!" His simplicity and lowly spirit drove into their hearts. He was recalled and accepted.

## SELLING BIBLES IN PARIS

During 1943, at the worst time of the German occupation, the Bible House in Paris sold 14,825 Bibles—more in one year than during the entire ten years preceding the war. Many of these were sold on the boulevards on Sunday afternoons, until the Nazis stopped the practice on Nov. 1, 1943.

## BACTERIAL WARFARE

Said a high official at Supreme Headquarters in Paris, to a reporter: "We have evidence that in many of the prison camps for political prisoners, they (the Nazis) experimented with inoculation for epidemic diseases—not to cure, but to kill." He also said, "War No. 3, if it comes, will make this one look like the Battle of Crecy. The human race will destroy itself." He continued, with a shudder: "The German ingenuity, his resourcefulness, his energy, his mad determination, will find means to start again. The leaders do not hesitate to claim that as their plan. These rocket bombs will look like children's toys. Their chemical warfare is just in its infancy."

## AN ANTI-CHRISTIAN CULT

Lord Dowding, Britain's Air Chief Marshal, is the most notable of all recent converts to Spiritualism. In his book, *Many Mansions*, he leaves no doubt as to Spiritualism's antagonism to the Christian Faith. "Taken as a whole," he writes, "the messages received over the last 70 years claim to constitute a new revelation; and although they may not all be entirely consistent with one another, they make a combined and unanimous attack on the basic dogmas of Christian theology as at present accepted by the Protestant, Catholic, and Orthodox Churches. The first thing which the orthodox Christian has to face is that the doctrine of the Trinity seems to have no adherents in advanced circles of the spirit world. The divinity of Christ as a coequal partner with the Father is universally denied."

## EPISCOPALIANS ALARMED

One hundred Episcopal chaplains signed an article that appeared recently in their denominational weekly, asserting that almost no group in the armed forces is as lacking in real religion as the Episcopalians. Alarmed at the ignorance among their young people in the Christian faith, they laid the responsibility squarely upon the clergy, of which they themselves are a part.

One of them, 38-year-old Chaplain DuBois, said, "We have turned out too many people who are more like the Pharisee than the Publican. . . . It has all contributed to the smug complacency that makes so many Episcopalians readily and proudly admit that they are churchmen, but makes them as readily admit that they 'don't go to church much.'" He warned the church that returning servicemen will have little patience with half measures or compromises. For them, he said, religion will be all or nothing.

## FEMALE ARRESTS

There has been a steady increase in female arrests in the U. S., from 57,700 in 1941 to 70,353 in 1942, 79,122 in 1943, and 83,600 in 1944. In 1941 the 22-year-olds predominated; now the average age for women is 18. In the past three years there has been an increase of 253% in arrests for prostitution, and 231% for disorderly conduct and vagrancy, among females 18 years of age and younger. And these figures represent only the advanced cases; that is, those actually arrested. Such is the fruit of war!

## WHERE IS HITLER'S BODY?

Himmler says Hitler died of a cerebral hemorrhage. Doenitz says he died in the battle of Berlin. Many newsmen think he died in the bomb plot in July, 1944. Howbeit his body cannot be found, and it is feared that the world may not have heard the last of him. The Nazis taught the Germans for years that Hitler would disappear if necessary and, like the legend of Frederick Barbarossa, return to save them from some future tribulation. Young Germans already are talking of his disappearance rather than his death. Is he going to reappear as one returning from the dead—a resurrected Messiah? There is going to be such a character; the earth will wonder and worship this "beast" who received the deadly wound by a sword and did live. See Rev. 13:3, 12, 14.

## POSTWAR PERILS

Even modernists see the perils that lie ahead. Dr. J. H. Holmes (described in *Prophecy Monthly* as "New York's supermodernist") says: "Will war work again its logical fatalities, and give us, in this second postwar period, a more brutal Hitler, a more ghastly Nazism, a more hideous reign of blood and terror, a fiercer anti-Semitism? All these, and other horrors, are the dragonseeds of this war as they were of the last, and of all other wars, and victory will scatter these seeds anew in the soil of an exhausted and bitter world. Can we destroy them in time, and in their place plant the spirit's seeds of health and life? Only if the soul of man brings on such a spiritual renaissance as the world has not seen in half a millennium!" Pray for such a renaissance—a Holy Ghost revival causing multitudes to be born again.

## "AS WE FORGIVE . . ."

An editorial writer in a Negro American Monthly writes concerning a certain late Senator: "His true stature was measured in 1940 when he walked out of the Democratic Convention rather than listen to a Negro minister open the session with prayer. Someone else may forgive him his sins, wherever he happens to be. *We will not.*"

No matter how great may be the injustices we bear, let us never permit such an unforgiving spirit to enter our hearts. It will eat like a cancer. It will fan the flames of hatred. Though enemies may mistreat us, let us remember to pray, "Forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us." Ask God to guard our hearts against all resentment, bitterness, hatred, and unforgiveness that Satan would try to plant there. For if we forgive not men their trespasses against us, our Father will not forgive our trespasses against Him. Matt. 6:15.