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What Mean Ye by These Stones?

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Then Joshua called the twelve men, whom he had prepared of the children of Israel, out of every tribe a man; and Joshua said unto them, Pass over before the ark of the Lord your God into the midst of Jordan, and take you up every-man of you a stone upon his shoulder, according unto the number of the tribes of the children of Israel: that this may be a sign among you, that when your children ask their fathers in time to come, saying, What mean ye by these stones? Then ye shall answer them, that the waters of Jordan were cut off before the ark of the covenant of the Lord; when it passed over Jordan, the waters of Jordan were cut off: and these stones shall be for a memorial unto the children of Israel forever. Joshua 4:4-7.

And he spake unto the children of Israel, saying, When your children shall ask their fathers in time to come, saying, What mean these stones? Then ye shall let your children know, saying, Israel came over this Jordan on dry land. For the Lord your God dried up the waters of Jordan from before you, until ye were passed over, as the Lord your God did to the Red Sea, which He dried up from before us, until we were gone over: That all the people of the earth might know the hand of the Lord, that it is mighty: that ye might fear the Lord your God forever. Joshua 4:21-24.

THE children of Israel had safely passed through Jordan's waters on dry ground; and by God's definite direction a memorial was raised for the perpetuating of a testimony to the power and faithfulness of Israel's God. It was a representative move with one man from each tribe taking part in the



building thereof. God intended that the whole nation should feel the responsibility of this important action. As long as the heap of stones remained and the Hebrews bore faithful testimony to Jehovah by word and deed, the oncoming generations would not fail to know that there was a God in Israel. Here we see the marvelous wisdom of God in planning the economy of an enduring nation.

History has proved the truth of God's economy, for the ancient Hebrews are known as having had the most compact and stable family life as a result of "the ethical and religious ideas promoted in their family life." As long as contact with God continued, there was blessing not only upon the homes but throughout the nation. "The wicked are overthrown, and are not: but the house of the righteous shall stand." Prov. 12:7.

The weakness of every nation has been failure to hold the children to the vision that called that nation into being and dominated its action. This is most true in every spiritual movement. We frequently speak of the decay which came in the home life of the Roman people and brought about the downfall of the Roman Empire. There was a time when the Romans had a rugged, virtuous home life; but the love of luxury and ease caused neglect in the rigid training of their children. The same had happened previously in the Greek nation. "It was during the Greco-Roman period, a period of almost universal godlessness, that family life was utterly demoralized. And the family remained in this state of decay until the advent of the early Christian church. Again it was religious teachings, this

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All Grace

D. M. PANTON

"For the same Lord over all is rich unto all that call upon Him." Rom. 10:12.

GOD is rich—that is a majestic dogma: "God is rich unto"—that is a Niagara emptying divine wealth into me: it is the divine wealth in motion.

A paraphrase of Dean Stanley's brings into clear light a promise of God (2 Cor. 9:8) that so dazzles as almost to blind us. "God is able to make an overflowing not of one only, but of every kind of gift; so that, not in one matter only, but in every matter, and not at one time only, but at every time—you may have for yourselves, not one kind only, but every kind of sufficiency; and that you may in your turn overflow, not in one kind only, but in every kind of good work."

There is enough grace stored up in this verse for ten thousand worlds; and better far, there is enough in it, for every one of us, for a golden and perfect life.

ALL GRACE

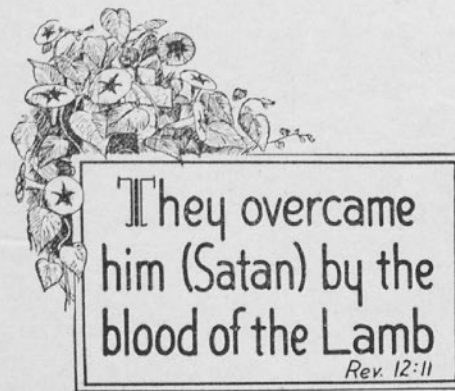
Now we examine our jewel bit by bit. "God is able to make *all* grace—that is, every kind of grace "*abound*"—not a Nile that sinks in a delta, but an Amazon that rushes a hundred miles out into the ocean—"unto"—not other worlds, or other ages, or other saints, but—"you"—any soul, anywhere, under any circumstances, at any time.

Grace is a foreign word in every tongue. It is the language of another world. Grace is God's unmerited love reaching out far beyond the utmost bounds of human need. At a communion recently in India fifty castes, separated for three centuries, met around the one Table. *Abounding* grace means, not a mere meeting of need, but a complete reversal of defeat. Hot temper becomes radiant patience; sloth, intense activity; conceit, loving humility; the sharp tongue, a God-filled mouth; and so on.

All grace can abound in every one of us, and no circumstances are too difficult for the grace of God. Here is an extract from a letter of John Davis, an Indian missionary, who became a leper, and was a leper for sixteen years before his death: "Many souls are turning to the Lord in all parts of my field, and naturally I looked forward to the time when I also should have the privilege of baptizing a thousand a year. I had said, 'Lord, let me be

Thy servant, filled with Thy Spirit, giving all my thought, all my energy and my life to Thee.' And He answered. Instead of letting me serve Him as I had planned to do, He suddenly took me away from the work forever.

"As I lay in the hospital in England, and especially when the first horror of the final outcome was upon me, I thought sometimes the Lord had forgotten and forsaken me, that He had hidden His face from me; but it was not so. The more sorrow I had to bear, the easier it became, and now I am rejoicing in my Savior every hour. You ask how I am. I



have lost my eyesight now and my voice; no feet and ankles, and no arms; but my heart is far from dead. I have no doubt in these days, and if I had my voice I should be singing all the day long." Among his last words were these: "Don't think me unhappy. My little room shines with the glory of an Invisible Presence, and my heart thrills with the abiding fullness of the joy of God."

Twelve or fifteen years ago, a member of the church I serve was taken to the infirmary. Her only child, a daughter, abandoned her mother for a life of sin; and that mother, so abandoned, dying of bronchitis and asthma, said to me: "Sometimes I am so full of joy, I can hardly keep my tongue still."

Pardoning grace, saving grace, keeping grace, praying grace, suffering grace, home grace, business grace, witnessing grace, martyr grace, living grace, dying grace: "God is able to make all grace abound unto you."

ALL SUFFICIENCY

But not only internal grace. God is able to put into our hands every tool, every weapon, for the wealthiest, holiest

life, and to expand our hearts to the largest possible expansion of our environment. "That ye, having always all"—the alls in the passage ring like a peal of bells, in a succession of lovely chimes, quieting fear, and routing doubt. "Sufficiency"—every right emotion, every needed opportunity, every necessary penny, every essential equipment. "In everything"—at every point of contact with heaven, or earth or hell.

Phillips Brooks said: "Do not pray for easy lives; pray to be stronger men. Do not pray for tasks equal to your powers; pray for powers equal to your tasks. Then the doing of your work will be no miracle, but you will be a miracle. Every day you will wonder at yourself, at the richness of life which has come to you by the grace of God."

What was in the background of George Muller with his four thousand orphans, the \$6,250,000 that passed through his hands, the thirty thousand souls brought to Christ? Francke, the German, who inspired Muller. And what was in the background of Francke? This verse; this verse alone started the whole of that mighty flood of blessing pouring through more than a hundred years.

God can increase our resources, and multiply our capacities, more than we dream. A sister once wrote me thus: "When you were speaking on Christian giving, I decided a little matter about which I had been exercised, not knowing if I could afford it. To my utter amazement, the next morning God increased my wages—three times above the amount I had decided to give!"

He can make us equal to tasks of extraordinary difficulty. A leper of peculiar loathsomeness was baptized on Christmas Day, 1907. The worker says: "His state was such that even the other lepers kept aloof from him, so when we began the baptismal service he very hesitatingly limped over to my side, with a wistful expression on his face, thinking, no doubt, that I would object to his close presence, as all the others did. I must confess that at first I felt sick at heart, until the thought came over me that here was a brother in Christ, saved by the grace of God; and I could not but praise God for that grace bestowed on such an object. Joy filled my heart instead of the loathing." When we have exhausted God, we may despair.

ALL SERVICES

We now arrive at the wealth of the last clause, which is God's love design for every converted life. "That ye," that is, all of you "may abound"—for God's grace pours in, only that it may pour out:

grace "abounds" unto us, that we may "abound" everywhere—"unto every good work." It is God's vast irrigation scheme. He pours from His infinite reservoirs a Tigris and a Euphrates into our life. He creates the channels through which shall flow these rivers of living water. And now the ultimate aim is a wheatfield rich enough to feed a world.

"No man," wrote Dr. Pierson—and how incalculably truer it is today!—"can afford in these days an hour's spiritual sloth, for the pace of events is at lightning speed. A decade of years now sees changes that a century did not witness in the time of Alfred the Great, or a thousand years in the days of Abraham."

God is doing an ever-intenser work. It took a hundred years of modern missions to convert the first million souls; twelve years the second million; six years the third million.

When Dr. Duff, a white-haired veteran, was pleading for India in the General Assembly Hall in Edinburgh, he fainted in the middle of his address, and they bore him to the vestry unconscious. In a little while he recovered and begged to be taken back. "You will die if you do," they said. "I'll die," he answered, "if I don't. I must go and ask the young men of Scotland if there is nobody left but me to go back and tell the millions of India of the love of Jesus."

The Christian's horizon ought to be absolutely boundless. We are to "abound unto every good work." Every throb in the heart of God ought to be a throb in mine. Every interest that absorbs God ought to absorb me. In the imperishable words of Augustine: "I take a whole Christ for my Savior; I take the whole Bible for my staff; I take the whole Church for my fellowship; and I take the whole world for my parish." We can be "filled unto all the fullness of God." As a tumbler, itself full, may be plunged into the sea, so we can be totally enveloped in the boundless fullness of God: "that ye may abound unto every good work."

THE CONTACT

"God is able": the verse says no more; where, then, does God's ability become my experience? Carlyle was once asked the question, "What should you do if you were asked to preach a sermon?" "It is a perfectly simple thing," replied Carlyle. "I should just say, 'Now, you good people, you know what you ought to do—just go home and do it.'" An old Scots woman, so the story went, added, "Aye, Thomas, but will ye tell them how?" Where does God's vast resource find its junction with my infinite need?

In a certain ironworks there hangs a

monster iron horseshoe, suspended invisibly to an iron bar above; and, on its underside, it grips a mass of metal, four thousand pounds in weight. The iron horseshoe acts as a huge magnet to the mass suspended beneath it. But how is it itself held to the iron bar above? Through a wire coiled round it runs a charge of electricity from a galvanic battery. Stop that electric charge for a moment, and the horseshoe, with all its grips, falls as an inert mass. Keep the battery at work,

and not only is the horseshoe held in place, but it grips up a mighty load heavenward.

The point of contact is on our knees. In the persecutions, in the days of "bloody Queen Mary" as a martyr came in sight of the stake, he cried, "Oh, I cannot! I cannot!" Those who watched supposed he was about to recant; but they saw him suddenly drop on his knees, in an agony of prayer; and then, rising, he shouted in triumph, "I can! I can!"

The Power of the Blood of Christ

IT is written, "Ye were not redeemed with corruptible things, as silver and gold . . . but with the precious blood of Christ, as of a lamb without blemish and without spot." 1 Peter 1:18, 19.

These things the angels desire to look into. The efficacy of the blood of Christ is a mystery to angels, a terror to demons, but is salvation to sinners. Angels hold it sacred because it is mysterious. Demons know its power, and tremble. Ungodly men trample it underfoot, counting it as an unholy thing. But unto those who believe, Christ is precious, His blood is precious, and that which the Blood purchased is precious. The Blood brings salvation, victory, glory, and ultimately it brings glorification. ●

The world tramples the Blood underfoot. And the worst trampers are the apostate ones who once knew about the Blood, in their heads at least—who sang the hymns about the Blood in their childhood, who listened to old-fashioned preachers who proclaimed salvation through the blood of Christ alone, who had a whole Bible in their hands, but who have departed from the faith.

God, however, is raising up a band of people who are magnifying the Blood of the Cross. The Salvation Army at its very beginning had a banner on which were the words, "Blood and Fire," and God has raised up a banner, an invisible one, composed of people in every land who magnify the blood of Christ by their voices and by their lives.

It is not necessary that the people who magnify the Blood shall fully understand its power. As they magnify it, God operates through it.

The Lord Jesus Christ fulfilled the law. Man tried to, but failed. You may

try to solve the mystery of the power of the Blood, but you will fail. You may not understand electric power, but you can push the button, and the power works—provided everything is in order. God has His machinery in order. God wants men of faith to pull the lever of faith to operate the power.

God can make the seemingly impossible, the least understood, the thing that seems impotent and foolish in the eyes of men, do divine work. God can make the shed blood of His Son accomplish salvation for His saints, and paralyze Satan causing his ultimate defeat.

It is your privilege to use that which you do not fully understand. In simple faith, relying upon the Holy Spirit, use God's weapon. "They overcame him (Satan) by the blood of the Lamb." In the Blood you have a weapon which will overcome him who seeks to overcome you. Satan caused the fall of Adam—the first man. The last Adam, through His shed blood, causes the fall of Satan who caused Adam's fall.

The Holy Spirit applies the Blood. The Blood purifies us. Let us begin the song now, and continue it through all ages: "Unto Him that loved us, and washed us from our sins in His own blood . . . to Him be glory and dominion for ever and ever. Amen."

CONSCIENCE

An Indian's definition of conscience, given by a missionary, is significant: "It is a little three-cornered thing inside of me. When I do wrong it turns round and hurts me very much. But if I keep on doing wrong it will turn so much that the corners become worn off, and it does not hurt me any more."

THE EDITOR'S NOTEBOOK

Choosing For Eternity

WHEN our Lord Jesus was about to enter Jerusalem, He sent two of His disciples to a village where they would find a colt. They were to loose him, and bring him to the Lord. They were told that if they were questioned, "Why do ye this?" they were to answer, "The Lord hath need of him." And the record in Mark's Gospel tells us, "They went their way, and found the colt tied by the door without in a place where two ways met." Mark 11:4. The Lord, who has a specific need of you and me to convey His presence to needy souls everywhere, finds us at a place where two ways meet. The choice of our will can be the much-trodden popular pathway that leads to the pit, or the narrow way of life.

TAKING THE LONG LOOK

Life consists of a series of choices. Many today, who have known the way of faith, are, like Lot, pitching their tents towards Sodom. Abraham could have found opportunity to return to Ur of the Chaldees, with its advanced civilization, its lure and its lust; but he preferred to be a stranger and a pilgrim in the place of God's choice for him. And he was perfectly content with his tent and his altar, far away from both Ur and Sodom. For Abraham had the long look, he looked for a city which hath foundations, whose builder and maker is God. The eternal was more to him than the temporal.

KEEPING PURE

There came a crisis hour in the life of Joseph in Egypt—a temptation to a great sin. We can quite believe the devil was on hand whispering: "Now Joseph, don't be too narrow. When you are in Egypt, you should do as the Egyptians do. You have left your home folks far behind, so nobody will know if you swerve a little from the old standards. Everyone has to sow his wild oats some time." But Joseph took the long look, and so he made his choice. It was a different choice from that of his Uncle Esau; and the Holy Spirit sends out the warning, "Lest there be any fornicator, or profane person, as Esau, who for one morsel of meat sold his birthright." Heb. 12:16.

Joseph's purity placed him in prison, but that prison cell was just a stepping stone to princedom.

RECOMPENSE OF REWARD

There came a day in the life of Moses when he found himself at the cross-

roads where "two ways met." He could choose the way of the flesh, the way of self-indulgence, or he could choose the way of self-denial, the way of the daily cross. But Moses knew that the pleasures of sin for a season could not compare, when weighed in God's balances, with the recompense of reward that would be his throughout eternity. He esteemed that even in this life the reproach of Christ would be greater riches than the treasures of Egypt. And so he made his choice.

OUR CHOICES

Each day at the place where two ways meet we find One with nailprints in His hands and feet, and a wound in His side. He bids us make our choice.

The 7th chapter of Proverbs tells of the way to hell, that goes down to the chambers of death. Recently an old saint warned one who was choosing the downward path, "Do you know that this path will lead you right down to hell?" Back came the flippant reply, "Oh, I'll take a chance." But there is no chance in this business; it is a certainty—"If ye live after the flesh, ye shall die." Rom. 8:13. And that dying is the second death, the lake of fire.

But there is described in Psalm 16 "the path of life." That is the way of the cross. It is the way our Lord of the Scars invites us, saying, "If any man will come after Me, let him deny himself, and

take up his cross daily, and follow Me." Luke 9:23.

There will be temptations in this pathway, but He who is now our High Priest has been tempted in all points like as we are, and so He is able to succor us. He invites us to come daily to His throne of grace from which He will dispense help and grace in every time of need.

Take the long look. And when you hear that Greater than Joshua say, "Choose you this day whom ye will serve," answer Him emphatically, with all your heart, "As for me and my house, we will serve the Lord." And He will say, "If any man serve Me, him will my Father honor." John 12:26.

No Taste For It

A very proper view of John Wesley is had in his comment, "The devil does not like field preaching; neither do I. I love a commodious room, a soft cushion, a handsome pulpit; but where is my zeal if I do not trample all these underfoot in order to save one more soul?"

Wesley did have genius, but this would not have put him far in accomplishment for God if it had not been for his self-mastery—if it had not been that he laid aside his fine taste for fine things and allowed that for which he had no natural taste just because he cared for the souls of men.

Some men called to this ministry could be better informed, better trained, more efficient if they would devote themselves to their studies and their reading. But, alas, they have no taste for their studies so they do not study.

Some so called realize in some measure the great possibilities in pastoral calling in constant, faithful, prayerful pastoral work, but they have no taste for it so they do not do it.

No self-mastery, you see.

Where is the love of Christ which constrained Paul? Where is the zeal which possessed Wesley?

Isn't it too bad for a man to be just ordinary—by his own consent?

Young man, if you are going to do anything about this, do it soon; do it now. Shortly your habits will be fixed.—Free Methodist.

TENDERNESS OF SPIRIT

It is much easier to convince a human soul of its natural impurity than to convince it of its natural hardness and utter destitution of heavenly and divine tenderness of spirit. The very essence of the gospel is divinely imparted tenderness and sweetness of spirit. Without this, even the strongest religious life is misrepresentation of the true Christ-life.—G. D. Watson.

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Snatched From The Burning

A TRUE STORY BY E. HODGSON, BELGIAN CONGO

JUST lately, while experiencing the breath of God's Spirit upon our local work, we have enjoyed many pleasant surprises. One of the biggest surprises was to see one of the local teachers come along with two more men, all hilariously laden with a big idol, a sorcerer's regalia, two baskets of charms, and a black sack full of vile heathen filth and magic. They represented the sum total outfit of a converted sorceress and spirit medium. It was the biggest single haul of concentrated heathenism that we had ever seen or received for burning.

This was no flash-in-the-pan conversion, neither a thing done ashamedly in a corner. It was a real right-about turn from hell to heaven, from Satan to God, from lying demons and idols to a loving Savior. This regeneration had cost the woman Ngoi Mwatula her husband, all her material possessions in this world, and almost her life.

THIS IS THE WOMAN

She is good-looking for an elderly woman. Being lean and spare, she has nothing much on her bones to age or go bad. She is one that cannot be hidden, and hardly silenced. Having been a notorious witch doctor and diviner for the local paramount chief, she is not troubled with any inferiority complex. Never having been broken with servitude or manual labor, she is not in the least servile.

THIS WAS HER FAMILY

She shared a husband with another woman. She enjoyed the position of the first and favorite wife, the other one being the family drudge. The pride of Ngoi Mwatula's life was her four grown-up sons. To everybody, including her husband, she was a spiritual lord, but to her four boys she had become a slave.

THIS WAS HER TROUBLE

All her four strapping lads had grown to young manhood without a sickness. Then one was killed instantly with a stroke of lightning. While still grieving over his death, the second son was stricken with leprosy, becoming a village outcast. The leprosy proved fatal to him. The third son made a confession of faith in Christ, but it only remained a profession and never grew into a life-changing possession of Christ. The fourth and youngest son got struck down with dysentery in its worst form. In spite of all his

mother's occult and practical efforts, he became a dying man. As a last begrudging resort the sorcerer Ngoi Mwatula had her son carried to the Mission, in a blanket slung on a pole, almost a mortuary case. It was a big fight for his life, but eventually the missionary won through, and the boy walked home healed. That very day as Ngoi Mwatula rejoiced in her last-born, as one returned from the dead to her, her third son, an apparently well and healthy man, suddenly cried out, "My head, my head." He completely collapsed, and in a few hours was dead.

The native Christians did the magnanimous thing and undertook the whole of the funeral arrangements of the young man. At the graveside they held a very impressive service. Around the grave was gathered a big crowd of heathen people, as well as Christians. Ngoi Mwatula in her grief had literally torn her hair, also her clothes to ribbons. Having rolled her dishevelled self in the dust, she sat wailing in the loose earth at the foot of the grave, pouring earth upon her head.

THIS WAS HER GREAT DECISION

At the close of the service her one remaining boy, healed at the Mission, stepped out and accepted the Lord Jesus as his Savior. Ngoi Mwatula stopped her wailing on hearing this grand decision made by her son. There and then she made her revolutionary decision to renounce all her impotent mocking witchcraft, with its idol, charms and devils. She publicly vowed that from that moment she would be a humble follower of the Mighty One who had saved and healed her last and best earthly treasure.

THIS WAS THE RESULT

The Christians could hardly believe their own ears as Ngoi Mwatula shouted her decision to all and sundry. So as to burn the bridges behind her she immediately started to break her sacred vows and taboos. Getting home, she unearthened all her sorcerer's complete outfit, regalia included. She filled baskets with her stock-in-trade. She packed up the whole lot and sent it to the missionary to feed the flames.

THIS IS WHAT THE DEMONS DID

Ngoi Mwatula found it within the range of her possibilities to rid herself of every material and visible sign of heathenism, but the bad will of the witch-doctor business remained as something



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too much for her to get rid of. Being a spirit medium, she had yielded herself to the possession of a familiar spirit, and so had become the focal point of many demons and earthbound spirits. These malicious spirits, like bad tenants, not liking the local ejection order, decided to do as much damage as possible to the house before leaving. The Christians dared not leave her alone, as she would most surely have been killed by the demons.

THIS IS WHAT THE CHRISTIANS DID

They saw that they needed some practical and realistic Christianity. Indeed, they had to get back to the bare Word of God for authority, and to rely solely on the Spirit of God for the power to deal with the demons that would slay their poor tormented victim. Getting Ngoi Mwatula into the church, the loyal Christians gathered around her and sang and prayed until they were conscious of the presence of God. Feeling assured of divine power, the teacher opened the Word of God and read aloud where the Lord Jesus said, "In my name they shall cast out demons." Believing what he read to mean exactly that, he commanded the demons to come out in the name of Jesus, and all the Christians echoed "Amen." More singing, rejoicing and praying closed the meeting. Ngoi Mwatula has never been troubled with demons since.

THIS IS WHAT THE HUSBAND DID

Poor man, he was deeply grieved at the death of his son. He sincerely appreciated all the Christians had done, to try to save his life, and then later at the funeral. He acknowledged to all that only God had given back the life of the remaining boy. Above all, he wanted to follow his wife and son in becoming a humble follower of the Lord Jesus. The witch-doctors thought differently on all these matters, so took the whole case in hand. Gathering their forces together in council, they conceived evil. Completely ignoring the man's individuality, heart yearnings or family claims, they ordered him to disgrace his wife by publicly denouncing her as a traitor and hypocrite, and to cast her off forever as his wife.

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"Repent Ye"

ERNEST S. WILLIAMS IN NATION-WIDE BROADCAST, SUNDAY, MARCH 31

CARLYLE said, "Of all acts of man repentance is the most divine." Luther affirmed, "To do so no more is the truest repentance," and Ambrose declared, "True repentance is to cease from sinning." Repentance is a deep-seated sorrow brought about by the consciousness of wrongs done and the sinfulness of our lives and acts brought about by an awakened conscience. Unless there is a change of heart and life, there is no godly repentance.

John the Baptist cried out, "Repent ye, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand," and Jesus also said, "Repent ye." Repentance is both an attitude and an act. It shows a man's godly sorrow for sin and determination to forsake it.

This fundamental requirement is too often overlooked. Much emphasis is put on salvation by faith, but too little on the need of repentance to open the way to saving faith—sorrow for sin deep enough to make a person glad to forsake evil and call upon God for salvation and deliverance. True repentance hates sin, and not merely its penalty.

The Son of man came to seek and to

save that which was lost. Until a man sees himself as a lost sinner, condemned by his misdeeds, he will not repent. When he sees the exceeding sinfulness of sin and his bondage to the same, he is then ready to cry, "Woe is me, for I am undone." He sees that there is nothing within himself that can commend him. He is without God and without hope in the world. Seeking mercy as a guilty sinner, like the publican in the Bible, he says, "God, be merciful to me a sinner."

Repentance brings great joy to the person who repents and also to those in heaven; for, "There is joy in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner that repenteth . . . more than over ninety and nine just persons, which need no repentance." He who repents receives the joy of forgiveness. God is ever there to forgive. Then angels are happy because a sinning soul has now been saved, a person who had been bound by Satan has been set free. God loves us, but He hates our sin. If Christ had to be crucified for our redemption we need not think we may obtain salvation without willingness to give up the evil which crucified our Lord. We mean not to be severe, but we

earnestly desire that men be not deceived but be awakened to truth and their responsibility. If you have not repented, "Repent ye, and believe the gospel," for the kingdom of heaven is at hand.

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time the gospel of Christ, that drew the family together."

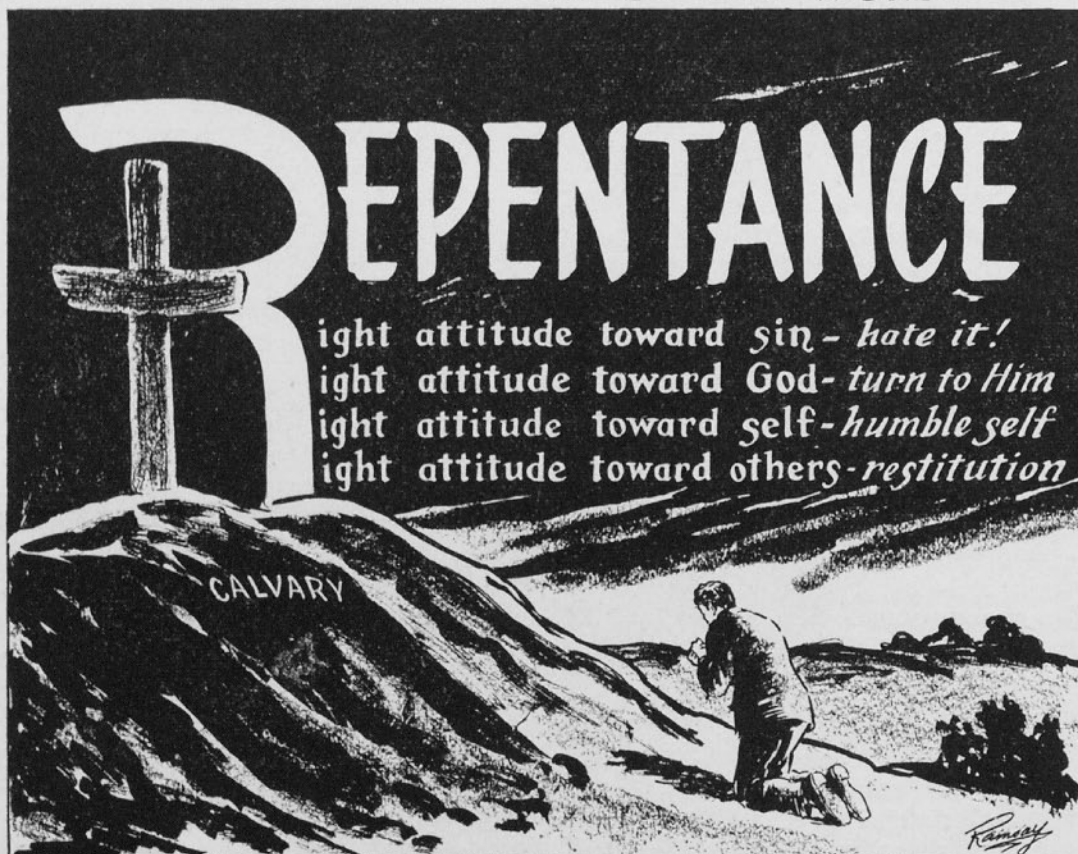
The whole Pentateuch is filled with God's careful planning for the spiritual welfare of future generations. Deuteronomy and Joshua bring us striking passages that should be read prayerfully by every parent. Deuteronomy 6:6-9 should be memorized by every father and mother and put into practice steadfastly. Recall that tragic Passover night when God gave Moses specific directions concerning the family relationship in partaking of the Passover lamb. Moses clearly understood the thought of God in his dealing with Pharaoh. When Pharaoh would have held the children from going, Moses gave the bold ultimatum, "We will go with our young and with our old, with our sons and with our daughters, with our flocks and with our herds will we go; for we must hold a feast unto the Lord." Exodus 10:9.

How different this was from the attitude of the heathen nations about them, who deliberately sacrificed their children in the devilish worship and immoral rites of their gods. No doubt, this is one reason for the destruction of these very nations, that there be no contaminating influences to pollute the clean development of the younger Hebrew generation. God considered these children a priceless asset in perpetuating His testimony before these heathen nations. Note the various crises of Israel's history, and you will see how definitely God specified the inclusion of "your little ones." This was especially true at Mount Sinai when the giving of the law prompted God's direction that Israel should come by families with their little ones to see the mighty manifestation of the presence of God.

STRENGTHENING THE HOME FRONT

A godly heritage is priceless, but each individual must personally contact God and accept what He has for him. Some have casually remarked, when confronted with the necessity of accepting positive salvation, "The religion of my mother is good enough for me." But often such people do not have a thimbleful of the true religion which their mother had. They rest in the memory of a godly heritage, but it does them no good as

THE TRUE MEANING OF THE WORD



long as they neglect to appropriate personally the things of God which were made real in the life of the dear one, behind whom they would seek to hide. Attending a Spirit-filled church does not make one Spirit filled. Believing in the Holy Ghost and the blessed workings of God's Spirit does not necessarily mean that the individual has actually tasted of the Spirit's power. We only know the glorious fact of God's moving by a definite surrender on our part and a personal participation in the working of His grace.

The condition of American home life today is appalling. Late statistics tell us that one marriage out of every three ends in divorce. We all know that the worst hardship is not for the couple separating; it is for the children involved. A friend recently visited a girls' reform school and was invited into the chapel to hear the two hundred girls sing. Later an attendant told her that eighty-five per cent of those girls came from broken homes, and ninety per cent were physically impaired because of sin. Where lies the blame? No doubt there are hundreds of similar institutions which could present the same testimony.

A newspaper reporter writes: "Home, more than school or church or amusement center, determines human character, and it is for the children involved. A friend re-determines the nation's future. America will never be destroyed by enemies from without—if it ever goes down, it will be at the hands of decay, degeneracy and corruption from within. The home will finally determine whether it shall fall or not. Divorce, immorality and domestic dissension threaten our homes as they never have been threatened before in our nation's history.

"A court plaster will never cure cancer, nor a bouquet of flowers a fever. A good physician seeks the root of the disease and prescribes a remedy adequate to cure it. So in this day and age, when the very foundation of our civilization is being attacked by the termites of paganism, dissoluteness, glamorized infidelity and glorified dissipation, Hollywood glitter and sophisticated drunkenness, sneers at decency and ridicule of virtue, there is only one agency capable of warding off destruction—Christian character, bred, nurtured and matured in a Christian home."

The spirit of disobedience and incontinence in our land today would press against every home, in no degree missing our Christian homes. Some very good parents have taken too much for granted along this line, assuming that because they believe spiritual truths they will be immune from the Satanic attack against



Fathers, provoke not your children to wrath: but bring them up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord

Ephesians 6:4.

their home. There must be eternal vigilance on the part of father and mother if they would stand together as the duly appointed watchmen on the battlements of their household. Standing together in unity, God will enable them to keep clean and wholesome the home atmosphere and thus repel the deadly approach of every evil influence. This is a part of passing on a full heritage to their children.

Give them good clothes, wholesome food, educational advantages, and the pleasant treats that children delight to have in every normal home. But above all things give them God in all the sweet consistent reality of a truly consecrated life lived before them day by day. They need to hear father's voice rising in prayer every day in the home—and mother's voice as well. Encourage them to take their place in daily family worship, expressing their own hearts' desire in their simple language and manner. They need to see God's precious Word opened before their eyes and read every day. If your home life is too busy to read the Word of God and have prayer, then, indeed, it is busier than God ever intended it to be. "O that there were such an heart in them, that they would fear Me, and keep all My commandments always, that it might be well with them, and with their children forever!" Deut. 5:29.

Do our Christian fathers need a fresh awakening to the vital importance of their God-given place of spiritual responsibility in their individual households? Each father should be a priest unto God to offer spiritual sacrifices—to lift by precept and example the standard of right living before his sons and daughters. He should take time to counsel with boys firmly and understandingly on all life's problems. "We can't let dad down," said one such well-counseled boy. But too many dads

have "let the boys down" and realized too late their mistake.

What about the many active, restless mothers today? Do they, too, need an awakening—a holy appreciation of their glorious privilege? True motherhood is a full-time job; but for every normal woman it is the most soul-satisfying, heart-thrilling career in all the world. Certainly there is hard labor involved; there are sacrifices of many kinds; there are long days and weary nights. There is opportunity for the exercise of every talent and power a woman may possess in its highest usefulness. But the returning love will well repay; the joy of seeing your own filling God's place of service will more than recompense here below. And what will heaven bring!

There are Christian parents who find much blessing in public worship themselves, and take for granted this will suffice for all the home need. Sadly mistaken are such. The home and family was the first unit formed by God, and the first responsibility of every Christian father and mother is the proper maintenance of the right spiritual atmosphere in their home. If this is done that family will go to the house of God with a definite contribution to the spiritual up-building there. The nature of a church is largely determined by the nature of the families which form it. Where families assemble together from godly homes in which family altars are held, from the very opening of the public services the conscious presence and the working of the Spirit of God is evident.

Governor Thomas E. Dewey writes: "There never was a time when it was more necessary that children be instructed and strengthened in the faith of their fathers."

Pastors who sense deep lack in their church could well start a crusade of reviving family altars and home godliness as a certain feeder of blessing in their congregation. The best Sunday School program in all the world fails of its fullest accomplishment unless there is definite co-operation from the homes. This is why more and more stress is being laid on strengthening the home front, encouraging spiritual life and instruction in the homes, as well as the regular Sunday School attendance of the whole family. Many parents have thoughtlessly, if not deliberately, shirked their part in the spiritual development of their family, and no Sunday School can properly make up the lack.

This strengthening of our home front plays a leading part in perpetuating our spiritual heritage, for any movement will continue to be what its homes make it. New generations have risen in the past

forty years, and we, as parents, must be sure we have laid firmly the proper stones of memorial before their eyes. Children are always asking questions. God help us to lay the stones so well that from eager lips there will constantly come to us the all-important question, "What mean ye by these stones?" God grant that our words as well as our lives shall be a clear and constant testimony in answer thereto.

This implies a continued family consecration. There are good parents who made a full consecration in their early days; but somehow the cross no longer dominates their lives, nor it is evident in the homes they have established. They will say God dealt with them along certain lines, but they do not wish to have their children know such a separation from the world or such rugged experiences as they themselves once endured. It is natural to want the best for our children, but what is better than God's best? And God's best can only come to young lives today by the same consecration and devotion that has always been required. If these same children see in the lives of their parents a full devotion to God—no side-stepping from the rugged way—they will want to follow. The stones will speak their message successfully.

THE WIDER RESPONSIBILITY

The God who brought those Hebrews through the Red Sea and Jordan lived again before those Hebrew children as they gazed on that memorial and heard the testimony from their elders' lips—yea, more, as they saw faithful devotion to the God of Israel in the lives of their Hebrew fathers and mothers. But this stone-erecting responsibility rests on more than the parents. Every elder in Israel was responsible before God for the perpetuating of their priceless heritage.

If only today every Christian adult had the same sense of responsibility toward all children and young people! All pastors, evangelists, deacons, Sunday School teachers, workers and officers! What greater ministry can there be for anyone than the influencing of the rising generation for God? The greatest servants God has ever had took time to deal wisely, tenderly, understandingly with the children of their flock. Some of us have had reason to deplore past negligence along these lines; but—thanks be to God—there has come a great awakening and many are freshly stirred by the present need and the unmatched opportunity of definitely erecting stone memorials for our youth today. Marion Craig's pointed words apply for the influence on older children as well:

Who knows what word of mine may shape
a thought

To turn his heart to that far heaven above?
Who knows what lesson that I may have
taught,

Will turn his heart to the dear God of love?
Thou knowest, oh, Thou knowest! Unto Thee
All things are plain. Help, Lord, I pray
That I may ever helpful, faithful be,
To lead a little child along the way.

Is it a fresh baptism of love that is needed? A burning heart of tender concern, that will bring sacrificial service with a clearness of testimony our youth cannot gainsay or resist? How quickly a baby knows the loving heart behind out-reached arms of invitation! Are older children less discriminating in sensing the wise, loving concern of any godly adult who sincerely desires to help and encourage them? What interest and love centers around the young members of a family! All the adults contribute to their pleasure and benefit. Evidences of progress are noted with pleasure, and this is as it should be. God grant to us the same attitude toward the tender ones of each flock—the rising church of tomorrow, the potential assembly of believers who in days to come must themselves perpetuate the testimony made precious to our hearts.

Dare we whisper the painful secret that jealousy has been the cause of some neglect? What tragedy that such a spirit could be in any Christian's heart! Lack of patience and understanding, too, has prevented some adults from erecting effectual memorials before the younger generation. They fail to appreciate that firm-

ness need not be harshness. Then, oh, the failure to realize the untold power of example—righteous living day by day before the eyes of this rising generation. Perhaps they do stumble easily; but what an abundance of stumbling blocks careless Christians have piled in their pathway. God is asking for stones of memorial for our young people today, instead of the stumbling blocks of careless, self-indulgent living or of prayerless, indifferent ease in Zion.

Have our preachers been missing God in failing to touch more definitely this subject of household salvation in all its delicate phases? We wax eloquent on many other lines of truth, but the need is so great for simple, practical teaching on how to honor God in our homes as well as bring up our children in the nurture and admonition of the Lord. There are vital moral issues affecting our young people that should be clearly handled from the pulpit in the light of God's Word. A loving heart behind plain preaching will insure its reception. "Line upon line and precept upon precept" means the building of an effectual memorial.

You may not have a home of your own, nor a family, but you still have a part in this wider responsibility to the rising generation, for the Lord's sheep are in debt to the Lord's lambs for all time. Every Christian should be a good dispenser of his godly heritage, raising a memorial that none can fail to reverence. For us to live a fully anointed life is the greatest heritage we can pass on. God help us all to give the answer clearly and uncompromisingly to our young people as they raise the question, "What mean ye by these stones?"

'Twas a sheep, not a lamb, that went astray,
In the parable Jesus told;
'Twas a grown-up sheep that wandered away
From the ninety and nine in the fold.

And out on the hill-tops and out in the cold
'Twas a sheep that the Good Shepherd sought;
And back to the flock, and back to the fold,
'Twas a sheep that the Good Shepherd brought.

Now, why should the sheep be so carefully fed
And cared for still today?
Because there is danger if they go wrong
They will lead the lambs astray.

For the lambs will follow the sheep, you know,
Wherever they wander, away;
If the sheep go wrong, it will not be long
Till the lambs are as wrong as they.

So, still with the sheep we must earnestly plead
For the sake of the lambs today.
If the lambs are lost, what a terrible cost
Some sheep will have to pay.

(This article may be secured in tract form from Mrs. J. R. Flower, 1856 North Douglas Street, Springfield, Missouri.)

HALLOWING THE HOME

By Norman B. Harrison



A young people's worker says: "After reading everything concerning religion for youth for thirty years, I feel that this book answers more of the questions mothers have been asking me through the years than anything I have ever seen. In

fact, the answers are all there." "A classic on the home." Widely used by pastors. Fine wood-craft cover. Price 25c.

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The Passing and the Permanent

OPPORTUNITY IN JAPAN

Allied Headquarters in Tokyo announced on February 22 that missionaries may now return to Japan, provided their support, shelter, food, etc., is assured. Some evangelical missionaries are at work in Japan already.

MORAVIAN MISSIONARIES

In twenty years the Moravian Christians, from 1750, had established more missions than the combined Protestant churches accomplished in two hundred years, according to *The Sou-winner*.

MISSION SCHOOLS SUBSIDIZED

An exchange reports that the Belgian Government is planning to grant subsidies for Protestant mission schools in the Belgian Congo. Formerly only the Roman Catholic schools had this support.

SABBATICAL YEAR REVIVED

Thousands of people flocked to Jerusalem, from all parts of Palestine, to participate in a pilgrimage called "Hakhal," reviving the ancient celebrations on the occasion of the conclusion of the Sabbatic agricultural year in Biblical days. These were the first such celebrations to be held since the destruction of the Temple.

FOREIGN YOUTH FOR CHRIST

Youth for Christ rallies, now being held in a thousand American communities, have spread to a number of foreign lands. One of these is China, where two American servicemen inaugurated the rallies at Tientsin with blessed results. Many uniformed men have decided for Christ, and a very large number of Chinese youths. A delegation of Youth for Christ leaders is now in Europe seeking to encourage the organization of youth rallies in Britain, Scandinavia, and continental Europe. The delegation has been refused admittance into Germany and Russia by governmental authorities.

MARRIAGE AND DIVORCE

A United Press survey of thirty of the nation's largest cities shows that, during the first ten months of 1945, there were nearly half as many divorce suits as there were marriages. Divorce actions totaled 110,000—nearly 20,000 more than in the same period of 1944. Des Moines had nearly five times as many divorces as marriages. Oklahoma City and Dallas also recorded more divorces than weddings. Reno, which claims to be the "divorce capital of the world," recorded 6,301 divorces, but four cities made a higher score. Chicago had 16,000, Detroit had 13,000, Houston had nearly 8,000, and Dallas had 6,500. War is only partially to blame for the situation. The moral breakdown among young people is the prime factor and conditions are growing worse instead of better.

ALCOHOLIC INSANITY

The Census Bureau reports that the number of women who are annually committed to insane asylums for alcoholism increased from 400 in 1922 to 1,856 in 1942, an increase of over four times the number in a prohibition year.

NO NUTRITIVE VALUE

Dr. Liebig, a famous German scientist, declared that the amount of flour which would lie on the point of a table knife contains more food value than a glass of Bavaria's best beer.

FOR A FREE INDIA

The granting of independence to India by Great Britain will not free India, for most of her teeming millions are bound by evil and error. More than half of India's 400,000,000 people never have heard the gospel message of Christ. There are a bare 6,000,000 professing Christians in that great land. Our Lord Jesus said, "Ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free." If we would help India gain real freedom we must tell them the truth—the gospel message—by means of missionaries, radio broadcasts, printed literature, and every other medium available. We have in our trust the only thing that can free India!

BALTIC REFUGEES

When the Russians swept westward into the Baltic states many people, including children of God and devoted preachers of the Word, fled to Sweden. The press reports that Soviet Russia now has exerted pressure upon the Swedish Government to turn these refugees over to Russia, rather than return them to their Baltic homelands. "The intention of Russia is clear," states *The Prophetic Word*. "Transfer of Baltic nationalities to interior Russia and settlement of Russians in Baltic countries effectively silences possible embarrassing questions as to the statehood of Estonia, Latvia, and Lithuania. Pray for the children of God in slavery in Russia."

THE TRUTH ABOUT TOBACCO

The testimony of smokers belies the tobacco advertisements—"No irritation of the throat and nose"; "no nicotine poisoning"; etc. A study of 2,000 smokers and non-smokers by the Life Extension Examiners of the big insurance companies brought out the following deductions:

Smokers complained of cough 300% more often than non-smokers; throat and nose irritation 167% more; palpitation 50% more; pain over heart 73% more; short breath 140% more; heartburn 100% more; stomach gas 62% more; nervousness 76% more. But the smokers will keep right on burning money and blowing smoke in others' faces and giving the laugh to those who would try to save youth from the use of coffin nails—mainly because it's the popular thing to do!

GERMAN BIBLE PLATES

The printing plates owned by the German Bible Society came through the war in good condition, having been stored away in deep cellars, and publication of the Word of God is to be renewed at a printing establishment formerly run by the Nazis.

IGNORANT CRITICS

Benjamin Franklin was sent to Paris as American plenipotentiary at a time when France was steeped in infidelity. The scoffers made great sport of Franklin's faith in the Bible. One day he decided to see how much they knew about the Book they scorned. He told them he had been reading a poem of rare beauty, and at their request he drew the manuscript from his pocket and read it. They were delighted. "Where did you find it?" they asked. "Who is the author?" He replied that he had read from the Bible. It was from the third chapter of Habakkuk.

PILLARS OF SMOKE

An editorial in *Revelation Magazine* points out that Joel 2:20 takes on new light since the discovery of nuclear fusion. The passage speaks of the judgments which God will send upon the earth in the latter days: "Wonders in the heavens and in the earth, blood, and fire, and pillars of smoke. . . ." Anyone who remembers the magnificent and awe-inspiring photographs of the atomic explosion at Nagasaki will decide that there was the greatest pillar of smoke ever seen on the face of this globe. It arose eight miles into the sky. Nothing equal had been seen since that cloud that led Israel through the desert. Evidently, however, there are to be much greater pillars in future days.

I WAS IN HELL WITH NIEMOELLER

By Leo Stein



"When you are free tell the world what you have seen and heard." These were the parting words of Martin Niemoeller to Dr. Leo Stein, author of this book. Released after two years' confinement with him, Dr. Stein, former political prisoner, tells the whole, grimly fascinating story, including much that he learned from Niemoeller's own lips.

Here is a human document, unique and authentic, which is an overwhelming warning for the present generation and an indispensable source of information for generations to come. The author of this book is not a Christian. He is a Jew. Nevertheless many Christians will enjoy the message this book has to offer. Price \$2.50.

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OUR MISSIONARY ADVANCE:

Spiritual and Physical

Hope Revived

G. Herbert Schmidt



Today I have a bit of news which has lifted a load of anxiety from my heart. Brother Greenstreet of London has written me that a friend of his who serves in Germany has established the fact that Ruth and her grandmother live somewhere in the Hartz mountain,

which is a part of Thuringen. No details are given, and the particular address is yet unknown to me. The message also states that Brother Young, former pastor of the Danzig Pentecostal assembly, is in touch with my daughter.

I cannot tell you how I feel; that terrible uncertainty as to whether Ruth had moved east or west from Danzig—or was still living—has lifted. My living Savior has answered prayer; I praise Him for His love and mercy.

The friend in Germany has promised that, through German Pentecostal people, he will in a month's time have more definite news to transmit to Brother Greenstreet, who will immediately forward it to me. My hope to bring my children with me when I return to the States is revived within me. I have included them in booking for the return and am trusting the Lord to make it possible if it be His will. As far as I can see now, I shall sail on the Gripsholm early in May.



The day upon which you think the missionaries need your prayers least, they may need them most.—Selected.



Food for Europe

G. Kinderman

In response to our recent appeal in the *Pentecostal Evangel*, that parcels of food be sent to the needy and suffering believers in France, we are happy to report that about forty packages weighing up to eleven pounds each were received by our friends. "This was a

great help to many families," writes Brother Pierre Nicolle, Chairman of the Assemblies of God in France.

While many were made happy, there are still thousands of believers throughout Europe who need our assistance. It appears that the suffering in Eastern Europe is just as severe as in the Western part of that continent, but communications from there are not as frequent. Recent information from Poland disclosed that one loaf of bread costs Zloty 60, or \$12 American money at the pre-war rate of exchange (about \$1 at present-day estimated exchange).

In order to continue a flow of food parcels to the various European centers so that the Christians may receive supplies at this critical hour, arrangements are being made to prepare and ship such packages for as low as \$3 to \$12 each, including postage. Funds for this purpose should be sent to the Missions Department, designated "Food for Europe."



Let's pray. Ask the Lord as to how much we should give. Of course, it will be well to settle beforehand that we are going to follow instructions.—*The Other Sheep*.



News Flashes

Mr. and Mrs. Maurice F. Petersen have left the States to begin their missionary labors in the Belgian Congo, Africa.

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A cable from Louise Hackert and Emily deGroat notified the Missions Department of their safe return to Liberia, Africa.

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Mr. and Mrs. Fred L. Glaser have returned to Ivory Coast, Africa, for another term of missionary service.

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Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Cawston, former missionaries to India, recently left the States for a term of service in Ceylon.

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Congratulations to the parents and a hearty welcome to Miss Nona Lee Johnson who arrived at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Leland E. Johnson on March 13.

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Mr. and Mrs. John H. Kennedy and family left New York on March 20 to resume their missionary labors in Sierra Leone, West Africa.

Convention at Le Havre

(The following report, translated from the French, is reprinted from THE EUROPEAN CALL—a small paper published overseas by several Pentecostal servicemen. The Convention referred to was held September 20 to 23, 1945.)

It is the first time since 1939 that our Association had the immense joy to celebrate a national Convention. During all these years of occupation the Assemblies had been split into two groups geographically isolated—the northern and southern zones. And now this year is witnessing a gathering in the city of Le Havre,—the city which suffered most in France,—of pastors, evangelists and the different lay-workers of the Association from September 20 to September 23. The large building of the Exhibition Palace reunited 36 pastors of the Association and other Societies, not to forget various "chaplains" of the American Army. During four days in the afternoon and the evening the large hall was crowded with 1,200 to 1,400 people, who with overflowing joy praised the Lord in their songs. One remembers with emotion and gratitude certain instances of particular vividness, songs and chorals of Valenciennes, Dieppe, Rouen, Le Havre, reunions of prayer so full of the presence of the Lord, sincere and brave testimonials of several miraculous healings which were verified on the spot: one regarding a lady who had been freed from rheumatism and converted on the same evening, and one of a little child of 14 months of age suffering from rachitis, who according to medical advice would not be able to walk until he is three years old. In response to prayer he could make his first steps on the same night and his eyes that were blind up to now, began to see the light. Everybody will recall the solemn moment when five pastors put their hands on our brother Mr. Valot in order to ordain him into his ministry, and joy and gratitude was in the eyes of those on the platform and in the audience. Several pastors belonging to other denominations united with their colleagues of the Association: Mr. Serre, of the "Foyer Du

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Needs in War-torn Europe

People" of Fives-Lillie; Joulot of the Fraternite Evangelique of Bagnolet; Roberts of the Independent Reformed Church of Paris; Delattre of Bois-Colombes; Emil D'Alliere and others. Telegrams expressing spiritual communion had been sent from the Brethren in Sweden, Switzerland and England. The visitors will never forget the precious hospitality of the brothers and sisters of Le Havre to which they received the impulsion by our brothers, the pastors Falg and Gallice. Many visitors have told us: At Le Havre we had been aware of a foretaste of heaven.

The decisions taken by the pastors of the Association assembled at the National Convention may foretell a more decided headway for the salvation of souls and the formation of a holy and victorious church which is ready for the soon return of Christ. Jesus, come soon! —s/R. Fauvel, Pastor at Paris.



If we wait for favorable conditions before we carry the gospel to the lost, we shall never do anything. We must remember that conditions have never been favorable to carrying forward the work of God.—*The Other Sheep*.



Pentecost in Europe

Several Pentecostal servicemen on duty in Europe have banded together to make known the spiritual need of the people by publishing a periodical titled, *The European Call*. Reports are rarely received from the work in Europe so that we are grateful indeed for the news contained in this little paper.

Concerning the work in Nice, France, we learn that the church "is only six years old, having come into being under the ministry of Pastor Douglas Scott in 1939. During these few years, five hundred believers have been baptized and received into the assembly. For some time they worshiped in the large and beautiful Trinity Church. But when the Americans arrived, this place of worship was used by them, and an English church on 3 Rue Notre Dame was requisitioned for the use of the French. Pastor Thomas Bres is the faithful minister to the congregation at the present time."

Chaplain John A. Lindvall writes: "The work in Italy has been blessed of God in many ways. At least 400 groups are meeting in various places throughout Italy and Sicily. However, most of our assemblies are among the poor of Southern Italy. Pray much for

them! I visited the saints in both Naples and Rome last June. Last December a convention was held in Rome, but no reports have been received yet."

An interesting announcement from Pastor Levi Pethrus is that the annual Swedish Pentecostal convention will be held in Kolingared, Sweden, from June 11 to 16, 1946. He further states that around midsummer time they usually have a great tent fellowship conference at Stockholm.

No doubt many of you are wondering how our Pentecostal brethren and churches have fared in Germany. Rev. Muller, pastor of the fine church in Stuttgart, Germany, feels especially fortunate that his church building "was not ruined by the rain of bombs that left the rest of the city in ruins. However, his congregation has suffered and many of his flock have been scattered as a result of war. At the present time the group numbers around 200. The Methodist folks also are using Brother Muller's church for their services. They have been bombed out of their place of worship and Pastor Muller has kindly consented to share his building with them. The building has a seating capacity of around 1000 and has a beautiful organ which is about the only one in Stuttgart still intact."

The strife and turmoil of war have caused the Pentecostal church in Frankfurt to suffer greatly, Harold Herzog tells us. Manifestations of the Spirit were forbidden in public places, so those who desired to let the Spirit of God work in their lives gathered in little group meetings in the various homes. "Today," he adds, "we find the church in Frankfurt in a depleted condition. When we first contacted the folks, we found only one group of about twenty-five, assembling and worshipping without the leadership of a pastor. When they saw us they welcomed us with open arms.

"Since that first meeting, we have seen the group double in size, and it is still growing. The room they

used has been outgrown and they have rented an air-raid shelter which, with a little work, can be made to seat a large number. You probably think that is a strange place to hold church services, but the housing situation in all large cities is very critical. The folks are grateful for the use of this place. They formerly had only one or two services a week, with an attendance of around twenty. But now there are four meetings, and the attendance is up over the fifty mark."

In a general summary of the religious situation in Europe, the editor of *The European Call* says: "Groups that were once thriving, have been greatly reduced as a result of the war. Buildings have been blown up and food is hard to get. The material want is great, but much greater is the need for a spiritual awakening on this continent.

"I am not pleading today for man power because that is not the biggest need. What these folk need is help in organization, material help, and most of all they need people to back them up with effectual fervent prayer. Their struggle throughout the years of conflict has been one for existence, but now hostilities have ceased and they can look forward to a time when they can build for God. We pray earnestly that they may build not on wood, stubble, nor hay, but on gold, silver, and precious stones. . . . God has given us favor in all the contacts we've made thus far, and we request your prayers for us as we labor with the civilian pastors and people in this work for Christ."



Courtesy American Bible Society

Our Home Frontiers

"AT HOME"

When a newly married couple has established a new home, it is customary to announce that Mr. and Mrs. are now "at home" at a certain location, ready to receive callers.

Though rather belated, this is the announcement of the Home Missions Department that we are "AT HOME" at 336 West Pacific Street, Springfield, Missouri, ready to receive calls and to render assistance whenever possible.

In 1937 the General Council authorized the office of Home Missions Secretary, and until recently this office operated in conjunction with the Foreign Missions Department. A few months ago it was decided that the Home Missions Department should be separated from the foreign, it being felt that we could serve the General Council more effectively if we could function as a separate unit. Thus it became necessary to establish our own bookkeeping system, receive offerings for home missionary work, and send out receipts for these offerings. Since no public announcement was made regarding the new arrangement, some of our contributors may not have fully understood why they were receiving separate receipts for their home missionary contributions.

We should like to offer a few suggestions which may be of help, especially to church secretaries and treasurers, when sending their missionary money. First, about

The World Missions Plan

Many of our assemblies have adopted this plan as a well balanced system of apportioning missionary money to both foreign and home missionary work. It provides that 75% of the offering be used for foreign missions, 20% be returned to the district from whence it came (to be used for home missionary work under the supervision of the local district council), and 5% to be retained by the Foreign Missions Department for operational expense. A few districts have adopted a slightly modified form of this plan. If your church missionary offering is to be divided on the World Missions Plan, SEND IT TO THE FOREIGN MISSIONS DEPARTMENT FOR DIVISION. It is not necessary for you to divide it and send your district portion through the Home Missions Department. The Foreign Missions Department is handling the World Missions Plan, and will return the proper percentage to your district. These World Mission offerings should be placed on the pink offering form and mailed to the Foreign Missions Department.

Why the Yellow Offering Form?

The yellow offering form has been prepared by the Home Missions Department for the convenience of those who desire to help with certain home missionary projects which are not sponsored by any particular district. This type of work includes the evangelization of the deaf people, European-speaking people of the United States, Jewish people, the American Indians, and the colored people.

Besides these phases of evangelism in the States, we have the vast field of Alaska to evangelize. These are home missionary projects carried on by the General Council in which we need the earnest prayers and hearty co-operation of our General Council constituency.

Space is also provided on the yellow offering form for offerings designated for individual home missionaries. These funds are disbursed each month 100% exactly as has been specified by the contributors, so that the missionary receives every cent of what is designated for him, nothing being deducted by the Home Missions Department office for the cost of postage or handling. Yet our office expense is somewhat of an item, so we have provided a space on the yellow offering form for contributions for this purpose.

How to Send

Contributions for home missionary work (except that carried on by your own District Council) should be sent by check or money order, payable to the Home Missions Department, or to Fred Vogler, Home Missions Secretary, and mailed to the above address. It is not necessary, however, to purchase a separate draft for this department if you are sending money to any other department at headquarters. Simply include the amount of your home missionary offering in the draft you are already sending, and enclose the yellow offering form which will show how the money is to be used. Our yellow form and the corresponding amount of money will be transferred to the Home Missions Department. If you do not have a yellow offering form, simply write your instructions on a sheet of paper, and your contribution will be handled according to your desire, and we will send you a yellow offering form for future use. When a draft is sent to any department which includes money for another department, separate acknowledgements are sent from each department for its respective portion.

Our system of handling funds is simple and convenient for our contributors. If we can be of help to our friends at any time, do not hesitate to call upon us. We want to serve you with the greatest efficiency for the furtherance of the gospel, and sincerely desire your co-operation in prayer and finances that we may have funds to send where the needs are the greatest.

Snatched From The Burning

(Continued From Page Five)

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You can pray! And not only for her—but for the thousands more like her that are still lost in heathen darkness; for the thousands more like her that are tormented by the same evil spirits and seductions from the blackness of the pit; for the thousands more like her, horn-licking, rubbish-hoarding, idol-bowing dupes of the devil, daily and nightly led captive at his will. Greater is He that is in you, than he that is in the world. Enter into your blood-bought heritage, and through victorious prayer unite with us in bringing a glorious Jubilee of deliverance to these benighted souls. May God's grace enable you to do it.

Coming Meetings

Due to the fact that the Evangel is made up 16 days before the date which appears upon it, all notices should reach us 18 days before that date.

OSKALOOSA, IOWA—April 14, for 2 weeks; Ben Compton, Evangelist.—Stanley E. Clarke, Pastor.

MANKATO, KANSAS—April 16—; A. A. Allen of Colorado, Evangelist.—J. K. Richard, Pastor.

McALLEN, TEXAS—Children's Rally, Rio Grande Valley Section, all day, April 20. P. H. Barrett, of Raymondville, in charge.—Lester P. Summers.

WEST PALM BEACH, FLA.—April 7, for 2 or more weeks; Thomas Waldron of Clewiston, Evangelist.—D. J. Haidt, Pastor.

MADERA, CALIF.—Riverside and North D St., April 14—; Stanley and Ethel McPherson and daughter Ruth.—T. E. Woods, Pastor.

SPRINGFIELD, MO.—Northeast Assembly, April 14—; Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Prince, Boston, Mass., Evangelists.—J. Ellsworth Kalas, Pastor.

KANSAS CITY, MO.—3100 E. 31st St., April 7—21; Evangelist and Mrs. Don Mallowh, Seattle, Wash.—A. A. Wilson, Pastor.

WAUSAU, WIS.—April 10—; Mr. and Mrs. C. Merrill Johnson, Peoria, Ill., Musical Evangelists.—H. J. Waltherman, Pastor, 525 Steuben St.

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EAU CLAIRE, WIS.—Gospel Tabernacle, April 16-28; R. S. Peterson, Evangelist.—Ernest Swanson, Pastor, 532 Holm Ave.

RUSH SPRINGS, OKLA.—April 2, for 2 weeks or longer; V. E. Wilson, Evangelist.—Clarence E. McNeeley, Pastor.

YORK, PA.—474 S. Pershing, April 21—May 12; Evangelist and Mrs. D. L. Howe.—A. D. Skymmer, Pastor.

FT. WORTH, TEXAS—14th and Boulevard, April 17-28; W. Randall Ball, Evangelist.—Carl Stewart, Pastor.

SANTA PAULA, CALIF.—Revival in progress; Dean E. Duncan, of Taft, Evangelist.—Ted S. Singleton, Pastor.

ELMER, MO.—April 7, for 2 weeks or longer; Evangelist and Mrs. E. K. Jones, Davenport, Iowa.—James A. Call, Pastor.

BISMARCK, N. DAK.—April 9-28; Carl and Edna Goodwin, Los Angeles, Calif., Evangelists. Marvin C. Miller is pastor.—By Evangelists.

DALLAS, TEXAS—Lovefield Assembly; meeting in progress; Ernie Reb, Evangelist.—E. L. Owen, Pastor.

LINCOLN, NEBR.—April 14-28; Fay D. Clopine, Chanute, Kansas, Evangelist. Lester W. Dickinson is pastor.—By Evangelist.

HOLLYWOOD, FLA.—24th Ave. and Grant St., April 7-; Cordelia Donnell and Mildred Holler, Evangelists.—Mary E. Johnson, Pastor.

SUBIACO, ARK.—Midway Assembly; revival in progress; O. R. Ball, of Cotter, Evangelist.—Gorman Daniel, pastor.

AKRON, OHIO—Bethel Assembly of God, April 16—May 5; E. William Anderson, Oakland, Calif., speaker. C. W. Hahn, Pastor.

MERIDIAN, MISS.—State-wide C. A. Rally, Tuexoed Assembly, April 20; Loren Wooten, C. A. President, Southern Missouri District, special speaker.—Ted Smith, C. A. President.

SALEM, OHIO—Youth Rally, 206 W. State St., April 15, 7:30 p.m. E. William Anderson, West Coast "Youth for Christ" speaker, trombone artist, and radio preacher, will speak.—M. R. Searles, Pastor.

WEST TERRE HAUTE, IND.—7th and National, April 14—May 5; Clyde Baily, of Illinois District, Evangelist.—Archie Brown, Pastor.

TOWANDA, PA.—213 Main St.; April 14, for 2 weeks; Stanley Churchill, Brooklyn, N. Y., Evangelist.—Alfred Coletti, Pastor.

PHOENIX, ARIZ.—Bethel Assembly of God, April 12-; William A. Ward, Washington, D. C., Evangelist.—C. O. Green, Pastor.

KANSAS CITY, MO.—Sheffield Assembly, 6800 Independence Ave.; meetings in progress; Mathan Musical Evangelists.—Norman F. Brewer, Pastor.

CHICAGO, ILL.—Beulah Temple, 740 E. 77th St., April 2-21; John Bostrom, Evangelist.—S. Paul Carlyss, Pastor.

WARREN, OHIO—235 Highland Ave. S. W., March 27—April 14; John M. Reinhardt, New Haven, Conn., Evangelist.—Paul J. Emery, Pastor.

HOUSTON, TEXAS—All-day meeting, Bethel Temple Assembly of God, Easter Sunday. Three services and basket dinner. Special speakers.—O. L. Davidson, Pastor.

PHILADELPHIA, PA.—Highway Tabernacle, 19th and Green Sts., April 16-28; Mrs. Alice R. Flower, Springfield, Mo., speaker. Each night except Monday, at 8:00 o'clock.—W. S. Bragg, Pastor.

PROVIDENCE, R. I.—Sunday School Rally held in Friendship Street Baptist Church, Friendship and Foster Sts., April 14, 3 p.m. Dr. Clarence Benson, Chicago, Ill., special speaker.—Edwin P. Anderson, Minister.

PHILADELPHIA C. A. RALLY

Italian Pentecostal Church, 16th and McKean Sts., April 20; Mrs. J. R. Flower, speaker.—Anthony A. Marinacci, Chairman.

MARION, IND.—C. A. and Youth for Christ Rally, Shawley Memorial Church, 1005 E. 29th St., April 18, 7:30 p.m. C.A.'s from Muncie in charge.—B. E. Hillman, Host Pastor.

WAKEENEY, KANSAS—Municipal Auditorium, March 31—April 14; Filipino Evangelistic Party (E. C. Lagmay and 10 Filipinos).—H. M. Hollis, Pastor.

GALENA, KANSAS—Four-State C. A. Conference (Kansas, Oklahoma, Missouri, Arkansas), April 11-12. Harry Jaeger, night speaker. Rooms furnished for visiting C.A.'s and ministers.—G. P. Hertweck, Host Pastor.

PHOENIX, ARIZ.—11th St. and Garfield, April 14-; Evangelist and Mrs. Gene Martin, "The Musical Martins."—N. D. Davidson, Pastor.

CHEYENNE, WYO.—Youth Crusade and Pre-Easter Revival, 23rd and Pioneer, April 14-; Dean E. Duncan, Evangelist.—Paul L. Ferguson, Pastor.

PLAINFIELD, N. J.—Evangelistic Easter Services, Grace Evangel Church, Central Ave, between Seventh and Eighth Sts., April 16-28; Paul Kauffman of Canada, Evangelist. Sunday School Conference, April 23, 2:00 and 7:00 p.m., with Mr. and Mrs. George Davis.—Andrew Rahnner, Pastor, 400 W. Eighth St.

SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION

Eastern Massachusetts Spring Sunday School Convention, Glad Tidings Tabernacle, Second and Cabot Sts., Everett, Mass, April 18-19. Wilfred A. Brown, Gary, Ind., convention speaker. Also, J. Robert Ashcroft, Hartford, Conn. For reservations, write W. J. Mitchell, 56 A Highland Ave., Everett, Mass.—Eldon Vincent, Presbyter and S. S. Representative.

ILLINOIS DISTRICT COUNCIL

The 24th Annual Meeting of the Illinois District Council will be held at the Gospel Tabernacle, 512 Spring St., Alton, Ill., May 7-9. Credentials Committee will meet May 6, 2:30 p.m. Ernest S. Williams, guest speaker. Rooms provided as far as possible. Write H. A. Hamilton, host pastor, for accommodations.—W. R. Williamson, District Superintendent.

MICHIGAN DISTRICT COUNCIL

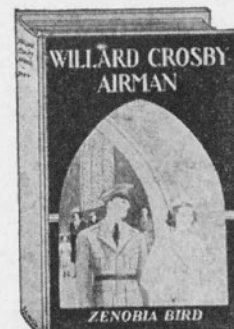
Second Annual Michigan District Council, Burton M. E. Church, Grand Rapids, April 22-25. Official opening session of Council, April 22, 2:00 p.m. Frank J. Lindquist, Minneapolis, Minn., evening speaker. For reservations write Pastor Parvin C. Lee, 134 Bellevue St., S. W., Grand Rapids, Mich.—Mrs. E. D. Cooley, Secretary.

NEW YORK-NEW JERSEY CONFERENCE

Third Annual Conference, New York-New Jersey District, Bethany Pentecostal Church, Broadway and Summers Sts., Paterson, N. J., May 7-9. David H. Leigh, host pastor. Opening rally, May 6, 7:30 p.m. Missionary service, May 8, 7:30 p.m. Ordination service, May 9, 7:30 p.m.—Robert T. McGlasson, District Secretary, 257 East 10th St., New York 3, N. Y.

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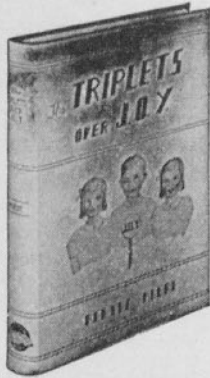
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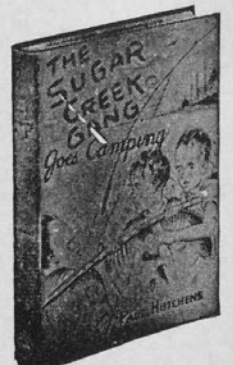
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KAUKAUNA, WIS.—Gospel Tabernacle, April 10—; Evangelist and Mrs. D. H. Waltermann, Chicago, Ill.—D. H. Heuser, Pastor.

CENTRAL DISTRICT COUNCIL

BLOOMINGTON, IND.—The Annual Meeting of the Central District Council will be held May 6-9, at the Methodist Church, Bloomington, Ind. For reservations write Pastor Roscoe Russell, 105 W. Grimes Lane, Bloomington, Ind.—E. E. Bond, District Superintendent; by T. E. Hartshorn, District Secretary, 108 Buckeye St., Dayton 2, Ohio.

CHICAGO, ILL.—Special Easter Services, Ebenezer Pentecostal Church, 1665 N. Mozart, near California and North Aves., April 14-28; Stanley H. Frodsham, Editor of Pentecostal Evangel, guest speaker. Services: Morning Prayer, Tuesdays through Fridays, 10:00 a.m. Meeting every night except Mondays and Saturdays. Special music by Choir and String Band.—James Clark, Pastor.

SOUTH DAKOTA CONVENTION

The Annual Council of the South Dakota District will convene at the Assembly of God Tabernacle, 217 Second Ave. S. E., Aberdeen, S. Dak., April 9-11. Ralph M. Riggs, guest speaker. Missionaries attending: Fred Burke, South Africa; Kathryn Vogler, India. Those desiring room reservations write to the District Office, P. O. Box 1, Aberdeen, S. Dak.—P. T. Emmett, District Superintendent.

OKLAHOMA SUNDAY SCHOOL CONFERENCES

Oklahoma Sectional Sunday School Conferences: Norman, April 29-30; Altus, May 2-3; McAlester, May 6-7; Hominy, May 9-10; Mooreland, May 27-28; Hugo, May 30-31. Conferences beginning on Monday will convene for the first session at 7:30 p.m., with four sessions on Tuesday. Those beginning on Thursday first session 7:30 p.m., and continuing through Friday night.—Sunday School Department.

WEST TEXAS DISTRICT COUNCIL

The 16th Annual Council of the West Texas District will convene at the Polk St. Methodist Church, Amarillo, Texas, April 22-25, Wesley R. Steelberg, principal speaker. C. A. Rally and Fellowship Meeting, night, April 22. Due to crowded conditions of this city please make room reservations as soon as possible. Send requests for reservations to E. R. Foster, 900 N. Pierce St., Amarillo, Texas.—S. E. Eldridge, District Secretary-Treasurer.

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA C. A. CONVENTION

The 21st Annual Convention of the Southern California Christ's Ambassadors will be held at Civic Auditorium, 1401 N. Verdugo Road, Glendale, Calif., April 17-19. Speakers will include James Hamill, Memphis, Tenn.; LeRoy Sanders, Jefferson City, Mo.; Wesley R. Steelberg, National C. A. Director, and others. The "Haven of Rest" quartette will sing the opening night. For further information write L. B. Lewis, District C. A. President, 1032 West G St., Wilmington, Calif.

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Hudson Valley Section, New York-New Jersey District: April 14, Gospel Lighthouse Church, Hudson Falls, Samuel Y. Wiedler, Pastor. April 15, Faith Pentecostal Church Poughkeepsie, Marvin E. Yost, Pastor. April 16, El-Bethel Church, West New Brighton, Staten Island, Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Goodwin, Pastors. April 17, Free Gospel Church, Corona, Long Island, Lawrence W. Pearce, Pastor. April 18, Vine Pentecostal Church Huntington, Long Island, Albert R. Fisher, Pastor.

Southern New Jersey Section: April 28, Rally, 1:30 p.m., Church of Georgia, Georgia, N. J., Reba Norcross, Pastor. April 28, 7:30 p.m., 5th and Ridge Aves., Neptune, N. J., Irving H. Meier, Pastor. April 29, 2:30 and 7:30 p.m. April 30, 7:45 p.m., Atco, N. J., Herchel B. Dean, Pastor. May 1, Rally, 7:45 p.m., 6th St. and Park Ave., Vineland, N. J., Paul Longstreth, Pastor. May 2, 2:30 and 7:30 p.m., Maranatha Pentecostal Tabernacle, Pennsville, N. J., Frank D. Christie, Pastor. May 3, Rally, 7:45 p.m., 205 Atlantic Ave., Atlantic City, N. J., Warren B. Straton, Pastor.—Sunday School Department.

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Dear Evangel Readers:

GREETINGS!

At the General Council meeting at Springfield last September the Executive Presbytery was instructed to inaugurate a nation-wide radio broadcast. At the same time, an appropriation of \$10,000 was made to get this work started.

Our first broadcast from Springfield came to you over the air on Sunday, January 6th, over sixty radio stations. We have extended the coverage so that now the National Assemblies of God Radio Hour SERMONS IN SONG is heard over more than one hundred stations. We have reason to believe that it can be heard in most any part of the United States, in Canada, and in Cuba.

In presenting these broadcasts it has been the purpose of the General Council to avoid the solicitation of funds over the air, for it is our conviction that the Kingdom of God can be served better if the message of the Assemblies of God can be sent forth without hint of financial appeal.

But radio evangelism is costly, and we must have money if this radio work is to continue and to expand. That is why we are coming to you through the Evangel. Enthusiastic reports are coming to us reporting blessing received through this radio ministry both to individuals and to churches, and we are just in the beginning. The possibilities for the future are beyond calculation. We are therefore urging that you become a regular monthly contributor.

As you read this why not sit right down and write to us, letting us know for how much we may depend on you? Offerings may be sent direct to the Assemblies of God Radio Hour, P. O. Box 70, Springfield, Missouri, or they can be sent through your home church; but a personal word from you now will be a great encouragement to us.

Appreciating your co-operation,

E. S. Williams.

General Superintendent

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