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

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## The Song of the Lord

> "How shall we sing the Lord's song in a strange land?" Psalm 137:4.

> The song of the Lord is resounding afar, its echoes ascend to the uttermost star; 'Tis heard in the courts of the heavenly King; So lift up your voices, ye people, and sing.
> The song of the Lord over mountain and plain Is wafting abroad in a wondrous refrain; Its cadences sweet now ascend to the sky To blend with the song of the angels on high
> The song of the Lord is the song of the soul, And springs from the heart when the righteous extol The name of Jehovah, the Saviour and KingWhen Christians redeemed lift their voices and sing.
> The song of the Lord: it can never be sung Among them that speak in a strange alien tongue; Its sweet notes are made for those only who've known The Saviour who sits on the heavenly throne.

> The song of the Lord is a paean of praise,
> A song of triumph to the Ancient of Days
> The ransomed shall come up to Zion and sing
> The song of the Lord in the courts of the King.


## HELPS

JOHN says, "As He is, so are we in this world." What is the Lord to us in this world? We read in Heb. $13: 6$, "The Lord is my helper." Said the Psalmist, "I was brought low, and He helped me."

He is a very practical Helper. When the multitude who came to hear Him had nothing to eat He said, "If I send them away fasting, they will faint by the way." And He provided a wonderful repast of bread and fish for the four thousand. He wants us to be practical helpers too. If a brother or sister is naked and destitute of daily food, He does not want us to say, "Depart in peace, be ye warmed and filled," and not provide the things needful for the body. We must not merely love the needy one in word and in tongue, but if we have this world's goods and see that others have a need, we must provide the things that are needful.

The priest and the Levite passed by the wounded wayfarer. They could doubtless have given him some cheap advice if he had been in a frame to receive it. But the Samaritan proved to be a practical helper, pouring oil and wine into the sufferer's wounds, putting him on his own beast, taking him to the inn, paying for his room and board, and giving word to the inn-keeper that any further service was to be charged to his account and he would pay. When the Master told the story He said, "Go, and do thou likewise."

Godly women ministered to Jesus of their substance in the days of His poverty, and He so appreciated their help that He

caused the record of their charity to be immortalized in Holy Writ. He says to us today, "Inasmuch as ye do it unto one of the least of these My brethren, ye do it unto Me."

We make much of the offices in the church that are spectacular, the working of miracles and the gifts of healing, but the Lord has a place for "helps." The apostle Paul gave special commendation to one humble woman, Phebe, whom he speaks of as "a succorer (margin, helper) of many." Phebe was as her Lord, and He would have us as He is in this world.

We have told in two recent issues of the Evangel of a concentrated food that can be shipped to needy saints at small cost. By refraining from self-indulgence we can save many a dime, and each dime contributed will mean three meals for those who are now starving. Then we can all be "helps." Send your gifts to World Missions Dept., 336 W. Pacific St., Springfield, Missouri.

# The Lifted Voice 

W. E. EMANUEL, Tampa, Fla.

"But Peter, standing up with the eleven, lifted up his voice. ..." Acts 2:14.

THE ministry is raised up of God to stand up and lift up its voice. The time is ripe now for every faithful preacher to lift up his voice against compromise and worldliness, to cry against the drift toward lukewarmness and spiritual declension.

The enemy will never cease to harass the church of God. He will fight it to the bitter end, using every means, even blinded religious professors, to hinder her glorious mission. How Zion needs men with holy boldness to stand upon her walls and warn against pride and the lack of vital godliness. Holiness is the standard set forth in the Book of God. We shall never see the face of God with anything less.

Peter with the rest of the disciples had just been anointedfilled with the Holy Ghost. When preachers are endued with the heavenly oil, they, like Elisha, with Elijah's mantle upon him, are ready to challenge hell itself.

Every officer elected to high office is sworn to do his duty faithfully. Preachers are not sworn in ; they are called by the eternal God to high and holy service. They are stars in the right hand of Him who called them, and are, therefore, directly answerable to God. Their mission is to proclaim the truth, the whole truth and nothing else. They are to hold out a clear light, and point a steady hand straight to the gates of the heavenly Jerusalem, showing by precept and example how Christians ought to live.

The voice of the preacher should ring loud and clear with conviction and sincerity, showing that he believes every word that he preaches. Preachers are to be instant in season and out of season. That is, they are to preach when they feel in good form and when they don't, when it is convenient and when it isn't, when the hearers receive it and when they don't, when they get a large offering and when they get none at all. They are to preach the Word in spite of every opposing agency, whether human or devilish. They are to lift their voices against little sins, social sins, big sins, black sins, sins of individ-
uals, whether kings or rulers, and sins of nations, sins inside and outside of the church.

When a preacher anointed with the Holy Spirit lifts up his voice, even hell hears and trembles. The adversary will silence it if he can. An ungodly man was once rebuked by a faithful minister at his own supper table. Next day the wicked man said to his friends, "I know that man who spent the night with me is a man of God." When asked how he knew, he said, "Because the devil in me trembled when he rebuked me."

John the Baptist was a voice, the voice of one crying in the wilderness. One day that voice was silenced by the malice of a wicked woman. Some time after his death, our Lord Jesus retired to the place where John first baptized. The crowds said: "John did no miracle, but all things that John spake of this Man were true. And many believed on Him there." That is, they believed on the Lord Jesus because of John's faithful testimony. John had lifted his voice with the courage of a lion, and shafts of conviction in that voice pierced the hearts of the hearers. And after John had gone, the truth proclaimed bore fruit. The echo of that lifted voice rings on down the ages. Just so, the lifted voice of Peter also pricked the hearts of the hearers and bore fruit too.

Lift up your voice, brother! Lift it up and proclaim the simple truth, unadorned, unadulterated. You cannot work miracles, but you can tell the truth about Tesus-you can make Him the heart of vour message; and that will after a while bring men to Him, which is the main thing: miracles will not always do that.

Peter stood up with the eleven. Here is a unified church, each heart aflame with the white-hot fire of Pentecost. Unity made that band of Galileans invincible; they stood together as strong and unconquerable as casehardened steel. Peter stood up with the eleven. A small church, but a powerful one. Persecuted, but victorious. Yes, it was a small band, but soon they were saying of them: "These that have turned the world upside down have come hither also."

Every watchman upon Zion's walls should be quick to lift up his voice against the evils that rob the church of her purity and power. "Cry aloud and spare not, lift up thy voice like a trumpet; and show My people their transgressions, and the house of Jacob their sins."

The weak, the helpless, the discouraged and the disconsolate are the Shepherd's special care.

## Career for the Courageous

Do you want a chance to live dangerously? The chance is waiting right now for you to come and take it. The whole world lies invitingly open as never before to the invasion of nonprofessional Christian missionaries. Now's your chance!

Maybe you have had the idea that missionary work is something that can be done only by professional people, such as pastors, doctors, or teachers who are specially employed by Mission Boards for the job.

And of course if that were so you would be out because you would never make a preacher or a doctor or a professor. Maybe you're just a farmer, or a mechanic, or a business man, or a salesman. And though you could never be much of a preacher, you really do

know your business in other lines-for instance job printing, or advertising, or the ice cream business, or building, or mechanics.

Maybe you have often wondered what such people could do to help get the gospel into all the world.

Here is one good way: there are hundreds of other lands where you could live and carry on your business or your job and thus support yourself while you use every opportunity that comes along to represent the King's business.

Or consider again that Ford Motors, General Electric, Standard Oil and ever so many other big concerns send thousands of agents, representatives, and technicians into every corner of the globe. Why couldn't you be one of them-you who could take the gospel with you when you go? In such positions you could reach people for Christ who could be reached in no other way.

There are some lands which will not admit missionaries, but they will admit men like you who have goods to sell to them. In these places you could go in and help break the ice for the regular missionary.

A Scotch family went to open up business in Mexico a number of years ago. They made it their home. Their children were born there and became citizens of the country. Through the efforts of this family a large congregation of over 4,000 believers was established-one of the largest evangelical churches in Latin America.

This can happen again and again in many places.

## But there's a price to pay.

It will mean that you will have to do again what our pioneer fathers didleave your home and strike your roots in foreign soil, exchange soft comforts and pleasant, familiar surroundings for unknown trials and hardships. You will have to disown many of your pet personal rights and seek the best interests of others instead.

Such a vențure will demand earnest consecration and devotion and a willingness to be counted as nothing for Christ's sake. You may have to endure unutterable loneliness and isolation and suffer misunderstanding and cruel criticism. You will almost surely be tortured by a thousand temptations to soft pedal your testimony, to compromise with the spirit of the world, to admit discouragement and sloth into your soul, and even to quit altogether.

Does such a job seem too difficult? Surely the pioneering, daring, crusading spirit of our fathers is not dead among us. We have seen it blaze forth during these tragic war years in the spirit of young men who unselfishly threw their lives into the struggle. Now let us throw our lives into God's war against the devil and his kingdom of darkness.

## Dangerous?

Sure, but that's what you want, isn't it? And to those who dare to follow Him and obey His call to evangelize the world, Christ gave a special promise: "And lo I am with you alway even unto the end of the world."-Evangelize.

## IN THE FURNACE

"Only melted gold is minted; only moistened clay is molded; only softened wax receives the die; only broken hearts can take and keep the impress of heaven. If that is your condition, wait beneath the pressure of the Holy Spirit. He shall leave the image of Jesus upon you."

# Keep Yourselves In the Love of God 

SUPPOSE that you take a vess 1 from New York City and sail east a thousand miles into the Atlantic. Then put a question to the captain-"Do you think it would be possible to separate the waters on the west of us from those on the east of us?"

The captain would probably answer you somewhat on this wise: "No engineer would be crazy enough to attempt to build a dam that would separate these waters. At certain places the sea is five miles deep, and how could masons put in foundations for a wall with a pressure of five miles of ocean upon them? The dam would have to be thousands of miles in length, and how long would such a wall last in the tremendous storms that we sailors constantly see sweeping the Atlantic? No, it would be impossible to separate the waters from the east and west-the ocean is just too vast!"

And if no engineer could build a dam large enough to separate the waters of the Atlantic, do you think any being on earth, or above the earth, or below the earth, could build a wall sufficiently broad and wide and deep to separate the saint from the love of his Savior? Says the Apostle, "Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? . . For I am persuaded that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor powers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor height, nor depth, nor any other creature, shall be able to separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord." Rom. 8:35-39.

Speak to that father concerning his son: "I understand that your son took of your substance and went far away from you. He wasted it in riotous living in a foreign country-and even with harlots! Now he is in rags, is down-andout, and he has so far disgraced your family that he is feeding swine! He has become so low down that he dives his hands down into the swill that he is supposed to give to the hogs, to pick out a few husks with which to appease his hunger. Of course, having disgraced you so, you do not love him any more. And should he take a notion to return, you would of course refuse to have anything more to do with one who has so disgraced your honorable name, and you would not, even though he entreated you
with tears, give him a place even as a servant in your household!"

What does that father answer you? "I love, I yearn for my son, and I am praying for his return day and night. If ever he needed a father's love, a father's care, a father's home, it is now. As I sit here on this porch I am ever looking down the road to see whether my petitions have been answered and my son is coming home. If I saw him in the distance, I could not restrain myself, but I should have to run and fall on his neck and weep over him as I bade him welcome home. Even now I am making preparations for his return. I expect to have a great feast of welcome and I am fattening up a calf for the occasion. No, my love has not evaporated for my son. It seems as if I love him with an intensity today that I never knew in the day when he was with me in the home."

And is the compassion, the yearning, the love of our heavenly Father for His wayward child less than that of a faltering, failing, erring human? You may say, "But I am a backslider. I have grieved the Lord so terribly that I know there is no hope for me." But listen to the Word to the backsliders that God gave to His prophet of old: "Go and proclaim these words: . . . Return, thou backsliding Israel, saith the Lord; and I will not cause

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mine anger to fall upon you: for I am merciful, saith the Lord. . . . Only acknowledge thine iniquity, that thou hast transgressed against the Lord thy God,
and ye have not obeyed my voice, saith the Lord. Turn, O backsliding children, saith the Lord; for I am married unto you." Jer. 3:11-14. Married unto you! Is there any closer relationship than that of marriage? He bids thee come home to Himself.

It is written of the Son of God, "Having loved his own . . . he loved them unto the end." "But, Lord," you say, "look at their thousand failings, their continuous unbelief. Don't you remember that night when you were tired and asleep in the boat, and they rebuked you saying, 'Carest thou not that we perish ?' Don't you remember how Peter rebuked you when you told about the cross that was ahead, saying, 'This be far from thee, Lord'? Have you not seen their constant disputes as to who would be first? Don't you remember when you asked them to pray with you for an hour, they all went to sleep? And at the most critical hour they all forsook you and fled. And Peter, who seems to be the foremost among them, even denied you with curses. How can you possibly love such a crowd?"

But, risen from the dead, He gave the angel a message to deliver: "Go your way, tell his disciples (He still calls them disciples despite the fact that they had forsaken Him) and Peter (who thrice denied Him) that He goeth before you into Galilee." And when He left them He blessed them. Commissioning them at that time to preach His Word, He said: "Lo, I am with you (despite all your failings and frailties) alway, even unto the end."

Look at that Pharisee, breathing out threatenings and cruelty against the saints. He has been largely responsible for the death and martyrdom of the holy Stephen. And now he is on his way to Damascus to destroy some of the saints there. Surely there is no hope for such! But He that "delighteth in mercy" has grace and forgiveness even for the "chief of sinners." And this one who gave himself that title, testifies of His grace saying concerning Him, "who loved me (despite all my waywardness and $\sin$ ), and gave himself for me (showing His personal love for such an unlovable one)." And it is this "chief of sinners" who puts the question, "Who can separate us from the love of Christ?"

Let us have an interview with a fish. "Little herring, are you satisfied with the limitations of your lot?" "Limitations! The vast Atlantic and the huge Pacific are my home, and beyond that I have tens of thousands of square miles of the In-
dian, Arctic and Antarctic oceans. I do not desire to come into the world of which you boast, for the seas are the element in which I live. Were I to attempt to come and live for one minute in your vain world, it would prove my death, for that is not my element. I am quite content with the vastness of the oceans in which I live. They are enough."

Little saints, the Lord bids you, "Keep yourselves in the love of God." Does that limit you? Are the oceans of His love not sufficient? That is the element in which you alone can live and thrive. If any who have been begotten of Him whose name is Love, seek to live in this
present evil world which is at enmity against Him, it will bring them death. This vain world with all its corruption and $\sin$ is not the element of the twiceborn soul, who is admonished in the Word to "keep himself unspotted from the world." Said the Apostle of love. "We know that we have passed from death unto life, because we love the brethren. He that loveth not his brother abideth in death. . . . Beloved. let us love one another: for love is of God; and every one that loveth is born of God, and knoweth God. He that loveth not knoweth not God; for God is love."-S. H. F.

## The CALL to the CROSS

Christ said: "If any man will come after Me let him deny himself and take up his cross daily . . . for whosoever would save his life (soul) shall lose it." Luke $9: 23,24$. Just as the apostle Paul said "always bearing about in the body the dying of Jesus," so the Lord said, Daily!

We see in the writings of Paul that there is a union with Christ's death which admits us into a new sphere of life, from which we look back upon the Cross as a gulf fixed between us and the past: and we see also a continuous conformity to the death of Christ, which is a necessary condition for the ever increasing manifestation of the power of the resurrection in reality.

The Lord Christ bids His followers take the Cross daily. Daily we must definitely account that we are crucified with Christ, and arm ourselves with the mind of the crucified Jesus-becoming obedient unto death. Daily must there be the deliberate losing of the soul-ish life, that we may exchange it for the life of the Lord Himself. Daily we must be willing to be led into fuller conformity to His death, not making for ourselves a cross, but quickly yielding to the "Cross in the way."

Daily! Daily! Daily! the Lord calls to the Cross, if His children are trulv to be His crucified messengers to a needy world.

## The Cross and Its Claims

"If any man cometh unto Me , and hateth not his own father . . . mother
wife . . . children . . . brethren sisters, yea, and his own life also, he cannot be My disciple. . . . Whosoever doth not bear his own cross

Cannot be My disciple. . . . Whosoever he be of you that RENOUNCETH not all that he hath, Cannot be My disciple." Luke $14: 26,27,33$. Unconditional surrender is the keynote of this entire passage, for the absolute claim of God, as Creator and Redeemer, upon all that we are and have, is graphically put forth by the Creator-Redeemer Himself.

Every word is significant and unqualified. Father, mother, wife, children, brethren and sisters, must each and all be yielded to the Redeemer, henceforth to be held in the Lord, and for the Lord alone; and not only so, but the Redeemer claims the very life of the one He redeems, for the believer owes his life unto his Lord-he is not his own.

Neither may he leave the Cross to Christ, and think that he can escape it. He must bear his own cross-i. e., the Cross of Jesus as it affects his own lifeand follow the Lord in His path of the Cross all the way. Moreover, the taking of the Cross will without doubt lead him into places where he will learn that he has no resources in himself, and he will


For ye are dead, and your life is hid with Christ in God. Col. 3:3
be compelled to "renounce all that he hath" (Luke $14: 33$ ) as of no avail to meet the forces brought against him by the terrible foe.
"Renounce all that he hath," seems to be the summing up of the claims of the Cross, where Christ purchased His redeemed with His own precious blood, but let us not forget that the believer "renounces" all only to be given "a hundredfold, now in this time," and "in the age to come eternal life." Mark 10:29, 30 , margin.

In brief, we deny-or renounce-ourselves, or else deny the Lord who bought us, but if we have had the Cross of Jesus unveiled to us in the power of the Spirit, our "own Cross" will be lost sight of in His, and we shall joyfully reckon that the sufferings of this present time are not worthy to be compared with the glory which shall be revealed in us by and by.

Child of God, the call to the Cross is imperative; the claims of the Cross are unqualified; the glory of the Cross unspeakable. Shall we not heed the call?

## Evan Roberts' Conviction

The burden on my spirit day and night is the imminent appearance of our Lord Jesus Christ from heaven to translate His saints. I pray God to make you ready and to keep you ready. May your portion be among this blessed number that shall be "caught up" to heaven!

Although we know not the hour in which our Lord shall appear, it is possible for us, like Simeon, to have a revelation by the Holy Spirit of His coming in our lifetime. It appears that the special message of the Spirit to the prepared believer today is, "Thou shalt not die, but thou shalt be caught up, to meet the Lord in the air." There is a special unction on the prayers, on the hymns-in a word, on everything that has to do with the translation.

It is an inspiration to think that "the day" is at hand; and that in the twinkling of an eye we shall be changed to be eternally like Him. O, spirit-arousing thought! The cursed sin finished for ever! Sin underneath our feet for eternity, and we ourselves in full possession of God's pure nature, and its beauty and perfection in each part of us; and henceforth we shall be without shame, to appear before God or to walk among angels ! O, blessed hour! "Come" is the unquenchable cry of my spirit! And to think that such an hour is at the door! O , to be ready, and to finish the work that He gave us to do, and to prepare others!-Evan Roberts.

# The Seeking Sinner 

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ZACCHEUS was a tax gatherer for the Roman Government and because of this he was despised by his people, the Jews. His natural condition was satisfactory, for he was rich; but he had his drawbacks. For one thing, he was short of stature. This would seem a handicap, but it resulted in his greatest good. Do you know that many things which we regard as hindrances are, after all, blessings? They hinder our self-satisfaction and they often restrain us from giving ourselves fully to things which might become our ruin.

Had Zaccheus not been short of stature he might never have climbed the tree to see Jesus as He came along. In order to get the view he desired, he was willing to make himself conspicuous before the multitudes. And it is when we are willing to show our interest, caring little as to what others think, that we are getting near the kingdom of God.

As Jesus approached, He saw in the tree a little man with a big hungry heart, and immediately said, "Zaccheus, make haste, and come down ; for today I must abide at thy house." Zaccheus did not hesitate. He came down and received Jesus joyfully.

The multitude murmured, as they always will when a revival of true religion comes to town, saying that Jesus was gone to be guest with a man that was a sinner. While the onlookers
complained, Zaccheus stood, and said unto the Lord, "Behold, Lord, the half of my goods I give to the poor; and if I have taken anything from any man by false accusation, or exacting, I restore him fourfold!" And Jesus said unto him, "This day is salvation come to this house . . . for the Son of man is come to seek and to save that which was lost.'

It did not take long for Zaccheus to find the Lord, and it does not take long now when a person is willing to give up the evil, make restitution for wrongs, and welcome Jesus to his heart and home. If we miss salvation it will not be because it is not provided for us. It will be because when God calls we refuse; because when He stretches forth His hand we set at naught all His counsel. He who graced the home of Zaccheus with His presence wishes to grace our lives.

Are you willing for Jesus to enter your home? Would you carry on just as you do now if He were there? But He is there, for "the eyes of the Lord run to and fro throughout the whole earth, beholding the evil and the good." None who came to Jesus for help failed to receive. None who come to Him now go away empty. If you have found disappointment mingled with pleasure, sin taking possession when you would do right, tell it to Jesus just as Zaccheus did. He will freely forgive and bless you. "Be not faithless, but believing."

# Security, $\rightarrow$ rue and talse 

F. M. BELLSMITH

"ZACCHAEUS, COME DOWN"


ASSURANCE of salvation and security are closely reiated to one another. Some people have a hope that they are saved. I never ridicule such and take away their hope by saying that if they lack assurance they are not saved. Nevertheless it is possible to have a definite assurance.

This assurance has three grounds: First, the Word of God. The Bible says, "Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and thou shalt be saved." I know that I believe, and therefore I am saved. Second, when we take a definite stand on the Word, God gives us the witness of the Spirit whereby we cry "Father" and know in our hearts that we are children of God. Third, what we used to call in old Methodist days the indirect witness of the Spirit, which is the evidence of the changed life. If someone professes to be converted and goes on leading a sinful life we do not believe in the genuineness of his conversion. Such can contradict his profession by his inconsistent life. No matter how loud your profession is, if your life is not in accord with your profession, sinners will say there is nothing in it.
When we are truly saved we are secure. But that security is conditioned on our following Christ. I have no quarrel with true security in Christ. What I do not agree with is unconditional security. There are two extremes. One is that if you are once saved you can never by any possibility be lost; the cther is that you have an up-and-down experience, saved one moment, lost the next. Both are wrong. Provision has been made so that if we sin and confess our $\sin \mathrm{He}$ is faithful and just to forgive us and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

I was talking with a young man who believes in eternal security and I remarked that some people actually believe, if you are once saved and go back into sin, lying dead drunk in the gutter, that when Jesus comes you go up in the rapture just the same. The young man said, "Yes, I believe that." Then I saw there was a gulf between us too great to be bridged.

Jesus said, "My sheep follow Me." Our security in Him is conditioned on our following Him.

But someone says, "When you are born, you can't be unborn." That is a mere play upon words. When I was born in the natural it was without my will and consent. When I was born of the Spirit it was with my will and consent. A relationship which was entered into without my knowledge and consent cannot be changed by me; but a relation which I entered into by my own will can be broken by me.

I have been told that a certain wellknown evangelist used this illustration: He took a five-cent piece in his hand, clenched his fist on it, and said, "Jump out of my hand"; but the five-cent piece said, "I can't." There are two things wrong with that illustration. First, it gives a wrong view of Christ ; and second, it gives a wrong view of the believer. It gives a wrong view of Christ because it represents Him as using compulsion. God never uses compulsion. If He did, everybody would be saved; for the Bible says it is not His will that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance. Moreover, if He compelled us to remain He would destroy the freedom of our wills by so doing. He created man in His own image and that means with moral freedom. He gave Adam and Eve the power of choice in the garden of Eden. They exercised that choice and fell. He gave the children of Israel the power of choice when He set before them blessing and cursing-blessing if they obeyed, and cursing if they did not obey. Joshua called on them to choose whom they would serve; and with us it is "whosoever will" who is saved. God does not save us by compulsion. If He did He would destroy our moral freedom in which He created us.

Neither does He force us to remain saved. If He kept us against our wills He would destroy His own image in us. This freedom is seen in the words, "And they follow Me." It is to those who follow Him that He gives eternal life so that they shall never perish. As we follow Him we are secure, but we are not safe unless we do follow Him.

Then this illustration gives a wrong view of the believer because it represents him as a piece of dead metal; whereas we are not so but are living free beings.

In Toronto a deaconess in a large church, a consecrated Christian and splendid soul-winner, asked me if I believed, "Once saved, always saved," adding, "A lady said to me, 'Mrs.-, you can go to the show if you like, you're saved.'" I don't think you need very strong spectacles to see the devil in that.

My friend, if you think you can be a Christian and do what you like, you are trusting in a false security. We are secure if we follow Him.

The same well-known evangelist, I have been told, said that at the judgment seat of Christ our sins as believers would be burned up, but we would be saved so as by fire. The passage is in the third chapter of 1 Corinthians and deals with works, not with sins. Not a word about $\sin$ is there. It speaks of Christ as the foundation and of building on Him. In preaching to you I am building on the foundation, Jesus Christ. Some build on false teaching and unworthy work. All such work shall be burned up as unworthy. The view of that evangelist adds fire to the blood of Christ as a means of
cleansing from $\sin$. But the Bible teaches that there is no other way of cleansing from $\sin$ but by the blood of Christ. The apostle Paul pronounced an anathema on anyone who preached any other gospel, even though he were an angel from heaven. This teaching that $\sin$ in believers will be burned up at the judgment seat of Christ is no other than the old Romish doctrine of purgatory which was invented in the Middle Ages to provide for the final salvation of those who had been baptized and who afterwards entered into $\sin$.

There is a true security in Christ as we follow Him; but it is a false security which expects to be saved no matter how we $\sin$. "Let him that thinketh he standeth take heed lest he fall."

## CHANGED HEARTS

## WM. F. P. BURTON, CONGO BELGE

WE have known Mwenga, Mukata and Munganga ever since they were wee children. They have learned in our schools, listened in our meetings and worked in our employ, but all have seemed from the first quite determined on a life of sin, drunkenness and secret-society fellowship.

Now they are grown, married men, and have plunged deep in $\sin$, despite our prayers and warnings.

Mukata has been in love for some time, with Munganga's wife. With much self-control Munganga has warned him, but he would take no notice. At last the exasperated man said, "This is my last word. If I find you two together again, my bow and arrows shall speak."

Not long after they were at the same old thing again. Mwenga, who is a friend of both, did his best to avert a calamity, but Munganga ran his man to earth, and shot home his poisoned arrow, intending to place it in Mukata's windpipe. Fortunately it slipped over the collar-bone, and stuck unto Mukata's shoulder-blade, right through the muscle of the shoulder.

With great presence of mind Mwenga quickly cut out the arrow, and packed the wound with a gum which is an antidote to arrow-poison.

Munganga fled into the forests from the avengers of blood.

For weeks Mukata was between life and death. Even now he has not fully regained the use of his arm and hand.

However, yesterday, Sister Burton and I were preaching in the village of these three men. Mwenga, friend of both, persuaded Mukata's relatives to promise they would do nothing violent, and then Mwenga went into the forests, found his friend, and brought him to the meeting.

Quite a lot of guns, spears and bows with poisoned arrows were brought to the meeting, but nothing untoward happened.

The people were obviously moved as I preached on the Gadarene in the hands of demons and in the hands of the Lord Jesus.

After the meeting, to my joy Mwenga and Munganga followed me to the mission, and we had a really heart-searching talk. They decided that they did not want to remain any longer in the hands of the Evil One, and we cried to God to save them.

Then they went back to the village to tell Mukata the good news. The result is that he too came to my office, today, asking me to "help him pray for mercy." He too has decided to commit himself into Jesus' hands.

Now that is what I call sound evidence of conversion. The man who had, a short time before, sought Mukata's blood, straightway went after him to seek his soul for the Lord Jesus. Is there any power in heaven or on earth
which could accomplish that, excepting the power of a crucified and risen Christ?

Some 18 months ago we asked prayer for Brother Burton (the writer of the above story) who was suffering with malignant cancer, according to the diagnosis of a leading South African doctor. He left the hospital in Johannesburg in a dying condition. But prayer was made for him on four continents. God has answered prayer. He has just been ex-
amined by a leading surgeon who has given him microscopic tests, X-ray photos, etc., who declares there is "not the least trace of cancer." He writes to us after an itinerary of over 1,000 miles, "The fact that I drove the car for a considerable part of the time is good evidence that I am fit. I have regained the 60 pounds I had lost and am now enjoying a good day's work every day."

To which report, we say with all our Evangel readers, a hearty Hallelujah!

# The CASE Against TOBACCO 

DWIGHT C. RITCHIE, HELENA, MONTANA

WITH the discovery that cancer is caused by cigarette smoke tars, the evidence is complete that the tobacco habit is a violation of health and moral laws.

The National Education Association Journal for February, 1946, contains the results of research by a former medical missionary in China, Dr. W. H. Dobson, of Berkeley, California. Smoke tar from cigarettes produced $100 \%$ cancer in rabbits, and Dr. Dobson presents facts and figures which show that cancer of the lungs has been increasing in the past few years with the increasing in smoking.

In 1930 cigarette production was 123 billion, and deaths from cancer of the respiratory system numbered 3,848 . In 1942 there were 257 billion cigarettes manufactured, and cancer deaths from the same cause rose to 10,947 . Deaths from all types of cancer are continually increasing in number. Since the tobacco poisons enter the blood stream through the moisture of the mouth, throat and lungs, and are pumped by the heart to all parts of the body, it is apparent that they will cause cancer of the skin and of other organs besides the lungs. Cancer of the digestive organs now accounts for about $80 \%$ of all cancer deaths.

During the past few years scientists have made discoveries and gathered information concerning the destructive powers of tobacco. Nineteen poisons have been identified in tobacco smoke, and in addition to these the smoker takes into his body arsenic and lead used to kill insects on tobacco plants. The physical effects of all these poisons result in heart diseases, hardening of the arteries, high blood pres-
sure, stomach, liver, kidney diseases, and the destruction of nerve and brain cells which may cause paralysis, deafness, impaired vision or blindness, and in some cases insanity. Scientific books and articles dealing with the physiological effects of tobacco are listed in book indexes and in the Reader's Guide to Periodical Litcrature. Dr. Raymond Pearl's report on the effects of tobacco on longevity (Science, March 4, 1938) shows that the death rate of heavy smokers in the prime of life is double that of nonsmokers. Other articles point out the disorders and diseases resulting from the use of tobacco.

The moral loss caused by tobacco is even greater. Juvenile court judges and reformatory officials, physicians, educators, ministers and statesmen unite in naming the cigarette habit as the chief cause of youthful delinquency. When this unnatural habit is begun by boys and girls, the conscience is dulled and the defiling of the body and mind by tobacco leads to more serious sins. The wave of crime that is mounting so rapidly is undoubtedly the result of turning away from Christian principles which teach that the body and mind must be kept clean and devoted to the worship and service of God by obedience to the teachings of Christ. Taxes on tobacco products will not pay America's 17-billion-dollar annual crime bill.

Property losses caused by the use of tobacco are continually increasing. Fires caused by smoking now result in losses amounting to hundreds of millions of dollars annually. Fire destroys or damages about 400,000 much-needed homes and hundreds of other essential buildings
such as hotels, apartment houses, factories, warehouses, and other important business buildings. Thousands of lives are lost every year in fires caused by the tobacco habit. The combination of tobacco and liquor now results in much smoking in bed, which causes great loss of life and property. Traffic accidents resulting from smoking and drinking are increasing alarmingly. The National Safety Council has issued a warning that something must be done to stop highway accidents that are making travel increasingly dangerous.

Besides the loss of lives, homes, hotels, and other buildings, as a result of smoking, thousands of forest and range fires are caused by carelessnesss with matches, cigarettes, and cigars. Millions of feet of timber resources and needed grazing lands are destroyed in these unnecessary blazes.

With shortages of food and clothing existing in most countries of the world, it is not right to raise tobacco on land that might be growing wheat and other grains, sugar-cane, corn, cotton, and such crops, needed to supply the demands of millions of famine-stricken and poorly clothed people. Not only on account of the damage done to health, morals, life and property by tobacco and liquor, but to help relieve world wants and improve world trade relations, the tobacco and liquor industries should be restricted at once. It is a violation of every Christian and humane principle to fatten off the profits from liquor and tobacco while millions of human beings are dying for want of food and clothing.

Acreage devoted to tobacco raising should be replanted with crops that can be grown profitably in each particular locality where tobacco is now grown. Wheat, corn, and other vital foods should not be used for making liquor. Controls should be placed on existing stocks of liquor and tobacco.

World problems have multiplied since tobacco and liquor have been used in great quantities. It is now apparent that these two evils are speeding the world to rapid destruction. Broken homes, juvenile delinquency, crime, ruined health, and lost religious faith are all the result of forsaking Christian standards of conduct that plainly forbid the use of tobacco and alcohol.

We must repent and return to God and learn again those teachings of His Son Jesus Christ which alone can preserve peace among men and nations. We need to prove the sincerity of our repentance by putting away tobacco and liquor, the two causes of most present-day problems. Action should be taken without delay.

# The Passing and the Permanent 

## A VOICE IN THE ORIENT

Plans are under way to construct a powerful radio transmitter in the Far East for broadcasting the gospel to the 600 millions of people in Japan, Korea, China, the Philippines, and the countless islands of the South Seas.

## FOREMOST MISSIONARY CHURCH

The People's Church in Toronto, Canada, raises more money for missions than any other local church we know of. Oswald J. Smith is pastor. At a recent missionary convention $\$ 132,000$ was raised. About $\$ 31,000$ came from outside Toronto; the balance was given or pledged by the church itself. This undenominational church is setting a grand example of missionary giving which many congregations would do well to follow.

## REVIVAL FIRES IN PORTUGAL

Pastor and Mrs. Tagel Stahlberg, of the Swedish Filadelfia Pentecostal Movement, have been used of God in bringing a mighty revival to Portugal. An article in The Elim Evangel states that, although nearly everyone in that land is Catholic, and halls are extremely difficult to rent, crowds of 400 to 500 people are being drawn into the Pentecostal meetings. Fifteen regular Pentecostal churches have been establishied in Portugal, besides numerous other smaller gatherings. It is a needy mission field. A large percentage of the population cannot read or write. Poverty and superstition are widespread. Pray for Portugal.

## THE FOURTH ATOM BOMB

The atom bomb, developed in the laboratories of the United States, has been used against a fleet consisting almost entirely of American ships. It fell upon the fleet anchored at Bikini, and it was dropped by an American bombing plane! Leaders from Russia and other members of the United Nations watched as the million-dollar bomb exploded just over the tops of the 72 -million-dollar fleet. They must have thought the Americans were as gullible as Hezekiah of old to parade their top secret thus before the eyes of rival powers. 2 Kings $20: 12-18$. Will it prove to be a prelude to catastrophe as in the case of Hezekiah?

## THE BARUCH PLAN

Bernard Baruch proposes that the United States should hand over the secret of the atom bomb to the Atomic Development Authority of the United Nations as soon as America has the assurance that no country like Russia will use the atom bombs against us. The whole world then will lie in the lap of the Atomic Development Authority. Should one man succeed in gaining control of the ADA, he would hold the whip over all the nations. Could this be the means whereby the Antichrist (the Beast of Revelation 13) wiil gain world-wide power? Perhaps so-perhaps not-but it is becoming more and more apparent that the time is not far off when one man will be able to seize world control! "The coming of the Lord draweth nigh."

## THE DEADLY DANCE

A Jesuit priest once said, "We (through the confessional) know when our young people fall-how and where they fall-and we have found that almost every lapse of female virtue is traceable to the dance."

## AN ALL-JEWISH PORT

Tel Aviv, Palestine, is the only all-Jewish port in the world. It is the only port which rests on Saturday, and where the sound of $\mathrm{He}-$ brew speech and Hebrew songs are heard. It employs permanently about a thousand people, and is an earnest of the day when the Jews shall play the leading part in the economic, social, and spiritual life of the world to which they are destined.

## A LETTER FROM NAPLES

A soldier in Naples wrote a letter to Stars and Stripes, the U. S. Army newspaper, in March, telling how he saw a Protestant street service broken up by an unfriendly crowd. The crowd was being encouraged by four Roman Catholic priests, who told the people that if they listened to the Protestants they would go to hell. "The same day I read that Pope Pius XII had protested persecution of Roman Catholics in Poland," wrote the soldier. "We fought for the four freedoms. Italy seems to have none."

## JOHN WANAMAKER'S BUSINESS

John Wanamaker, the great Philadelphia merchant, was once asked, "How do you get time to run a great Sunday school with the business of your stores, your Postmaster Generalship, and all the other tremendous obligations of your life?" The great Sunday school superintendent and U. S. Cabinet officer replied, "Why, the Sunday school is my business. All these other things are just things. Fifty-five years ago I decided that God's promise was sure, 'Seek ye first the kingdom of God, and His righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you.' "

## SENTENCED TO SUNDAY SCHOOL

The Supreme Court of Appeals in Virginia has ruled that no court in that state can compel a citizen to go to church. In its sentence upon delinquent boys, a lower court had ordered, among other things, that they attend Sunday school and church every Sunday for a year. But the higher court, declaring that "the growth of religion is not made dependent on force," reversed the decision and dismissed the charges. In other words, the state has a perfect right to force juvenile delinquents into a reformatory or other penal institution where they will be among evil companions and will learn very little about true righteousness, but it dare not force them to attend Sunday school and listen to the teaching of the Scriptures! That is the trouble with the rising generation. They are not being forced to do what is right and so they are growing up an undisciplined generation with little hope for time and eternity !

## ATHEISTIC TEACHING

Communist textbooks describing the life of Jesus as "a legendary myth" and asserting that man descends from the ape are being used in the public schools of Yugoslavia.

## RUSSIAN BIRTH RATE UP

The birth rate is rising more rapidly in Russia than in any other leading power. During the first nine months of 1945 it is said to have been $35 \%$ higher than during the corresponding period of 1944. One reason may be that the Government offers a financial incentive to motherhood. A Russian mother of three gets 400 rubles, and the reward rises to 5,000 rubles for a mother of ten.

## STARVATION IN GREECE

Said a writer who recently went to Greece: "I was shocked and could have wept when I met the little boys and girls of Greece. Words are inadequate. They are disgustingly emaciated, horribly filthy, and lousy. Every other child has, or is suspected of having, tuberculosis. They have no chests. The arms and legs are pipestems with ugly malformed elbows and wrists. They have no shoes, and their feet are terrible to see. They have no clothes and are dressed up in a few patched-up rags. Their eyes are big and bewildered. Their faces are hard and hurt, old and thin. The death rate is distressingly high. . . . The next generation is doomed."

## A NEW ARMAMENT RACE

Russia reportedly is building an army of fifteen million men, having adopted a new five-year plan with open emphasis on power to make war.
Britain is maintaining the largest peacetime army in her history, having refused to disband the Civilian Defence corps because the danger of air attack has not entirely passed.
The U.S.A. is making and storing atom bombs, extending the draft, developing new weapons, and engaging in Arctic expeditions by land and sea over the "roof of the world," the shortest air distance to and from Russia.
The three most powerful nations in the world are talking much about peace but at the same time are actively engaged in the biggest armament race ever known in so-called peacetime. "The way of peace they know not." Isaiah 59:8.

## THE ONLY FOUNDATION OF PEACE

The Presidents of the United States and China recently joined with the Kings of England, Denmark, Sweden, Norway, and the Queen of the Netherlands, in issuing the following statement:
"The people of goodwill in all lands are praying for a just and enduring peace. The government of the United Nations are designing the structure of world organization to secure that peace. . . . If it is to pragress well, it must rest upon the solid foundations of strong moral and spiritual characters in the lives of all people everywhere.
"The world must look to the church to lay those foundations especially in the lives of children and youth. Only if the church fulfills its teaching mission will future generations be blessed by the peace for which this generation is planning and praying today."

# OUR MISSIDNARY 

# Sunday School Conventions in Cuba 

Louise Jeter Walker

AFTER years as missionaries in South America we looked at Sunday School work in the States with wonder bordering on envy．Sunday School conventions，Sunday School representatives，all kinds of visual meth－ ods，teachers＇training，Sunday School drive and enthusiasm，the Lighthouse Ilan with its definite goals！＂Why，oh why，＂we asked ourselves time and again，＂can＇t we have some of this in our Latin American work？＂（Of course some of these things are in practice locally but not on a large scale．）
An invitation from Cuba came as a challenge and answer：＂Let Cuba be your field in which to experiment．Come on down and give us some Sunday School conventions．＂It is said that＂the key to the Sunday School is the teacher．＂So the brethren in Cuba mapped out an itinerary for us to cover the whole island，having Sunday School conventions in seven of the main churches，in order that we might contact as many teachers as possible． The Lord overruled seeming impossibilities and opened the way for Dolores Redman and me to go．

Miss Redman（who now prepares the copy and layout for the missionary section of the Pentecostal Evangel）received a warm＂wel－ come home＂to Cuba，where she had pre－ viously labored for the Lord．Many assured me they felt acquainted with me through using our Sunday School literature（＂Joyas Escogi－ das＂and＂Ventanas del Alma＂）for children． In Havana I was thrilled to be with my brother and his wife，Mr．and Mrs．Hugh Jeter，and to have their help in preparing notes，etc．

－Mrs．Walker and Miss Redman with some of the visual aid materials－flannelgraph，jetts，sand－box and flash cards（in their hands）－which they presented at the Sunday School con－ ventions in Cuba．
＂A person remembers only ten per cent of what he hears，fifty per cent of what he sees， and from eighty to ninety per cent of what he does．＂Consequently，we arrived loaded down with paraphernalia to demonstrate different teaching methods，and plans to get the pupils to take part．Principles of teaching，character－ istics of different age groups，use of object lessons，flash cards，flannelgraph，sand table， peep box，chalk talks，little jetts，simple draw－ ing and other uses of the blackboard，im－ portance and types of handwork correlated with the lesson，methods of oral participation by the students－all that，and the presentation of the Lighthouse Plan besides．How could we ever cram it all into four nights without leaving a confused blur in the minds of the pupils？

Mimeographed notes helped．Then we stum－ bled on to the most interesting and one of the most important features of the whole course－ assignments for homework．＂Use what you have at hand，＂was the spirit encouraged by the course．The enthusiastic response far exceeded our hopes or dreams．The backs of political handbills and posters became flash cards，etc．， on which pictures gleaned from magazines and newspapers aptly illustrated Bible truths． Many a fervent＂Aleluya＂or＂Gloria a Dios＂ was heard as the Sunday School teachers and prospective teachers presented their＂home－ work＂－excellent original flash card series， object lessons，and sketches of Bible stories． The folk got so enthusiastic about their assign－ ments that they＇re going right ahead with visual lessons in their regular Sunday School classes．

One dear paralytic sister whom God healed of leprosy conducts a Sunday School in her home with the aid of her pastor＇s wife and a few sympathetic friends．During the convention she came in a taxi every night and was carried into the class．Her rapt atten－ tion was an inspiration．She can grasp a pencil in her poor deformed hand but hasn＇t strength in it to write or draw very plainly．However，she laboriously sketched with the faintest of lines the little hearts to illustrate the Bible story she had chosen for her＂homework．＂ Then she had a child go over the lines and make them clearer．
A total of approximately one hundred and fifty teachers and prospective teachers enrolled in the course，while the pastors and missionaries co－operated heartily．God＇s presence was felt throughout the conventions and we heard the expressions： ＂This is an answer to my pray－ ers＂；＂I know the Lord sent you，this is just what I＇ve been praying for＂；＂We should have something like this every year＂；＂I＇ve been praying for
years that God would send us somebody to teach us how to teach．＂We felt so unworthy as we listened，but so thankful that we had been used to answer prayer．

The conclusion reached by all was：Sunday School conventions are practical，beneficial， and very much needed in our Latin American field．So please pray with us that the Lord will lead and supply both workers and funds． for the continuation of this type of wark throughout Latin America．
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## God Gives the Increase

## A．A．Blakeney

AS far back as August，1944，God laid Trini－ dad upon our hearts in a definite way．Then the following November，as several of us were in Philadelphia to see some missionary friends off for India，I met Winston Nunes．Brother Nunes is one of Trinidad＇s own sons，and he stirred me up afresh regarding the need among the East Indians in Trinidad，which we took as a sign from the Lord that He would have us press forward．As we did so，He opened up the way，step by step，until－well，here we are －six months in the land！

In the short time we have been here，God has permitted us to reap precious spiritual fruit among our dear East Indian friends of Crystal Stream．This has not been the result of our labors alone，but because two of God＇s handmaidens，Sisters Ruth and Clara，have for years faithfully sown the seed of the Word of God beside all waters，in season and out of season．

My son Malcolm and I，with the help of our wives，began special meetings April 14．We used the Dispensational Truth chart，and spoke on alternate nights．God encouraged our hearts from the first night，as we felt that the Word was going home to the hearts of the young peo－ ple especially．After about ten days，we began a Sunday morning Bible study for the men． What joy we had to see them drinking in the Word．

My son Malcolm has literally poured out his time and strength to help these dear young men， and they have blessedly responded．Today there are at least ten who show signs of salva－ tion and a real hunger for God，His Word，and His work．It is a joy to see them so earnest

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## IN THE <br> WEST

 INDIESin going from house to house to pray for the sick and to help the unsaved to God．

On the twentieth of May，our Brother and Sister Salton with their three sons arrived from Canada to join us in the East Indian work．We felt drawn to them from the first，and have enjoyed a blessed unity in the Spirit．
When the altar call was given in the little chapel on the night of May 24，four young men came forward to seek the Lord for salvation． That marked the beginning of a Latter Rain outpouring．God is saving，healing，and bap－ tizing．In fact，He is confirming His Word with signs following．Our cups of rejoicing are full to overflowing．

Brother and Sister Salton are taking over the ministry here until the Conference in August，at least．We feel the urge of the Spirit to press on to Piarco，trusting that the Lord will again make bare His arm and show forth His salvation．


## Nevs Flashes

Alice F．Stewart，who has been laboring in Jamaica during the time that she was unable to return to China because of the war，ad－ vises us that she has arrived in the States． Her new address is ： 12 Bretton Road，Yonkers 3，New York．

Mrs．John Burgess and Elsie Marialke have arrived in South India，according to a cable received by the Missions Department．

Sister May Kelty has advised the Missions Department that she expects to return to Cuba in the middle of July．Her address will be： Cotorro，Habana，Cuba．

Mrs．Harland Park and daughters sailed July 10 on the General Gordon to join Brother Park in South China．

Eileen Edwards，of the Pentecostal Assem－ blies in Canada，sailed for India，July 10，on the General Gordon．Miss Edwards expects to be working in our girls＇school in Bettiah．

Mr ．and Mrs．Yngve Olson，of Venezuela， proudly announce the arrival of a new daughter， Linnea Helen，born July 5.

## 梁楽楽

Mr．and Mrs．Verne Warner，Santiago， Dominican Republic．－God is pouring out His Spirit in these last days upon all flesh，in all places，in many different ways，and under many circumstances．One of the most unusual Bap－ tisms within my knowledge happened here in Santiago not long ago．A student doctor of our church had been earnestly seeking the Baptism in the Spirit for a number of months． Upon this particular night he was keeping vigil at the deathbed of a young Christian lady．

Between ministering to her needs，he went to one corner of the room and prayed quietly． Suddenly the power of the Lord came upon him， he began to speak in other tongues，and the Lord gave him a vision similar to that which Jacob had of the ladder that reached to heaven． Since that time this brother＇s life has been won－ derfully transformed and endued with power． Hallelujah！

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## Voodooísin in Cuba

## Einar Peterson

AGREAT many Cuban people are adherents of both Roman Catholicism and spiritism， not being able to perceive where one leaves off and the other begins．Thousands have accepted the extreme principles of spiritism，and practice voodooism，or witcheraft．They hold sessions to heal the sick，or to bring sickness upon their enemies．

Charms－intended to harm a person－are made of colored rags，with rice，beans，money， or other articles tied up together in a cloth． After an elaborate ceremony the charm is taken to the home of the person who is to be brought under its evil influence．One morning we were surprised to find a chicken and some charms on the street corner where our new church is situated．We felt the presence of the powers of darkness，but took refuge in the blood of Jesus，and nothing happened to us nor to the people living in the other houses on that corner．

During the harvest season the leaders of the voodoo cult travel around the country－side to hold their sessions．They gather in homes，and demand sums of money，liquor，and tobacco with which to indulge themselves．After some strange preliminaries they eat the tobacco and become intoxicated with the liquor，while the leader works himself into a frenzy in order to
＂catch a spirit．＂At this point the leader usually falls to the floor under the power of a demon spirit，and is actually able to perform miracles and heal the sick under this evil influence．

It is distressing to relate that many who frequent these voodoo sessions become demented， or receive some bodily affliction which remains with them for the rest of their lives．There is no joy on the faces of these voodoo leaders，and they frankly admit that an invisible being goes with them constantly and tells them what to do． Only a miracle will bring them out of their bondage．We have seen some who have been set free，and who are living victorious Christian lives，but there are a great many who cannot seem to bring themselves to accept the gospel． We are praying earnestly for them，and we ask that you pray for them too．

## 采然楽

Louie W．Stokes，Cienfuegos，Cuba．－Scores of sugar mills dot this Carribbean Island of Cuba，and about one fifth of its five million people earn their livelihood from the Sugar Cane Industry．Each mill usually has a village built around it housing from one to five thou－ sand people．Many of these places have no church nor chapel，and are visited only oc－ casionally by a priest or preacher．Join us in prayer as we endeavor to reach the rural Cubans with the full gospel message and the sweetest story ever told，the story of God＇s love．

We also distribute literature in Spanish， Chinese，and English to the many boats from various nations which arrive in this extensive port of Cienfuegos，to load their cargo of sugar or molasses．

Our largest group of churches is located in the Havana section，and plans are being made to erect an evangelistic tabernacle in the capital city as soon as possible．This should be a great boost to our entire fellowship in Cuba．

－This new church in Juncos，Puerto Rico，was dedicated February 15，1946．It will seat three hundred persons．Luis C．Otero is the pastor．The picture shows a portion of the Sunday School group．

# OUR HOME FRONTIERS 

CHILDREN'S REVIVAL CONTINUES

AMOST remarkable revival has been going on in Juneau, Alaska, among the children of the Juneau Children's Home and Bethel Tabernacle. The last word we have is that sixteen had received the Baptism with the Holy Spirit, and seven had been saved. Ralph Fick, the evangelist, writes:
"Yesterday the 'Home' telephoned to tell me that fifteen of the children were slain under the power of God at the morning worship service. In every meeting since the revival began from seven to twelve have been prostrate under the power. A continual anointing seems to rest upon those who have been filled with the Spirit, going with them even to the Vacation Bible School pienic! The children have entered into a place of real intercession."

Mrs. Lyle Johnson, matron of the Children's Home ("Aunty" to the children) recently returned to the Home after a visit of about three months among some of the assemblies in the States. On June 30 Mrs . Johnson wrote as follows:
"Coming home to a Spirit-filled family thrilled my soul beyond telling! Last night in our prayer service before going to bed, the power of God fell upon the children again, and upon me , too, and four of the children were speaking in other tongues for the first time. It is marvelous! I have never seen anything like it in my life!
"I called my co-workers in to share in the blessing, and when Mr. Johnson and the older boys came home they joined in the blessing too. Frankie talked in what seemed to be an African language for a long time, and Virgie, sitting near him, seemed to understand everything he said.
"Although I was not here when Virgie and Frankie received the Baptism with the Holy Spirit, I have been told that they seemed to be taken in the Spirit to heaven in a chariot. Jesus closed the door behind them. An angel drove the chariot which was drawn by beautiful white horses. They had a real vision of heaven and saw our mansions there. They saw us coming up to heaven in white clouds.
"It is wonderful that in this revival the children do not give up when they have been filled, but go right on praying and seeking God for more, and for His will for their lives. Our meeting went on till midnight, and we all went to bed still blessed in our souls. I heard Carmen singing in the kitchen, and there she was lost in the Spirit, singing hymn after hymn in another tongue, with her voice rich and full and swelling out in glorious songs of praise such as she never could sing in the natural."

## Who Are These Children?

These are the orphan, neglected and unwanted children from broken homes of Juneau. They have been found without food and clothing, without homes and certainly without loving care. They have been deserted by ungodly
parents, or taken from those so vile that the court had to intervene. These are the children which "Aunty Johnson" has taken into the Home-and a real home it is! Here they are loved, given clothing and good food, sent to school, and even on to Bible School. Four new ones have been taken in just recently, and already they have been led to Christ.

## There Are Others To Save

This brings the total up to about thirty-four children in this Home. This is about the limit till more space can be provided to receive more children. Who Will Help Build A New Dormitory? Will You? All gifts will be appreciated, small or large. We urge you to respond now, that the work of soul saving-yes, child saving-may Go and Grow and Glow !
Send all offerings to Fred Vogler, Home Missions Department, 336 West Pacific Street, Springfield, Missouri.

## brief notes from here and there

Herbert Bruhn writes from the old Baranof Castle in Sitka, Alaska: "Several have knelt for salvation. Three were at the altar last Sunday night. The attendance in all of our services has been much better recently."

Moses Proshansky, evangelist to the Jews of Kansas City, Missouri, reports that a young Jew has come back to God. He asks prayer for another who is showing interest in the gospel.

From Chicago comes an interesting note from Ruth Specter, the newest missionary to join our Chicago Hebrew Mission. She writes: "Thus far I have had quite a number of interesting experiences with the Jewish people. One woman invited us into her home, where our conversation centered around the Messiah. She told us that she had been raised as a Jewess and she wanted to raise her children the same way.
"Then I had the opportunity of pointing out to her the fact that one is not a Jew outwardly, and that she would be a better Jewess-a real Jewess-if she received the claims of Jesus as her Messiah. She couldn't understand how one could be a Jew and a Christian, too, which was another open door to the explanation that I am a Christian and a Jewess, too. One does not lose his nationality when he becomes a Christian; therefore, a Jew still remains a Jew, although he becomes a Christian. She accepted a New Testament and promised to read it!"

The missionaries on the Chippewa Indian Reservation in Wisconsin write that they have just finished two fine Vacation Bible Schools with the Indian children. The blessing of the Lord rested upon both of these schools. God has been dealing with some of the adults, but they seem slow about breaking away from their Indian beliefs. Pray for the salvation of the Indians, and for these three missionaries.

## ARIZONA BOYS' CAMP

The first Arizona District Boys' Camp was held at the Y.M.C.A. Camp grounds, near Prescott, Arizona, June 10-14. Twenty-five of the ninety-five boys present came forward at the close of the evening services, earnestly seeking the Lord for salvation. Nearly all of these testified to a real experience with God. Everyone felt that the camp was of real spiritual as well as physical benefit. Surely the blessing of the Lord was with us. In the mornings for 45 minutes, the boys were divided into three different age groups for Bible study; in the afternoons lectures were given on human relationships. The day was always climaxed by a fireside service. All the speakers were chosen from among our own efficient preachers.Sterling Stewart, Committee Chairman.

## Among the Assemblies

BANNING, CALIF.-A 3 -week meeting was conducted here by S. W. Thomas, pastor of the La Mesa church. Four were saved, and 7 were filled with the Holy Spirit. Many received definite healing.-E. M. Riedel, Pastor.

FALL BROOK, CALIF.-We are praising God for His blessings during 3 weeks of special meetings with Evangelist E. Van Horn. Thirteen came to the altar for salvation, and 2 were filled with the Holy Spirit. Our Sunday School attendance increased from 25 to 88.Geo. J. Weitz, Pastor.

OWENSVILLE, MO.-A good revival was conducted here by Frank Kanady of St. Louis. Souls were saved, several were healed, and the church was edified. We feel that lasting good has been done. Brother Kanada is a good evangelist and preaches the Pentecostal message. -Harold Moll, Pastor.

CORSICANA, TEXAS-Mrs. Lois Cockerell has been with us in a meeting. The Lord blessed, and gave us wonderful services. We feel that much was accomplished in this revival. Some were saved and the church was greatly blessed.-J. E. Inlow, Pastor.

ANADARKO, OKLA.-We have had a very successful revival with Mrs. India Norwood, Hoisington, Kansas as the evangelist. God blessed in every service. Eight were saved or reclaimed, 2 received the Baptism, and 3 joined the church. The church enjoyed the inspiring sermons given under the broken and anointed ministry of Sister Norwood-Leslie Moore, Pastor.

TEXAS CITY, TEXAS-God blessed in a marvelous way in a recent revival. Evangelist W. S. Barham of Houston was with us for $21 / 2$ weeks. His ministry of the living Word had its proper effect in the hearts of many, and as a result 19 received the Baptism in the Holy Ghost, a goodly number were saved, and several were healed. The invisible good done in the hearts of Christians will not only be lifelong but eternal, for those who love His appearing.W. W. Cothran, Pastor.

MOUNT VERNON, IND.-God met us in a wonderful way in a meeting conducted by Evangelist T. C. Anderson of Jackson, Miss. Many were saved and filled with the Holy Spirit. God gave us the best revival we have had in years. My wife had been suffering with pain in one of her ears for some time. The doctor pronounced it a tumor and made an appointment with a specialist for the next day. That night she asked for prayer and the blessed Lord healed her. We took her to the specialist the next day and he found that the tumor was gone-George E. Wood, Pastor.

SILEX, MO.-We have had a very good revival with Ethel Roney, of Salem, as evangelist. Three were gloriously saved. One man was very ill and had made plans to go to the hospital. He was saved and the Lord touched his body, so he did not have to go. He looks much younger. Several new people attended the services. The blessing of the Lord could be felt in every service. One night there were so many on the outside that the street had to be cleared for traffic. The church was revived and we can still feel the revival fires burning.Pastor and Mrs. Theodore Roark.

SOUTH SIOUX CITY, NEBR.-We assumed the pastorate here last September. Some months ago Mrs. Anna P. Jones of Denver, Colo., held a 2 -week meeting which proved profitable. We recently closed a 4 -week meeting, Evangelist A. A. Allen of Lamar, Colo., preaching the first three weeks, and Mrs. O. E. Gaddis of Rapid City, S. D., assisted by her son John, being in charge the closing week. Pastors and some of their flocks from nearby towns in South Dakota, Iowa, and Nebraska came quite regularly, bringing someone to be saved or filled. The outstanding night came, when several were saved and filled in the same service. No record was kept of the many who were saved and filled. The Divine Healing services were unusual, and many received healing. A goodly number of young people were saved. Two baptismal services were held at Crystal Lake Bible Conference grounds. A nice group have come into the church.-Paul V. Jones, Pastor.

DALLAS, TEXAS-Recently friends and members of the Maplewood Assembly enjoyed a very eventful anniversary day. Twelve years ago, on May 12, Mr. and Mrs. Ray R. Soper were elected pastors of this charge, and came to a very small group of people, housed in a small building. Now, as they are entering their thirteenth year, we can say, "Blessed have been those years of growth and prosperity. The membership, old as well as new, can testify to the unusual growth of the church and to the goodness of God. An all-time Sunday School record was broken on this anniversary date. Since 1941 we have had an annual home-coming and anniversary day, the anniversary of the coming of the pastor and his family in 1934.

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PUNXSUTAWNEY, PA.-We are praising God for His blessing during the recent meeting with Evangelist C. M. Wood, The Plains, Va. The services were well attended. God's presence was manifested. A number were saved and two received the Baptism in the Holy Ghost, according to Acts 2:4.-Arthur E. Moore, Pastor.

AUGUSTA, KANSAS-Just closed a most successful meeting with the Edwards Evangelaires. Six young people were saved. Three have received the Baptism since the meeting closed, and others are getting saved. The revival spirit has continued. The evangelists. can be reached by writing in care of V. G. Greisen, Wichita, Kansas.-D. A. Zahn.


EL CAMPO, TEXAS-A 2-week meeting was conducted here by Evangelist C. V. Kemp. The God-given messages hit the mark, and the entire church was inspired to move forward for God. Several prayed through anew to God, several were saved, and much good was done. The last night of the meeting, there were a goodly number at the altar seeking God. We had good crowds and interest.-R. A. Bryan, Pastor.

SPUR, TEXAS-May 12 we started nightly prayer and preaching services here with Brother Madden, one of the local brethren bringing the messages. On the 19th Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Eads, with their son and his wife, came to us for evangelistic services. We have also had with us Mr. and Mrs. Frank J. Mack, for one night, in the interest of the C. A. work here, and also Sister J. W. Tammen of San Angelo, who was with us over a week end. And we greatly enjoyed the ministry of each, and are praising God for 7 souls saved, 11 baptized in water, 4 baptized with the Holy Ghost, some renewed, and 7 added to the church. Since the revival one has been reclaimed and refilled. The church has been revived and strengthened.-Mrs. M. D. Nixon and Cora Duncan, Pastors.

HARTFORD, ALA.-Evangelist Imo Hisserich, Route 4, Old Lincoln Trail, East St. Louis, Ill., was with us at the First Assembly from May 12 to June 2. God blessed us in many marvelous ways. Several were healed, several were saved, one was baptized in water, and five adults joined the church. The saints were revived and many were seeking the Baptism in the Holy Ghost. Sister Hisserich is well seasoned in the gospel.-Carl C. Haas, Pastor.

DANVILLE, ILL.-A year ago we were called to pastor this church upon the resignation of Brother and Sister George Clark, who had enlisted as missionaries to Central America. We have enjoyed working with this fine group of people, and have felt the sweet presence of God in our midst. Because the people "have a mind to work" for the Lord, we have seen marked progress in every department of the church.
In November Evangelist Thelma Wilkins, of Granite City, conducted a meeting for us. Her consecrated and prayerful ministry was signally blessed of God to the salvation of souls and the edification of the church. What a precious sight it was in our Thanksgiving Day service, when 6 young people came to the altar and prayed for a real experience of salvation! Recently Evangelist and Mrs. R. V. Kemp, of Russellville, Ark., conducted a 3 -week meeting in our church. A goodly number were saved or reclaimed, several were healed, and 3 were filled with the Spirit. The entire congregation was blessed and edified. God especially blessed our brother's ministry on Sunday School lines. In addition to the evangelistic services, and the nightly children's services conducted by Mrs. Kemp, Brother Kemp conducted special conferences for our Sunday School workers several nights a week, and inspired our people to work for the Sunday School so that the attendance exceeded our previous record. We felt a very profitable and beneficial effort in the church and Sunday School-James E. Hyllberg, Pastor.

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Superintendent D. A. Matysuk, Secretary J. W. Seregow, and Treasurer F. P. Wiktorchik were re-elected. S. Zuck, P. J. Krnjeta, F. Holovanchuk, and H. Shewchuk are the branch presbyters.
We rejoiced when excerpts were read from a magazine which a number of us have received from Moscow. This magazine is the official organ of our brethren in Russia. Pray for us as we attempt to reach the hundreds of thousands of Russians in this country with the gospel.-John W. Seregow, Secretary.

## 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.

CANALOU, MO.-Kenneth Sectional Fellowship Mecting, August 5.-Clarence Hampton, Pastor.
HOUSTON, TEXAS-79th St. and Baltimore Ave.; meetiag in progress; George Hayes, Evangelist.E. M. Yeats, Pastor.

CHULA VISTA, CALIF.-Meeting in progress; Evangelist and Mrs. Paul Hild, Fargo, N. Dak. Virgil Hall, Pastor.
HOHENWALD, TENN.-Meeting in progress; W G. White of Shelbyville, Evangelist.-Mrs. Gladys Hinson, Pastor.
DALLAS, TEXAS-Peak and Garland Sts., Aug ust 4-25; Evangelist and Mrs. Don Mallough, Seattle, Wash.-L. B. Staats, Pastor.

FULLERTON, CALIF.-August 7, for 2 weeks or longer; Evangelist and Mrs. Lester Fox, Okiahoma City, Okla.-Geo. W. Perkins, Pastor.

TARKIO, MO.-Tent meeting, August 10-; Evangelist Wm. Skondeen and Family. Special music and singing.-L. V. Coons, Pastor.
MACON, MO.-July 23-August 11, or longer; Wm. F. A. Gierke, Los Angeles, Calif., Evangelist.A. E. Baker, Pastor.

OAKLAND, CALIF-Grace Church, July 21-August 2; Virgil and Edith Warens, Artist Evangelists. Irving Ford, Pastor.
OKMULGEE, OKLA.-Special Area C. A. Rally First Assembly, Fifth and Seminole Sts., July 29. 8 p. m. Clifford Burkett, State C. A. President, speaker. Bring offering of canned goods and money for our local C.A. Camp Meeting.-Hattie C. Jennings, Representative

## MISSISSIPPI DISTRICT COUNCIL

The annulal session of the Mississinni District Council will convene at Kingston Assembly of Gnd, Lanrel. Mies.. August 13-15, F. C. Cornell. Superintenient of Oklahoma District. main sneaker. For further information write Jeff Gibbs. Host Pastor, Box 52, Laurel, Miss.. or H. L. Smith. District
Secretarv. Box 26 . Pascagnula, Miss.-Chas. S. Secretary, Bnx 262 Pascagnula,
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## LOUISIANA DISTRICT COUNCIL

The Louisiana District Council opens July 23, 9:30 a. m., with District Superintendent W. S. Ramby in charge. All services in School Auditorium, Ferriday, La. A. C. Bates, Waxahachie, Texas, night speaker. Council closes with ordination service, night. July 25. For further information write H. W. Culbreth, Host Pastor, Box 489, Ferriday, La.-L. O. Waldon, District Secretary.

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## CAMP MEETINGS

Good Samaritan Camp, near Hammondsville, Ohio, July 25-August 4. L. T. Stewart, Evangelist. Write A. B. McClausland, Route 1, Hammondsville, Ohio.

Indiana District Camp Meeting, Camp Krietenstein, Lake Malone, near Brazil, Ind., August 24-Sept. 2. Arthur Arnold, main speaker. Write Glenn Perkins, R. D. 7, Box 395, Terre Haute, Ind.

Eastern District Camp Meeting, Maranatha Park, Green Lane, Pa., July 19-August 18. Speakers: Arthur S. Graves, Wm. I. Evans, D. P. Holloway, and E. C. Sumrall. Write Byron D. Jones, 79 Mary St., Ashley, Pa.
Potomac Camp Mecting, Potomac Park Camp Grounds, near Marlowe, W. Va., July 20-August 11. Boston W. Turner and John W. Follette, speakers. Write E. O. Dickerson, 405 S. Kentucky Ave., Martinsburg, W. Va.

Wyoming Camp Meeting, Wheatland, Wyo., July 23-August 1. Arthur S. Arnold, speaker. Write local pastor, D. F. Chaffin.
Montana Youth Camp, Beaver Creek Playground, Bearpaw Mountains, near Havre, Mont., August or 14. Write E. A. Born, Box 89, Havre, Mont.

Central District Youth Conference, Lakeland Beach Park, Big Prairie, Ohio, August -16 . Wesley K. Steelberg, evening speaker. Write R. L. Krans, 702 W. Mary St., Bucyrus, Ohio.

Riverside Youth Camps, Framingham Center Mass.: Girls' Camp July 26 -August 1. Boys' Camp August 3-10. Write Kegistrar William D. Wight, 232 N. Main St., Andover, Mass.
West Central Camp Meeting, Storm Lake, Iowa, July 29-August 8. Ernest S. Williams, main speaker. Write Gordon H. Millard, 1301 Third Ave. S., Fort Dodge, Iowa.
Kansas District Camp Meeting, Camp Grounds, between Alton and Woodston, Kansas, August 1-11. T. J. Jones, Chas. E. Blair, and V. G. Greisen, speakers, Write Paul C. Samuelson, 1512 S. Main St., Witchita 11, Kansas.
Lakeview Gospel Camp, Troutburg, N. Y., August 3-18. Robert W. Cummings, H. C. McKinney, a d
V. R. Jackson, speakers. Youth Conference, August 26-Sept. 2. Ralph Harris, main speaker. Write F. D. ${ }^{26-S e p t,}$ Drake, 688 Tonawanda St., Buffalo 7, N. Y.
Wisconsin-Northern Michigan Camp Meeting, Spencer Lake, Waupaca, Wis., July 24 -August 4. Karl Steffeus and Watson Argue, speakers. Annual District Council, July 26. Write D. M. Carlson, 124 Oakland Ave., Oshkosh, Wis.
Tennessee District Camp Meeting, Faith Chapel Assembly, 403 St. Paul St., Knoxville, Tenn., July 23-August 1. District Council, July 30 -August 1. C. C. Robinson and E. W. Bethany, speakers. Write T. J. Lemons, 403 St. Paul St., Knoxville, Temn.

Michigan Camp Meeting. Fa-Ho-Lo Park, Grass Lake, Mich., July 20 -August 4. A. A. Swift and Allen Mallory, speakers. Youth Conference, August,
$6-16$. I. Bashiord Bishop, evening speaker. Ministers 6-16. J. Bashford Bishop, evening speaker. Ministers'
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Central New York Camp Meeting, Sidney Institute Grove, Sidney, N. Y., August 10-18. Gay Benson and Thos. R. Brubaker, speakers. Write Levi L. Storms, 23 Port Watson St., Cortland, N. Y.
Rocky Mountain Camp Mecting, 5700 S. Broadway,
Denver Denver, Colo., August 13-23. G. F. Lewis and Arthur S. Arnold, speakers.- J. E. Austell, District Superintendent.

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## BEREAN CAMP MEETING

Third annual Berean Camp Meeting, Berean Bible Institute Campus, 641 S. Boundary St., San Diego, Calif., August 11-Sept. 2. Martin Luther Davidson, evening speaker. Other interesting speakers, includi. g L. B. Lewis, Southern California District C. A. President. C. A. Vesper services in charge of Chas. O. Winters. For information and reservations write Berean Alliance, 641 S. Bouadary St., San Diego 2, Calif.

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