

For God is my King of old, working salvation in
the midst of the earth. . . .

The day is Thine, the night also is Thine: Thou
hast prepared the light and the sun.

Thou hast set all the borders of the earth: Thou
hast made summer and winter.

Psalm 74:12-17

The NOT BY MIGHT, NOR BY POWER, BUT BY MY SPIRIT, SAITH THE LORD
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We also joy in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, by whom we have now received the atonement. Rom. 5:11.

It is really a daring and risky undertaking to deliver a sermon on "The Atonement." It is holy ground upon which we are treading and, as Moses, we must remove our shoes and walk with bare and noiseless feet. I shall not go into the theological aspect of the atonement, but I shall try to keep close to human experience; for it is the actual experience of our life that counts.

It is a very sad fact that almost from the beginning of Christianity some of the keenest theological controversies have arisen out of the essential fact of the atonement. The atoning death of the Lord Jesus Christ is the pillar of Christianity and absolutely fundamental to the Christian creed and doctrine. About the atoning blood of the Saviour centers everything.

What does atonement mean? Atonement means satisfaction for injury, expiation of sin. The word "atonement" has been etymologically described as at-one-ment. The Christian is at one with God, when he accepts the salvation God offers through the blood of the Lord Jesus Christ. The word "atonement" is found only once in the New Testament, in the verse we have quoted for a text.

The Hebrew word for atonement, *kaphar*, denotes "to cover." This word *kaphar* is also used for "pitch," the thing

The Meaning of the Atonement

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with which God told Noah to cover the ark. "Pitch it within and without with pitch." Gen. 6:14. Thus the pitch was a double protection for Noah; it covered the ark "within and without."

By the atonement the sinner is forgiven, saved from eternal punishment, propitiation is made for sin; the sinner is covered. Read Psalm 32:1, "Blessed is he whose transgression is covered." And Paul writes in Rom. 4:7, "Blessed are they whose iniquities are forgiven, and whose sins are covered."

"Covering by sacrifice" is the primary meaning of the word "atonement." It is really deplorable that our translators did not always translate the word, "covering."

The idea of atonement is the central fact of the Old Testament sacrificial system—the atoning acts; and of the day of atonement, which fell on the tenth day of the seventh month (Tisri).

The necessity of the atonement grows out of two immutable facts: the holiness of God, and the sinfulness of man. Ex. 15:11 tells us about the complete, eternal holiness of God. "Who is like unto Thee, O Lord, among the gods? who is like Thee, glorious in holiness, fearful in praises, doing wonders?" And the complete sinfulness of man is shown in Rom. 3:9. "We have . . . proved both Jews and Gentiles, that they are all under sin."

Sin separates man from God. It puts an impassable, impervious, impossible barrier between God and man. Sin opens a chasm between man and his Creator. By sin man is alienated from God. Sin-

ners are aliens from the commonwealth of Israel and strangers from the covenants of promise. Man has ruined himself by his sins. God seems far away, austere, unrelenting and stern. The sinner can see God only through the mist of his sins. This is a general experience. The same thing happens in our dealings with our fellowmen. Whenever we have, or think we have, wronged a person, or harmed him in any way, or treated him unjustly, a gulf, a chasm, a breach opens between us and him. We don't want to meet him; we feel uncomfortable in his presence. Our perception of guilt makes us almost afraid of the person we have treated unfairly.

When my children were small and they did something they knew was wrong and of which I would not approve, they would come and ask me, "Daddy, can we do something for you? Do you want us to comb your hair? Shall we shine your shoes?" Then I would say, "What have you been up to now?" That was it! They felt that by their wrongdoing the fellowship between them and their father was broken; that a gap had been opened and they wanted the breach closed. But they also felt that it would cost them something to get it bridged. So man is inwardly aware of the fact that sin separates him from his Maker, and he feels that something valuable, costly and precious is demanded to close the gap.

But it is beyond man's power, skill, and moral strength to bridge the chasm. For the load of sin is so heavy, the guilt of it so immense, the obligation of it so boundless, the debt of it so great, that all of humanity put together could not have done enough, given enough, paid enough, to make atonement for one single soul, whether our own, or that of anyone else.

Sin has to be paid for; the transgression has to be covered; the chasm has to be bridged; and since we cannot do it ourselves (we cannot "give to God a ransom"—Psalm 49:7) someone else had to do it. A substitute, a ransom had to be found; and, hallelujah, it was found. In Job 33:34 we read, "Deliver him from going down to the pit: I have found a ransom."

Who was it? 1 Tim. 2:5, 6 answers that question. "Christ Jesus, who gave Himself a ransom for all." The Lord Jesus, being the infinite One, provided an infinite ransom, by giving His precious lifeblood.

A ransom is the price paid to redeem a person from an enemy. The bill against us is marked "paid" in the blood of Jesus Christ. "Thou wast

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Christ
died
for us.

Rom. 5:8

SOMETHING FOR NOTHING

DAVID M. WELLARD

YES, I was tired, all right, and glad that school was out. I had finished my last term in the Bible Institute, where I was dean of men, manager of the note department, author and director of the home studies, teaching sixteen classes a week and preaching in chapel often twice a week, besides services in nearby cities.

With the finishing up of the school year—examinations, packing, etc., in preparation to begin evangelistic work—I was really tired. I felt justified in being tired, and did not hesitate to pour a great deal of sympathetic concern over poor, tired self.

The Lord gave us good meetings. Souls were saved, and believers were helped. Many a soul caught a glimpse of the life of victory that gave hope of deliverance from their "muddling through." It seemed from all appearances that our ministry was a great success. BUT—

One day the Lord said, "You do not encourage My people to be filled with the Spirit."

"That's true, Lord," I said. "But you know how tired I am; and besides, I'm not very strong. I am sure, Lord, I cannot continue in evangelistic work if I have to sing and shout and pray for hours every night. I will leave that part of the work to the evangelist or pastor who has stronger lungs than I, and who is better able to do it."

There was a nice smug feeling as I made this seemingly satisfactory excuse; but, after a few minutes, the Lord spoke again. "Who told you to sing and shout for hours that My children might be filled with the Spirit?"

I turned to the Lord in surprise and exclaimed, "Why, Lord, everybody does it that way!"

The Lord seemed to say, "That may be true, but I never told them to do so. Can you find anywhere in My Word where I told anyone to sing and shout and play that believers might be baptized in the Holy Spirit?"

"Why, Lord, since everybody seems to do it that way, I just took it for granted that that was the right way and the only way."

Immediately I began to search the Scriptures, but failed to find one place where believers were filled only after hours (more often weeks, months and years) of seeking, singing and shouting. Instead, it became clear to my mind that the Holy Spirit was a GIFT, and that gift was something for nothing—something free; something one could not work for, buy, or earn. It was something one had to take for nothing, otherwise it was not a gift. In a moment I saw how ridiculous it would appear if we acted with our birthday or Christmas gifts as we do about the gift of the Holy Ghost.

Just imagine what a friend would think if he found out that we did not expect his gift until we had spent hours at a time agonizing, pleading, and coaxing, over a period of weeks, months or sometimes years, before we actually took the gift. As I thought of this I blushed before the Lord to think that I had been a party, for years, to this colossal exhibition of unbelief.

As I continued to search the Word, I saw, according to the types, that as soon as the blood was applied, on went the oil. Lev. 8:23, 24, 30; 14:12-18. In other words, as soon as our hearts are cleansed by the Blood, we should be filled with the Holy Spirit. We do not work for our salvation; it is freely given to us "without money and without price"; and the Baptism with the Holy Spirit is also a gift, "THE GIFT OF GOD." Luke 11:11-13; Acts 2:38; 8:20. Let me repeat, since a gift is "something for nothing," there is something seriously wrong with our thinking, or our faith, if we wait months and years and in the meantime spend hours of pleading and coaxing for it.

Well, I had the theory all right, but how would it work out? It was easy for me to say that the Lord had spoken to me, but the only real proof that this was true would be when the thing came to pass. Jer. 28:9; Deut. 18:22.

At this time I was preaching for a brother in a little town in Pennsylvania. It was July, and so hot it was hard to breathe. The tabernacle, if it could be called by that name, was built in a hollow place by the side of the main highway. The ceiling was low and the walls were lined with cardboard from cardboard boxes. We had one window, less than two feet square, and while we did get some dust, practically no fresh air reached us.

From all appearances this did not seem a suitable place or a very convenient season to encourage people to be filled with the Holy Spirit. In fact, it was the last place in the world that I should have selected to try out my theory, but I reasoned that if it was true that the Lord had spoken to me, it should work anywhere.

Accordingly, I gave an invitation that on Tuesday morning we would have a "receiving meeting." A few of us gathered in the sweltering heat. There were two seekers. One was a woman who had tarried on and off for years, and a neighbor who had only attended one meeting and who knew little if anything about the Baptism in the Holy Ghost. Within an hour, both of these were filled.

How my heart rejoiced. Two baptized within an hour, and with little or no help from us! This was a real improvement. I felt encouraged and thrilled, and was soaring into heights of delight when the Lord pulled me down by reminding me that it surely ought not to take an hour to "receive something for nothing." But I argued that an hour wasn't long. I did not mind tarrying with anyone if it only took an hour.

The next "receiving meeting" was planned for Saturday night. We did this so that the men could attend. One brother

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CHRIST'S PREVAILING INTERCESSION

ISRAEL believed the evil report of the ten fearful spies and rejected the good report of Joshua and Caleb. The murmuring people said, "Let us make a captain, and let us return into Egypt." Num. 14:4.

The Lord was displeased with this murmuring and said to Moses, "How long will this people provoke Me? . . . I will smite them with the pestilence, and disinherit them, and will make of thee a greater nation and mightier than they."

Moses cried mightily to the Lord. The words of his remarkable intercession are recorded for us in Num. 14:13-19. He pleaded, "Pardon, I beseech Thee, the iniquity of this people according unto the greatness of Thy mercy, and as Thou hast forgiven this people, from Egypt until now." And in response to his cry the Lord declared, "I have pardoned according to thy word."

Moses said to Israel, "The Lord thy God will raise up unto thee a Prophet from the midst of thee, of thy brethren, like unto me"—alike in His mighty ministry of intercession. Deut. 18:15.

After Israel had worshiped the golden calf, Moses cried unto God on their behalf, "Oh, this people have sinned a great sin, and have made them gods of gold. Yet now, if Thou wilt forgive their sin—; if not, blot me, I pray Thee, out of Thy book which Thou hast written." Ex. 32:31, 32. But though Moses was willing to be blotted out on behalf of the people, he was not blotted out. Nevertheless he suffered. It was because of the people's provocation that he spoke inadvisedly with his lips and as a consequence was not permitted to enter the promised land.

But Christ was indeed cut off. It is written of Him, "Who shall declare His generation? for He was cut off out of the land of the living: for the transgression of My people was He stricken." Isa. 53:8. "Who His own self bare our sins in His own body on the tree." 1 Peter 2:24. It is because of this work of substitution that God can be just, and the Justifier of them that believe in Jesus Christ. Jesus Christ received the due penalty of the justice of God against sin, by bearing the judgment of God on the cross of Calvary. Christ was delivered for *our* offenses, and was raised again for our justification. And not only does He bring us justification, but He brings us life, He brings us holiness, He brings us all that pertains

to a life of godliness; and today He Himself is our Pleader, our Intercessor, our Advocate.

How can He be so effective as an Advocate? He surpasses Moses because He suffered death for His people, the death that was due to them. God said to Moses, "I will make of thee a greater nation and mightier than they" (Num. 14:12), but Moses would not have it. But Christ, because He suffered, and because He has been raised, can now claim a new race. He is the last Adam.

As the Representative of this new race, He has to plead that His children, His offspring, His followers, shall not be blotted out as was the case of those under Moses. For God declared to Moses, "Whosoever hath sinned against Me, him will I blot out of My book." Ex. 32:33. And by virtue of His sufferings, and by virtue of His ever living to make intercession, Christ has a twofold claim for consideration before His Father. His death has met the claims of righteousness and judgment. And now He Himself lives to press home those very claims, seeing He ever liveth. What for? Not so much to put your claims forward as to put forward His own.

Constantly remember this—His death speaks more loudly than your sin. Did you get that? HIS DEATH SPEAKS MORE LOUDLY THAN YOUR SIN. And His voice as an Advocate is an active voice, a pleading

voice, a convincing voice, a logical voice—and He puts forward an incontrovertible plea.

Then look at the relationship of the Pleader. Not only has He a powerful case, but He is the Beloved of the Father. There is justice and love in His pleading. And the God who is just, the God who is love, cannot but acquiesce to the claims and pleading of His Son.

But have we nothing to do? We have to come. He is not an automatic pleader. He has to be engaged. Does He plead for all? No. For whom does He plead? It is written, "He is able also to save them to the uttermost *that come unto God by Him.*" Heb. 7:25. Some seek to come to God without coming by Him. Christ told us, "Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that entereth not by the door into the sheepfold, but climbeth up some other way, the same is a thief and a robber. . . . I am the door: by Me if any man enter in, he shall be saved." John 10:1, 9. Those who do not come unto God by Him cannot have the benefit of His intercession and His merits. It is written, "There is none other name under heaven (than the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth) given among men, whereby we must be saved." Acts 4:12.

The soul that is saved has no conception of the planning, the devising, the activity, the solicitude of the Trinity on behalf of the sinner who repents and continues in the way, and abides in the Saviour, Redeemer, Pleader and Advocate. He will not fail to save to the uttermost all who come unto God by Him, seeing He ever liveth to make intercession for them.

THE UNEQUAL YOKE

"Be not UNEQUALLY YOKED with unbelievers: for what fellowship have righteousness and iniquity?"

Mr. Moody says that of hundreds of mixed marriages, deliberately made, he never knew one that did not meet with spiritual disaster; and Dr. Doddridge says he never once, in such cases, knew the unbelieving partner converted.

A policeman's dying wife said to a friend of mine: "I have not had one moment's happiness since I married my husband; I have never had a desire for prayer since; and I have never in my married life, crossed the threshold of a place of worship."

"Thou shalt not plow with an ox and an ass together." Deut. 22:10.—D. M. Panton.

Prayer is not a monologue, but a dialogue; God's voice in response to mine is its most essential part. Listening to God's voice is the secret of the assurance that He will listen to mine.—*Andrew Murray.*

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A Witch Doctor's Visit to Heaven

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GOD'S sovereign grace has been operating in the hearts of the people in our district. Not being limited to men or means, various are the ways in which He is reaching their hearts. His gentleness is marvelous. God has dealt with a witch doctor in our district in such a manner as to bring great fear upon the people.

The witch doctor has a son who is a Christian. There is a great scarcity of meat in these parts, and the people rely in a large measure on hunting to supply them with such. So this young man was bitten by a dangerous kind of snake, and was brought back to the village in great pain. He requested that he should be taken to the house of the teacher and not to that of his father. The teacher was away visiting another church, but his wife, who is a very bright Christian, soon called the Christians together to pray for the young man's deliverance. Besides this, she sent to the nearest teacher, who was six miles away, to come at once. He is a young man who is experiencing much blessing, and he came without delay.

While this was happening the father came to his son, pleading with him to leave the Christians and go with him to his house, saying that he had power to give him complete deliverance from the poison of the snake. The young man's leg was now greatly swollen. The son refused, saying that he would still trust God, even if he wasn't healed, and if he died he would go to be with his Saviour. This infuriated the father, who said: "Who is this God to whom you pray? Have I not by my power and charms kept our family in health all these years? Come with me and you will soon be well!" The boy again refused, and the father went away in anger. The teacher from the other village had by this time arrived, and joined in prayer with the others. Later the witch doctor returned, but his son still persisted in saying that he would trust the Saviour, and rejoiced audibly. Upon this, reviling the Christians, he exclaimed: "My son will die a fool, whereas if he listened to me he would soon be well and strong."

In the evening a great death-wail was heard, and the people flocked to the witch doctor's house, thinking that the son was dead, and intending to sympathize with the parents. The mother cried, "No, it is not my son; God has healed *him* in answer to the prayers of the Christians—it is *his* father, the witch doctor, who is dead!" Great fear fell upon all the people, and

they wondered what it all meant. A little later the witch doctor suddenly sat up again, apparently well, to the amazement of the people, and then told this story:

"After being angry with the Christians," he said, "I went to bed. Suddenly I felt myself leave my body and I was taken as it seemed up into heaven. There I saw thousands and thousands of people. As we entered, there were people in authority who waited to inspect us. One said to me, 'Why have you tried to deceive My child and influence him to deny his God?' I was speechless, but what I saw was marvelous. As the crowds came in they were separated, some going

then I should be forgiven and receive new life. Since I had been the means of teaching others witchcraft and leading them astray, I must go and tell them how I had erred and show them what I had seen. I said I would willingly do this if I could join those who were so happy and blessed. So I was told to return, and here I am."

As soon as possible he stood up in the village and confessed faith in the Lord Jesus Christ as his Lord and Saviour, and that all he had done previously was wrong. This happened two weeks ago, and he has been testifying during all of this time. May many be won from sin and shame through his testimony. When we consider the above, we must remember that it was not a Christian who was dealt with like this, but a heathen witch doctor who had opposed God and His children. How merciful God is.

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God Wants You to Know

1. YOU NEED TO BE SAVED—For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God. Rom. 3:23.

2. YOU CANNOT SAVE YOURSELF—By the works of the law shall no flesh be justified. Gal. 2:16.

3. CHRIST DIED TO SAVE YOU—For Christ also hath once suffered for sins, the just for the unjust, that he might bring us to God. 1 Peter 3:18.

4. YOU MAY BE SAVED NOW—Behold, now is the day of salvation. 2 Cor. 6:2.

Whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved. Rom. 10:13.

DO IT NOW!

to the right and some to the left. (Compare Matt. 25:32.) I was shown one in wonderful apparel, beautiful to look upon. I was asked, 'Do you know who that is?' I looked, and said, 'Why, yes, that is the wife of M. . . .' (She had died a few weeks previously. Her death was glorious, a wonderful testimony.) Then I was told to pass on, and there were the witch doctors, medicine men, adulterers, drunkards and deniers of God, all being led away to judgment. Farther ahead there were great cries of woe ('there shall be wailing and gnashing of teeth'). By now I was trembling. I cried out, 'Don't send me with them! Please let me go with the others in white!' 'No,' I was told, 'you don't belong to me.' 'But I want to,' I cried. 'What must I do to go with them?' I was told to confess my sins and testify to my faith in Jesus Christ as my Saviour,

"WITHHOLD NOT CORRECTION"
Prov. 23:13, 14.

One of the greatest curses in the Christian church, as well as in all the country, is the lack of home discipline. Children, more to be pitied than blamed for their misconduct, are continually being ruined by their unspanked parents. The following account taken from *The Christian Parent* illustrates the point:

At breakfast one morning little Sweetie-Pie pushed her cereal away, loudly announcing that she would not eat the stuff and, not only that, she wouldn't eat any breakfast at all unless the menu were improved. "Well, my dear, what would you really like for breakfast?" coos the progressive mamma. "I want a worm," says Sweetie-Pie. Children must not be frustrated, or their little spirits will be warped, and maybe they will get left-handed or grow up to be school teachers or something. With this in mind, Papa repairs himself to the garden and returns with a nice fat worm. More tears. "I want it cooked." So into the kitchen goes the worm to be rolled in batter, cooked to a nice golden brown, and brought back to the table. Sobs of frustration. "I want Daddy to have half of it." With a sigh of resignation, Daddy closes his eyes, gives a violent shudder and gulps. Half the worm is gone. Tears, sobs, howls, and tempest. "Darling, what is the matter? What do you want now?" "Daddy ate the half I wanted."

Our only comment would be that Daddy should have had to eat the other half also, then father and mother and daughter all should have been spanked. After that the wicked philosopher who fed the parents on that wicked progressive "foolosophy" should be horse-whipped.—*Prairie Overcomer.*

Asset or Liability?

ERNEST S. WILLIAMS

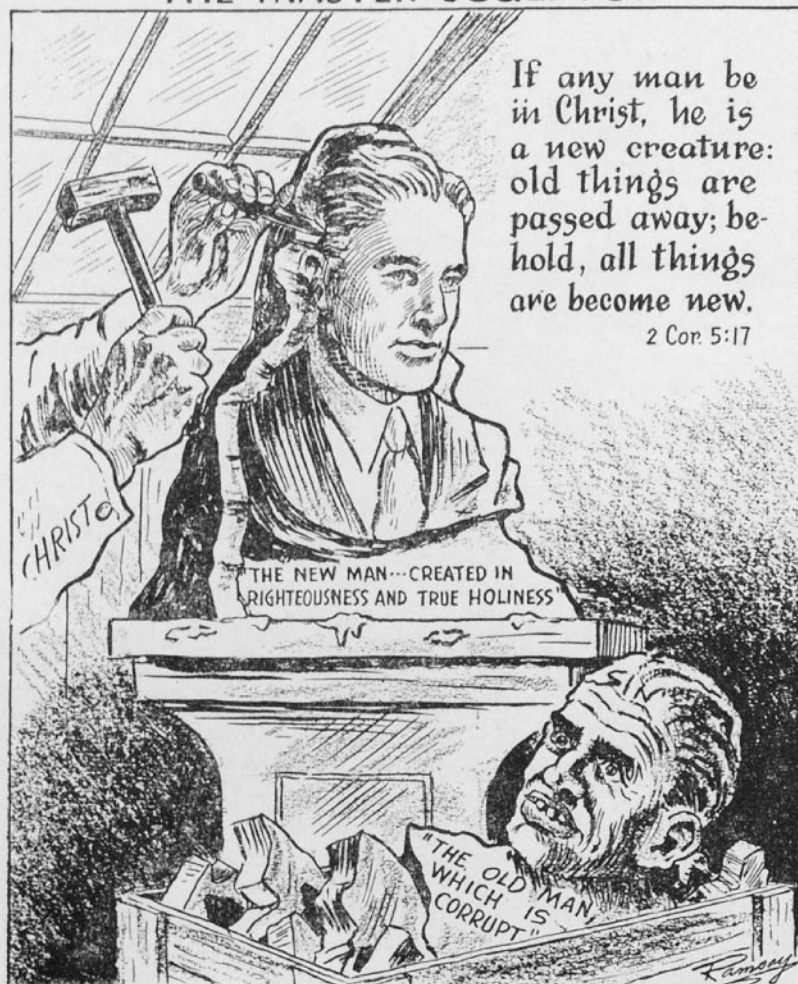
on National Assemblies of God Radio Hour

I READ a little questionnaire, the contents of which I shall pass along to you. It asks: "If you were to resign tomorrow, do you think you would be re-appointed? If you were the boss, would you hire a man who works as you do? Has your work for the past month made a profitable investment for your firm? Are you an asset or a liability? If you were the boss, would you keep a man like yourself on the payroll?"

Now for our lesson. If we are advancing moral good, if we are examples of peace and honesty, if we are elevated in our thinking and living, all men owe us a debt of gratitude. If we are drinking and carousing, we are defiling ourselves and others, if we are hateful and hating, we are a pest to society, a spreader of disease, full of eternal virus; we will likely be dishonest in business, and, if employed by another, dishonest and unfaithful in the use of our time.

There are many—oh, so many—who are not an asset. They are, instead, a liability. Some are such by choice; others, because habits formed have them bound and they cannot resist the evil. Faithful physicians may cure physical sicknesses but none of them can cure the disease of the soul. And it is soul disease that makes man a liability rather than an asset. There is one Physician who specializes in diseases of the soul. He is Jesus. He is the One who said, "They that are whole need not a physician, but they that are sick. I came not to call the righteous, but sinners to repentance."

THE MASTER SCULPTOR



In spite of all our sins, Christ loves us. He knows that the fault is not in man as he came from the hand of God, but as he has been warped and degraded by the devil. Sinful dispositions mar our character, destroy our peace, and fill us with hate for others and for ourselves. These things Christ came to destroy. "For this purpose the Son of God was manifested, that He might destroy the works of the devil." When a person yields to Christ and his soul's ills are cured, he is a new creature. Old sinful desires have passed away; behold, all things are become new.

Are you unhappy? Is life disappointing? Do you feel that you have wronged and been wronged? Ask Jesus to come into your heart. Confess to Him your feeling of need. He loves you, whoever you are and wherever you are. Pray to Him now. Open your heart and receive Him as your personal Saviour.

The PROBLEM of SIN

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THE most profound exercise that ploughed up the soul of the of the Old Testament people of God was that of the discovery of sin, the problem in a man's own breast. No other is so frequently voiced in the devotional literature of ancient Israel. Thus the Psalms are shot through and through with the note of penitence.

The phenomenon of penitence is one peculiar to the spiritual experience of the God seekers recorded in the Holy Scriptures. We shall not find anything approaching it in the pagan world outside of Israel. For the sense of sin is begotten when man comes in contact with the holiness of God. The living God, who revealed Himself to Israel, impressed the fact of His holiness upon His people. To come into moral conformity to His will alone made worship of such a Being possible. It was the sense of inability to measure up to the divine requirements that plunged the true people of God into acute distress.

One of the things that strikes us in the reading of the Old Testament, particularly the Book of Psalms, is the very serious view it takes of moral evil. The world in which we are living has gone to fearful lengths in departing from the Bible view of sin. People have invented all kinds of euphemisms for that which really brings death in its train. Worldliness is called smart society. Scripture calls the love of the world adultery. Pride is called wholesome self-respect. Scripture tells us that God is not on speaking terms with a proud man; He knows him afar off. Licentiousness in youth is called "sowing wild oats," and covetousness, which God stigmatizes as idolatry, is called prudence and thrift. In Holy Scripture sin is that abominable thing which God hates. And so it is also felt to be where the new life has been generated by the grace of God operating within man, the life which longs for holiness, purity, conformity to the image of God, and for the unclouded vision of His face.

In the Psalms we have three words which give us a diagnosis of moral evil, impossible to improve by the terms of modern psychology. Both in Psalm 51, in which we hear the wail of a soul newly awakened to the awfulness of separation from the divine Presence because of guilt, and in Psalm 32, in which the agony of repentance has been followed by the abiding state of penitence, the changes are rung on the terrible nature of "transgression," "sin," and "iniquity." In what a different atmosphere we find ourselves there to that modern world in which men glibly speak of sin as a "complex" or as a "delusion of the mortal mind!"

Transgression is clearly the breach of a definite prohibition, the trespassing of a boundary line, and thus a getting on to dangerous ground. *Sin* is the same word as that used for missing the mark. A man is a sinner if he fails to come up to the standard, even though he may have aimed at it. So Rom. 3:23 says, "All have sinned, and come short of the glory of God." *Iniquity* is another way of spelling iniquity, that which is out of plumb, off the straight, the twist created by moral evil in man (like the word "wrong" which comes from the same root as the word "wrung"). Sin has made a caricature of man. It has debased him. He has sunk below the level of his original creature standing. God's handiwork has been marred.

There is a fourth word added in Psalm 32, that of "guile." Now *guile* simply means deceit, and here the worst kind of deceit, self-deceit. "Blessed is the man," said the Psalmist, "in whose spirit there is no guile." It is a man who is honest with himself. As long as there is guile in the spirit, there is no hope. The sinner is, as it were, in the condemned cell; there is nothing but the fearful looking for of judgment, the hand of God pressing him down day and night. It is by confession that the guile is gotten rid of. For sins, which man covers, God must uncover to his shame. Sins, which man uncovers in repentance, God covers up.

It was along the line of self-judgment that the Old Testament penitent found peace about his sins. "I confessed, . . . Thou forgavest." There was no long probation. Pardoning love met him at once. The story of the prodigal son is found imbedded in the Book of Psalms. While he was a great way off, the father saw him, and had compassion, and ran, and fell on his neck, and kissed him.

It is true that the sin-atonement sacrifice had not yet been offered. For the blood of bulls and of goats could not take away sins. But God foreknew it. It was ever present to Him, yea, from the foundation of the world. It was on the ground of the sprinkled blood of Christ that sins could be forgiven in Old Testament times. Not that men saw the Blood, but God saw it, and that is the true ground of acceptance. "When I see the blood, I will pass over you." The full joy of it awaited the public testimony of the gospel, that God had raised from the dead the One who had been delivered for our offences; though the Old Testament penitent, as yet without that blessed testimony, found peace when he experienced in the hour of repentance and confession the kiss of God.

And to this the apostle Paul bears witness in Rom. 3:24-26: "Being justified

freely by His grace through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus: whom God hath set forth to be a propitiation (i.e., a mercy-seat, one not hidden behind the unrent veil) through faith in His blood, to declare His righteousness for the remission of sins that are past (done aforesaid) through the forbearance of God; to declare . . . at this time His righteousness: that He might be just, and the justifier of him which believeth in Jesus." The value of the death of Christ in meeting the claims of the divine throne in its holiness,

reached back into the generations preceding, as it reaches forward into the generations still unborn. It provided the one sure fountain on which God could in consistency with Himself forgive sin and receive the penitent sinner into favor again.—From "Studies in the Psalms of Israel," an excellent book, full of good things, which can be obtained from the Gospel Publishing House, Springfield, Missouri. Price \$1.25. Reprinted by permission of the copyright owners, Christian Publications Inc.

Pentecost in Switzerland

A SHORT SKETCH BY LEONARD STEINER, BASEL, SWITZERLAND

THE stirring reports of the Welsh Revival of 1904-05, the striking testimony of Pastor T. B. Barratt and the Pentecostal revival in Scandinavia, and shortly afterwards the witness of Pastor J. Paul of Berlin with the developments on the German movement of free churches roused wide interest among the believers of all ranks and camps in Switzerland.

The visit of two Spirit-filled Norwegian lady missionaries led to the first Pentecostal meetings in 1907 in Zurich. Some time later Pastor Barratt stayed twice for short periods of time in our country and gave his powerful testimony in public meetings. In 1910 the first Pentecostal convention took place in Zurich at which Pastor Paul (Germany), Pastor Boddy (England) and Pastor Polman (Holland) were the main speakers. Many were baptized in the Spirit in those days and subsequently received spiritual gifts. During the following years the brethren A. Reuss, P. R. Ruff, Chr. Siefert, and H. Steiner were the leaders of the Pentecostal groups which sprang up in all parts of the country.

In 1920 the Pentecostal message was brought with great power before the public in many cities by Smith Wigglesworth, and the work experienced a deep impetus. In 1921 the "Swiss Pentecostal Missionary Society" was formed with the purpose to school, send out and support missionaries. The first candidate was sent out in that year to Basutoland, South Africa. Since then 15 other missionaries have followed to different parts of the world and have been partially or entirely supported. The actual mission

fields of the "Swiss Pentecostal Mission" are Basutoland and Oubangui-Chari (French Congo), where at present 6 missionaries are supported.

In 1926 the "Aeltestenrat" (Council of Elders) was formed with the aim to safeguard a Scriptural development of the work, while at the same time the independence of the local churches remained fully respected. The Council of Elders and the delegates of all the assemblies elect every year by secret vote in the General Assembly the chairman as well as the secretaries for home and foreign missions. Since 1938 Brother K. Schneider, Pastor of the churches of Winterthur and Zurich, has occupied the chair with much grace and wisdom.

Today there are nearly 100 assemblies with a total number of regular attendants of at least 3000. A monthly paper with an edition of 2500 is published—*Die Verheissung des Vaters* ("The Promise of the Father"). In later years the Movement had much benefit from the revival campaigns conducted by Douglas Scott (1932-34) and George Jeffreys as well as his brother Stephen (1933-36). In some cities large crowds were attracted and in some cases even other churches (including those of the State Church) opened their doors.

Since 1942 a number of special prayer conventions were held which proved of much blessing to the whole work and helped to create a better unity. The first of these took place in Basel and then was repeated in other towns at an interval of 6 to 12 months. These conferences were open for pastors and their wives only and had as their main business united prayer for a fresh outpouring of the Spirit and a revival in Switzerland. Leading brethren from other smaller Pentecostal groups which had formed themselves in the course of the years, were also invited. Among them the "Eglises Evangéliques de Réveil" deserve special mention. They include several lively churches in French-speaking Switzerland. The last of these prayer conventions of last May in Basel was attended by nearly 40 pastors and their wives and took on an international character. It was then that the Holy Ghost laid on our hearts to

A MISSIONARY MOTTO

I am here,
By God's appointment,
In His keeping,
Under His training,
For His time.

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Volcano Instrumental in Salvation

Mr. and Mrs. George W. Clark, Guatemala

MORE than a decade ago, the people of this section of Guatemala were thrown into a frenzy when a volcano named Santa Maria unexpectedly erupted. While the earth quaked and shook, the fragile straw and adobe homes of the people fell in ruins. Then the imprisoned fires of the earth forced an escape, and a river of molten lava gushed from the great mouth of the volcano. Ashes as fine as powder sifted down over the country-side, while a smoky curtain of darkness descended for miles around, choking and blinding the terrified inhabitants.

In the midst of this horror, at least one man—Maximiliano—decided that he was going to prepare himself for the “end of the world.” His father-in-law, won to the Lord many years before through the work of a gospel colporteur, had faithfully witnessed to the saving power of the Lord Jesus Christ. Many times he had warned the people that God would bring judgment upon those who rejected His way of salvation. He had been hated, persecuted, and ridiculed for years, but he remained firm in his faith. Now he was the first person in Don Maximiliano’s thoughts. And that prophecy—was it now being fulfilled? He fought his way through smoke and flying embers to reach

his father-in-law’s house. There he humbly confessed his sins and sought the Savior. Before long, the joy of the Lord broke over his soul and he realized that he was a new creature in Christ Jesus.

There may have been others who repented less sincerely under the stress of that fearful experience, but Maximiliano’s conversion was genuine. His testimony has been widely used and blessed of the Lord. Through the years God has prospered him, and he is now a merchant in the little town of El Progreso (Progress), about five miles from Jutiapa.

Just last week a fellowship meeting was held in El Progreso. Brother Maximiliano had built a new store, the largest building in town, and he asked that the services be held in it to dedicate both building and business to the Lord.

Although seats for about five hundred were put in, the seats were all filled the first night, and people were standing. On the second and third nights, the building was packed and the windows and doors were jammed with people on the outside.

God visited us with a most blessed outpouring of His Holy Spirit. Many of the saints have been seeking the fullness of the Spirit for a long time. But there is a shout in the camp today, for Maximiliano and twenty others were gloriously baptized in the precious Holy Spirit during that three-day meeting. Oh, praise the Lord for the power of the Pentecostal message!

Many of us take our religion as we take a bus. We make use of it only when it is going our way.—David T. Armstrong.

Minnie Madsen, Sogamoso, Colombia.—The graduation service for Maranatha Bible Institute began at ten a.m., on Sunday, December 1, with the baptism in water of a first-year student. An address from each of the three graduates followed. The first was entitled, “America, Christ calls you.” The second was a poem, “Go!” The third message, “The Bible and the People,” presented the uplifting influence of the Bible upon the peoples of the world who accept and read it. Interspersed between the talks were a trio of male voices, a mixed trio, and a school song, as well as congregational singing. Through the whole service we were conscious of the sweet presence of our God.

In the evening we heard from two of our former graduates (1944-1945). One of the girls came from Bogota to stay with us for a week, so as to be present at both programs. She had helped Miss Hall in the day school for one year and then went to help in another mission school last year. On seeing their consecration and listening to their words of counsel to the new graduates, we feel that our labor has not been in vain.

Mrs. Galvis, a gospel day school principal in Bogota, was the chief speaker in the evening service. Her daughter, who helps her in the school, accompanied her and gave an extemporaneous message. I followed with a short message to the graduating class. In closing, we had a Communion Service; so you know it was quite late when we reached home. But we were happy in the knowledge that three more young people have been prepared to take the gospel to their own countrymen.



Mexican Assemblies Grow

H. C. Ball

FROM November 27 until December 1, 1946, were great days for the Assemblies of God in Mexico. During these days the large church in Monterrey was filled daily with the ministers and delegates attending the annual convention of the church. For the night services, every seat was taken and hundreds stood in the aisles, and around all the walls of the building. From all appearances the Assemblies of God movement is really going ahead in Mexico.

What a contrast there is between a convention in Mexico and our conventions in America! Only a very few automobiles were in front of the Monterrey church, and these few were visitors from America. Quite in contrast with American customs were the hastily set-up lunch counters to serve the “Convencionistas.” Those



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operating these stands were not "brethren" but business people who saw their opportunity to make a little money. Since the restaurants were all quite distant from the church, these street vendors did a good business.

One of the attractions of the convention were the Mayan Indians who had come all the way from the Yucatan peninsula. They sang hymns in their own language, and one of the Indian girls astonished the convention by reciting for a full half hour the "Catechism of Christian Doctrine." Two of these Indians received the Baptism in the Holy Spirit during the convention. In all, eleven Christians were baptized in the Holy Spirit during these glorious days.

Another interesting feature of the convention was an Arab, a "master of the guitar," who has broadcast his music over several Mexican stations. He attended one of our Mexican Bible institutes, and has now dedicated his life to the ministry.

One of our ministers stirred the convention when he related how he had literally been pushed from an overcrowded train while it was running full speed. As he fell, he called on the Lord. The train stopped a half mile ahead and backed, expecting to find him dead. But his life had been spared. At the hospital, where they took him, the Lord instantly healed him, and he walked out to the amazement of the physicians and nurses. All glory to our Jesus!

On my trip, I also visited Villa Frontera, Savinas, Cloete, and Nueve Rosita in the State of Coahuila. In these towns I saw churches built by our own Mexican believers. Two of the buildings have a capacity for five hundred or more people.

In San Luis Potosi, an interior Mexican city, I preached for two nights to a congregation of fifty-five. In this most fanatical city, the Catholics have a "captain"—a watchman—in every block. If strangers approach any house, it is the "captain's" duty to inquire into their business and, if they are Protestant workers, to report to the priest when their literature has been accepted. Christian work in central Mexico is very difficult. Even this year there have been martyrs who have given their lives in propagating the gospel. Knowing this, I was surprised at the number of Christians in our



● A view of the group gathered for the convention in Monterrey, Mexico.

service, for this congregation was started only a year ago.

My last visit was to Ciudad Victoria, Tamaulipas State. The Christians there are just completing a church building that will hold some six hundred people. I preached to a group of four hundred and fifty. This congregation partially supports the Magdiel Institute, which is a Bible School for young men only, and many of its students are going into the work of the Lord.

Pray for Mexico. The new president is friendly to the gospel, but the Roman hierarchy is doing its best to hinder. However, God's Spirit is being poured out, and the advances and victories are simply wonderful.



Rdo. Juan Zub Zolotarow, Buenos Aires, Argentina.—I returned a short time ago from a trip with Brother Chodniewich to Paraguay and the territory of Misiones, Argentina, where we held thirty meetings. We had two water baptismal services and eighteen were immersed, seven of whom had received the Baptism in the Holy Spirit before being baptized in water.

We traveled in Paraguay with Brother Stawinski, and he was also able to visit Misiones. Some unconverted and backsliders raised their hands for prayer in these meetings.

On Saturday nights here in Buenos Aires, I am giving special Bible studies on the Acts of the Apostles, and many are earnestly seeking the Baptism in the Holy Spirit. The climax was Sunday evening when the place was

packed out and about ten came forward to pray for the Baptism.



News Flashes

Mark Edward is the name of the newcomer in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Waldo E. Nicodemus. He arrived on January 14. Welcome!

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Mr. and Mrs. Walter Haydus have transferred from the Bahama Islands to Cuba where they are studying Spanish in preparation for ministry in Latin America. Their address is Apartado 139, Cienfuegos, Cuba.

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Serena Hodges arrived in New York on furlough from Palestine January 23.

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A cable from Bombay, India, announces the safe arrival in that land of Mr. and Mrs. Leon Elliot, Edna Wageukneckt and Jeanne Finch.

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Henrietta A. Tieleman arrived safely in Shanghai, China, January 8, after a stormy trip. She writes, "The crew were mostly Hollanders. Perhaps that is why the Lord arranged for me to go on that particular boat, as I can talk a little Dutch. During the trip one of the sailors became very sick. There was no doctor on board, so they asked one of the passengers who is a nurse to see him. I went along as an interpreter. As a result of this and a subsequent visit, this young man was saved and healed. Now I do not feel quite so bad in having to spend so much of the Lord's money for my passage."

Send all contributions to:
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The Passing and the Permanent

GIDEON TESTAMENTS BANNED

The Gideons have been refused permission to distribute New Testaments in the public schools of Berlin, Conn., and Davenport, Iowa. The refusal in Davenport grew out of the protest of a Jewish rabbi, who called the Testaments "sectarian literature."

PITTSBURGH IN PALESTINE

"Camp Pittsburgh" is a fully equipped U. S. Army Camp which during the war housed a division of American soldiers in France. It has been arriving in Palestine in dismantled sections and will be reconstructed shortly to accommodate more than 30,000 Jewish immigrants.

LITERACY IN RUSSIA

According to the *Bible Society Record*, Soviet Russia taught 100,000,000 persons to read in fifteen years, so that literacy was raised from about 13% in 1932 to over 90% in 1944. Now Russia prints more small books, magazines, and newspapers than any other country, and all of them teach communism.

A BAR ON BARMAIDS

Michigan has decided that woman's place is not behind the bar. The State Supreme Court has held that women may not be legally employed as public bartenders. The High Court pointed out the "dangers inherent in the use of liquor and its effect on health, morals, and public safety."

PROTESTANTS WHO PROTEST

A group within the Church of England has organized a campaign of vigorous protest against the celebration of the Roman Catholic Mass in Protestant churches. Recently the services in the Anglican Church of John the Baptist, in Liverpool, were interrupted by loud public protests. When the Bishop of Liverpool tried to deliver a sermon, he was shouted down by a group of some fifty demonstrators who chanted, "We won't have the Mass." Similar incidents have taken place in London churches. Evidently there are still some Protestants who have not yet ceased to protest.

UNMARRIED WOMEN

According to the U. S. Census Bureau, there are between three and five million American women of marriageable age who will remain unmarried, chiefly because there are not enough men. Furthermore, Dr. Clifford Adams, marital relations expert of Pennsylvania State College, points out that there is a growing preference among men for the single life. He estimates that 10% of American men now prefer bachelorhood to marriage.

"All of this is leading straight towards the accomplishment of a terrible prophecy in the Bible concerning the difficulties of women as the end of the age approaches," says *Revelation*, referring to Isaiah 4:1. "And in that day seven women shall take hold of one man, saying, We will eat our own bread, and wear our own apparel: only let us be called by thy name, to take away our reproach."

PEACE ON EARTH

When a plane load of 155 cases of hatching eggs were sent from Dayton, Ohio, to Warsaw, Poland, the church group which gathered them noted joyfully and significantly: "When the shells carried by this plane burst, it will be with life, not destruction."

OBSCENE PUBLICATIONS BANNED

The U. S. Supreme Court recently convicted a New York City book dealer on the charge of printing and distributing publications devoted to bloodshed, lust, or crime. "The only common thread running through the publication is that of obscenity," said the District Attorney who initiated the case. He said it had no "interest in stimulating thought or expression of ideas." Court action such as this is a hopeful sign. There should be more of it.

ARGENTINE IMMIGRANTS

An ONA dispatch from Buenos Aires reports that the Vatican has completed a deal with military authorities in Europe whereby the Roman Catholic Church will select all immigrants to Argentina. About 2,000 per month are to be admitted this year. There seems to be no thought of upholding religious freedom. Church authorities explain their action is an effort to preserve the "religious unity" of Argentina which is now predominantly Catholic.

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER

February 21 has been chosen as a World Day of Prayer, and we hope it will be observed by all our assemblies. Prayer services are the spiritual thermometer of any church. A large attendance and a fervent spirit of prayer indicate a healthy church. Our Christianity should be more than a Sunday religion—or, as one minister put it, "a week-end hobby." Prayer should be our life. Without it we are sick, feeble, frail believers—or, as the Lord puts it in Rev. 3:16, we are "lukewarm," and He will spue us out of His mouth. On February 21 let us gather to pray for our families, our assemblies, our communities, our nation, and all the world. Let us pray for a mighty outpouring of God's Spirit upon *all* flesh, as promised in Joel 2:28.

"MEDICAL MURDER"

The Catholic Church has raised its voice against euthanasia, which is the inflicting of painless death upon the incurably sick at the sick one's own request. Calling it "medical murder," a violation of the Sixth Commandment, Msgr. R. E. McCormick of New York says that the state government should compel every physician who has become a member of the Euthanasia Society to "place on his shingle and in his hospital and telephone listings the title, 'Member of the Euthanasia Society of America.'" Efforts are being made to pass a bill in the New York legislature making euthanasia legal in that state. Many well known figures in New York have approved the bill, including several leading modernistic preachers.

TRACTS FOR EUROPE

Clyde Dennis, Chicago publisher of the Good News Tracts, visited Europe recently to look over the tract situation there. He found a demand for millions of gospel tracts in Holland, Belgium, France, Germany, Poland, and Czechoslovakia, but he found also that printing equipment is not available; and so he is endeavoring to raise \$24,000 with which to send the necessary machinery, supplies, and personnel to Switzerland so that tracts in various European languages may be printed there.

A TESTIMONY FROM HIROSHIMA

A missionary who is now back in Japan tells of conducting a service at a Japanese Veterans' Hospital, where a young ex-officer of the Japanese Army asked for a Bible. He had been in an army hospital in Hiroshima in August, 1945, when the atom bomb fell, and he said: "With the flash of light and heat, everyone near me was killed. My clothing disintegrated. My right ear was gone, my hands distorted. But I was alive! During the following months I was continually asking myself, 'Why am I left alive?' Now when I hear this message of a God who rules over all, I begin to understand."

Later, in a letter, this young Japanese said: "To my friends, the atomic bomb meant death; but after hearing your words the other day I feel that to me the atomic bomb is as the beginning of new life."

THE MIGHTY ATOM

Professor Marcus Oliphant, who helped produce the atomic bomb, is quoted by the Associated Press as saying that the U.S. has produced a bomb 600 times as powerful as the one which destroyed Nagasaki. That means a bomb which would create utter destruction over an area from 60 to 120 miles in diameter, and whose rays would travel hundreds of miles farther with burning force. Two or three such bombs could destroy the whole of New England. A single bombing raid could wipe out the German Ruhr. Behold, what God has concentrated in the insignificant atom! No instrument, no life is too insignificant to become a mighty power in the hands of God, for He has chosen the weak things to confound the mighty, and base things He has chosen, and things which are despised—yea, and things which are not, to bring to nought things that are. 1 Cor. 1:27, 28.

THE COMING CRASH

James T. Adams is a prominent American historian and writer, who formerly was a member of the New York Stock Exchange. He said the other day that "the next crash will make 1929 look like a piker," and that the only way by which the loss of capital goods can be made good is the *hard* way. "In this world war we have destroyed more capital goods than ever before in the history of the world, and the crash will be correspondingly great," he said.

If hard work is the only way to avoid such a crash, it is doubtful if it can be averted. Americans once were hard workers. They feared God and honored His Word, which inspired unselfishness and high ideals, but the average American today has lost the fear of God and is selfishly carnal. The general ambition seems to be to get all you can, indulge in ease and pleasure all you can, and work just as little as necessary! It may take a painful crash to bring Americans to their knees!

OUR HOME FRONTIERS

"Gather the people together... and the stranger that is within thy gates, that they may hear, and that they may learn, and fear the Lord your God, and observe to do all the words of this law: and that their children, which have not known any thing, may hear, and learn to fear the Lord your God." Deut. 31:12, 13.

From these verses, and many others in the Scriptures, we are taught that God would have us, as Christians and His people, to teach the Word of God to the strangers who sojourn in our land. Many of our young people have caught the vision of taking the gospel to lands across the sea, but we must not forget the people of other languages who live in our own United States, who do not have a saving knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ.

One of the responsibilities of the Home Missions Department is to promote evangelistic efforts among the Foreign Language Groups in our own country, and to assist them in establishing churches so that they might hear the gospel in languages which they can understand.

Our aim is to see these churches become self-supporting in due time, and many of them are meeting all their own expenses and are also giving to missions; but until pioneer efforts are made and stronger churches can be developed, we must give them some assistance. This we can do only as our Evangel readers enter into this burden with us and send us the financial help which we can use for this work. We ask that you will pray for the missionary work which is being done among the "strangers within our gates," and send offerings designated for the Foreign Language Groups. These contributions should be sent to Fred Vogler, Home Missions Secretary, 336 West Pacific Street, Springfield, Missouri.

What One Group Is Doing

We have an excellent report from the Superintendent of the Yugoslav group, which is a part of the Russian Branch of the Assemblies of God. Peter Krnjeta writes:

"I want to thank the Home Missions Department for supplying some of the many needs of our Yugoslav workers during the past year. This past year has been one of marked blessings, and of growth and progress under God. On a recent trip I learned that there were about 18,000 Yugoslavs in the city of Cleveland, Ohio, alone. The people there seemed eager to receive our testimony and gladly accepted our tracts and invitations to come to our church. In Lorain, Ohio, it has been my happy privilege to baptize six new converts in water during the past year.

"At Aliquippa, Penn., we have a small group of Yugoslav believers, and during a recent three-day meeting with them, the Lord saved a man 83 years of age, and we baptized him in water. In Milwaukee, Wis., we recently conducted a revival meeting and nine, who had come to the services for the first time, knelt at the altar and accepted the Savior.

"One of the sisters relates that she had been greatly burdened for the salvation of her husband and her three children. One

night, as she was earnestly seeking God for them, her husband aroused and asked, 'Did you call me?' Then one by one her children came and asked if she wanted them. Our sister replied that she had not called them, but that undoubtedly the Lord had called. The next day they all went to church. God is working in just such miraculous ways to save our Yugoslav people. In Cincinnati an elderly couple came to the Lord at the close of a few nights of special meetings.

Reinforcements on the Way

"This year we are looking forward with

keen anticipation to a greater work than we have had before. Two of our young people from prominent Yugoslav families will be graduating this spring from two of our Bible Schools, and will be joining our ranks as reinforcements to help evangelize the Slavic-speaking people of America.

"We are also carrying on a heavy correspondence with our brethren in Europe. They are in great need of our help. We have sent them fifteen packages of tracts and pamphlets, and over seventy packages of clothing. May God help us to be found working when our Master comes."

And the Home Missions Department adds, May God help us to be found faithful in giving the gospel to the "stranger that is within our gates."

A penny will hide the biggest star in the universe if you hold it close to the eye.—Selected.

Let us not pray for a light burden, but rather for a strong back.—Selected.

A New Publication

The **Family Altar Guide** has one purpose—to help you with your daily family worship or individual devotions. We thank God for every home that has a regular Family Altar. Our hope is to see **"A Family Altar in Every Believer's Home."**

We do not mean to upset some successful plan that you have had for your Bible reading. If the **Family Altar Guide** can be a blessing to you, we shall be happy. Perhaps you who have enjoyed the blessing of a Family Altar in your home can pass the Guide to someone else to help them.

By keeping the **Family Altar Guide** in the Bible used for family worship, it can act as a marker of the previous reading. The

next reading follows progressively, as the selection of readings starts in Genesis each year and goes through to Revelation. The following year another path again is selected to read through the Bible that year.

In our selection of readings we have tried to keep the child in mind, as well as the adult. At the conclusion of the reading each evening or morning there are two questions to be asked, one of the adults and the other of the child. After a little practice it is surprising how a group of children will pay attention to the Word of God as it is read. They will attempt to answer the question for the adults as well as their own.

There has been a desire for doctrinal material that parents can teach to the children. We read in God's Word, "And these words, which I command thee this day, shall be in thine heart: and thou shalt teach them diligently unto thy children, and shalt talk of them when thou sittest in thine house, and when thou walkest by the way, and when thou liest down, and when thou risest up." Deut. 6:6, 7.

We know of no greater or more Scriptural and far-reaching task than for parents to instruct their children in the great truths of the Bible.

The memory verses are related to the Bible truths. There are two questions with corresponding memory verses for the week. This allows for several days' review on each memory verse.

Sunday School secretaries should order one for every family, to be distributed free by the church or Sunday School in the promotion of the Family Altar. From time to time the cover pages will contain short articles and helpful suggestions for parents.

Order **"The Family Altar Guide"** with your Sunday School supplies. You can give no greater gift to your congregation each quarter. Price, 5c per copy; 50c per dozen; Bundles of 100 or more, 4c each.



COVERING ASIA with the Full Gospel

Beginning March 5, 1947, the National Assemblies of God Radio Hour SERMONS IN SONG will be heard every Wednesday, at 7:35 p.m., over Station XGOY, Chungking (The Voice of China). This short-wave station reaches out to all parts of Asia.

Pray much for SERMONS IN SONG as the program is released in this and other foreign lands, as well as in America. Your support in helping to finance the program will also be appreciated. Address all correspondence and contributions to Assemblies of God Radio Hour, P. O. Box 70, Springfield, Missouri.

The Meaning of the Atonement

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slain, and hast redeemed us to God by Thy blood." Rev. 5:9.

Have you ever pawned anything—your watch, or a ring—or mortgaged your automobile, your farm, or your house? If so, you know what it means to *redeem* these things. It means that you buy them back; you repurchase them. God originally created man in His own likeness and there was fellowship between God and man; but man being a free moral agent used his power of choice to sell himself to sin and transgression. He pawned or mortgaged himself to the evil one and could not get himself out of pawn. The price the devil, the pawnbroker, charged was more than man could possibly pay. Jesus on Calvary repurchased us. He bought us back by the ransom of His blood; and God the Father tore up the mortgage the devil had on our souls. "*Saviour, thou the debt hast paid.*" It is utterly impossible to estimate the redeeming power of the atonement by anything else but the blood of Jesus Christ.

The Christian's position is that of a criminal who has been arrested, tried, found guilty, sentenced to death and executed, recorded as officially dead, buried, and then miraculously resurrected to newness of life. The government, of course, has no further claim on that person. That is exactly the position of the child of God today. The second death has no claim on us. It can never point its finger at us and say, "Thou art mine." We have passed from death unto life, through that great substitutionary and sacrificial atonement of the Lord Jesus Christ.

There is *reconciliation* only through the atonement. Col. 1:19, 20. "It pleased the Father . . . having made peace through the blood of His (Christ's) cross, by Him to *reconcile* all things unto Himself."

The word "reconciliation" does not mean that God had to be paid to love mankind; no, God loves us with an everlasting love. The alienation, the estrangement was on the part of the world. *Man* began the strife, the mis-

understanding, the transgression, the sin. *Man* made the chasm. *God* began the reconciliation. Reconciliation means to restore relationship, to harmonize, to make peace between two parties who are enemies.

Where a quarrel exists things should be talked over and reasoned out. In this matter of reconciliation God makes the first advance. He says to the sinner, "Come now, and let us reason together; . . . though your sins be as scarlet, they shall be white as snow; though they be red like crimson, they shall be as wool." Isa. 1:18. It seems as if God is saying here to the sinner, "Please, don't be mad at Me any longer." It is not the sinning reprobate asking for forgiveness, but God beseeching the sinner, on bended knees as it were, "Be ye reconciled to Me." Jesus Christ died that He might reconcile both Jew and Gentile unto God in one body by the cross, having slain the enmity thereby.

I once read about a married couple seated before the judge. They had been separated by their mutual sins and wickedness. The wife and mother held their small son in her arms, and suddenly the child who had not seen his father for some weeks reached out his arms for his daddy's embrace. The father stood there with a sad look on his face in the place where a prisoner stands in court. Then the little boy wiggled out of his mother's arms and ran to his daddy. The father picked him up and caressed him and fondled him. The child put his arms around his daddy's neck and kissed him. Suddenly the little boy looked over and gestured for his mother to come too. She went. Standing there with her husband holding her baby, the wife threw her arms around both of them and wept bitter tears. And all the misunderstandings, the sins, were forgiven and forgotten in that wonderful mo-

ment of mutual love. The judge, moved to tears, said, "Case dismissed! A man who has won a baby's love is not outside the pale of redemption." That child became the *reconciler* that saved that home.

The meaning of the atonement is that Jesus Christ was born into the world in the city of Bethlehem of Judea in the days of Herod the king, to make reconciliation, to bring us to God; for God knows that anyone who has won the love of the Bethlehem Baby is not outside the pale of redemption. And now we can joy in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, by whom we have now received the atonement, for God must save every sinner who comes claiming that atonement.

Something for Nothing

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had tarried for six years. I told what I believed the Lord had said to me, that an hour was too long to wait to receive "something for nothing"—and in half an hour this brother was gloriously filled! As on the former occasion, there was very little if any excitement; only a sweet hush of God that made one want to take off his shoes and walk softly before the Lord.

Was I delighted? I was exuberant! Only thirty minutes, and filled with the Holy Spirit! Why, that was wonderful! I soared into the heights again—but not for long, as it flashed across my mind that it should only take a few seconds to take a gift. Yes, I had to admit that half an hour was much too long to take "something for nothing."

We had to arrange an afternoon meeting for a young married woman whose husband was treasurer of one of the town churches. He was

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very much opposed to her receiving the Baptism, and threatened to leave her if she received the "Pentecostal experience." She had been discharged from the hospital about two weeks before and was very weak in body. Circumstances were such that she could be away from home for only one hour. In other words, this woman had to be taken to the tabernacle, about a mile away, receive the Baptism, and return home within an hour. The past few days had proved to me that God could work fast when we believed Him, but this seemed like expecting too much.

A farmer's wife was present also that afternoon. She had come back to the Lord on the Sunday night, and this was the first time she had shown any interest in receiving the Holy Spirit. She was quite stout, and looked so warm and tired that as I looked at her I felt she was the last person that would receive the Baptism in less than half an hour.

However, still rejoicing in the way God had met us, I hastily told them how the Lord had told me that thirty minutes was far too much time to spend in taking a gift. As we came to the altar the treasurer's wife threw up her hands and began to fall under the power of God. Sister Wellard and I, knowing about her weak body, put out our hands to catch her, but there was no danger for she had a nice cushion to fall on, as the farmer's wife was already down speaking in other tongues! And by the time we gently lowered the other sister, she too had been filled with the Holy Spirit. About ten received the Baptism in a few days.

Since then numbers have believed God in this definite way, and have found that it doesn't take long to get "something for nothing." This has been especially true of chronic seekers. Two in my church recently received the Baptism; one had been seeking six years and the other sixteen.

At one camp meeting where the seekers were generously helped, I was asked to speak along this line. The camp was about half over and only two had received the Baptism. As I drew to the close of my message and gave the invitation, seven received the Baptism within two hours. Some of the believers had been seeking for years.

NOTE: Although I cannot find any Scriptural proof for many of the methods used in helping seekers, I am not opposed to them. Nevertheless, I am convinced that if Christians were hungry enough and then were taught that the Holy Spirit is a gift, and as a gift may be received just as easily and freely as salvation, I am sure there would be less "tarrying" and more "receiving."

Pentecost in Switzerland

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prepare a World Conference of Representatives for 1947.

While during many years the Pentecostal Movement in Switzerland was looked upon as an erroneous sect and met with opposition from all quarters, it has in recent years roused benevolent interest from other denominations and even from the official church. Since the war there is evidence of a notable change of attitude on several sides. It looks as if there is a growing readiness to listen afresh to the Pentecostal message and to open the doors, if it is presented with wisdom and without fanatical sectarianism.

In general the attitude of the Swiss people is characterized by an alarming indifference to the Gospel. This has become still more pronounced since the war. It has grown extremely difficult to reach the ear of the masses. For many years the traditional methods of evangelism have met practically no success. Everybody feels that new ways must be found to reach men and women with the Word of life. But above all, the whole Church of Jesus Christ is in need of the power of the Holy Ghost. An apostolic baptism in the Holy Spirit is the only solution and alone will lift the churches out of their weakness. This is a truth which seems to fall more and more into open ears. As this is about the situation in many countries of the world, there is at the present time a unique opportunity before the Pentecostal Movement.

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Among the Assemblies

FT. MYERS, FLA.—A fine 2-week meeting was conducted at the Palmona Park Assembly by Evangelist Tommy Waldron of Clewiston. About 10 were saved and 6 received the Baptism in the Holy Spirit. Interest and attendance were good. Sister Waldron did a splendid job with the children's church. Seventeen were baptized in water, and 12 were added to the church. Dewey Harmon is pastor.—Emma Hingson, Church Secretary.

EL MONTE, CALIF.—We recently closed a 4-week meeting with Evangelist Henry K. Roskamp. Brother Roskamp formerly held a number of pastorates in the Presbyterian Church. After having received the Baptism in the Holy Spirit, he has recently begun his Pentecostal ministry in the Assemblies of God. We are trusting God to make him a great blessing to our churches.—Burton W. Pierce, Pastor.

TILLAMOOK, ORE.—November 28 we had our fifth annual Thanksgiving Day services. The presence of the Lord was with us in each of the meetings, morning, afternoon, and evening. Some had come over a hundred miles, but they all felt repaid by the sweet blessing of the Lord which was so wonderfully present in our midst. The Lord has continued to bless. We had two at the altar the following Sunday morning seeking salvation.—Harold E. Beaty, Pastor.

ATWATER, CALIF.—We recently closed one of the most wonderful revivals that I have been privileged to be in, in years. Thirty were saved or reclaimed, and 32 received the Baptism in the Holy Spirit. The meetings continued 3 weeks, and there was not a night but what the Spirit of the Lord breathed upon us. Evangelist and Mrs. Frederick Byers of Seattle, Wash., were with us. Our Sunday School attendance reached a new high of 165 on December 22.—S. Albert Ogle, Pastor.

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BONIFAY, FLA.—The Live Oak Assembly has enjoyed a 2-week meeting with Evangelist Armando Valdez of Wewahitchka doing the preaching. Seven were saved, and 2 received the Baptism in the Holy Spirit. The church as a whole was greatly blessed by Brother Valdez' old-time, Holy Ghost messages. Brother Valdez is a spiritual minister. Our Sunday School is continuing to grow since we have adopted the Lighthouse Plan.—W. C. Austin, Pastor.

WEAUBLEAU, MO.—A new Assembly of God and Sunday School was organized here November 24. According to the pastors, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Romesburg, there were 55 in attendance on the first Sunday that Sunday School was conducted. The new church building is of cement block construction with a spacious auditorium and a splendid parsonage in connection. The report comes that someone is at the altar seeking salvation in almost every service.—Southern Missouri District Office, 424 Woodruff Bldg., Springfield, Mo.

ABBEVILLE, ALA.—A long-needed break through of the Holy Spirit was witnessed in our assembly recently. The power was evident after the first few nights, and after the middle of the first week souls were saved every night. The Holy Spirit had liberty throughout the meeting. Messages in tongues with interpretation were constant and timely. Approximately 12 prayed through to victory. Our evangelist was Carl C. Haas, formerly of Hartford, Ala., but now residing in Birmingham, Ala. His ministry is frank and to the point, but truly anointed by God and very effective.—E. L. McCaskill, Pastor.

MEMPHIS, TENN.—Since our coming here to accept the pastorate of the Hollywood Assembly of God, we have experienced an increase in every department of the church. The Sunday School attendance has grown from 22 to an all-time record of 135. Evangelist and Mrs. D. C. Ogden gave us a splendid campaign, in which many were reclaimed or saved, and two received the Baptism in the Holy Spirit. We had large crowds during the last week of the revival. Recently, the church purchased a parsonage for \$3,500. A Baptist man sent us a check for \$500 to apply on the church, for which we praise God. The church is revived and encouraged to press on.—A. A. Bradley, Pastor.

REPORT OF FELLOWSHIP MEETING

At our Southeastern Fellowship gathering held January 13, at Muncie, we had a surprise visit and message by Evangelist Victor Arnold, and a fine message by Brother Richardson of Terre Haute. The good spiritual song service, led by Fletcher Duncan of Ft. Wayne, and the special music by Mr. and Mrs. Bud Vander Ploeg, traveling evangelists, proved a treat to our souls. But the high light of the service was our farewell missionary offering to Paul Davidson, our outgoing missionary to China. The sum of \$250 was given by the rejoicing people. Our District Superintendent Roy H. Wead was present and was an inspiration to the brethren. Roy Davidson, the host pastor, furnished inspirational music by his trained choir and orchestra. Much praising, shouting, praying, and seeking God, gave the gathering that rounded-out "Pentecostal color" which we love so well.—Mrs. B. E. Hillman, Sectional Secretary-Treasurer.

EDINBURG, TEXAS.—Our assembly is being wonderfully blessed of God. We secured the District tent for a revival meeting which lasted 4½ weeks. Forty-five or more found the Lord as their Savior, and 19 were baptized according to Acts 2:4. A man who had been blind eleven years was healed instantly. As the healing virtue of Jesus went through his body, he looked down and saw a babe in its mother's arms, then turned around and saw his wife, who had led him around so faithfully. He threw his arms around her saying, "You are more beautiful than you were eleven years ago!" He ran outside to see the lights and admire the splendor of the stars and the moon shining in the sky. He leaped for joy, shouted and danced, and is praising the Lord for healing him. A woman whose arm had been broken between the wrist and the elbow, was instantly healed. Many demons were cast out, according to the Word of God. According to Mark 16:17, "these signs shall follow them that believe." Our evangelists were Olive Burns, Clara Classen (who was with us two weeks), and Joe Ragsdale, a very devout young man.—Pastor and Mrs. W. Ray Averitt.

HARRISBURG, ILL.—Evangelist D. A. Edwards of Frankfort, Ky., recently conducted a 3-week meeting for us, in which 10 were saved, and 3 received the Baptism in the Holy Spirit. Our Sunday School attendance reached a new high, an all-time record for this location. New members came into the church and the church was greatly built up.—Thomas G. Skoog, Pastor.

DE KALB, TEXAS.—We are praising God for a good revival with Evangelist Gertrude Dillingham of Texarkana. Five were saved and 8 were added to the church. Sister Dillingham brought the messages under the anointing of the Holy Spirit. The entire congregation seems to have been strengthened in the Lord. Sister Dillingham is a real gospel preacher.—B. O. Smith, Pastor.

REPORT OF WOMEN'S MISSIONARY COUNCIL, SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA DISTRICT

Evangelists and other papers distributed, 50,265; tracts, 51,227; gospel portions, 1,137; Christian books, 321; Bibles and Testaments, 764. House-to-house calls, 9,468; sick calls, 6,597; hospital calls, 3,735. Floral pieces given, 1,288; boxes to foreign missionaries, 269; boxes to home missionaries, 245; Cost of groceries and help to needy, also 13 boxes, \$1,470.69. Meals served, 857. Quilts made, 151. Blankets given, 13; garments, 9,032; pairs of shoes, 28; layettes, also 51 garments, 24; Prayer and devotional meetings held, besides 1887 hours spent in prayer, 1,281. Souls saved, 93; baptized in the Holy Spirit, 12. Reported membership, 1,091. Average attendance in local groups, 11.

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Sewing and knitting done for Red Cross and naval hospitals; many hours devoted to service centers, besides gifts of sheets, pillow cases, pillows; 175 cakes and 109 dozen cookies given to servicemen's rallies and canteens.

Household furniture, bedding, dishes and canned fruit given by a group to the pastor of the church at Tecate, Mexico. Another group gives \$20.00 a month for the support of an orphan; another supports an orphan in the orphanage at Hot Springs, Ark. Others sew for the orphans. Two students and one native worker are supported in Africa.

Picture rolls, 1,272 picture postcards, other material, and hundreds of hours of work in preparation for Sister Luce's Spanish-American V.B. Schools were donated. Sister Stuart of Blue Lake was helped, and 50 pounds of clothing were sent to the Kentucky Mountains. Hundreds of Story-o-graph pictures for flannel-board work prepared for missionaries.

Weekly services were held in hospitals, jails, old-folks homes; child evangelism and home Bible classes were conducted; 20 glasses jelly, 120 quarts of fruit, given to a missionary; 500 cans of fruit given to Walker Hall of China; 120 cans to Berean Bible Institute in San Diego; 68 pints of grape juice made for communion services.

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Express on Layette to Africa	19.75
Postage on parcels to Bible School in Argentina	9.04
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PRICHARD, ALA.—Meeting in progress; O. L. Jagers, Evangelist.—Jesse E. Smith, Pastor.

OKMULGEE, OKLA.—Feb. 2—; Fern Huffstutler, Evangelist.—R. R. Morrison, Pastor.

CLARKSDALE, MISS.—Feb. 22—; Artist Evangelist and Mrs. D. C. Ogden.—W. C. Buchanan, Pastor.

RIVERSIDE, CALIF.—Feb. 11—March 2; Carl and Edna Goodwin, Evangelists.—Carl A. Goad, Pastor.

OCALA, FLA.—Feb. 23—; Evangelist and Mrs. Thomas Waldron.—Chas. S. Brown, Pastor.

COLUSA, CALIF.—532 Oak St., Feb. 2—; Walter Smith, Evangelist.—Floyd R. Hoole, Pastor.

ATASCADERO, CALIF.—Feb. 9—; Bobby Clark of Bakersfield, Evangelist.—Thomas Hickerson, Pastor.

HOLTVILLE, CALIF.—Fifth St. and Holt Ave., Feb. 9—; Anna B. Lock, Galva, Ill., Evangelist.—R. E. Silvers, Pastor.

OTTUMWA, IOWA—813 Milner St., Feb. 16—March 2; C. A. Davenport, Carrollton, Mo., Evangelist.—J. C. Snyder, Pastor.

KENDRICK, IDAHO—Full Gospel Church, Feb. 9—23; Lewis H. Bacheller, Musical Artist and Evangelist.—Lester W. Damron, Pastor.

WINNSBORO, TEXAS—Feb. 15—March 2; meeting sponsored by the C. A.'s; Reba Northcutt, Evangelist.—Albert A. Clark, Pastor.

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JACKSONVILLE, FLA.—Feb. 9, for 3 weeks; S. B. Douglas, Tulsa, Okla., Evangelist.—E. F. Pierce, Pastor.

CAMDEN, N. J.—570 Walnut St., Feb. 18—March 9; Gay Benson, Lancaster, Pa., Evangelist.—Harold W. Barnes, Pastor.

MAYWOOD, CALIF.—Full Gospel Assembly; Feb. 9, for 2 weeks; Paul N. and Lura Grubb, Evangelists.—Arthur W. Erickson, Pastor.

LOS ANGELES, CALIF.—South Gate Bible Assembly, Feb. 9—; William A. Ward, Washington, D. C., Evangelist.—Elton G. Hill, Pastor.

SAN PEDRO, CALIF.—540 W. Sixth, Feb. 11—; Bill Durbin, Hollydale, Calif., Cowboy Evangelist.—Ralph Salzman, Pastor.

MONAHANS, TEXAS—Meeting in progress; Evangelist and Mrs. R. F. Davis of Southern Missouri District.—R. B. Ring, Pastor.

MANKATO, KANSAS—Feb. 2, for 2 weeks or longer; Edwards Evangelaries of Wichita, Musicians and Artists.—Jim Richard, Pastor.

OAKLAND, CALIF.—4727 MacArthur Blvd., on Highway 50, Feb. 23—March 9; Fox Evangelistic Party of Canada.—Irving F. Ford, Pastor.

NEW RAYMER, COLO.—Feb. 16—March 2; Evangelist and Mrs. Bennie Harris of Ft. Morgan. Neighboring assemblies invited to co-operate.—H. R. Kennedy, Pastor.

HOPE, ARK.—Gospel Tabernacle, Feb. 9—23; Arthur Otteson, Minneapolis, Minn., Evangelist and Gospel Singer.—H. Paul Holdridge, Pastor.

INTERNATIONAL FALLS, MINN.—Youth Rally, City High School Auditorium, Feb. 21, 7:45—p.m. R. S. Peterson, pastor at Brainerd, speaker. G. M. Wold, pastor of Mission Covenant Church, director.

INDIANAPOLIS, IND.—519, E. 23rd St., Feb. 11—; special services with Alfred E. Gidman, Bible Teacher, from London, England. Meeting every night except Monday; day services Wednesday and Friday afternoon.—Herman R. Rose, Pastor.

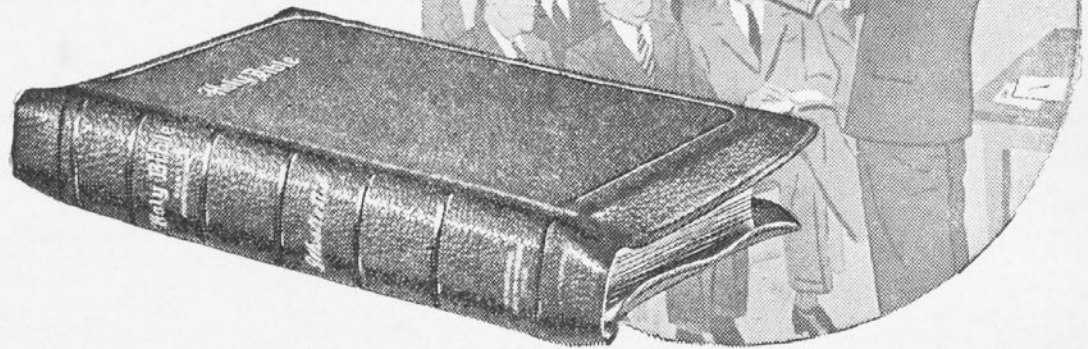
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of the LORD.

9 ¶ These are the generations of Nō'ah: Nō'ah was a just man and perfect in his generations, and Nō'ah walked with God.

10 And Nō'ah begat three sons,

ch. 10, 10
Ex. 33, 12
Lu. 1, 80
Acts 7, 40

4 Or, up-right.

Ps. 14, 2
Ps. 83, 13

CHAPTER 7.

F. 12. 1-4

1 Nō'ah, with his family, and the living creatures, enter into the ark. 17 The beginning, increase, and continuance of the flood. 21 All flesh destroyed.

AND the LORD said unto Nō'ah, Come thou and all thy house into the ark; for thee have I seen

Space for address or church announcement

CHELSEA, MASS.—113 Hawthorn St., Feb. 19—March 2; Mr. and Mrs. E. V. Berquist, Evangelists. "Chelsea Day," Salvation Army Citadel, 5th and Chestnut Sts., Feb. 22, 2:30 and 7:15 p.m.; refreshments served.—C. C. Garrett, Pastor.

SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION

The Rocky Mountain District Council will convene at the Denver Revival Tabernacle, 9th and Acoma Sts., Denver, Colo., Feb. 11—14. E. S. Williams, guest speaker, National Sunday School worker, guest speaker. Pastors and workers in nearby Sunday Schools urged to attend. Afternoon and evening sessions.

ROCKY MOUNTAIN DISTRICT COUNCIL

The Rocky Mountain District Council will convene at the Denver Revival Tabernacle, 9th and Acoma Sts., Denver, Colo., Feb. 11—14. E. S. Williams, guest speaker, First service, Tuesday, 7:30 p.m. This will be a District Fellowship meeting. Credentials Committee will meet Monday, 2 p.m., and Resolutions Committee, Tuesday, 2 p.m., at the Tabernacle.—J. E. Austell, District Superintendent.

MICHIGAN MINISTERS' INSTITUTE

Annual Michigan Ministers' Institute, 420 E. Michigan Ave., Ypsilanti, Mich., Feb. 24—26. Theme: "Spiritual Life." W. Clifford Nelson, Kitchener, Ontario, evening speaker. John P. Kolenda and other Michigan brethren will be ministering in day services. For reservations write: D. G. Foote, 209 N. Wallace Blvd., Ypsilanti, Mich.—Mrs. E. D. Cooley, Secretary.

SOUTHERN IDAHO DISTRICT COUNCIL

The Fifth Annual District Council of the Southern Idaho District will convene at First Pentecostal Assembly of God, Second and Montana Sts., Gooding, Idaho, February 19—21. Opening rally, Feb. 18, 7:30 p.m. General Superintendent E. S. Williams will be guest speaker through Council. Tentative schedule: World Missions meeting, Thursday evening, Ordination service Friday afternoon, C. A. rally Friday evening. District Presbytery will meet Monday, Feb. 17, 7 p.m., and all day Tuesday. Those desiring to meet the Presbytery, plan to do so Tuesday afternoon. Rolland H. Buck is host pastor, O. C. Arnesen is District Superintendent.—John E. Shaw, Secretary-Treasurer, P. O. Box 390, Caldwell, Idaho.

OKLAHOMA SECTIONAL COUNCILS

Oklahoma Sectional Councils and Bible Conferences: Southwest Section, Lawton, Feb. 10—12; J. L. McQueen, host pastor. Central Section, Wewoka, Feb. 17—19; John Grace, host pastor. North Central Section, Cushing, March 10—12; C. A. Rich, host pastor. Northwest Section, Enid, March 17—19; Olen T. Craig, host pastor. East Central Section, Okmulgee, First Assembly, April 7—9; R. R. Morrison, host pastor. South Central Section, Duncan, April 14—16; Haskell Rogers, host pastor. Panhandle Section, Woodward, April 21—23; E. A. Willeford, host pastor. Northeast Section, Miami, May 12—14; W. C. Shackelford, host pastor. Southeast Section, Antlers, May 19—21; W. R. Davis, host pastor.

First service, C. A. Rally 7:30 p.m., C. A.'s of the respective Sections, and District C. A. President, L. B. Keener, in charge. All licensed ministers and exhorters required to be present and secure a renewal blank for the renewal of fellowship. Those desiring license or exhorter permits, meet the board at any of the above Sectional Councils. Main speakers: Gayle Lewis in February; R. M. Riggs, in March; Wesley R. Steelberg, in April; and Fred Vogler, in May.

For further information write F. C. Cornell, District Superintendent, or V. H. Ray, District Secretary-Treasurer, Box 1341, Oklahoma City, Okla.

SOUTHEASTERN FELLOWSHIP

The District Superintendents of eight Southeastern Districts have planned an annual Southeastern Fellowship. First gathering will be February 17—20 (instead of February 3—6 as previously announced), in auditorium of Southeastern Bible Institute, Lakeland, Fla. The purpose of having the first meeting in Lakeland is to better acquaint our ministers and constituency with the setup at Southeastern Bible Institute. Southeastern Fellowship will rotate until it has convened in each of the eight Districts.

Ministers, Laymen, and friends invited. There will be preaching, praying, shouting, testifying, and letting God have His way. Speakers: Edgar W. Bethany, Andrew Stirling, H. T. Walker, Charles S. Craighead, Marvin L. Smith, R. C. Jones, Howard S. Bush, J. B. Bauldree, and W. G. White. For reservations write Howard S. Bush, Route 4, Box 700, Lakeland, Fla.—Marvin L. Smith, Secretary.

MISCELLANEOUS NOTICES

NEW ADDRESS—Star Route, Falco, Ala.—J. Lester Cook.

NEW ADDRESS—865 E. Olive St., Upland, Calif.—M. M. Johnson.

NEW ADDRESS—Mansfield, Ark. "We have accepted the pastorate here."—Carl Tillery.

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