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REST

Just let me rest in Thee, O Lord,
Nor strive, nor fret, nor strain
Against the burden of the days
That bring me tears and pain.

Let me remember that Thy hand
Can lighten every load,
And in Thy presence I shall be
Safe on life's darkest road.

For Thou hast said that Thou art
near

To all who need Thine aid.
If I am Thine, and Thou art mine,
Why should I be afraid?

—Kathleen McAlpine.



The NOT BY MIGHT, NOR BY POWER, BUT BY MY SPIRIT, SAITH THE LORD
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Looking in All Directions

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LOOKING in all directions is not such a difficult task as one might suppose. May I suggest that first of all we take a look backward. There are a number of backward looks which we might take with profit. For example, I like to look back to the early days of the full gospel movement. I do not suggest that in every respect those days were better than the present, but in some respects I believe they were.

In those days we learned a great deal more about real worship than many are learning now. The reason for that was that at the time we were not particularly interested in preaching, or even in the singing and the music. We were so hungry to contact God that for the time being we seemed to lose interest in all other things, and so we met to wait in His presence.

Sometimes hours passed, as you may recall, and during all that time nothing was said—no one preached. We just sat and waited, and as we did so we became conscious that God was about to move in our midst in an unusual manner. We prepared ourselves to receive something from Him as we sensed this wave of glory drawing near, and as it came it overwhelmed us and we found ourselves immersed in the presence of God. Oh, those were wonderful days! I like to think of them. I wish that those times might return.

I like to look back to my boyhood days. They were spent in poverty, but for thirteen years, the first thirteen years of my life, it was my delightful privilege to live with one of the loveliest women I have ever known. That woman was my mother. Many years have slipped by since she left me. But there are times when I get so lonesome for her that I find myself quietly repeating:

"Backward, turn backward, O Time in your flight;
Make me a child again, just for tonight.
Mother, come back from the echoless shore;
Take me again to your heart as of yore."

LOOK BACK TO CALVARY

I want to ask you to look back with me to Calvary. More than a year ago I decided that I would pitch my tent afresh at Calvary. The longer I tarried there, the more deeply I was impressed by the majestic loveliness and the sublime loneliness of the Man on the cross, and the

better I felt I understood what the hymn writer meant when he stated:

Man of Sorrows, what a name
For the Son of God who came
Ruined sinners to reclaim;
Hallelujah, what a Savior!

Bearing shame and scoffing rude,
In my place condemned He stood;
Sealed my pardon with His blood;
Hallelujah, what a Savior!

Oh, that was a dreadful storm which broke at Calvary! The fiercest storm that ever broke, broke there. May I remind you that the scene of Calvary was not set for stage effect. A great battle was waged between God and Satan, between heaven and hell, between holiness and sin. And I am glad to report that God, heaven, and holiness won that day.

Have you ever noticed the picture which the old prophet presents to us of that scene as found in Isaiah 53? Do you see the picture? Perhaps this will help you to see it. You may recall some summer day when you were out in the open, and as you looked to the west you saw a dark cloud gathering. Turning your gaze in the opposite direction you saw another dark cloud, and as you watched you observed that they seemed to be approaching each other. Something seemed to say, If those clouds meet we shall probably have a severe thunderstorm.

That is what took place at Calvary; the dark cloud, consisting of the sins of the people who had lived, and another consisting of the sins of the people who were yet to live, met and broke over the head of my Lord, for you and for me. It was there that Jesus Christ carried your sin and mine to its ultimate issue, and tasted hell for us, in order that He might create a value which He would not need for Himself, and therefore, could be placed to our credit.

Have you been at Calvary recently? If not, will you go there now?

I was very ill a year or two ago. Just as I was planning to conduct a series of special meetings, I was suddenly laid aside and in an hour or two was lying at the point of death with little or no hope held out for my recovery. I went far down the valley. I sat at the river's edge waiting for the Boatman to come from the other side and row me across safely. But I was surprised not to find the way brighter than it was. And as I waited and thought, "Now I have come to the



end of the journey and I shall be crossing over in just a moment or two," it suddenly dawned upon me that I could not enter heaven. I said to myself, "I haven't a thing whereby I can merit heaven and so I cannot enter."

At that time I didn't think that more than forty years of service for the Master might be of some help, and it never entered my mind that God had enabled me to raise funds with which to send out about thirty-five missionaries to the field. None of these things occurred to me on that occasion. Out of the darkness I heard a voice, "Child, all that ever entered the pearly gates have done so pleading the blood of Calvary's Lamb." And then the light broke, as I said, "I, too, may enter for I have unwavering faith in the atoning blood of the Son of God." Hallelujah for Calvary!

It was worth it all to go down to the edge of the river and discover that the blood of Jesus Christ is sufficient to take us through to glory.

THE INWARD LOOK

Will you please look inwardly. This is a look which most people object to taking. Somehow they seem to sense that if they look within they will discover something which they would rather not discover. And that is true. If you will look within, you will have a revelation of self which at first doubtless will be repulsive to you. Through this revelation you will learn that you are in bondage to sin. How foolishly men talk when we urge them to seek God. They offer almost any excuse for not doing so, as, for example, that they want to be free a while longer. What fools we mortals are! The man who has not been liberated by the Son of God is not free; he is a slave to sin. This is the revelation that will come to you if you will look within. And a further revelation will come, that of the limitations of the flesh. These are embarrassing and humiliating. If anyone would be curious to know whether there is anything amazing about me, I don't mind telling you I think there is. One thing amazing about me is my ignorance. Then my limitations also are amazing, the limitations of the flesh. For example, I should like to be in three or four different places tonight, but here I am, confined to this one place.

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What Is a Revival?

John C. Williams

I WAS brought up in a home that was religious but not godly. I never remember family prayers in the home, or my father ever speaking to me about things of God. I was left at twelve years of age to support myself. I then started to work in a foundry as an apprentice. At that tender age when most boys are still at school, I started to work for my daily bread, leaving home at five o'clock in the morning, and getting back about six o'clock at night. I do not remember much of childhood. Then I became connected with church, and in due course became a preacher. I preached my first sermon on my twenty-first birthday. However, it is possible to be active in the service of the church without having any knowledge of God, or of the redeeming grace of the Lord Jesus Christ.

As time went on I became imbued with socialistic ideas, and preached democracy. I had a class of five or six hundred working men on Sunday afternoons in a great industrial center in England, where I then lived. We met under the flag of Christianity, and propagated the principles of Christian socialism. I believed at that time that there was a divine spark in every man, and that it only needed the right and proper environment for that spark to be fanned into a flame. I believed that the flame would so grow that the man himself should, by the process of a divine evolution, develop after the image and conformity of the Lord Jesus Christ. I believed that, and believed it sincerely; I preached it to these men.

I GO TO WRITE UP THE SPIRIT'S WORKING

In the years 1904 and 1905 there appeared, from time to time, strange stories in the press as to extraordinary manifestations of divine power taking place in Wales. As I came from Welsh stock, this appealed to me. At that time I was writing a good deal, and I had a request from an editor of one of the magazines of the day, asking if I could go down to Wales and report on these scenes that were taking place. He wanted an unvarnished opinion as to what was the meaning of it all.

So I arranged my business, and went down to Wales. A minister of the gospel, and also a deacon, went with me. Like Moses, we stepped aside to see the great

sight of a bush that was burning, and yet not consumed. Three of us went in a critical spirit. My deacon friend was an Englishman, and I said to him, "When we get there, we shall see that this is merely emotion, and we shall be able to trace it to its source. Let us three, independently, take notes, and at the end of each day compare our notes and thus make a judicial summary, and settle the whole thing."

I recognized everything but God. Not one of the three of us knew God. We knew a great deal of creed and dogma; but of God the Father, of God the Son, of God the Holy Ghost, we discovered that we knew nothing. In the course of time we reached the locality in which the revival was taking place. It was about ten o'clock at night, and we were going to stay with the mother of the minister who went with us, for she resided in that town. We went to her house and the maid opened the door. The minister asked for his mother, and the maid said she was down at the chapel. The minister rather crossly said, "Whatever is she doing at the chapel at this time of night?" The maid said, "I do not know, but there is a meeting going on in our chapel. I came away an hour ago, and it had been going on then for four hours. I never saw anything like it before."

I said to them, "This is what we have come to see, isn't it?" The minister said, "It may be, but I am not going to see my revival at ten o'clock at night." The

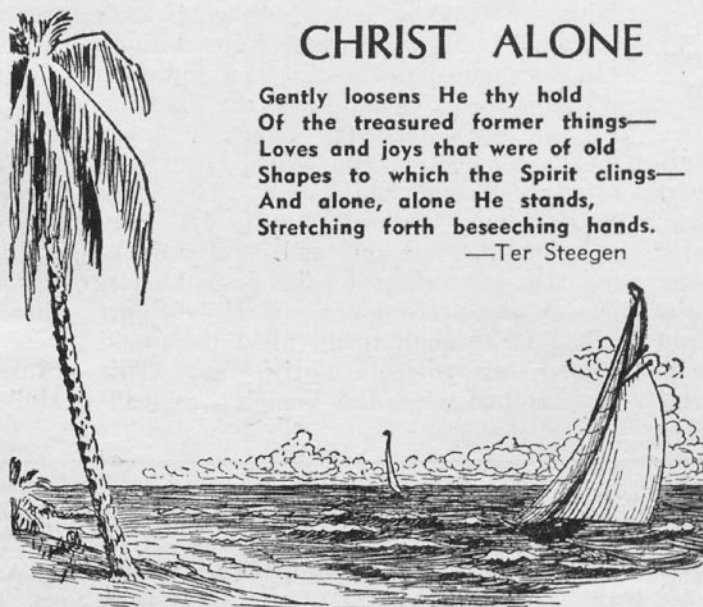
deacon, who was an older man than either of us, said, "And I am too tired." "But," I said, "fellows, what have we come for?" I was afraid the revival would be all over before morning, and I wanted to get a chance to use my notebook and pencil, and here these two were arguing about its being ten o'clock at night. Anyway, I felt that I must go, for here was something that we did not understand. I said: "Whoever heard of a meeting going on for five hours? Something is wrong about it, and we must investigate." They saw I was determined, and I said I thought they had better come along; and so we went.

We were like the spies who went to Canaan, who had *already determined about the giants and the walled cities*, and we were *looking for what we expected to see*. I will tell you, however, what we did see. We went into the schoolroom and found there a lot of young people. It was a Christian Endeavor meeting, and the children had started a prayer-meeting. I do believe their angels always see the face of their Father. These children had begun to pray, and the minister had broken down listening to their prayers. Then their parents came to see where Johnnie, Mary, Martha, and little Billy were, and as they came through the door, they heard these children praying, and they sat down until at last nearly all the parents of all the children were there. We arrived about ten o'clock and the place was full. We listened to the little children praying, and the minister sat there in the midst of them with tears rolling down his cheeks. I had gone in with my notebook and my nice pencil to analyze God. I took it out, looked at it, looked at the minister, and thought, "What is he crying for?" and then I thought, "I have it! This is *emotion*."

I took my book, and was just ready to make a note, when the minister said to my friend (who knew him very well, as he had been a lad in the same Sunday School), "Brother, won't you say a word?" But my friend was in an atmosphere where his *brain would not work*, and his *heart could not work*, so he shook his head and pointed to me. He knew that I was trained in public debating; I was always supposed to be able to get up at a moment's notice and speak on any subject from a potato to the hemisphere.

The dear old minister looked at me, and said: "My brother, have you got a word from the Lord?" Well, now if he had asked me to give an address I could have done it, or if he had asked me to preach

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CHRIST ALONE

Gently loosens He thy hold
Of the treasured former things—
Loves and joys that were of old
Shapes to which the Spirit clings—
And alone, alone He stands,
Stretching forth beseeching hands.

—Ter Steegen

Great Victory Through Praise

Mrs. C. Nuzum

MAN was created for the glory of God. Isa. 43:7. All things were created for the pleasure of God. Rev. 4:11. Those who praise God glorify Him. Psalm 50:23. In Psalm 69:30, 31, we are told that praise pleases God more than the sacrifice of an ox or a bullock. In Heb. 13:15, He calls praise a "sacrifice." In Hosea 14:2, He calls it "the calves of our lips." The other sacrifices were acceptable, but the sacrifice of praise is still better and more pleasing.

I once had a watch. It was made to keep time. After a while it did not keep time, but was still my watch, and had all in it that was there before, but when it did not do what it was made to do, I gave it to a boy, as it was no longer valuable to me. Just so, when we do not do what God created us to do, we are not of value to Him, even though we may be as full of works as the watch was. How sad to disappoint God in the purpose of our creation.

Not only did God create man to praise Him, but again and again He commands him to do it, and closes the Psalms with a command so broad that not a living being is left out, "Let everything that hath breath praise the Lord. Psalm 150:6. Jesus said the proof of love is obedience (John 14:21, 23), and if I fail to praise Him, I prove I do not love Him. Besides this, we love to praise those whom we deeply love, even when not asked to do so.

Psalm 50:15 tells us that God will deliver us out of trouble if we call upon Him, and that we SHALL glorify Him. If we fail to praise Him for the deliverance given us, the next time we ask Him to deliver us He may not do it, for 1 John 3:22 tells us that He answers the prayers of those who obey and please Him.

One says, "I do praise God in my heart." Praise must begin in the heart and come from the heart, but Psalm 66:8, says it is to be of the voice and be heard. Psalm 51:15, says the mouth is to speak it, and Heb. 13:15, says it is to be the "fruit of the lips." We never please God unless we do the things He tells us to do in the way He tells us to do them. He

says that He chose us for fruit-bearing and that He is glorified by our bearing "much fruit." This fruit of the lips is a fruit we can bear all the time, everywhere and in great abundance. What a blessed privilege! The more praise we offer, the more fruit and glory and pleasure God gets, and we are not a bit impoverished by giving it, nay, greatly blessed for it.

Eccl. 12:1 commands us to remember our Creator. Can we remember Him in any way that will give Him as much pleasure as to praise Him?

Isa. 61:3 speaks of praise as a garment. Psalm 33:1 says, "Praise is comely." Do we not long to be beautiful in the eyes of



Giving thanks always for all things unto God

Eph. 5:20

God? Then let us praise Him until we are hidden by praises, even as a garment hides our bodies.

Psalm 100:4 indicates that praise is the royal password by which we may enter His courts, and have a meeting with the King. Isa. 60:18 says God's gates shall be called praise. He comes to us through His own gates, and Psalm 24:7 indicates if the praise-gates and doors are lifted up by praising God, "the King of Glory SHALL come in." You crown Him King of glory by constant praise. The Holy Spirit comes to glorify Jesus, and many have found, after long and fruitless seeking, that when they glorified Jesus by lifting up the praise-gates, the Holy Spirit swept in through them, filled them and helped them to truly glorify Jesus. This was typified when the Temple was dedi-

cated to God, and as all united to praise Him, the glory of God filled the Temple. 2 Chron. 5:13, 14. We are told in Luke 24:53 and Acts 2:4 that as the one hundred and twenty continued to praise God, the Holy Spirit filled their temples also.

Try David's remedy. Change from the begging, crying, seeking, to perpetual praise, and you, like David, will find that He inhabiteth praises (Psalm 22:3), dwells in them. Build God a praise-home, and He will never fail to live in it.

Read in 2 Chronicles 20 how God drove back the enemies of Judah, and they did not have to fight at all, just because they praised Him. This is God's type of how He will drive Satan, and all the power of darkness, back for us if we will truly praise and trust Him.

PRaise IS PROOF THAT YOU TRULY BELIEVE GOD. 1 John 5:14, 15 says if we ask anything according to God's will, we have the thing we asked for. If we believe we have it, we shall be just as happy as if we saw it, felt it, and were using it. How easy it would then be to praise. If we cannot praise, or do not praise, it is because we have less confidence in God's Word than in our senses. Which is most sure? Our senses often deceive us, but God's Word never did and never will. IT CANNOT.

But one says, "How much must I praise?" Psalm 35:28 says, "all the day long." Psalm 34:1 and Heb. 13:15 say, "continually." One says, "That is too much." Can God ask too much of those He has created, and to whom He has given all that they have, even the earth upon which they live, and whom He has kept since birth, and above all, has redeemed by giving His life for them? Does He not say it is reasonable that you become a living sacrifice for Him? Rom. 12:1. Is it asking any more of a person to do continually what he is created to do than to expect a timepiece to constantly do what it was made to do?

But, praise His name, He rewards so richly, so gloriously, when we praise Him with all our hearts! He is pleased and glorified, but we are benefited. Psalm 22:3 says He will inhabit praises. Who would not praise forever for the sake of having God's constant presence? See how God showed His presence as Paul and Silas praised. They were set free, prisoners were loosed, souls saved, and joy given.

"Hallelujah" means "praise God," and those whose lives are filled with praises here will be sure of a place in Heaven because they will be ready to join in the Hallelujahs above.

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"Laid Out in Rows"

F. M. Lehman

IN the January (1948) issue of *The Reader's Digest* an article appears entitled, "Our Final Choice," written by W. T. Holliday, President of the Standard Oil Company, Ohio—which everybody should read and study.

In his bid for world peace Mr. Holliday advances a plea for a world government patterned after that of the United States, or else we must accept the alternative of our civilization going by way of a "Hiroshima" atomic blast. He seems not to see that without God as our national Head, such a government will go down with a more far-reaching crash than that which lies at the power-end of a split atom.

When Abraham pleaded with God to spare the cities of Sodom and Gomorrah if varying numbers—finally ten—righteous souls could be found there, even ten could not be found. When God was through with them, all that was left of these cities was ashes and history.

The merit in the Holliday "plan to prevent World War III" lies in man's way trying to bring about peace. Prophecy declares that in the end-time man will not want God as supreme in his government.

This writer says, "If we Americans really want an enduring peace for the world, we must make this effort toward the only true source of a public peace that has ever existed; justice under law and government. We must speak up for it so that our representatives will hear and act. One by one, whoever and wherever we are, we must stand up to be counted."

"The alternative is the catastrophic destruction of our civilization. It is better to stand up and be counted than to be counted while laid out in rows."

First of all, Mr. Holliday has no place for God in his world-government proposal. Without God supreme in government we cannot have "an enduring world-peace." If we count God out, we will be counted "laid out in rows." The eminent oil executive correctly adumbrates the culminating disaster toward which the world is trending, for Bible prophecy stated this same thing long centuries before Mr. Holliday's pen touched paper—adding the sequel of a blotted-out civilization. The race wants a Democracy with man in control, but this must eventually give way to a Theocracy with God in control.

If America were clean morally there might be some hope of seeing a world-government function "the American way,"

but since America and England have their hands red with shady maneuvers (as are those of Europe), the world can never have an enduring peace *a la* the *Reader's Digest* writer's pattern. The fear of impending disaster so much talked about has given rise to a world-government way of escape such that we may "stand up to be counted," and not be "laid out in rows."

There can be no escape from the disaster by which we are confronted by means of a government in which God Almighty has no place. Today many of our pulpites do not believe in the deity of Jesus Christ. University graduates taught by skeptical "Gamaliels" give us views veiled in "pink" capsules or open harangues decidedly "red" what "Utopia" Moscow could give us—in sugar-coated promises deadly in results.

Concerns, manipulating our food-products so as to enrich themselves, reach from our commercial centers to the White House itself. With speculation in grain and various commodities of life our nation would hardly offer a foundation upon which to build a world-government "to prevent World War III" or to assure "an enduring world peace."

Liquor-soaked England, and America's licensed saloon system since the repeal of the Eighteenth Amendment to the United States Constitution, and the trend toward atheism are not standards upon which to base an Utopian world-government.

Neither America nor England can "stand up to be counted" in the formation of a world government without a blush of shame until a God-sent revival breaks over the world which reaches the man between plow-handles and the legislator pyramiding profits at the expense of

voters whose confidence has been betrayed, and we as individuals give to God the first place in government. Let us all pray for revival.

We are not looking for an escape through a world-government in the coming world disaster. We look for the sudden return of our Lord—"standing up to be counted" at His appearing—when, "in the twinkling of an eye," He will take His Church away, and those who trusted in the arm of flesh will be left behind "to be counted while laid out in rows."

LOS ANGELES, CALIF.

When God Sends Revival

Revival can work drastic changes. It was during the height of the great revival of 1831, that two men called on the lessee of the Chatham Street Theater in New York and proposed to buy his lease. "What for?" said he. "For a church" "A w-h-a-t?" "A church," replied the men. The astonished man broke into tears, and exclaimed, "You may have it, and I will give \$1000 toward it." The arrangement was completed. At the close of a morning rehearsal, the beautiful hymn, "The Voice of Free Grace," was sung, and Mr. Tappan announced to the actors that that very evening there would be preaching *on that stage!*


A pulpit was placed on the very spot where dying agonies had often been counterfeited in tragic mockery; and in front of the footlights of the stage, seats for the inquirers were arranged. For seventy successive nights Mr. Finney preached there to immense audiences. The *bar-room* was changed into a *prayer-room!* and the first man who knelt there poured forth these words: "O Lord! forgive my sins. The last time I was here, Thou knowest I was a wicked actor on this stage. O Lord, have mercy on me!"

Uncompromising

I am often told today that what the Church of God needs in order to succeed is to catch the spirit of the age. I reply that the Church succeeds only in proportion as she *corrects* the spirit of the age. I am told that if I am to succeed as a Christian worker I must adopt the methods of the world. Then, by God's help, I *will* be defeated. We are not in the world to borrow the world's maxims and spirit. The world would crucify Jesus just as readily now as nineteen centuries ago. The Cross is no more popular in the world today than when men nailed Him to the cross on the green hillside outside the city gate nineteen centuries ago.—G. CAMPBELL MORGAN.

Pay Day-

The wages
of SIN is
DEATH.



but the gift of God is
ETERNAL LIFE through
Jesus Christ our Lord.

Romans 6:23

Destruction Ahead!

ERNEST S. WILLIAMS

on National Radio Hour, "Sermons in Song"

LAST week we spoke briefly concerning the beautiful temple at Jerusalem and the statement of Jesus that the temple would be destroyed. Today we want to go a little further with the subject. When Jesus foretold that the temple would be destroyed, the minds of the disciples were made exceedingly active. They were surprised, and found themselves deeply perplexed. Now if you sometime find yourself perplexed, don't think it strange, for even the disciples were.

Jesus was sitting on the Mount of Olives. I have been on the Mount. I will not soon forget my feelings as for the first time I looked from its summit toward the east and saw a ribbon of water in the distance. I exclaimed to those who were with me, "Is that the River Jordan?" and was told that it was. It was a thrilling sight. Many times Jesus had been on that Mount, and many times He had prayed in the Garden of Gethsemane near its base. He had viewed the historic river to the east, or had looked westward at Jerusalem which should have been the joy of the whole earth. But today the heart of Jesus was crushed, as He looked toward the city which had rejected Him and which should so soon be rejected in turn. Suffer me, my friend, to impress upon you the truth that rejection of Christ means our own rejection. We must either accept His redemption or hear the fateful words, "Depart from Me, I never knew you." God doesn't want to say, "Depart." I do not want you to hear Him say it. And I am sure you do not want to hear this word of rejection and woe. Oh, could I but plead with you as I would like, that you might give your heart to God!

But to continue: "His disciples came unto Him privately, saying, Tell us, when shall these things be?" They were now asking concerning the destruction of Jerusalem. Then Jesus warned them, "Take heed that no man deceive you." And I say, with Him, "Don't let any man deceive you." We are living in a time of deception. Flattering but false religion is abroad, as well as deceptions of other kinds. The Bible is the only safe guide. If you follow its teachings, you will make the grade all right. If you follow the opinions of men, you may find yourself lost.

Now Jesus said that, in the very days that would precede the destruction of Jerusalem, "Many shall come in My name, saying I am Christ; and shall deceive many. And ye shall hear of wars and rumors of wars." Some outstand-

ing false Messiahs arose prior to the destruction of Jerusalem, and wars and rumors of wars were abundant. But do you know this is equally true of the days in which we live? I need not speak of wars and rumors of wars, for they are everywhere. When has more uncertainty filled the world than today? Such things heralded the destruction of Jerusalem. Do they not now herald the close of the age? Hearer, it is time for us to get ready to meet God. The same Jesus who foresaw the destruction of Jerusalem has foreseen the destruction of all who resist the call of God. He warns you to flee from the wrath to come. Will you go to Him today? He is not on the Mount of Olives now. He is with you right where you are. Ask Him to save you from the wrath to come, and He will do so.

LOOKING IN ALL DIRECTIONS

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My mental limitations also are humiliating. There was a time when I did not know even as

DON'T GIVE UP!



much as I know now, and yet I thought I was very smart. But as I have grown older I have discovered more and more how little I really know, and I feel that my knowledge is exceedingly limited.

THE UPWARD LOOK

But lest I discourage you with this inward look, I invite you to take an upward look. If you will look up you will see Christ who is full of compassion for us; you will see the Christ of Calvary who is ready to forgive all your sin, ready to help you in all your weaknesses, ready to lift you up and bless you and encourage you and to meet your every need. Oh, what a Christ we have in the glory! I am sorry that, generally speaking, people are slow in beholding Him.

THE OUTWARD LOOK

Then I would advise you to take a look outward. If you will do this you will see a world in need and you will also see a world filled with opportunities today! There are opportunities for service everywhere that we must not fail to notice.

Bishop Asbury tells us in his journal of an experience he had in the early days of Methodism. As he rode along on horseback he had to cross a bridge spanning a stream. Seated on the ledge of the bridge was the blackest man Asbury said he ever had seen. He nodded to him and the black man nodded back, but Asbury had not gone very far when a voice said, "Asbury, alight from your horse and go back and speak to the black man."

Asbury might have argued, "What will be the use? He is probably so ignorant that he wouldn't understand anything that I might say to him, and then, besides, I am a busy man looking after church matters and I must hurry on." But he obeyed the Lord by alighting from his horse and going back and seating himself alongside the man in an attempt to engage him in conversation. As the black man was not talkative, it took Asbury some time to draw from him his name, which he said was Punch. Asbury read a few words from the Scriptures and prayed, after which he continued his journey.

Months later Asbury was in that district again, but this time a long distance from where he had met the black man. One morning there was a knock at the door and when Asbury responded he saw a black man whose face was wreathed in smiles. The man inquired, "Do you know me?" Asbury replied, "No, Have I ever seen you before?" "Why, I am Punch," said the black man. "Oh, you're the man I talked to on the bridge several months ago." Acknowledging that he was the same person, he told Asbury this story:

"After you left me that day, I went back to my cabin and decided that I would go down and pray to this strange God that you had told me about. I hadn't been praying very long before a light appeared and my heart felt so clean that from

that moment I didn't want to swear, I didn't want to steal or use tobacco, and I didn't want to lie. Some of the slaves noticed the change in me, and after I told them how it had occurred they prayed to this God, too. Now I have come down here to ask you for a pastor."

Asbury said, "Well, Punch, how many other black people are there on the plantation just like you?"

Punch replied, "There are two hundred, and we want a pastor."

Asbury assured him, "You shall have a pastor."

A few weeks later a pastor was sent to the plantation, but the day he arrived Punch was too ill to attend the meeting. The pastor went over to Punch's cabin and told him who he was and why he had come. While he was in that cabin a light brighter than any that ever had shone on this earth lighted the way for the soul of that black man to the eternal city. He had won two hundred other black people for God.

If Asbury had neglected to heed the voice that told him to go back and speak to that black man, there would have been at least two hundred less folk in heaven and perhaps hundreds of others as well would be missing. I believe it would be well for us to look out right now. If you cannot look too far away, then look close at home. You may find there are people living within a stone's throw of the place you call home who have been there forty or fifty years, but never yet has anyone gone to them to speak about the love of Christ. Go to them, grasp them by the hand, look them full in the eye, saying that you have come to talk to them about their souls and about Jesus.

Oh, I beg you to look out upon a troubled world, one that is plunging downward as though it were eager for damnation. Look out upon a world in distress and seize the opportunities for service all about us. Let us tell men everywhere about our Christ.

LOOK AHEAD

I conclude by asking you to look forward. I know that some of the predictions and statements of teachers of prophecy have failed, but we must not be disturbed unduly because of this. It may be that our mathematics got a bit muddled, but Christ is coming. If you should ask me where the prophetic preachers are I would suggest that they are away revising their notes, but they will be back after a bit.

I suggest that we do not give too much attention to details, but keep to the major point that the Lord Jesus Christ is coming back. The great question, the one of first importance, is that of *preparedness*. There would be nothing in particular gained if I could tell you who the Antichrist is or will be. As far as I am concerned, I do not care. I do not know one verse of Scripture that teaches me to be looking for him. I am looking for the Christ, and I confess that I am so strangely constituted that my mind cannot very well be filled with two things at the same time. If my mind were filled with thoughts of the Antichrist, I fancy it wouldn't be long until my heart would be robbed of all its bridal affections for Jesus Christ.

I do not know who the Antichrist is, nor when he will appear, and neither do I know the moment when Jesus will come; but I am telling you once again that He is coming. Before He went away He said, "Let not your heart be troubled;

ye believe in God, believe also in Me. . . . I go to prepare a place for you. And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again, and receive you unto Myself; that where I am, there ye may be also." John 14:1-3.

You will recall that He told two of the heavenly escorts who came down to accompany Jesus back to glory to tarry a little. This they did and, turning to the questioning disciples, who were looking at their ascending Lord, said, "Ye men of Galilee, why stand ye gazing into heaven? This same Jesus, which is taken up from you into heaven, shall so come in like manner as ye have seen Him go into heaven." Acts 1:11.

And you will also recall the post-Apostolic reference to this same truth by the inspired apostle: "For the Lord Himself shall descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of the archangel, and with the trump of God; and the dead in Christ shall rise first; then we which are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air; and so shall we ever be with the Lord." 1 Thess. 4:16, 17.

He is coming, and because His coming is a certainty, I suggest that we lay the stress upon being ready when He comes. You will recall that the apostle Peter wrote in his second epistle, "Seeing that ye look for such things, be diligent that ye may be found of Him in peace, without spot, and blameless." 2 Peter 3:14. He is coming for folk who, when He comes, will be found of Him in peace; for those who are so perfectly one with the will of God that there is not a thing in the life of the individual that is out of harmony with the Lord. Here you have the qualifications for the rapture: "To be found of Him in peace, without spot, and blameless." "In peace"—justification; "without spot"—purification; "blameless"—preservation.

Homes for Aged Ministers and Laymen

There is an increasing demand for Christian Homes for the aged of our fellowship, both for ministers and laymen. The demand is becoming more insistent every day. Something must be done to meet the need and that soon. The Assemblies of God have been forward in the propagation of the Pentecostal message both at home and in foreign lands, but we have lagged far behind other religious bodies in the care of the aged of the fellowship. It appears that the time has arrived when something must be undertaken in their behalf.

State regulatory laws affect the opening of any institution, whether it be for the care of children, the infirm or the aged. It is the fear of not being able to conform to these laws that hinders the undertaking of the task. Provision must be made for the care of the sick and the infirm in any home which may be contemplated. Sacrifice and labor will be involved, and only those with a definite call and willingness to give their utmost to the cause can hope to succeed.

Homes on a national scale seem to be impractical, for State aid can only be granted to residents of the State, and aged persons crossing State lines would not be eligible for old-age compensation. It seems, therefore, we

And how shall we be justified? "Therefore being justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ." Romans 5:1. And then we are to be pure. Isn't it sad that so many people are bitterly opposed to this glorious teaching of heart purity? Now do not misunderstand me; I am not particularly interested in any theory of heart purity. I am telling you that Jesus is coming back to this earth one of these days and, according to the Word of God, He is not coming for everyone—good, bad, and indifferent—but He is coming especially for folk whose hearts are pure. The blood of Jesus Christ does cleanse from everything that is vile and impure and unholy. He is coming for those who will be preserved. Believe me, when He comes He will not catch up a people who have just finished an afternoon party with the world, or those who have just been playing a hide-and-seek game with the devil. He is coming for folk who when He comes will be at the battle front in full victory, waving not the white flag but the bloodstained banner of King Immanuel, and shouting the victory over the world, the flesh, and the devil. I do not know but that the King of glory will ride down from the clouds before another day shall dawn. I cannot promise that there will not be a rift in heaven's blue and a break in earth's brown before the time for another gathering, but I can tell you that the fountain is open, that the door of mercy stands ajar, and that if you will come He will receive you. I can assure you on the authority of God's Word that you may have salvation if you do not already enjoy it, for He has said, "Ho, every one that thirsteth, come ye to the waters, and he that hath no money; come ye, buy, and eat; yea, come, buy wine and milk without money and without price" Isa. 55:1. Will you come now?

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should have a number of such homes, accommodation being made for the aged residents of the State in which the home is located, to take advantage of the State relief funds which are available. Otherwise, the support of Homes for the Aged will fall entirely upon the constituency of the Assemblies of God fellowship.

A Committee has been appointed to study the problem of Homes for the Aged and this committee is giving careful, prayerful consideration of the ways and means of establishing the needed homes for the aged of the Assemblies of God fellowship. But we must go farther and not stop with a study of the need and ways and means of meeting it. Someone must dedicate his or her life to the cause of actually providing the needed homes and then the maintenance of the homes after they have been established. Consecrated Christian laymen, who are not called to preach, would make ideal superintendents for this work. This is something to be prayed over until the right ones are found for this great ministry to the aged of the Assemblies of God fellowship.

They who trust Him wholly find Him wholly true.

Report From Eastern Europe

Noel Perkin

WE are glad to welcome back from Poland K. Fugowski who has been in Europe for about six months. He gives an interesting report concerning the conditions in Eastern Europe. God's blessing seems to be upon the work in Bulgaria and the number of believers increases each time a statistical report comes from that field. There is a real need of getting some financial help to the believers there in order that they may be able to purchase places for church worship.

It is reported that in Budapest, Hungary there are at least 2,000 Pentecostal believers. The Assemblies in Hungary are getting together and are appealing to us for help in the support of three Hungarian evangelists who would gladly give their time and service in ministry in needy places if there were some source of support. The church there can barely care for its own local groups so that there is nothing available for extension work. **It would cost about \$150.00 per month to support three workers.**

During the five months when Mr. Fugowski was in Poland, he had the joy of either baptizing or seeing baptized 250 converts, and 470 more professing conversion will be baptized later. He found considerable freedom to preach the gospel everywhere he went, even on the street corners. He traveled in many cities and visited twenty-one Pentecostal Assemblies which are organized, while there are nine other groups that are holding regular services but are not set in order. There are twenty-one Pentecostal ministers giving full time to the work of the ministry. Ten others are giving part time as they are obliged to work to support themselves.

One of the needs in Poland at the present

time is for song books. During the war all printing of this type was suspended and it has not been possible to supply the need since the termination of the war. The cost of printing a song book for the Polish friends would be around \$300.00 for 3,000 copies.

There are approximately 5,000 Pentecostal believers in Poland and we would also like to help them in the preparation of gospel literature in Polish. They need a monthly magazine. One can be published for around \$100.00 a month. We would like to see some good gospel tracts printed in the Polish language. This can be done most satisfactorily in Poland. The main problem is for funds to finance the printing.

It is interesting to find that almost all the people in Poland are wearing garments that have come from America. Mr. Fugowski in talking with a Communist, who was very much opposed to the United States and did not show any appreciation for what America has been doing, pointed out to him that even while they were talking he was wearing clothes that had come from the United States.

In some of the larger cities such as Warsaw and Lodz there are groups of God's people who are in need of church buildings. Sometimes there are as many as 100 people crowded into rooms no larger than 14' x 14'. Cracow is another city that needs a church building. Although the group of believers in this place is not large there are about 35 who meet together regularly.

The cost of living in Poland is high. The cheapest suit that a man can purchase costs

around \$105.00, a pair of shoes costs as much as a person would earn in six months, one pound of butter is worth about \$1.00 or the equivalent of four days' work. The trains in Poland are so limited in accommodation for passengers that people are packed in so that it is frequently difficult to move and large numbers travel in freight cars.

Mr. Fugowski was attacked by bandits while in Poland, but God graciously preserved him and enabled him to retain his money. The condition of the people is so desperate that theft and even murder are quite common. There is such a shortage of Bibles that some knowing the demand there is for the Word of God, have been getting copies from other countries and selling them on the black market."

Gustave Kinderman, our field secretary for Europe, and other workers who are busy trying to get help to European countries, will be giving the needs of Poland and Eastern Europe their special attention. As far as is possible we will send them Bibles, song books, literature and food parcels. Any help sent for European relief for any one of these needs will be deeply appreciated.

Florence Steidel, Liberia. The first building in "New Hope Town" is completed and inhabited by sixty-two people having leprosy. We are now putting the roof on the second building.

The colony is growing faster than the food supply. Please pray that the Lord will supply food and shelter for them and above all that they might be saved.

Where Three Roads Meet

Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Brengle, Philippine Islands

A GROUP of us started forth in a jeep to conduct gospel services wherever the Lord might lead. We took an accordion, cornet, guitar, visual aid material and felt an assurance of being in the will of God. A few kilometers away we came to a place where three roads met. There was a large group of people gathered, so we stopped and asked permission to play and sing for them.

In a few minutes about 225 people surrounded us and listened attentively to the gospel message.

Recently we visited them again, and could see how that God is truly working among them. Many had been truly converted. They told us that they no longer work on Sunday as they have designated that day for worship. They had stoned other preachers who had come to them, and had also thrown carabao dung on them. Now they themselves marvel at how they all want to hear the gospel.

After the preaching, we left two workers there to teach songs and Scriptures and we moved along to the second place—reaching about 500 people each Sunday in these services.

We are teaching ten hours each week in the

Bible School preparing visual aid lessons in the Llocano and Panayan dialects for the students, and giving them a great deal of time outside of school hours.

Mr. Brengle brought a truck load of supplies up to Pozorrubio for the Bible school. He conducted a baptismal service, and preached at the chapel service. The Lord blessed and students testified to seeing visions, hearing angels singing and to receiving a blessed quickening from the Lord.

Keep on praying for the Manila work and that we may have strength to carry on.

Return to Tsinghai

George Wood, China

AT last we are home in Tsinghai. Thank God for His protecting hand upon us all the way. We came by plane from Shanghai as it was the only way through. From Lanchow we came by truck to Sining and then on over the mountains, three hard long days to here. We crossed a 13,000 foot mountain the second day out and ran into over a foot of snow on the ground.

Our quarters here consist of one small court yard. The buildings are made of mud. The walls are mud plastered. The floors are dirt and the windows are papered as window glass is unobtainable. So far we have no furniture and are using the crates and boxes



William Stepp
Venezuela



Mrs. William Stepp
Venezuela



Palma Ramsborg
Manchuria

from our freight, but we are glad to be in our own home. We are four days by cart from any white people but have not missed any companionship yet as we have been so busy.

In a little over a week since we arrived here, we have been visited by over 200 people. The postmaster, the city magistrate, and the big military ruler here of over 100,000 soldiers have visited us several times. They had a great feast for us today in the home of the military man and some of the leading people of the city were there. Many sick have come to us for prayer and we thank God for all this. We do want to find favor with God and with our fellowmen so that we may lead souls to Christ.

So far we can only find four real Pentecostal Christians. At our first service here, there were sixty children present. Over seventy-five adults came to last Sunday morning's meeting. We are asking the Lord to send us a native pastor or evangelist to help us.

Here in Tsinghai we must change the Chinese currency into silver dollars and it is a problem. The Chinese money is exchanged at the rate of 40,000 to 1 U. S. dollar now, a few weeks ago it was over 50,000 to 1, and when we first came here it was only 24,000 to 1.

Asia, European Relief

WE are very grateful to the many friends who have been sending gifts of clothing to the War Relief Commission in New York designated for Assemblies of God relief work. We are also happy to learn that a considerable amount of clothing has gone to the depository on the west coast in Seattle for relief in Asia. This is in charge of B. M. Kvamme, 5754 E. Greenlake Way, Seattle 3, Washington.

We are happy to report that we are able to reach practically all parts of Europe with food parcels. We are getting numbers of letters expressing deep appreciation for the good food that has come to them in these parcels from America. We do not advise sending parcels direct except inquiry has been made first so as to be sure that the people to be benefited do not have to pay duty on the parcels. We have heard that those in Greece and Poland have had to pay heavy duty on parcels sent through agencies other than CARE. Our field secretary, Gustave Kinderman, is making careful inquiry into these matters so that any money sent to the Foreign Missions Department for food parcels will be sent in the most economical manner. We give assurance that the parcels will be delivered to those for whom they are intended.

NEWS FLASHES

Misses Palma Ramsborg and Gwendolyn H. Hansen sailed in January for North China.

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Miss Ethel McClendon went to Cuba during the month of January.

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Mr. and Mrs. Wm. C. Stepp sailed for Venezuela in January where they will commence their first term of service.

Open Doors to Minister

Ladislav Huba, Czechoslovakia

DURING the past two months my ministry was limited to our local area, Lipt. Luzna and Ruzomberok. The spiritual needs are great all around us. It was also necessary for me to rest up and recuperate a little. Thank the Lord I am regaining strength and feel much better.

The field here is really hard as this is a stronghold of Romanism. Quite often they go on their processional tours, singing songs to Mary and carrying crosses and idols. One can feel the powers of darkness connected with it.

In the neighboring town of Lip. Osada, prior to war they had a Czechoslovak Reformed Church, but during the war it was closed and the people forced back to Romanism. Lately, I have done personal work there, testified, passed out tracts and gospels, and it seems that the former members of the Reformed Church were more open to the truth than the others.

There is also a fine opportunity to witness in hospitals. On two occasions I went to visit some believers or a friend, and as a result all others in the room were reached with the Word. They eagerly accepted the literature and the testimony given them. There are many villages in this country with not a single witness—not a soul saved in it.

We have started to have Young People's Meetings on Saturdays. They are showing good interest. How we need an outpouring of the Spirit here both on the young as well as the older folks. Do pray with us toward this end.

My brother and I were invited to attend a sectional conference in southwestern Slovakia among the repatriated Slovaks from Hungary. We came to Bratislava and had a cottage meeting Saturday night. On Sunday we arrived in Diosek where the brethren had a large tractor and two trailers which took us and all the visitors to the town where the meeting was held.

The service convened in the open air in an orchard. The attendance was approximately 100. A fine spirit prevailed. After the testimonies and the sermon, the altar call was given. Souls responded and came forward to pray for the Baptism in the Holy Spirit, some were anointed for healing and two young men gave their hearts to Jesus.

We visited the villages of Hochstetno and Pernek. In the former village, the relatives of my wife gladly welcomed us and attentively listened to God's word. I trust that they will

take a definite stand for the Lord. This would give us a stronghold in that town in which there are no believers as yet. In Pernek, two boys were dealt with and one was deeply moved. I believe that he was saved.

Invitations are coming from many places to come and visit. It will take a long time to be able to reach them all. The doors for the ministry are wide open throughout the entire country.



● Workers in Brazil attending a Bible conference with Lawrence Olson instructing.

Paraguay Conference

R. M. Stawinski, Paraguay

In September we were able to complete the addition to our building in Encarnacion. Kermit Jeffrey, from Bolivar, Argentina, conducted a Bible Conference for our national workers.

Our Bible week started with prayer. Brother Kerr taught from a chart on "God's plan of salvation from eternity to eternity." Kermit Jeffrey spoke daily on "Faith in the life of Abraham." The workers were blessed by the teaching of God's word.

We had the privilege to go into the interior before the Bible Conference. A service was held followed by the baptizing of six Paraguayans.



● In Argentina, Kermit Jeffrey conducts a Bible study with a large chart. He is aided in the study by Raymond Stawinski.

The Passing and the Permanent

"HE DIED FOR INDIA"

Mohandas K. Gandhi is dead, shot by a Hindu as he walked to a prayer meeting on January 30. "HE DIED FOR INDIA," said a newspaper headline in reporting the sensational news. Perhaps he did, but his death will not do India very much good. There is One who died for India, whose name is Jesus. By His death He purchased peace, love, and eternal life for all who will believe on Him. Oh, that India's millions would become disciples of this living Savior, rather than the disciples of the dead Mahatma!

LACKING A LEADER

J. B. Priestley, an English writer, declares, in an American magazine, that he and other non-Americans feel as though they are "locked in a house with a whimsical drunken giant." He says: "The most powerful government in the world seems to have no continuing policy, and is clearly swayed by what is largely an irresponsible, sensation-loving press and an electorate that can be stampeded like cattle." He adds: "Sometimes we feel as if our destiny hangs on decisions that come from a three-ring circus." It is into such a world that the Antichrist will come as a potential leader, and he will be heartily welcomed!

AVOWED ATHEISTS ARE FEW

Avowed atheists in America today are few in number—comparatively few, in fact, in most nations. An eleven-nation Gallup Poll indicates that 96% of the people in Brazil believe in God; 95% of the people in Canada and Australia; and 94% of the people of the U.S.A. Of the other 6%, half of the Americans said they had not decided whether to believe in God or not. Only 3% were avowed atheists.

When questioned regarding the hereafter, 68% of the Americans said they believed in life after death; 19% were undecided. Evidently more people are interested in religion than we realize. What an opportunity we have to present the gospel and to lead them to a saving knowledge of Christ.

NOT A DEBATABLE ISSUE

The Federal Communications Commission recently ruled that atheistic propaganda will now be legally permitted over American broadcasting stations. In passing the verdict, it made the wicked statements that the reality of God is a debatable issue, and that every man's God is different anyway. Here is a powerful agency of the Federal Government officially opening the doors to atheism. Hitherto the official attitude has been that the reality of God is *not* a debatable issue. That is why our coins bear the motto, "In God We Trust," and that is why our national anthem ratifies the motto. What is happening to this so-called "Christian" nation? We are too cowardly to insist on the recognition of God in the United Nations deliberations. Is our Government not courageous enough to insist on official recognition of the Deity in our own land, in spite of the rantings of the atheists?

PORTENTS OF REVIVAL

In a recent editorial in *United Evangelical Action*, James DeForest Murch wrote: "Thousands of people are being reached by mass evangelism today where hundreds were being touched a few years ago. Youth for Christ, Christ for America, independent evangelistic foundations, gospel radio broadcasters, and the evangelists of Holiness and Pentecostal churches are in the vanguard of what appears to be the beginning of another great American revival."

SHOULD PREACHERS SMOKE?

Methodist preachers in Virginia voted at their Annual Conference to allow Methodist preachers to smoke. The Virginia delegates plan to make a "burning issue" of the question at the Methodist General Conference in Boston in April. As the old saying goes, "Where there's smoke there's fire," and probably this "smoking question" will produce plenty of fire at the General Conference. One thing we know by experience: the fire of the Holy Ghost will take the place of the smoking habit in any life that is entirely yielded to His control.

A FOREBODING FUTURE

A two-page article appeared in the January 23 issue of *U.S. News*, entitled, "FIGHTING THE NEXT WAR: A PREVIEW." The subhead read, "Plans for Countering Expected Soviet Attack." Legends under the illustrations said: "If war comes in the future, it will come without warning, by air attack and through saboteurs. Atomic bombs could be delivered by rockets and pilotless jet planes. Biological weapons could destroy growing crops, poison water supplies." From the military standpoint, the future offers no prospect to the world, but a certain fearful looking for of intensified conflict ending with the elimination of the weak and unprepared. The premillennial hope is all that lights the future. Is the "blessed hope" a reality to you?

THE ANTIDOTE FOR COMMUNISM

In an unprecedented appearance before the Committee on un-American Activities of the House of Representatives recently, the head of the FBI, J. Edgar Hoover, said that "the Communists have been, still are, and always will be a menace to freedom, to democratic ideals, to the worship of God, and to America's way of life." He added, "Communism, in reality, is not a political party. It is a way of life—an evil and malignant way of life. It reveals a condition akin to disease that spreads like an epidemic, and like an epidemic a quarantine is necessary to keep it from infecting the nation."

Mr. Hoover told the committee that the best antidote for Communism is "vigorous, intelligent, old-fashioned Americanism." We would prefer to say a "vigorous, intelligent, old-fashioned Christianity," and no doubt the head G-man would agree wholeheartedly. The more others preach Communism, the more we need to preach Christ. The former must fall before His power, even as the Philistine god Dagon was forced to fall and crash before the presence of God's ark in days gone by.

PRAY FOR TEL AVIV

Tel Aviv is the modern, all-Jewish city in Palestine, having a population of 250,000. One third of all the Jews in Palestine live in Tel Aviv, yet there is not one Christian mission in the entire city. Pray for Tel Aviv.

RELIGION IN LONDON

The British paper *Punch* says that 624 of the 701 churches in the London area were wholly or partially destroyed by war. Only 77 churches remain—yet these are half empty, so low is the tide of religion in the great city with its millions of inhabitants! Evidently there is need of revivals fires being kindled in those 77 churches!

TOBACCO FOR STARVING LANDS

A well-known radio news commentator claims very good authority for his statement that nearly a billion dollars' worth of the proposed aid to Europe under the four-year Marshall Plan will be in the form of tobacco! We wonder how many will be saved from starvation or from Communism by such an ill-chosen gift!

SURPLUS ARMY TESTAMENTS

A few months ago a total of 1,012,243 Army Testaments, declared surplus, were offered free of charge to those promising to make good use of them. It was not long until all were taken. In fact, there were requests for eight times as many volumes as were on hand. The need for copies of God's Word, even in America, is never full.

THE DIVORCE EVIL

According to the *Kansas City Star*, the divorce rate is decreasing in many parts of America. Jackson County (including Kansas City) had a drop of 30% in 1947. The United Press reports that the rate is lower in most of the leading cities of the U.S. But a recent issue of *Family Life* says that in Los Angeles County, California, during the first six months of 1947, there were 15,711 suits for divorce, separation, or annulment, compared with 18,525 marriages. Of course, Hollywood is in this county. If the influence of Hollywood could be removed from America the divorce rate everywhere would drop in a much greater degree!

THE PROSPECT IN PALESTINE

The U.N. was most optimistic in voting to partition Palestine. Its Special Committee on Palestine says it will require the constitutions of both the Arab and the Jewish states to guarantee complete freedom of religion, with no discrimination of any kind between inhabitants on grounds of race, religion, language, or sex, etc. It sounds so simple—but how to force the unwilling Arabs to agree to the plan is quite another matter. The Arabs threaten to shoot on sight any U.N. official who dares to set foot on Palestine soil in an attempt to partition the land—and probably they will do it.

Only an intensifying of the present bitter fighting seems to be in the immediate prospect for Palestine. But a happier day will come with the return of the Messiah from heaven. "The Lord shall be King over all the earth: in that day shall there be one Lord, and His name one. . . . And there shall be no more utter destruction; but Jerusalem shall be safely inhabited." Zech. 14:9, 11. What the U.N. cannot do, God will do. His plan of union, rather than man's plan of partition, will be successful.



WESLEY R. STEELBERG
National C. A. Director

HOW easy it is to forget that we were once young, that we had our moments of mischance, our so-called love affairs, and our times of despair when we felt no one understood us and no one cared. If we will make a definite effort to relive as it were our "yesterdays of youth," with their aspirations and ambitions, it will help us to appreciate, understand, and encourage young people of today.

And how much a word of encouragement means. It costs so little, yet often it has such far-reaching effects as to be almost phenomenal. But we are victims of a widespread plague of criticism until it seems so few are willing even to allow themselves to voice appreciation, lest they be considered soft-hearted and over-generous. We urge you to try a little experiment with the young people of your acquaintance. For 30 days, or any given period which would allow time for observation, try to point out their good qualities, express appreciation for their accomplishments, commend them for effort expended, and see if you don't get the surprise of your life. The philosophy that only the language of correction and restraint is productive of results is not altogether justified in my opinion. It is true that we do have to cope with juvenile delinquency, and child crime, which are attributed to the parental laxity of this generation. But the gospel of the beatitudes, the language of love, and the ministry of encouragement are still tremendously effectual.

The fact that a total of over \$93,000 was contributed last year through the Speed-the-Light channel of giving is a clear indication that youth can be encouraged to catch the missionary vision. Not only are they giving, but they are going. On my recent visit to the West Indies, I was thrilled beyond words to meet former C.A.'s from various parts of the fellowship who were faithfully and efficiently serving the Master. This has not been accomplished by condemnation but by encouragement.

Yes, encouragement pays. And it is with the purpose of encouraging our youth that the General Council has designated March 7 as National Christ's Ambassadors Day. We urge the pastors, the parents, the church officials to give the young people of the church your help. Make a place for them on the program of the church for C. A. Day. Interest yourself in the projects which they have purposed to undertake. Help them to promote the Speed-the-Light plan. Examine the C. A. literature, such as the *Herald* and the *Guide*. Get them to tell you about the Balloon barrage; you'll not only be amazed to find how willing they are to sacrifice, labor, and co-operate, but your own soul will thrill all over again as you take part with them.

The theme of the day, "Live Christ, Give Christ," involves such an all-embracing significance that it will touch every avenue of the spiritual life. A particular point of concentration in the purposes of C. A. Day is an attempt through united prayer and fervent effort to win the backsliders and to bring in the unsaved loved ones of the families associated with the church. Surely this is a worthy objective and one which we can all endorse.

So we appeal to the youth of yesterday; won't you do your part to encourage the youth of today? Pray, plan, prepare, make a place for them in the program of C. A. Day, that Christ may be glorified and His great work perpetuated through the rising generation.

SPECIAL NOTICE TO BEGINNER OR PRIMARY TEACHERS

If you teach both Beginner and Primary children in your class, do not order a mixture of Beginner and Primary literature for use in the same class. Either order *all Beginner* or *all Primary material*. The material for Beginners follows different lessons than the Primary, and the two cannot mix. Some teachers have been ordering Primary cards to go with the Beginner lessons. They have wondered why the lessons and pictures are different. Order the Beginner paper "Little Folk's Friend" instead of the cards. It takes the place of the old Beginner picture cards, and goes with the Beginner Teacher.

HOW TO GET REVIVAL

Pandita Ramabai issued a paper entitled, "The Story of the Mukti Revival," in which the following searching words appear:

"Do you really want such a revival for your heart and home, and church and neighborhood? In order to get it the following conditions must be fulfilled:

"1. You must feel deeply the need, the urgent need of revival. To the self-satisfied, no revival can come. The hungry are filled, the rich are sent empty away. Luke 1:53.

"2. You must humble yourself before God. He comes to revive the humble and the contrite. Isaiah 57:15. Your very need of revival means guilt on your part. Because of your unrevived and unspiritual condition, God has been dishonored and souls have been lost. Get down on your knees and humble yourself before God. When the prophet prayed, 'O Lord, revive Thy work,' he added, 'In wrath remember mercy.' Hab. 3:2.

"3. You must be earnest in prayer. Such lifeless prayers as you have offered hitherto, such shallow prayers as you have rattled off so volubly, can never bring revival. 'Make your petition deep.' When the fountains of the deep within you are broken up, the windows of heaven above you will be opened. 'Deep calleth unto deep.'

"4. You must put away all known sin. You must obey instantly every known commandment. Psalm 66:18; Acts 5:32.

"5. You must ask in faith. Believe God. He is faithful. He will not break His Word. He will not disappoint the desire which He has kindled in your heart. He waits to answer the prayer which He is prompting you now to offer."

"Revive me." Psalm 138:7.

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"Revive Thy work." Habakkuk 3:2.

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This story comes to us from Nome, Alaska, related by A. E. Capener, our missionary:

"This week we filled our house to capacity when we took four small children in to stay with us. This incident is a most startling one, but not unusual in Alaska. Three lovable little girls have been coming to our Sunday School frequently. Their ages are three, four and six. There is also a seven-month-old baby. When they were absent from Sunday School last Sunday, we went to look them up, and to take them some clothing. What we found in the home was terrible!

"The mother had left them alone on Saturday, and was not located until Sunday noon. Then she was found in the company of some soldiers in a place of ill repute.

"Someone happened to find the children late Saturday night alone in the hovel with no heat. The temperature outside was twenty-five degrees below zero. Their beds were wet, and the children's hands were beginning to freeze. They were in total darkness, as their candle had burned out.

"The police station sent a woman prisoner over to help out in the care of the children temporarily, and they put the mother in jail for deserting her little ones. The father was already in jail. When we learned on Sunday that the authorities wanted to find a home for the children, we could not refrain from inviting them to our home. The mother will be in jail for a year, and the little ones will be taken from her permanently.

"This condition has been going on in the home for a long time, but it was made more serious when an older sister was sent away recently to a government school at White Mountain, so the little ones had no one to care for them."

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WHAT IS A REVIVAL?

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a sermon—but to put it that way, "Have you got a word from the Lord"! Well, I got up, opened my mouth, and stood there for quite a time with it open. Not a sound! Then I looked down and I saw those dear children—the oldest of them could not have been more than fourteen or fifteen—all looking at me with their eyes wide open, wondering what the stranger was going to say. Something gripped the heart of the stranger, and then the man who wanted to write about emotion began to weep, and all he could say was: "Oh, children, pray for me!" That was the most eloquent sermon that I ever preached in my life. And before you could say anything those children jumped up, closed around me, got hold of my coat, hands and fingers, and said, "Yes, we will pray for you; O hallelujah, we will pray for you." I looked down at them. I was deeply moved, and said, "Well now, that is good of you; I am going to hear Evan Roberts, and I do not know what may happen."

A LONG NIGHT OF AGONY

And I did not. Things were happening so quickly that I did not know what might happen next. The meeting broke up. We went back, and I shared the room with the minister, who got little sleep that night. I got less, for I was up, and was praying, and I did not know what happened. I know now. I was under deep conviction of sin, and I said to Mr. A—, "You have been to college, and you know all about these things, but I have sinned against God." He said, "I told you that you ought not to go to that meeting; it was too late; I know you are tired." So he said this, and the other thing, as I went through that long night of agony. I was up at five o'clock the next morning, and got those fellows out of bed, and said, "Come, there is a train at a quarter past six."

It was a dark January morning, and as we came near the place where I thought Evan Roberts was at work, we called a porter, and said, "Come here, can you tell me where the revival is?" He just gave me one look, began to cry, and said, "I don't know, but it is *in me!*" It did not matter where you were. It reminded me of the days when even the bells of the horses shall have inscribed upon them, "Holiness unto the Lord." That is revival. It is revival when men in the street are afraid to open their lips and give vent to blasphemy that may be in their hearts because of the Spirit and the atmosphere around them. It is revival when sinners fall down, without any apparent reason; when they cry out for mercy at the street corner; when the whole town is overawed by the presence of God; when every shop becomes a pulpit, and every home becomes a sanctuary; here every hearth becomes an altar, and every lip is touched by the flame of God's presence. That is how it was in Wales. Whoever spoke, spoke with bated breath. It was as if men were walking in the corridors of the heavenly city—as if they were conscious of the presence of the omnipotent God, and walking softly and humbly before Him.

We reached the place, and the station was a mile away from the village. I know nothing of how I covered that mile, but they told me after-

ward it was just like Bunyan's running from the City of Destruction. When the Spirit of God puts his hook into a man and begins to draw, neither seas nor continents, neither the eyes of men nor the fears of the world, can stop that soul until it finds peace. The drawing power of God was manifest that night and that day; and there in the dawn of that wonderful morning, there was a man running for his life.

At last I came to the church, and outside of the chapel I found a group of people, and said, "Where is Evan Roberts?" Mark you, I thought that he would be up at any hour of the day or night. They said, "We do not know." "Well, where is the revival meeting?" "Why, everywhere, of course." And so I asked, "Is there a meeting here?" "Oh! yes, there is a meeting on here, but you cannot go in!" "Well, shall I have to go on to the next village? Is there any other chapel?" "Oh, yes, there are other chapels, but they are all filled." "But," I said, "it is only a quarter to eight in the morning." "Oh, that may be!" they said. "Well, when did this service begin?" "Well, it really began at six o'clock last night." And so it was. Men forgot the ordinary vocations of the day. Miners forgot to go down to the pit; and when they did go down into the bowels of the earth, those men gathered together in groups, and prayed to Almighty God. That is revival—when grace spreads over the whole community. Down there in the depths prayer was being made for China, for India, and for the whole world by these men who had just come out of darkness.

SATAN'S TEMPORARY VICTORY

Some of the people came out of the chapel and we slipped in. My friends had overtaken me, and went in with me. We were standing just by the door. And there, all at once, the devil came in. It was as if I had been led into the very wilderness. The devil came and said, "Well, now, you are making a fool of yourself. What about that article you have to write?" I said, "Yes, of course, what about that article?" My mind began to work, and the flesh lusted against the Spirit, and the Spirit against the flesh. The thoughts of men and the carnal mind that is in us are against God, and there the conflict was going on. At last it seemed as if the flesh triumphed. I became cold and cynical. I began to analyze the whole thing from a fleshly standpoint, and it seemed as if the Spirit of God withdrew and my old self was left.

Then I began to make some notes, as the service went on. Oh, the singing and the prayers—first in English, then in Welsh, and then someone would break out in French. It seemed as if all the languages were there, but there was no confusion, no lack of harmony, because God was the Presiding Genius of it all, and the Holy Spirit had charge of the meetings. As it went on, my heart grew colder and colder, until at last the enemy whispered, "You are one of those that cannot enter in; you are one of those that cannot be saved; this salvation, this grace, this power, is not for you. It may be for others, but it is not for you." How I hate the devil! How I hate him for his lies, for his caricature of truth, for the lifelong misery he has brought into the world! How I glory in the cross of Jesus, in the triumph of Calvary that has put Satan under the feet of my Lord, in the liberation that comes to the captives who are imprisoned by Satan, in the glorious freedom that is the heritage of the children of God! That

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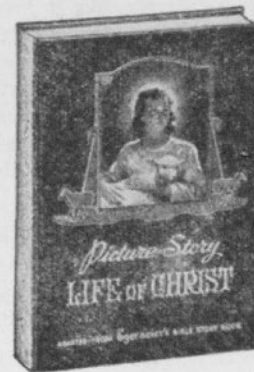
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is the lie that the devil told me, that I could not be saved.

Then someone began to talk in Welsh. I had not heard any Welsh since I was eight years of age, but I listened and understood. Then someone began to sing. I cannot translate it in all the beauty and loveliness of its truth—it was something about the Lamb, the Lamb of Calvary. They sang that refrain over and over:

"The Lamb, the Lamb, the bleeding Lamb,
The Lamb that died for me."

And I found myself singing, "The Lamb that died for me." All at once, I realized what I was saying, "The Lamb that died for me." God said, "This is for you. The devil is a liar; he was a liar from the beginning." The truth of God penetrated through my conscience until there was something in my soul that gripped—the Lamb that died for me. The next thing I knew was that I was standing up, and my voice sounded through that great church, "Oh, people, pray for me!" The whole audience seemed to turn itself into a stream of intercession. As they prayed, I felt the power of God, and I knew it was God. God does not have to educate us; we know by the witness of the Holy Spirit that we are begotten of God, and that we have passed from death unto life. I knew it then, and I was overcome with the joy and the wonder of it.

Oh, people, do not lose the sense of wonder! I have never lost that wonder. I am always wondering what God will do, and he has done some strange things with me. At a time when most men retire into what they term a well-earned rest, at nearly sixty years of age, he took me out into the mission field, and landed me upon the borders of Russia. Then He brought me back to London, and here I am in America. I am wondering what He will do next, and where I shall go. I am sure only of this, that I shall never go anywhere without Him.

So, dear friends, there is revival when God takes possession of every faculty, when every

part of your being is absolutely surrendered to Him. You cannot walk with God if there are two wills. There must be only one will, the dominating will of the divine Person.

The spirit of prayer is the gift of God. It is not an art, an accomplishment that can be acquired. A child can fall into it, while a wise man can pass over it. Revival is when Christians have the spirit of prayer for revival, and a deep, continual and earnest desire for the salvation of sinners.

A dear woman came to me in a convention and said to me, "Will you pray for my son?" I said, "Yes, if the Holy Spirit brings him to my remembrance, for He is my memory, and He has said that He will bring all things to our remembrance. If your son comes up before me, I dare not do other than pray for him. But why should I pray for your son?" For a moment I felt like some doctor who puts his finger upon a palpitating, throbbing nerve, and I saw the tears well up into her eyes. "Oh," she said, "he is my only boy!" I said, "Do you think that is reason enough for me to pray for your son?" She asked, "Isn't it?" "Has your boy any companions?" "Oh, yes." "Who are his companions?" "Well, his daily companion is a boy who lives next door to us. They went to school together, and now they work together, and they are inseparable companions." I asked, "Is he saved?" and she said, "No, sir." "Has he a godly father and mother?" "No, sir." "But your boy has a godly mother; do you pray for him?" "Oh, yes, sir." I continued, "Have you ever prayed for your neighbor's boy?" She answered, "No, sir." "Well, now, shall we pray for him?" and she said, "Yes." We knelt down before the Lord and prayed for the neighbor's boy also.

Time and time again the Lord brought these two lads before me. I never thought of one without the other, and I had not seen either, yet I brought them before the Lord each time. Some months afterward I got a letter from the mother.

She was more distracted than ever, saying, "Oh, Mr. Williams, my neighbor's son has been saved, but my boy is not saved." I praised the Lord, and wrote back to her, saying, "Go on, God never half does a thing; go on. We are all right now." I encouraged her in the way of prayer. Well, you are not surprised to know that her boy was saved, and saved through his companion who was saved before him.

It is possible to create such an atmosphere of prayer that when we sit next to an unsaved person in the street car or train they will become uneasy and restless, and they will begin to talk to us. Christians need never force the pace when their life is in touch with Omnipotence; they can afford to tarry. There is a psychological moment that coincides with the spiritual moment; then the Christian will be enabled to utter the truths of God at a moment when the mind and the heart are receptive. I believe it and have proved it.

Break up your fallow ground, for it is time to seek the Lord until He come and righteousness reigns upon the earth. Break down the barriers; prepare your mind by reading and discussing the revivals of the past.

Oh, who is burdened because of the disobedience of the people? Who is crying out in the night watches? Whose pillow is wet with tears? Who is confessing the sins of the nation? Who is there that is upholding men before Almighty God, and confessing on behalf of those who have no power to confess themselves? Who is there who has such a vision of his own heart that he may take his hindrances and place them at the foot of the cross, and crucify his pride, and crucify all that hinders the outflow of the Spirit of God in and through him? Oh, blessed be God, revival will come! It will come when we are ready to receive it; it will come when our hearts are open, and our spirits are receptive. "Revive us in the midst of the years." That prayer has never yet been uttered in sin-

cerity and truth, but it has been answered by Almighty God. Oh, my people, to our knees! We know much of doctrine. It is not that we need to be taught very much of the deep things of God. We know a great deal. We know enough to send us to our knees in broken-heartedness, and in a spirit of abandonment to Him. That is revival.

Oh, Thou who art the Giver of light; Thou who art Wisdom; Thou who art Truth, O Holy Spirit, take possession of Thy people, and let us march in the triumph of the cross.

The devil has had his way long enough. Oh, lift up that blood-bought banner of Calvary and march to the strains of its victory, and see the train of prisoners that shall be set free by the blood of the Lamb and the word of your testimony!—*Sunday School Times*.

Among the Assemblies

TILLAMOOK, ORE.—We recently concluded a very successful campaign here with Evangelist Evelyn A. Molander of Portland, Ore. There was a general moving throughout the church. Several were saved, and we enjoyed the blessing and presence of God in a marked way. We especially appreciated the evangelist's ministry along the lines of the deeper life; it was a real help to the church.—Harold E. Beaty.

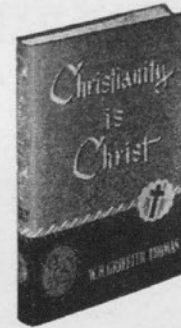
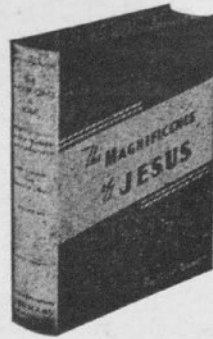
MONTGOMERY CITY, MO.—A good revival meeting was conducted here by Evangelist Nellie Thurman of St. Louis. Several were at the altar seeking salvation and the fullness of the Spirit. Some were refilled. Sister Thurman preached the old-time gospel under the anointing of the Holy Ghost. Our church was greatly revived, and the town was beginning to be stirred, but the approach of the Holiday Season caused us to close the special meetings.—E. B. Turner, Pastor.

TOPEKA, KANSAS—The Lord has been very precious during the past year. The services have been well attended, with the Sunday School showing an increase over the previous year. The church was benefited by the sound ministry of Evangelists Chas. E. Blair and R. Orchard. An all-time Sunday School record was made during Brother Blair's meeting, 533 being present, and an excellent summer attendance was held during the time Brother Orchard was with us.—Claude J. Utley, Pastor.

GRANITE, OKLA.—We came to this pastorate July 13, and found a small group of discouraged Pentecostal people, with 32 in Sunday School that day. We began to work up Sunday School enthusiasm. We have set an all-time Sunday School record attendance of 104. The folk rallied to the necessity and the workings of the Spirit, and we have recently redecorated the interior of the church and purchased a 4-room parsonage with 3 lots adjoining the church property, paying almost one half down. We are earnestly seeking God for a mighty Holy Ghost revival that will move the whole town and community.—J. W. and Mrs. Sandlin, Pastors.

PASADENA, CALIF.—We came to Trinity Full Gospel Church four months ago, and we are so thankful for God's divine leading in bringing us here. Since we had already started to build our own home in Pasadena before we even left Chicago, the parsonage was not needed. It was therefore sold, together with the furniture, and the money is to be used for the new church building. The foundation has been laid. An addition to the original plans had delayed progress, but we are now ready to go ahead with the building.

The Lord has blessed in the meetings; 12 friends have joined the church by cards and 10 by water baptism. Sister Carlyss has a very fine group of singers, up to 30 or 35, which she has organized into a mixed choir. There is also a male chorus whose singing has proved very helpful.—S. Paul Carlyss, Pastor, 2207 Paloma St., Pasadena 7, Calif.



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CORCORAN, CALIF.—We just closed 3 weeks of special meetings. Twelve received the Baptism, 3 were refilled, and several were saved. Fred and Sarah Byers were the evangelists.—Fred Reichert, Pastor.

FULTON, ILL.—God has given us a good 3-week revival meeting with Evangelist Eugene Smith of Cheyenne, Wyo. The Lord blessed from the first night. Eleven came for salvation and 15 were baptized with the Holy Spirit. The church was edified by the ministry of Brother Smith. The crowds were splendid. Even though the weather was bitter cold, the fire of God drew the people to the services. We praise God for this meeting.—Edna Watson, Pastor.

SKELLYTOWN, TEXAS—We have just closed a very successful 3-week revival meeting with Evangelist and Mrs. Albert Snell of Pampa. About 11 were saved, some were refilled, and a few received the Baptism. The blessings of the Lord came down in a wonderful way.—Addie F. Lick, Reporter.

LONDON, KY.—During January we enjoyed an overflow of the blessings of God in a revival meeting with Edward H. Jones as the evangelist. Brother Jones' timely messages were a blessing to all. There abounded a spirit of prevailing prayer and a compassion for lost souls which resulted in the salvation of several for whom we had long prayed.—Lyman A. Jollay, Pastor.

HOUSTON, TEXAS—G. L. Johnson, Pastor of Caplin's Memorial Church, sends in a report of a good meeting conducted by Nick M. Gruick, Youth Evangelist, from Milwaukee, Wis. Brother Johnson writes: "His unusual and amazingly different way of presenting the Bible by object lessons resulted in doubling our Sunday School attendance. Several were saved and filled with the Spirit, and many were refilled. The spiritual tide of the church is now the best that it ever has been."

GRAND FORKS, N. DAK.—During the past three months we have had two very fine evangelistic campaigns in our church. The Roney Brothers of St. Louis, Mo., were with us for one month, during which the Lord met with us in a glorious way. Several sought salvation and a gracious outpouring of the Holy Spirit was granted us. Five young people were baptized with the Spirit and numbers were drawn nearer to the Savior.

About two weeks after this first series of meetings ended, we began with Hubert Entwisle of Sunderland, England. Again the Lord met us and continued His work of salvation and blessing among us. Our brother has an unusually fine and deeply spiritual ministry.—R. L. Brandt, Pastor, 885 N. W. 27th Ave.

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.

ORANGE, CALIF.—Feb. 15—; Wallace G. Ross, Evangelist.—Fred D. Stading, Pastor.

RIVERSIDE, CALIF.—Feb. 15—March 1; Starland W. Thomas, Evangelist.—Carl A. Goad, Pastor.

DELTA, COLO.—Feb. 15—29; Evangelist and Mrs. Paul Hild, Fargo, N. Dak.—H. R. Parish, Pastor.

BRIDGEPORT, NEBR.—Feb. 15, for 3 weeks or longer; George C. Klassen, Evangelist.—Douglas E. Snider, Pastor.

KEY WEST, FLA.—801 Georgia St.; Feb. 24, for 2 weeks; Evangelist and Mrs. Stanley McPherson.—Mrs. John K. Doan, Pastor.

REGINA, SASK., CAN.—Bethel Temple, Feb. 22—March 7; Evangelist and Mrs. Guilford Mandigo.—H. H. Barber, Pastor.

WASCO, CALIF.—Four-Fold Gospel Church, Feb. 15—; Wm. F. A. Gierke of Los Angeles, Evangelist.—C. E. Shields, Pastor, 608 Broadway.

DETROIT, MICH.—Fourth and Forrest Sts.; Feb. 17, for 2 weeks or longer; E. L. Slavens, Evangelist.—Sam H. Wilson, Pastor.

PAYNESVILLE, MINN.—Feb. 13—15; T. J. Jones, London, England, speaker. Feb. 29, for 2 weeks or longer; Ray Randolph, Metropolis, Ill., Evangelist.—T. G. Skoog, Pastor.

HUNTINGTON, L. I., N.Y.—North St. and McKay Ave.; Feb. 17, for 2 weeks; Harvey McAlister, Arlington, Va., Evangelist.—Norman S. Farrington, Pastor.

RICHMOND, VA.—Park Ave. and Meadow St.; meetings in progress; Harvey McAlister, Apt. C323, 3111 20th St. N., Arlington, Va., Evangelist.—H. C. Wiles, Pastor.

NORTH LITTLE ROCK, ARK.—National C. A. Day, First Assembly of God, 22nd and Franklin Sts., March 7. Edwin Burris, District C. A. President, special speaker.—C. C. Crace, Pastor.

ST. LOUIS, MO.—Trinity Tabernacle, 7629 Natural Bridge Road; special services in progress until Feb. 29; Floyd E. Heady, Evangelist.—Fred Lohmann, Pastor, 5736 Etzel Ave., St. Louis 12, Mo.

EDINBURG, ILL.—Full Gospel Tabernacle; meetings in progress until Feb. 22; Edith Swope of Station WLDS, Jacksonville, Evangelist. "Busy Bee" meeting for young people, nightly, preceding evangelistic service.—Gilbert Henning, Pastor.

NORTH CAROLINA DISTRICT COUNCIL

The North Carolina District Council will convene at Edenton, N. C., March 2—4. G. F. Lewis, speaker, at Ministers' Institute each morning and Evangelistic service each evening. C. A. Rally, evening, March 1. For reservations write D. B. Lawrence, 306 First St., Edenton, N. C.—Andrew Stirling, District Superintendent.

TEXAS DISTRICT S. S. CONVENTIONS

Texas District Sunday School Conventions:
Houston Section, 204 Clifton, Houston, Feb. 24—25.
Waco Section, 18th and Pine, Waco, Feb. 26—27.
Austin Section, 501 W. 37th St., Austin, March 2—3.
Beaumont Section, Ave. A and Wall St., Beaumont, March 4—5.
Lufkin Section, Nacogdoches, March 9—10.
All services begin 10 a.m., first day, unless local changes necessary. Notice given in such cases. Loine C. Honderick, National S. S. Representative, main

speaker; James McKeehan, District Representative, presiding. For further information write Sunday School Department, 1200 Sycamore St., Waxahachie, Texas.

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Oklahoma Sectional Councils and Bible Conferences: March 8—16, Tulsa-Seminole Sections, Stroud, Nos. 7 and 8. March 15—17, Muskogee-Poteau Sections, Poteau, Nos. 2 and 3. April 12—14, Altus-Elk City Sections, Elk City, Nos. 15 and 16. April 19—21, Pawhuska-Vinita Sections, Bartlesville, Nos. 1 and 6. May 10—12, Oklahoma City-Anadarko Sections, El Reno, Nos. 11 and 12. May 17—19, Cherokee-Woodward Sections, Alva, Nos. 10 and 14.
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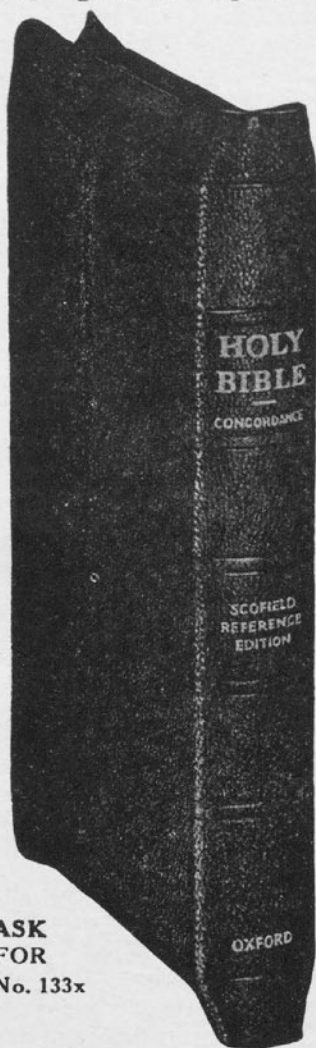
get renewal blank at one of the above Sectional Councils, fill it out and turn it in to the District Secretary for renewal of papers for 1948-1949 fiscal year. Those desiring license or exhorter's permits are requested to get the proper blank, fill it in with the endorsement of their Sectional Presbyter, and present it to the board at any of the above Sectional Councils.

Services: Monday, afternoon and night, C.A.'s. Tuesday, morning, WMC; afternoon and night, S.S. Wednesday morning and afternoon, Sectional Fellowship Meeting, election of officers and licensing service; night, Missionary Rally and Fellowship Meeting. Examination of applicants for licenses and exhorter's permits will be held during entire Council. For further information write V. H. Ray, District Superintendent, or Robert E. Goggin, Secretary-Treasurer, P. O. Box 1341, Oklahoma City 1, Okla.

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SOUTHERN IDAHO DISTRICT COUNCIL

The Sixth Annual Southern Idaho District Council will convene at the First Pentecostal Assembly of God, Gooding, Idaho, Feb. 25-27. Opening rally, Feb. 24, 7:30 p.m., in charge of C.A.'s W. E. Long of Pasadena, Calif., main speaker. Those wishing to make reservations for rooms or cabins, should contact R. H. Buck, Host Pastor, P. O. Box 426, Gooding, Idaho.—J. E. Shaw, District Secretary.

MINISTERS' INSTITUTE AND S. S. CONFERENCE

GREAT FALLS, MONT.—District Ministers' Institute and Sunday School Conference, First Congregational Church, Ninth St. at Third Ave. N., March 2-5. General Superintendent Ernest S. Williams, Special Guest Speaker, will address ministers and their wives daily, 11 a.m. to 12 noon, and will speak in public service each night at 7:30. Wm. F. Kirschke, Director Christian Education for Northwest District Council, will speak daily, morning and afternoon, and conduct discussion periods for ministers and Sunday School teachers, officers and workers. Devotions and prayer daily 9 to 10 a.m., beginning March 3. For further information contact Leonard Palmer, District Superintendent, Box 1349, Great Falls, Mont.

GEORGIA MINISTERS' INSTITUTE

AUGUSTA, GA.—Annual Ministers' Institute, Georgia District, First Assembly of God, Fenwick and Bohler Sts., Feb. 24-26. Gayle Lewis in charge. Other speakers include J. D. Stevens, E. A. Crawford, Elmer Green, and Jimmie Mayo. First meeting, Tuesday night, with big rally open to the public. Wednesday and Thursday sessions will deal with the work of a minister. All three Augusta Assemblies co-operating in entertainment; Grover Langston, Host Pastor, promises to furnish free sleeping rooms to all ministers and their wives who attend. Young people and public in general urged to attend night evangelistic services, with Brother Lewis speaking.—Robt. C. Jones, District Superintendent.

TEXAS SPRING CONVENTIONS

Texas Spring Conventions. The following, two nights, one day, first service 7:30 p.m.: Corpus Christi Section, First Baptist Church, Robstown, March 2-3. Valley Section, Harlingen Assembly, March 4-5. Yoakum Section, El Campo, March 9-10. San Antonio Section, Kennedy, March 11-12. Paris Section, Rose Hill Assembly, Texarkana, March 16-17.

The following, two days, one night; first service 10:30 a.m.: Dallas Section, Oakland Assembly, March 18-19. Austin Section, East Assembly, Austin, March 23-24. Waco Section, Corsicana Assembly, March 25-26. Beaumont Section, Lamar Assembly, Beaumont, March 30-31. Houston Section, First Assembly, 4305 Lillian St., Houston, April 1-2. Tyler Section, First Assembly, Tyler, April 6-7. Lufkin Section, Evangelistic Temple, Palestine, April 8-9.

Greenville Section, Glad Tidings, Sherman, April 13-14; two nights, one day, first service 7:30 p.m. Fort Worth Section, Bethel Temple, Ft. Worth, April 15-16, two days, one night, first service 10:30 a.m. Wichita Falls Section, Archer City, April 20-21, two days, one night, first service 10:30 a.m. San Angelo Section, Abilene, April 22-23, two nights, one day, first service 7:30 p.m.

All our ministers are required to renew their fellowship with the District at this time, and we are requesting each one, whether exhorter, licensed or ordained, to meet the Sectional Committee in their respective sections. Those desiring ordination at

the June Council must be present and make application and be examined at this time. Final examination for ordination will be made in your Section and not at the District Council as has been our custom before. For further information write your Sectional Presbyter or the District Office.—James O. Savell, Superintendent; E. B. Crump, Secretary-Treasurer, 1200 Sycamore St., Waxahachie, Texas.

MISCELLANEOUS NOTICES

NEW ADDRESS—P. O. Box 1177, San Jose, Calif.—Evangelist and Mrs. Paul H. Ralstin.

BROADCAST—"The Living Gospel," Station KLOX, San Jose, Calif., 1170 on dial, Sundays, 8:30-9:00 a.m.—Evangelist and Mrs. Paul H. Ralstin.

NEW ADDRESS—512 Caplin St., Houston 9, Texas. "I am now pastor of the Lindale Assembly, corner Helmers and Caplin Sts., Houston."—F. D. Davis.

BROADCAST—"The Hour of Comfort," Station WLDS, Jacksonville, Ill., Sundays, 7:30-8:00 a.m.—Evangelist Edith Swope.

NEW ADDRESS—616 E. Main St., Skiatook, Okla. "We have been called to pastor the church here."—Pastor and Mrs. R. L. Brandon.

BROADCAST—"Songs of Praise and Words of Love," 9:00-9:30 a.m., Sundays, Station KWHN, Ft. Smith, Ark., 1320 on your dial.—W. A. McCann, Pastor.

NEW ADDRESS—420 Greenbush, Ironwood, Mich. "After 5-1/2 years as pastor of the Gospel Tabernacle, Mauston, Wis., I have resigned and have accepted the pastorate here."—Reuben N. Peterson.

OPEN FOR CALLS

Evangelistic

Bert and Jessie Roberson, P. O. Box 1114, Superior, Ariz.—"Open for evangelistic calls. Have house-trailer."

Jack Morgan, 404 Kaufman St., Waxahachie, Texas—"Have just finished my studies at Southwestern Bible Institute; am entering the evangelistic field. Have been licensed with the Texas District for 3 years."

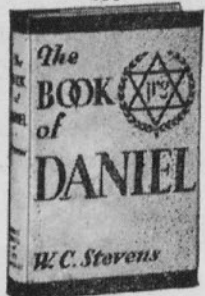
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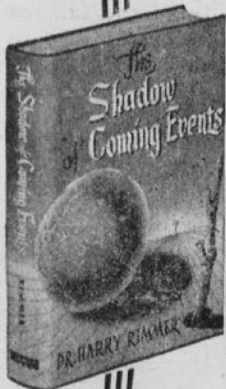
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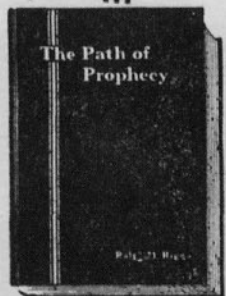
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