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"Wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow."

Psalm 51:7

*The* NOT BY MIGHT, NOR BY POWER, BUT BY MY SPIRIT, SAITH THE LORD  
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# "Whence Hath This Man These Things?"

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*And when He was come into His own country, He taught them in their synagogue, insomuch that they were astonished, and said, Whence hath this Man this wisdom, and these mighty works?*

*Is not this the carpenter's son? Is not His mother called Mary? And His brethren, James, and Joses, and Simon, and Judas?*

*And His sisters, are they not all with us? Whence then hath this Man all these things? Matthew 13:54-56.*

THE question concerning the source of what Jesus said, and the dynamic with which He said it, is of much more than mere academic interest. This question, when permitted to be answered from Scripture instead of tradition, leads unmistakably to God as the only source of Christ's ministry, and, incidentally, to the only true source of all God-given ministry. However, before the reasons for this inevitable conclusion are given, it is desirable to note some of the distinctive characteristics of the teaching ministry of Christ.

That this ministry was unique is hardly a matter of dispute. The fact was so apparent that when Christ taught the people they could not help making a comparison with their rabbinical teachers. The difference was so great that they "were astonished at His teaching." Matthew 7:28, R.V.

The officers who were sent to take Christ into custody were so impressed that they refused to carry out their assignment. When questioned concerning this, they answered defensively, "Never man spake like this Man." John 7:46. His spirit was altogether different from the spirit of the hypocritical Pharisees and the legalistic scribes. They were busy making the people's burdens heavy; Christ was busy making them light. "Come unto Me, all ye that labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take My yoke upon you, and learn of Me; for I am meek and lowly of heart; and ye shall find rest unto your souls. For My yoke is easy, and My burden is light." Matt. 11:28-30. They exacted tithe of mint, and anise, and cummin; He came to give them grace and truth. "And

all bare Him witness, and wondered at the gracious words (words of grace, R.V.) which proceeded out of His mouth." Luke 4:22.

The people were impressed not only by what He said, but also by the way He said it. "For He taught them as one having authority, and not as the scribes." Matt. 7:29. Christ spoke with that conviction and assurance of One who knows whereof He speaks. There was a dynamic in His words which they had not found in the words of the scribes. They used many words and said little. He used few words and said much. Their teaching was legalistic and traditional; His was revelatory and authoritative. Christ had a message which was simple, yet profound. He did not make complex what God had made simple. He did not use the high-sounding words of the learned, but the language of the people. So the common people heard Him gladly. Is it any wonder that some asked, "Whence then hath this Man all these things?"

The difficulty was, then as now, that people sought to find the answer in the natural instead of in the supernatural; in the rational instead of in the Scriptural. Some, in a vain attempt to find an explanation for Christ's ministry, took note of His parentage. Unable to find the answer there, they exclaimed, "Is not this the carpenter's Son?" They did not believe, and rightly so, that either Joseph or Joseph's trade could possibly account for this phenomenal ministry. But neither did they believe (or, better, they *would* not believe), that a parentage higher than the natural had anything to do with it. Unable and unwilling to accept either alternative, "they were offended in Him" (lit., "caused to stumble"). Matt. 13:57.

In another instance His authority came into question. "And when He was come into the temple, the chief priests and the elders of the people came unto Him as He was teaching, and said, By what authority doest Thou these things? and who gave Thee this authority?" Matt. 21:23. What made matters still worse in the eyes of the chief priests and elders than His unauthorized preaching was the fact that He eclipsed the doctors of the Law, disregarded their ecclesiastical traditions, and went on preaching and healing the sick without their ministerial credentials.

Still others questioned His educational background. "And the Jews marvelled, saying, How knoweth this Man letters, having never learned?" John 7:15. The same sentiment was expressed later concerning Peter and John. In their case too the leaders wondered how men could preach as they did without what they con-

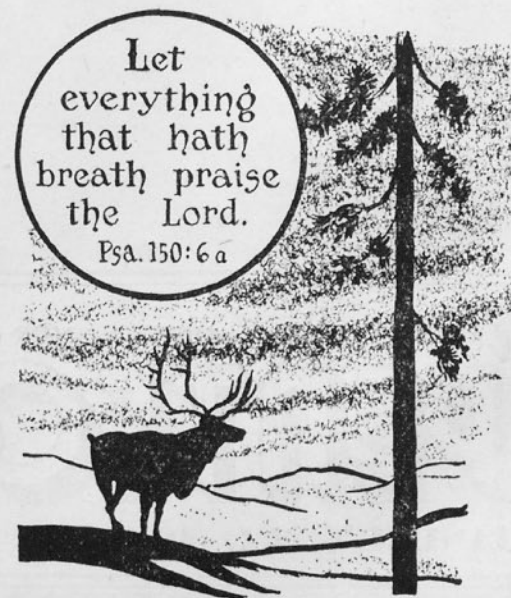
sidered to be an adequate theological education. No credit was given for their three years' schooling where an uneducated, so-called "carpenter's son" was the principal of a school that had an enrollment of twelve students and no dormitory to accommodate even such a few. As in the case of Peter and John, so in the case of Christ—the religious leaders could not deny the quality of the teaching, though they were puzzled as to its source.

So some rejected Christ's ministry on the ground of what they considered His parentage; others because of a question of credentials; and still others owing to the lack of a theological education. "Whence then hath this Man all these things?"

Fortunately, the Scriptures give us abundant statements for a clear and valuable answer. Christ Himself answered this question repeatedly, both in the negative and in the positive; but they would not believe, any more than men do in our day. As to His parentage, He proclaimed His divine origin when He said, "My Father worketh hitherto, and I work." John 5:17. As to His credentials, He told them repeatedly "that the Father hath sent Me." John 5:36. As for His theological education, He told them clearly, "I have not spoken of Myself; but the Father which sent Me, He gave me a commandment, what I should say, and what I should speak." John 12:49.

But the question persisted, "Whence then hath this Man these things and these mighty works?" While they persisted with their questions, He persisted with His answers. "I can of Mine own self do nothing" (John 5:30); and "the word which ye hear is not Mine but the Father's which sent Me." John 14:24. In other words, Christ denied that the works He performed and the truths He spoke originated in Himself, and affirmed His utter dependence upon the Father.

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# Vouched by the Efficacy of Cures

J. Narver Gortner

WE know that many miracles were wrought by our Lord when He was here in the flesh, and that the miracles were "signs" that were wrought, not that the people might be made to wonder, but that they might believe. For that same purpose we have been furnished with an inspired record of them, or of a part of them, for we read that "there were also many other things that Jesus did." John 21:25. John tells us what his object was in writing what we call "the fourth Gospel." These are his words: "And many other signs truly did Jesus in the presence of His disciples, which are not written in this book; but these are written that ye might believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God; and that believing ye might have life through His name." John 20:30, 31.

When the disciples were filled with the Spirit, they were filled to the end that they might bear witness. And we read that they not only preached with power, the power of the Holy Ghost who had been sent down from heaven, but they wrought miracles in the name of the Lord Jesus; and the miracles they wrought, being a confirmation of their preaching, appear to have had as much to do with the progress of the early church, as did their spoken words that were freighted with divine unction, being indited by the Holy Spirit.

Our Lord, when He commissioned the apostles to go into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature, told them that certain signs would follow them that believe, and we read that "after the Lord had spoken unto them He was received up into heaven, and sat on the right hand of God. And they went forth, and preached everywhere, the Lord working with them, and confirming the word with signs following." Mark 16:19, 20.

It appears to have been the divine plan at the beginning that all the way down through the centuries the word should be thus confirmed. The apostolic age was characterized by the exercise of miraculous power, and that miracles did not cease when that particular period of the church age came to an end we have abundant testimony. We sometimes speak in these last days of the revival of the gifts, including the "gifts of healing," but the real truth is that the gifts of the Spirit have always been in evidence, sometimes in a less degree, and sometimes in a greater degree. Since the "latter rain" outpouring of the Spirit "signs and wonders" have been wrought in every part

of the world. Many among us have witnessed them, and many among us have experienced in our bodies the healing power of the Great Physician. These "signs and wonders" have been a mighty factor in making the Pentecostal movement what it is. They have attracted the attention of multitudes who have come to us through curiosity, and many have remained to praise God for His goodness and His grace.

I have been much interested for several years in reading the literature of the early church. Much that was written during the apostolic age, or immediately afterwards, but has not been included in the New Testament as having been divinely inspired, has been preserved, and



these documents of early Christian writers shed a great deal of light upon the work of the Spirit in the world after the apostles went on to their reward.

Among these early writings are those of Clement of Rome. The Roman Catholics believe that he was the second pope; they regard Peter as the first. But we do not believe that Peter was ever a pope, or that he occupied any office that required him to name a successor or to have a successor named by others.

Clement of Rome was certainly a man of apostolic zeal and earnestness, as his authentic writings that have come down to us indicate. We thank God for these authentic writings. There are some other writings that are attributed to him that we are not so sure are authentic. Among them is the work called the *Recognitions of Clement*. Clement knew the apostle

It has been supposed by some scholars that the Theophilus referred to in the above quotation from the *Recognitions of Clement* was none other than the Theophilus to whom Luke dedicated his Gospel, and at a later date, the Book of Acts. Luke 1:3 and Acts 1:1.

Peter and often conversed with him and heard him preach. Some critics believe that he actually wrote this work that bears his name; others believe that it was written by some other writer, they know not whom, and that the name of Clement was attached to it in order to give it greater authority. It purports to have been written by Clement, and in it we are told much about the preaching of Peter and of the marvelous things that took place under the ministry of this great apostle.

That the work is very ancient is quite generally conceded. A noted German critic tells us that it was produced during the first century; others think it was written during the early part of the second century. Origen quoted it in A.D. 231; so we can be sure it was written prior to that date. I see no reason why it may not have been written by Clement, as it purports to have been, and as some have believed it was. At any rate, it gives us a wonderful insight into the inner workings of the great spiritual movement that was started in Palestine by the ministry of the Lord Jesus, and continued, after His ascension into heaven, by the coming of the Spirit in mighty power to endue the disciples from on high.

The writer, purporting at least to be Clement, knew Peter personally, and he tells us how he traveled with Peter on his missionary journeys, listening to his messages, and witnessing the numerous miracles that were wrought by him through the power of God, the same power that was exercised when Peter said to the expectant cripple, "Silver and gold have I none, but such as I have give I thee: In the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth rise up and walk." Acts 3:6. Concerning what took place on that occasion we read, in the words with which we are all familiar, "And he took him by the right hand, and lifted him up: and immediately his feet and ankle bones received strength. And he leaping up stood and walked, and entered with them into the temple, walking, and leaping, and praising God." Undoubtedly many miracles were wrought by Peter "in the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth" concerning which we have no record in the Bible. So I can see no reason why we should discredit the account Clement, or whoever may have written the *Recognitions*, has furnished us of what took place elsewhere under the ministry of this marvelously used apostle of our Lord.

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# A Right Attitude Under Trial

THE Apostolic attitude and consequent success, what was it? In 2 Cor. 11:23-28 we have a long list of infirmities, reproaches, necessities, persecutions, distresses, which came upon Paul and some of his fellow workers. How were they received? Paul expressly declares (2 Cor. 12:10) that he received each one *with pleasure!*

Took pleasure in sitting down *under them?* in submitting to them? No, no! Pleasure in submitting them to God. Rejoicing in them as fresh opportunities for God to show Himself the deliverer. Glad to have a stake driven through the flesh or self-hood (v. 7, R.V.,m.). "Most gladly therefore will I glory" in these things "that the power of Christ may rest upon me."

The spiritual "self," which was in danger of exaltation through the abundance of visions and revelations, thus impaled, for that is the figure; dead, thrust to death! Glad of this spiritual weakness which made Christ's opportunity. Henceforth, not an experience, even a third heaven experience, but a *living Christ*—His strength!

Glad of "a day and a night in the deep." Being nearly drowned twenty-four hours gave opportunity for the mighty power of Christ, and nothing short of it, in resurrection! Glad of "prisons oft," for they showed how prison walls and doors were nothing to the mighty power of Christ, His people's deliverer!

Glad of the weariness, painfulness, and hunger; for it gave God a chance to strengthen, heal, and feed; giving the living commentary upon the words, "My God shall supply all your need!" Thus also by faith did Paul wed "*The Power of Christ*" to cold and nakedness; to perils by land and sea, from wild beasts and wilder men.

Thus we see him at Philippi, surrounded by the fierce babble, taking pleasure in that Christ whose *power* was yet to find among these blood-thirsty ones material for a Philippian church. Stripped naked, rejoicing that the power of Christ was to re-clothe him! Beaten with many stripes, rejoicing in Jesus, who was to care for

and heal the wounds. Imprisoned, with feet fast in the stocks, Paul commends all to God, and praises Him that the devil's rage, inner prisons, impossible walls, give a grand opportunity for the power of Christ to set at liberty.

The power of Christ does not disappoint him, though an earthquake is necessary to give the victory his faith has taken! God thinks it a very little thing to make all the laws of nature subservient to the prayer of His believing children (see Ps. 18:6-19).

But the moral earthquake is greater than the physical one. The power of Christ, *through the converted Roman jailer*, washes the wounds, feeds and cares for the bodies of Paul and Silas! No wonder they take pleasure in persecutions and necessities which give the power of Christ *such opportunities!*

We can now understand Paul at Lystra, Acts 14:19. The stones of the infuriated mob cut deep into his flesh; the blood gushed forth, but there was a deeper gush from the well-spring of praise in his soul. "Most gladly therefore will I glory in these distresses, that the power of Christ may rest upon me." Paul was thoroughly persuaded that the power of Christ over all the devil's work was now to have a fresh exhibition. Again he was not disappointed.

Truly they stoned him to death and dragged his inanimate form out of the city. Howbeit as his Christian companions stood round his dead body, "he rose up and came into the city." God *could* raise the dead. He *could not* disappoint His child's faith. "And the next day he (Paul) departed with Barnabas to Derbe." "Out of weakness made strong" certainly, thus to be raised up for thirty or forty miles journey over roughest of roads, on foot or in rudest of conveyances; a journey followed by continuous preaching and journeying. Acts 14:21-31. We hear his soul's song through those tempestuous days on the Mediterranean. *Triumphant faith* makes melody to the Lord.

"I take pleasure" in "perils of waters," "that the power of Christ may rest upon me." Now "I am weak . . . I am strong."

And the mighty response from the heart of the Infinite is, "Lo, God hath given thee *all them* that sail with thee." Not "God hath given thee the bodies of them that sail with thee," but "*them*"—were not the whole precious cargo of living souls plucked out of the enemy's power by being brought face to face with the mightiest *power of Christ*, and made recipients of the power of His love and of His grace?

Cast on the island of Melita, a deadly viper fastens on Paul's hand. As he begins to feel the pain of the venom run up his arm, "Most gladly" he whispers to Jesus, "will I glory in this infirmity, that the power of Christ may rest upon me, and that the barbarians may see Thy grace and might!" Even while he sings he snatches off the beast into the fire and feels no harm. They who look to see the death of a murderer whom vengeance suffers not to live, now change their minds, and apply to him for supernatural aid. He introduces Jesus, the great Healer, and Publius, "a chief man of the island, and others also who had diseases came and were healed."

Paul counted that Jesus' Name "through faith in His Name" had all power, equally among Christians, barbarians, men, or devils. Glorious truth! The God of the apostles still lives. Apostolic successes are still consequent upon the Apostolic attitude: "Behold I give unto you power over all the power of the enemy."

Beloved, shall the time past of our lives suffice for discounting our God, His character, and His Word? Shall we today accept what our gracious God freely gives—Christ, a victorious power through all our spirit, soul, and body: our circumstances and labors? Shall Jesus have the joy of putting us in that Heb. 11 list of those who, "*through faith . . . obtained promises*"?

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# Jesus Bore Our Sickness

Andrew Murray

**H**E took on Him our sickness and bore our pains. "My righteous servant shall justify many, for He shall bear their iniquities. . . . He shall divide the spoil with the strong, because . . . He bare the sin of many." Isaiah 53:4, 11, 12.

Do you know this beautiful chapter, the fifty-third of Isaiah, which has been called the fifth gospel? In the light of the Spirit of God, Isaiah describes beforehand the sufferings of the Lamb of God, as well as the divine graces which should result from them.

The expression, "to bear," could not but appear in this prophecy. It is, in fact, the word which must accompany the mention of sin, whether it is committed directly by the sinner, or whether it is transmitted to a substitute. The transgressor, the priest and the expiatory victim must all bear the sin. In the same way, it is because the Lamb of God has borne our sins, that God smote Him for the iniquity of us all. Sin was not found in Him, but it was put upon Him; He took it voluntarily upon Him. And it is because He bore it, and because, in bearing it, He put an end to it, that He has the power to save us. "My righteous servant shall justify many, for he shall bear their iniquities. . . . He shall divide the spoil with the strong, because . . . he bare the sin of many." Therefore it is because our sins have been borne by Jesus Christ, that we are delivered from them as soon as we believe this truth; and so we no longer have to bear them ourselves.

In this same chapter, Isaiah 53, the expression, "to bear," occurs twice, but in relation to two different things. It is not said only that the Lord's righteous Servant has borne the sins (v. 12), but also that He has borne our sickness (v. 4, R.V., margin). Thus His bearing our sicknesses forms an integral part of the Redeemer's work, as well as bearing our sins. Although Himself without sin He has borne our sins, and He has done as much for our sicknesses. The human nature of Jesus could not be touched by sickness because it remained holy. We never find in the account of His life any mention of sickness. Participating in all the weaknesses of our human nature (hunger, thirst, fatigue and sleep, because all these things are not the consequence of sin), He still had no trace of sickness. As He was without sin, sickness had no hold on Him; He could die only

a violent death and that by His voluntary consent. Thus it is not *in* Him but *on* Him that we see sickness as well as sin; He took them upon Him and bore them of His own free will. In bearing them and taking them upon Him, He has by the very fact triumphed over them, and has acquired the right of delivering His children from them.

Sin had attacked and ruined equally the soul and the body. Jesus came to save both. Having taken upon Himself sickness as well as sin, He is in a position to set us free from the one as well as from the other; and in order that He may accomplish this double deliverance, He expects from us only one thing: our faith.

As soon as a sick believer understands the meaning of the words, "Jesus has borne my sins," he does not fear to say also: "I need no longer bear my sins; they are upon me no longer." In the same way, as soon as he has fully taken in and believed for himself that Jesus has borne our sicknesses, he does not fear to say: "I need no longer bear my sickness; Jesus in bearing sin bore also sickness, which is sin's consequence; for both He has made propitiation, and He delivers me from both."

I have myself witnessed the blessed influence which this truth exercised one day upon a sick woman. For seven years she had almost entirely been confined to her bed. A sufferer from consumption, epilepsy and other sicknesses, she had been assured that no hope of cure remained for her. She was carried into the room where W. E. Boardman was holding a Sunday evening service for the sick, and was laid in a half-fainting condition on the couch. She was not sufficiently conscious to remember anything of what took place until she heard the words, "Himself took our infirmities and bare our sicknesses" (Matt. 8:17), and then she seemed to hear the words, "If He has borne your sicknesses, why then bear them yourself? Get up." But she thought, "If I attempt to get up, and fall upon the ground, what will they think of me?" But the inward voice began again: "If He has borne my sins, why should I have to bear them?"

To the astonishment of all who were present, she arose, and, although still feeble, sat down in a chair by the table. From that moment her healing made rapid progress. At the end of a few weeks she no longer had the appearance of an invalid, and later on her strength was



He healed them  
that had need  
of healing

Luke 9:11

such that she could spend many hours a day in visiting the poor. With what joy and love she could then speak of Him who was "the strength of her life." Psalm 27:1. She had believed that Jesus had borne her sicknesses as well as her sins, and her faith was not put to confusion. It is thus that Jesus reveals Himself as a perfect Savior to all those who will trust themselves unreservedly to Him.

## ANDREW MURRAY'S OWN TESTIMONY

After being stopped for more than two years in the exercise of my ministry, I was healed by the mercy of God in answer to the prayer of those who see in Him "the Lord that healeth thee." Exodus 15:26.

This healing, granted to faith, has been the source of rich spiritual blessing to me. I have clearly seen that the Church possesses in Jesus, our Divine Healer, an inestimable treasure, which she does not yet know how to appreciate. I have been convinced anew of that which the Word of God teaches us in this matter, and of what the Lord expects of us; and I am sure that if Christians learned to realize practically the presence of the Lord that healeth, their spiritual life would thereby be developed and sanctified. I am convinced that according to the Word of God, "the prayer of faith" (James 5:15) is the means appointed by God for the cure of the sick, and that this truth is in perfect accord with Holy Scripture, and that the study of this truth is essential for everyone who would see the Lord manifest His power and His glory in the midst of His children.—Andrew Murray.

## A BETTER LIKENESS!

C. H. Spurgeon once received from Andrew Bonar a copy of his commentary on Leviticus. It so blessed him that he returned it, saying: "Dr. Bonar, please place herein your autograph and your photograph." Dr. Bonar returned the book again to Spurgeon with this note: "Dear Spurgeon, here is the book with my autograph and my photograph. If you had been willing to wait a short season you could have a better likeness, for I shall be like Him, I shall see Him as He is."

# Fervent but Limited

Ernest S. Williams

on National Radio Hour, "Sermons in Song"

If you will turn with me to the Book of Acts, chapter 18, you will read concerning Apollos, born at Alexandria. It says that he was "an eloquent man, and mighty in the Scriptures. And being fervent in the spirit he spake and taught diligently the things of the Lord, knowing only the baptism of John. And he began to speak boldly in the synagogue: whom when Aquila and Priscilla heard, they took him unto them, and expounded unto him the way of God more perfectly."

Apollos preached, "Prepare ye the way of the Lord; Messiah is coming, the Lamb of God that taketh away the sins of the world; and when He is come, 'He shall baptize you with the Holy Ghost and with fire.'" What is more wonderful for the man who is unsaved than to be told that God has provided a substitute for him, an atoning Lamb that, if believed in, will take all his guilt and set him free? Think of it: a sinner dying under the guilt of his sins, delivered and set free. That, my friend, is just what the redemption of Christ, God's sacrificial Lamb will do for you.

Then to be baptized with the Holy Spirit. The one follows the other. How glorious it is to be filled with the Holy Spirit of God and given power to live "soberly, righteously, and godly in this present world."

Apollos had a great message, but it lay too far in the future. "He shall (when he is come) baptize you with the Holy Ghost and with fire." Apollos was looking for Messiah who was to come. Fervently he preached, urging the people to prepare by confessing their sins and being baptized.

As he fervently ministered, he was heard by Aquila and Priscilla from whom he learned an astounding truth. Do you know what it was? It was this. The Messiah preached by Apollos was already come. Jesus was Messiah. He had given His life on the cross that sinners, all sinners, might be saved. The Holy Spirit was already given; he needed not to look for this at some time in the future; he might be filled with the Spirit now.

Now let us look at chapter nineteen. There we find disciples who had become believers under the ministry of Apollos. Paul the apostle came along and asked if they had received the Holy Spirit when, or since, they believed. They were surprised, saying, "We have not so much as heard whether there be any Holy Ghost," or as is probably more correctly rendered in the margin, "If the Holy Spirit is come." They had heard about Him, but thought it for some later time. Then Paul instructed that the Holy Spirit was already present,

and if they would open their hearts, He would come in. They believed as the apostle laid his hands upon them, and immediately they were filled and "began to speak with tongues and prophesied." All through the Book of Acts we learn that the speaking in other tongues accompanied the Baptism with the Holy Spirit. If you have not been filled, be sure all sin is gone through trusting in Christ the Lamb of God. Then open your heart and say, "God, fill me with Thy Spirit as Thou didst those who trusted in Thee in Bible times."

## "WHENCE HATH THIS MAN THESE THINGS?"

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The Spirit of Christ had prophesied through the prophet Isaiah, "The Lord God hath given Me the tongue of the learned, that I should know how to speak a word in season to him that is weary; He wakeneth morning by morning. He wakeneth Mine ear to hear as the learned." Isa. 50:4. That is the secret of Christ's ministry. The truths He spoke were imparted to Him by God as He communed with Him "morning by morning." Communion with God was as indispensable a requisite to the ministry of Christ as it is to the ministry of the Word today. Here Christ learned what to say and how to say it ("that I should know how to speak a word") also when to say it, and to whom to say it ("in season to him that is weary").

The Revised Version has a beautiful and sug-

gestive rendering of this verse: "The Lord Jehovah hath given Me the tongue of them that are taught, that I should know how to sustain with words him that is weary." The simplicity and practicality of this truth is overwhelming. Here is no idea of being a great orator, binding large crowds with a spell. No, here is the secret of a greater ministry, a ministry to the lonely, the weary, the discouraged. Not a ministry of condemnation, but a ministry of sustaining, of upholding, of supporting the one whose soul is "much discouraged because of the way." This is a ministry of words, God-given words, and it may be obtained at the very place where Christ found it—the place of regular communion with God, "morning by morning."

What Christ did and what He said was imparted by God through the anointing of the Holy Spirit. "God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Ghost and with power; who went about doing good, and healing all that were oppressed of the devil; for God was with Him." Acts 10:38.

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## THE STILLNESS OF POWER

Kate Knight

Many people believe that noise is power, or that it indicates power or produces it. All the forces of nature contradict this. Nothing has more power than the sun, yet it is silent. Vegetation is produced silently yet how mighty are its forces. The human body if in perfect order functions silently, yet performs adequate development, growth, and strength for a lifetime of splendid results. The locomotive when drawing scores of heavily loaded cars moves its machinery with quiet regular even pace, and only when stopped and letting off steam makes great noise. The discharge or explosion of power often causes noise, but that indicates loss and exhaustion.

In spiritual matters it is the same. We excite ourselves into a frenzy, shout till we are hoarse, give way to all sorts of fleshly manifestations, and so dissipate all inward spiritual power, but it benefits neither ourselves nor others. God says, "Be still and know that I am God." He came to Elijah not in the wind, fire, nor earthquake, but in a still small voice. He tells us that in quietness and confidence is our strength. Jesus was silent before His persecutors. He calmed the storm with three words "Peace, be still," letting the calm within Himself come forth and stop the raging of the wind and waves. There are times when someone needs to be silent, why not you or I? Stillness penetrates till the most noisy feel it. By it we can stop contention and strife, shame boastfulness, humble egotism, and liberate peace. Silence builds up, noise breaks down.

"Study to be quiet." 1 Thess. 4:11.

"In quietness and in confidence shall be your strength." Isa. 30:15.

Jesus was a quiet gentleman. Matt. 12:19, 20.

## YOU NEED THE AMPLIFIER!





# The Woman Who Saw Heaven

A True Story by Louisa Vaughan

HELD a meeting of several days' duration in the city of Wang Kia Kwan Dswang. My audience consisted of the most stupid and ignorant of Chinese women. Some of them were converts, but most of them came to hear the gospel for the first time. Among these last was a Mrs. Jang, who seemed, if possible, a little more stupid than the rest. She was one of our number not because of any interest she felt in Bible truth, but because her husband, formerly a Confucian scholar, had accepted the Savior and wished her to know something of the fundamental principles of Christianity. Her two little children, who were always with her, consumed much of her time and strength. There were some twenty others in the class to be taught and I had little chance to give individual attention. The prospect for her learning enough of the truth to be converted was not encouraging.

My one method of work, however, was to pray and rely completely upon the Holy Spirit to fulfill the promise in John 14:13, 14: "And whatsoever ye shall ask in My name, that will I do, that the Father may be glorified in the Son. If ye shall ask anything in My name, I will do it." In the course of these meetings the Father was glorified in the conversion of Mrs. Jang; for after four days of simple instruction, she returned to her home a new creature in Christ Jesus.

About six months later, when I was holding services in a neighboring village, Mrs. Jang appeared again. This time she brought three children and the family dog. She stayed four days, absorbed as much truth as she could under the trying circumstances, and again returned home.

Soon after this she contracted tuberculosis and suffered intensely for a year. Her physical pain was only a part of her distress. Her family realized that a great change had taken place in her life, but they would not accept her testimony. They were especially bitter because she unbound her feet. Disregarding such a time-honored custom was a serious disgrace to them. They tortured her in all sorts of little meannesses. She would be refused a drink when she was too ill to get it for herself, and she was frequently told that she was to be buried with her feet bare. A modest Chinese woman has only her face and hands uncovered, even in death.

In the midst of all her pain and trials Mrs. Jang maintained a bright, clear testimony. She grieved only because her dear ones would not receive the message of life that so thrilled and comforted her own soul.

The dreaded disease had about done its work, when I again found myself in her vicinity. The pastor of the church in which I was speaking came to tell me of her suffering.

"Miss Vaughan," he said, "the only prayer she has offered for herself during all these months is that she may see your face again."

Needless to say, I went to her immediately. I was received with a welcome of such apparently boundless affection that I felt I had never before known what love was. A few

days passed. It was evident that it was God's will to take Mrs. Jang home, and we who loved her ceased to pray for her recovery. We asked only that God would give her great peace in going, and lift from her heart the burden of grief that it carried because her testimony had not been received by those nearest her.

I made what I supposed was my last visit to her. "We will never see our friend on earth again," I said to my class. "She is very near the heavenly home, and can not possibly live through the night."

Early the next morning her father called upon me. "Your daughter is now at rest and in the Savior's presence?" I said.

He smiled, "Oh, no, no!" he said excitedly. "The Lord has performed a wonderful miracle. She is alive again!"

Then he explained. Mrs. Jang had died at three o'clock the afternoon before; and her family, in accordance with Chinese custom, had immediately prepared her body for burial. At about sunset they heard a noise in the death chamber. They supposed that the children or pigs or chickens (they have equal freedom in the houses of the poor) had gotten into the room. But when they opened the door they could scarcely believe their eyes. Mrs. Jang sat erect on the kang. She had removed her grave clothes and put on those she had been wearing before her death!

I never taught Revelation in China and nothing had ever been told Mrs. Jang of the glories of heaven as described in that Book. She had instruction for only eight days in her life. Yet this is her story as she related it to me:

"I remember seeing all the family around me crying. Then the Lord Jesus came into my room and took me by the hand, and said, 'Come with Me!' In a short time we were before a gate of pearl. It was the gate of heaven. Angels opened it and we went in. I saw many beautiful houses all of pretty colors. I walked beside the Lord on the golden streets; and oh, Miss Vaughan, I was so glad you told me to unbind my feet; I would have been so ashamed to walk beside my Savior with little feet.

"Then we went on and I saw thousands of angels in a circle, singing and playing lovely music. In the midst was the throne of glory. The heavenly Father sat upon it, and when I saw Him I was afraid. I hardly dared to lift my eyes.

"'You have come,' He said.

"And I answered, 'Yes, Lord.'

"Then He said, 'You may go back for a while, but you must return to Me here on the twelfth of the month.'

"So Miss Vaughan, here I am, and now they'll have to accept my testimony, for I have walked on the golden streets and I've seen the Father. They'll have to believe me now."

Did her relatives and neighbors believe her?

People flocked in from miles around to hear the wonderful story. She spoke as an eye

BELIEVE IT  
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TRIUMPH over hard circumstances as did Paul, whose "thorn in the flesh" became a reason for glorifying God.

CONQUER your weakness as Moses overcame his slowness of speech.

TURN past defeats into victories as Joshua did at Ai.

HELP those more talented than you are as Aquila and Priscilla helped Apollos to a knowledge of the Holy Spirit.

HAVE your sins forgiven. "Though they be red like crimson, they shall be as wool."

BE wholly sanctified. He will "stablish your hearts unblamable in holiness before God."

HAVE the assurance of God's favor. The Spirit will bear witness with your spirit that you are a child of God.

BE KEPT from backsliding. He will "keep you from falling and present you faultless before the presence of His glory" at the last.

LEAD others to Jesus. Even as Philip found Nathanael, and Andrew brought Peter. He will make you a "fisher of men."

SHARE His throne in glory. Even the lukewarm Laodiceans were told that "to him that overcometh will I grant to sit with Me in My throne."

witness, and they could not reject her testimony, for God's mighty power was upon it. Hundreds were converted. Even today missionaries in that vicinity find an eager reception for the gospel message because that is the "Jesus doctrine" believed by Mrs. Jang who went to heaven and came back again to tell what she saw.

The days passed until the twelfth of the following month. When that day came, the family tried to convince Mrs. Jang that she had reckoned the date incorrectly, but her eager heart was not to be deceived. Late in the afternoon she asked her mother for her grave clothes. Under strong protest they were folded and put on the bed. At sunset, while the family were at their evening meal in an adjoining room, she dressed herself quietly in her burial garment, then lay down, and her beautiful soul went back to her God.

Just an ignorant Chinese woman, whose whole education had been gained in a few days—yet how wonderfully God used her to His glory in the saving of souls.

At the coming of our Lord, when every man's work shall be made manifest, shall we who

have the light of the glorious gospel from our early youth be able to say with Mrs. Jang, "Father, I have glorified Thee on earth. I have finished the work which Thou gavest me to do"?

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This story is taken from the book *Answered or Unanswered* which may be obtained from the Gospel Publishing House. Price \$1.00 per copy. Charles E. Robinson says, "After reading this book over and over almost constantly for several days on end, I consider it the most profitable book on prayer I have ever seen. It is practical. It showed me how to pray and get an answer."

### AVOUCED BY THE EFFICACY OF CURES

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We read in the *Recognitions* that on one occasion the people to whom he was preaching showed such entire faith in God, "that they believed that all who suffered from every sort of ailment could be healed by Him," and so Peter "spread out his hands toward heaven, pouring out prayers with tears (People used to know how to pray; Lord, teach us to pray!) and gave thanks to God, saying, 'I bless Thee, O Father, worthy of all praise, who hast deigned to fulfill every word and promise of Thy Son, that every creature may know that Thou alone art God in heaven and in earth.' With such sayings, he went up on a height, and ordered all the multitude of sick people to be ranged before him, and addressed them all in these words: 'As you see me to be a man like to yourselves, do not suppose that you can recover your health from me, but through Him who, coming down from heaven, has shown to those who believe in Him a perfect medicine for body and soul. Hence let all this people be witnesses to your declaration, that with your whole heart you believe in the Lord Jesus Christ, that they may know that they also may be saved by Him.'"

And we read that "when all the multitude of the sick with one voice cried out that He is the true God whom Peter preaches, suddenly an overpowering light of the grace of God appeared in the midst of the people; and the paralytics, being cured, began to run to Peter's feet, the blind to shout on the recovery of their sight, the lame to give thanks on regaining the power of walking, the sick to rejoice in restored health; some even who were barely alive, being already without consciousness or the power of speech, were raised up; and all the lunatics, and those possessed of demons, were set free."

And, according to the account, the service was not just a healing service, in which men rejoiced in the healing of their bodies, but was a service that was accompanied by the salvation of many souls, as were the remarkable miracles that we read about in the Book of Acts. Hear what the result was:

"So great grace of His power did the Holy Spirit show on that day, that all, from the least to the greatest, with one voice confessed the Lord; and *within seven days, more than ten thousand men were baptized*; so that Theophilus, who was more exalted than all the men of power in that city, with all eagerness and desire consecrated the great palace of his house under the name of a church, and a chair was placed in it for the apostle Peter by all the people; and the whole multitude assembling daily to

hear the word, believed in the healthful doctrine which was avouched by the efficacy of cures."

We read in Acts 9:35 that after Peter had said to Eneas who, for eight years had been confined to his bed, a helpless paralytic, "Eneas, Jesus Christ maketh thee whole: arise and make thy bed," and a marvelous healing had been wrought immediately, "all that dwelt at Lydda and Saron saw him, and turned to the Lord."

So, may not the record that has been written by the writer of the *Recognitions* be true? It was such a healing service as I wish we might be privileged to witness today. It was not advertised beforehand. No bills had been circulated, announcing that a man of great faith was coming to the town, and that wherever he had preached his ministry had been accompanied by miracles of healing, and that all the sick should come to be prayed for. The account indicates that Peter was just carrying out his regular evangelistic program, preaching the gospel of the grace of God, and exhorting people to believe in Jesus Christ as Savior and Lord, but that, wherever he went, his ministry was so accompanied by the power of God that it was "confirmed with signs following."

As I read the narrative from which I have quoted, the words that impressed themselves very deeply upon my mind were these: "The whole multitude assembling daily to hear the word, believed in the healthful doctrine which was avouched by the efficacy of cures."

Whenever the Lord performs a miracle of healing among us He does it that "the healthful doctrine" may be thus avouched. I wonder if one of the reasons, maybe the principal reason, why we do not see greater and more numerous

miracles of healing, may not be because we desire the miracles for the sake of themselves, for the sake of our greater comfort or convenience, or for the sake of our reputation, rather than that "the healthful doctrine"—and how meaningful indeed is that remarkable expression!—may be "avouched by the efficacy of cures."

Would that God would raise up among us somebody that He could trust with as much power, and as much success, as attended the ministry of Peter! The same God who commissioned Peter, the same Christ whom Peter preached, the same Holy Spirit who anointed Peter and kept him under the anointing, lives today. God still answers prayer. And we have a divine commission to propagate "the healthful doctrine."

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### BLOOD-MORTGAGES

Forget not that your first and principal business as a disciple of Christ is to give the gospel to those who have it not. If you cannot go in person, inquire diligently what blood-mortgage there is on your property in the interest of lost souls. I warn you that it will go hard with you when the Lord comes to reckon it with you, if He finds your wealth hoarded up in needless accumulations instead of being carefully devoted to giving the gospel to the lost.—A. J. Gordon.

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# The Passing and the Permanent

Compiled by Robert C. Cunningham

## THE OLD-FASHIONED GOSPEL

A Baptist church in Sherburne, N. Y., recently dismissed its pastor on the ground that he preached "the old-fashioned gospel." When the pastor refused to leave, the trustees appealed to the N. Y. State Supreme Court, and Justice Coon upheld the dismissal. No doubt the dismissed pastor soon found a different Baptist church where he could be free to preach "the old-fashioned gospel." If not, he might try the Assemblies of God.

## TO PRINT BIBLES IN RUSSIA

The Greek Orthodox Church intends to print an edition of the Bible at the Government Printing Works in Moscow, and so the American Bible Society has offered the plates from which an edition of Russian Bibles was printed in America. According to *Bratsky Vestnik* ("Fraternal Messenger") the "All Union Council of Evangelical Christians—Baptists" (with which the Russian Pentecostals are affiliated) also is arranging to print the Scriptures in the Russian language.

## RELIGION AND THE U. N.

At the U. N. meeting in Paris recently, it was proposed that the statement, "All beings were created in the image and likeness of God," be included in the United Nations' declaration on human rights; but it was voted down. The Soviet delegate asserted that "the notion of God is unintelligible in modern Soviet philosophy."

Russia likewise attempted to eliminate any reference to religion in the declaration. However, most of the other nations differed and Article 16, as finally approved, reads: "Everyone has the right to freedom of thought, conscience and religion; this right includes the freedom to change his religion or belief, and freedom, either alone or in community with others and in public or private, to manifest his religion or belief in teaching, practice, worship and observance."

## "AN ECCLESIASTICAL OCTOPUS"

Those who desire information about the Federal Council of Churches will find a wealth of revealing detail in a new book, "An Ecclesiastical Octopus," which has been written concerning that organization, by Ernest Gordon.

Some of the chapter titles are an indication of the contents of the book: "Messrs. Facing-Both-Ways," "Decades of Political Intermeddling," "The National Conference of Christians and Jews," "The Multifarious Futilities of the FCC," "The Meagerness of FCC 'Social Service,'" "Evangelism Without an Evangel," "The Super-Church," "Rockefeller Catalysis," "Blind Watchmen, Dumb Dogs That Cannot Bark."

The liberal views of the Federal Council leaders are exposed, and the way modernism has "bored from within" in some of the leading denominations is brought to light. The book is fully documented. It is written in scholarly style. Those who desire a copy should order direct from the publishers, Fellowship Press, 9 Park St., Boston 8, Mass. Price, \$2.00 in cloth, \$1.25 in paper (170 pages).

## A THOUSAND MISSIONARY VOLUNTEERS

Considerably more than a thousand volunteers for the foreign mission field have responded to the call of God during the past year, through the ministry of the Inter-Varsity Christian Fellowship. This international and interdenominational organization is doing excellent work for Christ among the young people in colleges and universities.

## THE LARGEST CITY ON EARTH

New York, the largest city on earth, is a "pagan city" inasmuch as nearly half of its population have no affiliation with a church. According to K. D. Miller of the N. Y. C. Mission Society, there are 6,400,000 persons over 14 years of age in the city, yet the Catholics claim only 1,500,000, Protestant churches 600,000, Eastern Orthodox churches about 50,000, and only 600,000 Jews have an active connection with a synagogue or temple.

Although Harlem is dotted with churches, a recent survey showed that 40% of the children in a certain area are receiving no religious instruction whatsoever. It appears that needy mission fields are not all in foreign lands.

## HOW MUCH FOR CHRIST?

It's time to fill out your 1948 income tax return—and to figure just how much you gave to the cause of Christ during the past 12 months. The total income of the American people is in excess of \$211,000,000,000. Of this amount they are giving less than 1.5% toward the support of churches, foreign missions, charities, and colleges, according to J. K. Lasser. If figures were available for the evangelical believers alone (that is, born-again Christians) we have no doubt that the percentage would be much higher, but we doubt whether the average would be as great as the 15% of net income which the Government allows for contributions to religious and charitable organizations.

## MARTYR SEED

A brilliant Chinese student was offered a fine position with the Government. When Bishop Wilson S. Lewis asked the young man why he refused the splendid offer and volunteered, instead, to preach the gospel for a mere pittance, he said: "During the Boxer uprising I lived in an island village where there was a temple for devil-worship. The Christians were led by the soldiers to that temple and ordered to renounce their religion and bow before the devil-image, or they would be executed. I saw one hundred and sixty-three of my townsmen walk by the devil-god with heads erect, when a little bow would have saved their lives, then out to a great beam over which they placed their heads for the swift stroke of the executioner's sword. My father was one of that number. It was the unshaken integrity of their faith that thrilled me and gave me the desire for the new life. Now I must go back and tell my fellow-townsmen of Christ who died for me."

## TOBACCO AND CANCER

An ear, nose and throat specialist in Dallas, Texas, reports he has treated 150 patients for cancer of the mouth, throat and vocal cords. Of these, 149 used tobacco.

## HALF A MILLION CRIMES

More than half a million (503,769) crimes were committed in American cities during the first half of 1948, the F.B.I. reports. The crimes are classified as follows:

Manslaughter by negligence 1,264; murder and non-negligent manslaughter 1,886; rape 4,093; robbery 19,447; aggravated assault 23,810; auto theft 55,103; burglary 118,604; larceny 279,562. These figures represent all offenses known to the police in 2,094 cities, having a total population of 66 million people.

The total is only 1.8% less than that of the first half of 1947 when there were 512,816 crimes committed. The improvement is not great enough to justify any optimism or any lessening of our prayerful concern over the wickedness in our American cities.

## MARTYRS IN GREECE

Speaking recently at the Prairie Bible Institute, Three Hills, Alberta, Canada, K. Paul Yphantis of the Greek American Missionary Association gave some alarming facts:

There are two million tuberculosis cases in Greece. Sixty to seventy per cent of the children are so undernourished they are contracting tuberculosis. Russia wants Greece. America is gaining time by pouring in her millions. Communists are taking no chances. They are well organized. While in Macedonia last summer he saw their murderous tactics. Thousands lost their homes, scores of Christians were beheaded. One of the leaders of the Young People's movement was taken at midnight in his home and shot before his children because he was aggressive in building up Christian work. That struck terror into the heart of the community.

## NO ATOMIC DEFENSE

There is no practical defense against radioactivity of the atomic bomb, warns an army doctor who witnessed the Bikini tests two years ago. In his book *No Place to Hide*, Dr. David Bradley, San Francisco, says that Operation Crossroads convinced him that the survival of the human race is at stake "in the indiscriminate use of atomic energy for political coercion."

From the test, Dr. Bradley says he learned "that the devastating influence of the bomb and its unborn relatives may affect the land and its wealth for centuries through the persistence of radioactivity, and the people for generations through the persistence of adverse changes in the mechanisms of heredity."

"No place to hide!" The title of his book speaks eloquently of man's need of a hiding place. Thank God, we have a Savior who is "a hiding place from the wind, and a covert from the tempest." Isaiah 32:2. If we are covered by His feathers, sheltered by His wings, we need not be afraid of "the terror by night; nor for the arrow that flieth by day; nor for the pestilence that walketh in darkness; nor for the destruction that wasteth at noonday." Psalm 91. Even in the atomic age, we shall be safe if we dwell in the secret place of the most High, for He Himself is our hiding place.

**I**N the training of national workers, we have the example of our Lord. He came to earth from heaven, a celestial missionary. But, He chose and trained "nationals" of the land, and to them He gave the commission of going into all the world to tell the glad tidings of salvation.

They were "at home" in Palestine, but as soon as they left their own country they were foreigners. Did they rely on preachers from Jerusalem to carry out the task given them by the Master? Hardly. Wherever they went, in Asia Minor, in Africa, in Europe, they trained the men and women there to evangelize and to pastor the flock. In this, they simply followed the divine pattern, just as their Lord had done before them. He did not bring angels from heaven to earth. He raised up men on earth to carry on His work.

God has always placed a premium on trained men for His work. Abraham, Isaac and Jacob went through a school of training such as few of us have ever known. Joseph, Moses, David and Daniel all passed through a training period in preparation for God's work. In the days of the prophets there was the "school of the prophets" where special preparation for service was given. Paul was trained at the feet of Gamaliel. All twelve Apostles had three years at the feet of the Teacher of teachers, and in practical daily "field" experience. The great culmination of their training was the receiving of celestial credentials—the Pentecostal Holy Spirit infilling on the day of Pentecost!

Timothy and Titus were "sons in the gospel" of Paul. In other words, Paul trained them. Church after church was founded by Paul and others of the Apostles. Were pastors brought from Jerusalem? No! Local men were trained to take charge of these congregations. The seven churches of Asia Minor had such pastors. The churches of Macedonia in Europe had their own pastors. Paul often remained for over a year with some of these congregations, evidently until he felt men among their number were qualified to assume leadership without becoming "lords" over their heritage.

Today, in every mission field in the world we must follow the example left by our Lord and the early ministers of the Gospel. Only by having national pastors and evangelists can the church really be rooted on the home soil. In national congregations, the preparation of Sunday School teachers, C.A. leaders, and church deacons often results in their developing into preachers.

The church has found by experience that while the preparation of workers in every local church is invaluable, there is more economy in improving the opportunities of God-given "teachers." They can prepare hundreds of men and women called to the ministry by gathering them together in Bible Schools as the "schools of the prophets" of the Old Testament.

So, in every mission field, in local congregations, and in Bible Schools, men and women, black, yellow, brown and white, are preparing themselves in prayer and study to carry to its completion the task given us by our Lord—"preach the gospel to every creature."

# *Training of National Workers Is Essential to Widespread Missionary Advances*

By H. C. BALL

Field Secretary for Latin America

**The development of an indigenous church in each country where our missionaries work is dependent upon the training and development of national leaders. Bible Schools are needed for this program.**

**A**RGININA is listed among the earliest of our Assemblies of God mission fields. However, our missionary force there has always been very inadequate, and our progress has been slow. So Argentina has become known as a "difficult field."

Recently, the Pentecostal Assemblies of Canada, who also have missionaries in Argentina, and our own missionaries, together in conference decided upon a union of the two missions and to establish a national church. Their aim is to place all existing churches in the hands of national ministers. The work in one entire province has already been put in charge of Argentine pastors.

One of the most promising developments of this union has been that of the Bible Institute. The story can best be told by quoting excerpts from letters from our missionaries.

**July 11, 1947.** "One of the first things mentioned, once the amalgamation had been accomplished was the necessity for a Bible School. As long as the two organizations remained apart, this was inadvisable, but now that there is a national church we feel it to be the prime necessity. The plan is that it be located here in Buenos Aires, since this is the center of all our activity and is easily accessible to all the missionaries of both groups so that they could contribute to the teaching staff.

"All this sounded very good in theory, but the principal problem was the finding of a house large enough for two missionary couples, with dormitories and classrooms for the students. This seemed impossible. But, then the miracle happened. We noticed an advertisement in the paper concerning a house that seemed to be what we wanted. We went to look at it and could hardly believe our eyes. It couldn't have been more perfect if we had built it to order."

**February 22, 1948.** "Very recently Robert Thomas and I (Kermit Jeffrey) made a journey among all our churches announcing the opening of the school, distributing pamphlets and interviewing young people who might be prospective students. This is a very difficult

time because young men are receiving the highest salaries for work that they have ever received. It requires a great deal of consecration to be able to leave a lucrative job and dedicate oneself to the ministry. We believe God will call them and bring them to the Bible School."

We would now quote from a letter dated **June 1, 1948.** "You will be interested to know how the school is progressing. On April 5, we opened our first classes with four resident students participating. Up until a few weeks before the school opened we had only the promise of one or two who would be coming. But now that we are finishing the second month of our first semester we are glad to report that we have seven day students, six of whom are resident. Our two night classes a week are also attracting seven or eight additional young people who work during the day and take New Testament and Prophecy in these evening classes.

"We have been especially blessed by having Mr. and Mrs. Stawinski, of Paraguay, with us at the launching of the school to which they have contributed immeasurably. Mr. Stawinski is teaching Church History and also has temporarily assumed the job of cooking the meals for all of us, having learned this while he was in the monastery before being converted. (Mr. Stawinski was formerly a Roman Catholic priest.) We have also invited Mr. Andreson, of the Canadian Assemblies to teach and he has kindly consented to do so.

"Another interesting feature that has developed in connection with the school concerns the providing of work for the students. The majority of the girls wrote saying that they would need to find some kind of work to pay their way through school. Since we did not know what kind of work they would be able to do, we decided to buy a stocking machine and teach the girls to make men's woolen stockings right here in the school. Mrs. Jeffrey went every day to the factory to learn how to make them and then with the help of a young lady who has had some experience in making stockings began to teach the girls.



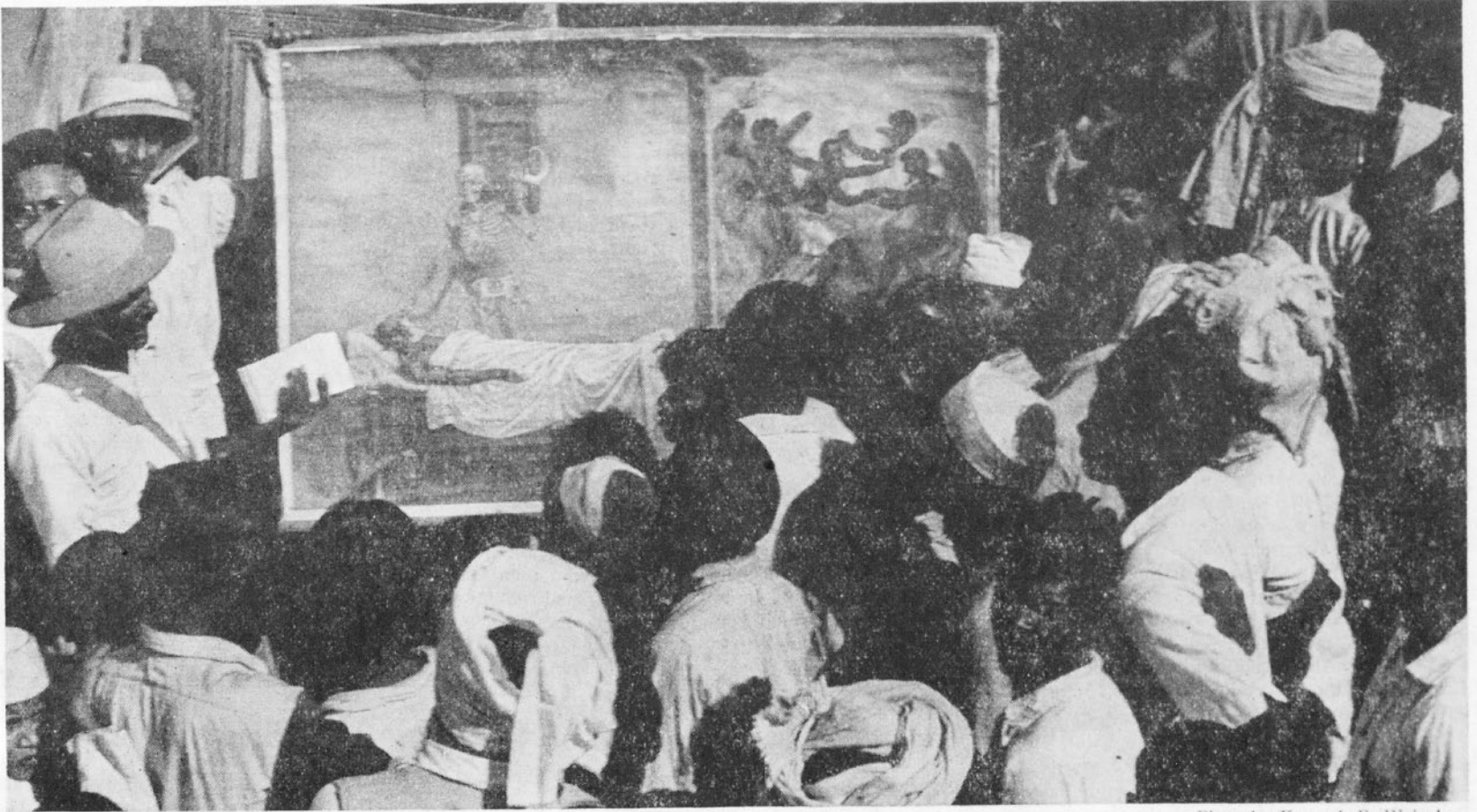


Photo by Kenneth E. Weigel

**Preaching at an Indian Fair.** The gruesome picture and the gospel singing which preceded the preaching drew a large crowd. The Indian preacher is holding Gospel portions in his hand. After he has explained how they may find salvation, he offers the Gospel portions at the low price of one cent, and they sell quick-

ly. It is for the training of such national ministers that our Bible Schools are being developed in many of our mission fields. The 1949 Missionary ADVANCE planned for Sunday, February 20, is being promoted for the development of ten Bible Schools which are needed immediately.

"One of our students is a contractor and we have spoken to him about the possibility of beginning plans for the starting of the building this summer. (Their summer is during our wintertime in the States.) By inviting some of our pastors that know how to lay brick we might be able to have our own buildings by the time school opens next year. The Canadian brethren are fully in accord with these plans, in fact, they have put much of the initiative into the whole project."

**September 13, 1948.** "We have drawn the plans and are ready to break the ground on October 2, when our Conference will convene here in Buenos Aires. Our Bible Institute will close its first term next week. We have had six students who have been all that we could have wished them to be, and we believe they will make fine Christian workers in the days to come."

Our hearts are made to rejoice over the way the Lord has undertaken for the establishment of the union of the Pentecostal Assemblies of Canada and the Assemblies of God in the national church in Argentina, making possible this Bible Institute for the training of Argentine pastors and evangelists. How blessed it is to note how the Lord went before our brethren in the renting of the house, in the securing of students in spite of high salaries, in providing work for the girl students, and even to the providing of a contractor for the erection of the buildings for the Bible Institute.

Our missionaries in Argentina have not requested funds for the building of their Bible Institute buildings, but do we not feel that we should have a part in this worthy project? The membership of the Pentecostal Union in Argentina is not large. The Argentine Christians will sacrifice and do their best, but present day building prices combined with the excessive costs in the metropolitan city of Buenos Aires will require a large expenditure of money. What will the Lord have each one of us do about this Bible Institute for the training of national workers for Argentina, Uruguay and Paraguay in South America?



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## Across the Border

Morris Williams, Nyasaland

**Y**OU cannot see it, still it is there. Cross it, and at once you feel the difference. Disregard it, and you will be forcibly reminded of its presence. It is the border line between Nyasaland and Portuguese Mozambique. In Nyasaland, the British rule and the rights are equal. In Mozambique, the Portuguese rule and the Catholic Church hold the "rights!"

We crossed the line recently on a visit to help some Pentecostal believers who have been waiting two to three years for someone to baptize them and strengthen their hands. A fifteen-mile trek into the mountains high above the Zambesi River brought us to a country untouched by the gospel except for our own Christians. There, the leader of that band of saints met us on the path, greeted us with joy, then fell to the ground and began to praise God while tears of gladness ran down his face. It was the first visit of a Protestant missionary to that region.

We spent five wonderful days there, and on one of them our pastor baptized fifteen adult Christians. That evening we gathered for their first communion service. It was a blessed time and one to be remembered! How we praise God for these faithful believers who are holding fast despite Catholic persecution!

# God's Guidance in My Life

Louise C. Roberts

I AM sending this witness of God's wonderful guidance in my life hoping it will be helpful to some other "babes in Christ" when they come to some crossroad of their Christian experience.

This happened shortly after I was saved and had come out of the Roman Catholic Church, of which I had been a member for fifty years—so for me life began at fifty.

This particular evening a friend called and proceeded to remonstrate with me for leaving the church. She was an educated woman and knew her religion thoroughly and her arguments for its doctrine were very convincing. She said she knew I had new light and was different but wouldn't I stay in the R.C. church and use it there.

I reminded her that Martin Luther tried that first and of what happened to him. Then she accused me of going over to the side of "that wicked apostate monk"—Martin Luther. I had just finished reading a wonderful book on Luther and the reformation so I thought this called for an answer.

I asked her if she believed what the Bible said about Christ's second coming with His saints to judge the world and she said that she believed Christ would come at the day of judgment. Then I told her that when He came I believed Martin Luther would be right there with Him on His right hand.

Well, that really started something and she gave me an awful calling down and left me so terribly upset that I just shook all over. Naturally I am not a timid soul and I felt it wasn't normal to be so upset. Later I spoke about it to a Christian minister and he said it was a satanic attack and likened it to when Elijah crossed Jezebel in destroying the priests of Baal and ran and hid under the juniper tree and asked the Lord that he might die. However, I prayed about it and asked the Lord to show me once for all if I had done right and to show me from His own Word.

I then opened my Daily Light and read the message for that day and I was so discouraged as in it was not a word pertaining to my problem. Then I looked at the clock—it was 12:15 a.m. I realized it was another day so I turned to the next message and this is what I read:

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*"The Lord hath said unto you, Ye shall henceforth return no more that way.*

"Truly if they had been mindful of that country from which they came out, they might have had opportunity to have returned. But now they desire a better country, that is a heavenly. Choosing rather to suffer affliction with the people of God, than to enjoy the pleasures of sin for a season; esteeming the reproach of Christ greater riches than the treasures in Egypt.—*The just shall live by faith; but if any man draw back, my soul shall have no pleasure in him. But we are not of them who draw back unto perdition; but of them that believe to the saving of the soul.—No man having put his hand to the plough, and looking back, is fit for the kingdom of God.*

"God forbid that I should glory, save in the

cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by whom the world is crucified unto me, and I unto the world.—Come out from among them, and be ye separate, saith the Lord, . . . and I will receive you.

"He which hath begun a good work in you will perform it until the day of Jesus Christ."

Note, I got Martin Luther's own verse that started the reformation after I had defended him. If the Lord had appeared to me in person I could not have been more thrilled. Truly we have a wonderful Savior.—*Evangelical Christian.*

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This is one of the many testimonies that we have seen that tell of the great blessing this book, *Daily Light*, has been to those who own them. There should be a copy of this small devotional book, which contains nothing but the Word of God, in every home. The cost is only 75 cents per copy. It can be obtained from the Gospel Publishing House, Springfield, Mo.

## NEW TRACTS

A number of readers have asked us if certain articles that have appeared in the Evangel recently could not be printed in tract form. We are glad to say that we have been able to do this, and the following tracts are now available:

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We would like to mention four more tracts which, while not new, are excellent personal testimonies and will be a blessing to those who are seeking God for healing or for the Baptism of the Holy Spirit. They are:

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## The Lord's Healing

EYESIGHT 90% GONE

For eight years I wore glasses with very thick lenses. In January, 1947, I went to an eye specialist to have my glasses changed. After examining my eyes he said 90% of my eyesight was already gone, so that I had only 10% vision. I had cataracts coming over my eyes. The doctor stated that I didn't have enough vision to safely cross the street alone.

On March, 1947, Evangelist Roy A. Sherrill anointed me with oil and prayed for me. God healed my eyes. That was more than twenty months ago, and from that day to this I have not worn glasses. My eyes are getting stronger every day. No signs of cataracts can be found. I give the Lord all the glory.—Joyce Dover, 1227 Sullivan, St. Louis 7, Mo.

(Miss Dover's testimony is confirmed by her pastor, John G. Sanders, of the Friendly Church, St. Louis, Mo.)

BITTEN BY A COPPERHEAD SNAKE

I was teaching in our Bible Class at Okesa, Okla., when one of the scholars asked, "Do you believe all that you teach about miracles, healings, and so on?"

"I believe all things are possible to him that believeth," I replied.

Another scholar then asked, "Why is it that, although you people say you believe all these things, we never see any such miracles performed?"

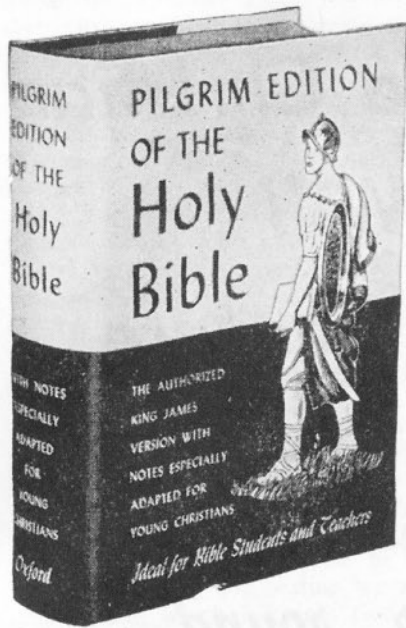
My spirit groaned within me and I was deeply touched. Silently I prayed that God would prove to these dear people that God was still the same, and that He still performed miracles (even if it should take my life to prove it). After Sunday School was dismissed a strange burden rested upon me. I did not understand, but I said, "Lord, Thou knowest all about it. Help me to do Thy will."

It was June, 1940, and that afternoon one of my children asked that we have lettuce for supper. I went to the garden, pulled a few stalks of lettuce, and then I noticed one real tall



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of the devils was healed.  
37 ¶ Then the whole multitude of the country of the Gad-rēneš round about besought him to depart

for what cause she had touched him, and how she was healed immediately.  
48 And he said unto her, Daughter, be of good comfort: thy faith hath

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stalk. As I reached down to pick it, something stung the third finger of my right hand (next to the little finger).

I parted the lettuce stalks to see what bit me, and looked into the wide-open mouth of a copperhead snake.

I started toward the house to tell my husband. Something told me to press the bitten finger tightly as I went. I did this, and two large drops of blood stood out on my finger, one on each side.

Suddenly I remembered my prayer that morning at Sunday School! I began to praise the Lord for His wonderful works and healing power. The Spirit of God fell on me and soon I was praising Him in another tongue entirely foreign to me.

Twenty minutes later I looked at my finger and noticed it was normal, except for two small brown spots where the snake's fangs had entered. The finger had not swollen, and never at any time did it pain me. God's promise

in Mark 16:18 is true, that if "they shall take up serpents, and if they drink any deadly thing, it shall not hurt them." After eight and a half years the two brown spots are still on my finger, a definite sign to me and others of God's wonderful delivering power.—Mrs. Robert Rowton, R. 3, Box 218, Bartlesville, Okla.

(Mrs. Rowton's testimony is confirmed by her husband, who states, "My wife knows what a copperhead looks like, and still has the marks on her finger where she was bitten.")

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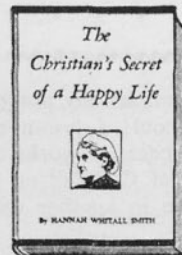
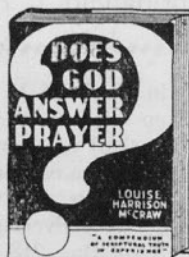
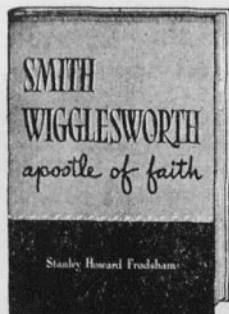
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## NERVES AND THROAT HEALED

On April 11, 1947, I was operated on for inward goitre at Concordia, Kansas. About three months later I went to Wichita, Kansas, where I belonged to the Christian Church.

I had been almost a nervous wreck before my operation, and after the operation my nerves were even worse. Also I had a noise in my throat which began about four months after my goitre operation. The noise bothered me almost all the time. I went to the doctor many times but my nerves and throat did not get any better.

Then last December I came to Rawlins, Wyoming, to keep house for my brother. I had prayed about this, for I didn't like Rawlins, and I felt God was leading me to go there although I didn't fully understand why. After I had been here awhile I started attending the Assembly of God church, and then I understood why the Lord had brought me to Rawlins, Wyoming. He was leading me into Pentecost, where I could receive new life for my soul and new life for my body as well.

After the church service on the night of March 14, 1948, our pastor, Brother Cattles, and the good people of the church gathered around me. The pastor anointed me with oil, according to James 5:14, and we called on the Great Physician, Jesus Christ, to heal me. I had been praying for healing for a long time, and on that wonderful night God healed both my nerves and my throat. What a wonderful Savior and Healer is Jesus! The noise in my throat is gone, and I am not nervous as I was.

The next morning I called the pastor's family and several of my friends to tell them what God had done for me. I cannot thank Him enough. And the following night (March 16) I received the Baptism in the Holy Ghost. Oh, how I thank the Lord for bringing me to Rawlins, and directing my path to our dear little Pentecostal church.—Iona S. Wait, % Memorial Hospital, Rawlins, Wyo.

(This testimony is confirmed by the pastor, Thomas W. Cattles, 403 E. Walnut Street, Rawlins, Wyo., who writes: "Sister Wait is working at the hospital, feeling better than she has for years, and she tells everywhere what God has done for her.")

## SPURGEON ON MODERNISM

Do you imagine that the gospel is a nose of wax, which can be shaped to suit the face of each succeeding age? Is the revelation once given by the Spirit of God to be interpreted according to the fashion of the period? Is "Advanced Thought" to be the cord with which the Spirit of the Lord is to be controlled? Is the old truth that saved men hundreds of years ago to be banished because something fresh has been hatched in the nests of the wise? Think ye that the witness of the Holy Ghost can be shaped and molded at our will? Is the Divine Spirit to be rather the pupil than the teacher of the ages? "Is the Spirit of the Lord straitened?"

My very soul boils within me when I think of the impudent arrogance of certain willful spirits from whom all reverence for revelation has departed. They criticize His Word and amend His truth. Certain Scriptural doctrines are, forsooth, discarded as dogmas of the medieval period; others are denounced as gloomy, because they cannot be called untrue. Paul is questioned and quibbled out of court, and the

Lord Jesus is first belauded and then explained away. We are told that the teaching of God's ministers must be conformed to the spirit of the age. We shall have nothing to do with such treason to truth.

"Is the Spirit of the Lord straitened?" Shall His ministers speak as if He were? Verily, that same treasure of truth which the Lord has committed unto us we will keep inviolate so long as we live, God helping us.—C. H. Spurgeon.

One feature of the National Sunday School Convention, March 6-10, will be the special service on the site of the new Gospel Publishing House. Be sure to mail your building offering before that date.

## Among the Assemblies

**MIAMI, FLA.**—Just closed a blessed 2-week meeting with Evangelist Anna B. Lock. A number were saved and some were filled with the Spirit. The whole church was stirred by her testimony and straight preaching.—Orville C. Smith, Pastor, Central Assembly of God.

**DRAKESBURG, OHIO**—In November we called Evangelist June Cook of Conneaut for a 3-week revival meeting. Several were saved and several received the Baptism in the Holy Spirit. Sister Cook is a good musician, a good preacher, and a consecrated Christian worker. Our church was well pleased with her ministry.—A. W. Lawrence, Pastor, Route 1, Windham, Ohio.

**LARAMIE, WYO.**—Brother and Sister De Vere and Brother and Sister Held of Detroit, Mich., gave us a 3-night meeting when on their way to Vancouver, B. C. The gifts of healing and discernment were wonderfully manifested in the services. Quite a number of very serious diseases and afflictions were healed, and the people that were bound were liberated and set free.—J. L. Huff, Pastor.

**TAFT, CALIF.**—Evangelist Star Thomas of La Mesa concluded a 4-week meeting at the Assembly of God on November 21. The week-night crowds were exceptionally large, and on Sunday nights the church was filled to capacity. Great numbers were prayed for during this time, and many testified that they had received healing. In almost every service, folk were at the altar seeking salvation. Each department of the church was blessed through the ministry of Brother Thomas. By the older members of the church, this meeting was considered to be one of the greatest the church had ever seen.—Paul C. Long, Pastor.

**MERCEDES, TEXAS**—We have recently experienced a real moving of the Holy Spirit in a revival campaign with Evangelist and Mrs. Bob McCutchen of Austin. It was said to be the best-attended revival ever held in the church. The preaching was anointed by God's power. A goodly number were saved, several reclaimed, and some filled with the Spirit. Healings were very evident.

Sister McCutchen did a splendid work with the children. She conducted a special children's service each evening. Every unsaved child who regularly attended these services was gloriously saved, and all were blessed.—E. B. McCutchen, Pastor.

**NORTH SACRAMENTO, CALIF.**—We of Faith Tabernacle want to report on the Divine Healing meeting with the Tom B. Myers Party. The power of God came down, and many sick were healed of all manner of diseases. Before Brother Myers prayed for the sick, Pastor S. F. Hutchinson preached from the scripture, "Have faith in God." Men and women felt the convicting power of God in their hearts, and God saved a goodly number. The meeting was just for one day, but God opened deaf ears and saved folk even in the prayer line. It was truly a wonderful time of rejoicing in God.—S. F. Hutchinson, Pastor.

**KANSAS CITY, KANSAS**—We recently concluded a revival meeting with Evangelists Paul and Betty Wells of Taft, Calif. The church received a real blessing from the stirring gospel messages given by Brother Wells. About 50 were saved, and some 14 or 15 filled with the Holy Ghost. The interest grew until the last week it seemed like Sunday night every night, but the largest crowd was on the closing Sunday night. The Divine Healing ministry of Brother Wells was greatly blessed of God. A man in our church was healed of sugar diabetes; others were healed of tumor, sinus infection, paralysis, and many other afflictions.—H. W. Barnett, Pastor, Victoria Tabernacle.

**MILLIKEN, COLO.**—December 8, we began a meeting with Evangelist Wilma Miller of Wheatland, Wyo. During these meetings almost every member of our assembly received a refilling of the Holy Ghost. There were 31 refilled, 16 baptized in the Holy Ghost, and 11 saved. The Lord stretched forth His hand to heal in almost every service. One sister was healed of inward goiter, another of sugar diabetes. Those suffering from ulcers of the stomach, sinus trouble, kidney trouble, deafness, and other diseases were healed. Many things of long duration were made right. Two Baptist families received the Baptism in the Holy Ghost. The entire church has been edified and is walking in the comfort of the Holy Ghost. Our outside interest was very good, many coming for miles around, night after night. The revival fires are still burning. May they burn till Jesus comes.—S. R. Stewart, Pastor.

**LEBANON, PA.**—We have just closed two weeks of special services with Brother and Sister David M. Wellard of Auburn, N. Y., as our evangelists. God has moved mightily in our midst. Ten testified to a healing touch by the Great Physician, 6 received the Baptism in the Holy Ghost, 3 were refilled, 3 backsliders were reclaimed, and a number came for salvation. Brother Wellard's outstanding teaching ministry has been a great help and blessing to the church.

One of the encouraging aspects of this campaign was the goodly number from other churches who came and testified to the help and blessing they had received through the meetings. People who had not been in the church for years came and received a fresh touch from the hand of the Lord. We are encouraged to believe God for greater things in Lebanon.—Robert F. Rainbow, Pastor.

**ARCHER CITY, TEXAS**—We came here in 1945 and immediately began making plans to construct a new church building. After three real estate transactions involving the sale of all the property owned here by the Assembly, and the purchase of a beautiful piece of property, well located, we began construction of a new building. In August, 1947, we moved into the building, and it was not long until our Sunday School attendance had doubled and the church began to be blessed financially. Although our building is not fully completed, it is very comfortably taking care of both church and Sunday School.

Several evangelists have ministered the Word during our stay here. They were: M. E. Stubblefield of Houston, the George Davises of Springfield, Randall Ball of Lubbock (2 meetings), Mrs. M. A. Grayson of Byers, Jennie O'Brien of California, Paul and Becky Cox of Allentown, Pa., Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Williams of Wichita Falls, Mr. and Mrs. Leo Walker of Ft. Worth, and H. L. Bayless of Wichita Falls.

We have resigned the pastorate here and have accepted the pastorate at Graham, Texas. Our new address is 1030 Second St. Council ministers will find a welcome.—V. W. Marcontell.

**BARTLESVILLE, OKLA.**—During the past few months, we have had gracious times of refreshing in our midst. In June, Evangelist and Mrs. Johnnie Robinson of Waxahachie, Texas, were with us for three weeks. A goodly number were saved and refilled with the Holy Spirit. The services were well attended and the church was greatly blessed. In August, we truly sat in heavenly places as W. B. McCafferty of Southwestern Bible Institute, Waxahachie, Texas, brought two weeks of rich Bible teaching. About the same time, a 24-hour chain of prayer was launched in the church and the effect was immediately manifested with souls saved and God's blessing resting richly and in unexpected ways upon each service.

With the revival tide rising, in November we entered into three weeks of special services with

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Cordelia Donnell and Mildred Holler as evangelists. Under their anointed ministry, both from the Word and through music, God gave a rich harvest of souls. Some 20 were saved or reclaimed, and a like number refilled or baptized in the Holy Ghost. The joyous testimonies and the enthusiasm of these newly saved and baptized persons continue to inspire the entire church. The spirit of revival still prevails. Especially is there a moving along the line of Divine Healing, many coming forward for prayer, with the Lord manifesting His presence to heal in almost every service.—C. H. Asher, Pastor; by Jewell M. Triplett, Church Secretary.

## Coming Meetings

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

DAWSON, MINN.—Jan. 30—Feb. 20; E. C. Lagmay, Filipino Evangelist.—Loyal A. Miller, Pastor.

TICE, FLA.—Jan. 23—Feb. 6; W. F. Garvin, Tulsa, Okla., Evangelist.—J. Bashford Bishop, Pastor.

WINCHESTER, VA.—First Assembly of God, 455 N. Cameron St., Jan. 25—Feb. 13; Gay Benson, Evangelist.—M. N. Zizzo, Pastor.

SPRINGFIELD, MO.—Central Assembly, Campbell Ave. and Calhoun St.; Jan. 23, for 2 weeks; Christian Hild, Evangelist.—Emil A. Baillet, Pastor.

GRAND JUNCTION, COLO.—Jan. 30—; Evangelists Cordelia Donnell and Mildred Holler.—M. R. Hutchinson, Pastor.

CLEVELAND, OHIO.—East 55th St. and Lexington Ave., Jan. 25—Feb. 13; Carl and Edna Goodwin, Pomona, Calif., Evangelists.—D. P. Holloway, Pastor.

PHOENIX, ARIZ.—Assembly of God, Jan. 9—; The Cantelon Evangelistic Party (Bill and Ila Murphy assisting).—Chas. O. Greene, Pastor.

LINDSAY, CALIF.—Jan. 16—; Evangelist and Mrs. Don Mallough.—R. R. Nichols, Pastor.

JOHNSTOWN, PA.—Jan. 4—; Evangelist and Mrs. Joseph Pittman of Youngwood.—Charles Eyler, Pastor.

NEVADA, MO.—Jan. 23, for 2 weeks or longer; John D. Williams, Augusta, Ga., Evangelist.—Ward Popejoy, Pastor.

HOQUIAM, WASH.—Jan. 18, for 2 weeks or longer; Evangelist Lester H. Sheets and Party.—Ingvald M. Henriksen, Pastor.

(Near) TRUSSVILLE, ALA.—Van Valley Assembly of God, Jan. 16—; Evangelist and Mrs. Jack Fowler.—Lucille Jones, Pastor.

MODESTO, CALIF.—Airport Assembly of God; meeting in progress; Robert L. Work, Evangelist.—Ernest M. Adams, Pastor.

CUBA, ILL.—Assembly of God; Feb. 1, for 3 weeks or longer; Bert Talcott, Springfield, Ill., Evangelist.—R. P. Poland, Pastor.

CINCINNATI, OHIO.—First Christian Assembly, 1224 Race St., Jan. 25—30; Ernest V. Berquist, Evangelist.—A. B. Crabb, Pastor.

SWEETWATER, OKLA.—Assembly of God, meeting in progress; Bob McCutchen of Austin, Texas, Evangelist.—E. W. Moore, Pastor.

JACKSONVILLE, FLA.—First Assembly of God, 14th and Phoenix Sts.; Jan. 2, for 3 weeks; Anna B. Lock, Galva, Ill., Evangelist.—Cyril E. Homer, Pastor.

BELLINGHAM, WASH.—Pentecostal Tabernacle, 1311 I St., Jan. 23—; Wm. F. A. Gierke, Los Angeles, Calif., Evangelist.—John A. Westman, Pastor.

MINNESOTA MINISTERS' INSTITUTE  
North Central District Ministers' Institute, Fergus Falls, Minn., Jan. 24—26. Ernest S. Williams, main speaker. First meeting Monday evening, then 3 meetings daily, closing with District C. A. Rally Wednesday night. For reservations write R. E. Smith, Host Pastor, 202 W. Junius, Fergus Falls, Minn.—G. Raymond Carlson, District Superintendent.

HARRISON, OHIO—Jan. 18—21; John L. Price, Indianapolis, Ind., guest speaker. Neighboring assemblies invited to co-operate.—J. E. Friend, Pastor.

ANOKA, Minn.—Assembly of God, 5th Ave. and School St., N.; Jan. 9, for 2 weeks or longer; Evangelist and Mrs. Wesley R. Hurst, Sr., Washburn, Wis.—Paul M. Cardiff, Pastor.

GARY, IND.—Gary Full Gospel Tabernacle, 8th Ave. and Connecticut St., Jan. 25—Feb. 6; George Hayes, Houston, Texas, Evangelist.—Fred G. Anderson, Secretary.

PHILADELPHIA, PA.—C. A. Rally, Highway Mission Tabernacle, 19th and Green Sts., January 22, 7:45 p.m. A. A. Caprino, Camden, N. J., speaker. Special musical program by EBI students.—A. A. Marinacci, Chairman.

INDIANA MINISTERS' INSTITUTE  
Indiana District Ministers' Institute, Assembly of God, Main and Park Ave., Jasonville, Ind., Jan. 31—Feb. 2. Ralph M. Riggs, guest speaker. Free rooms for ministers and companions. Meals reasonably priced. Write Zella Anthony, 306 S. Park St., Host Pastor, for reservations.—Roy H. Wead, District Superintendent.

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Mid-Winter Bible Conference, Tennessee District, Faith Chapel Assembly of God, Knoxville, Tenn., Jan. 25—27. G. R. Kelly, Host Pastor. Wilfred A. Brown, General Treasurer, main speaker. Accommodations furnished by the church as far as possible. W. G. White, Superintendent.—H. E. Darnell, Secretary-Treasurer, Box 385, Madison, Tenn.

MISSISSIPPI PRAYER CONFERENCE  
Mississippi District Prayer Conference, Mississippi Tabernacle, 2300 W. Capitol St., Jackson, Miss., Feb. 15—16. Aaron A. Wilson of Kansas City, Mo., guest speaker. Rooms as far as possible. For information write Chas. S. Craighead, 157 Road of Remembrance, Jackson, Miss., District Secretary-Treasurer; or Jeff Gibbs, Box 52, Laurel, Miss., District Superintendent.

MID-WINTER BIBLE CONFERENCE  
Mid-Winter Bible Conference, Alabama District, First Assembly of God, Montgomery, Ala., Feb. 7-9. Arthur Graves, Principal of SEBI, main speaker. First service, Monday, 7 p.m.; then services 10 a.m., 2 and 7 p.m., daily. For reservations write Pastor Carl E. Perry, 24 Polk St., Montgomery, Ala., or T. H. Spence, District Superintendent, Route 1, Pike Road, Ala.—Howard P. Trawick, District Secretary.

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### TRI-SECTION MINISTERS' INSTITUTE

TULARE, CALIF.—Tri-Section Ministers' Institute and Fellowship Meeting, Full Gospel Tabernacle, Inyo and M Sts., Jan. 17. Combining the North San Joaquin Section, Floyd Hawkins, Presbyter; Central San Joaquin Section, Paul B. Franklin, Presbyter; South San Joaquin Section, C. M. Ward, Presbyter; Services and speakers: 11 a.m., A. G. Ward; Afternoon and evening, L. R. Keys of San Francisco. C. M. Ward, chairman of evening service. F. Hawkins, chairman of 2:30 p.m. service. P. B. Franklin, chairman of morning ministers' forum.—Paul B. Franklin, Host Pastor.

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