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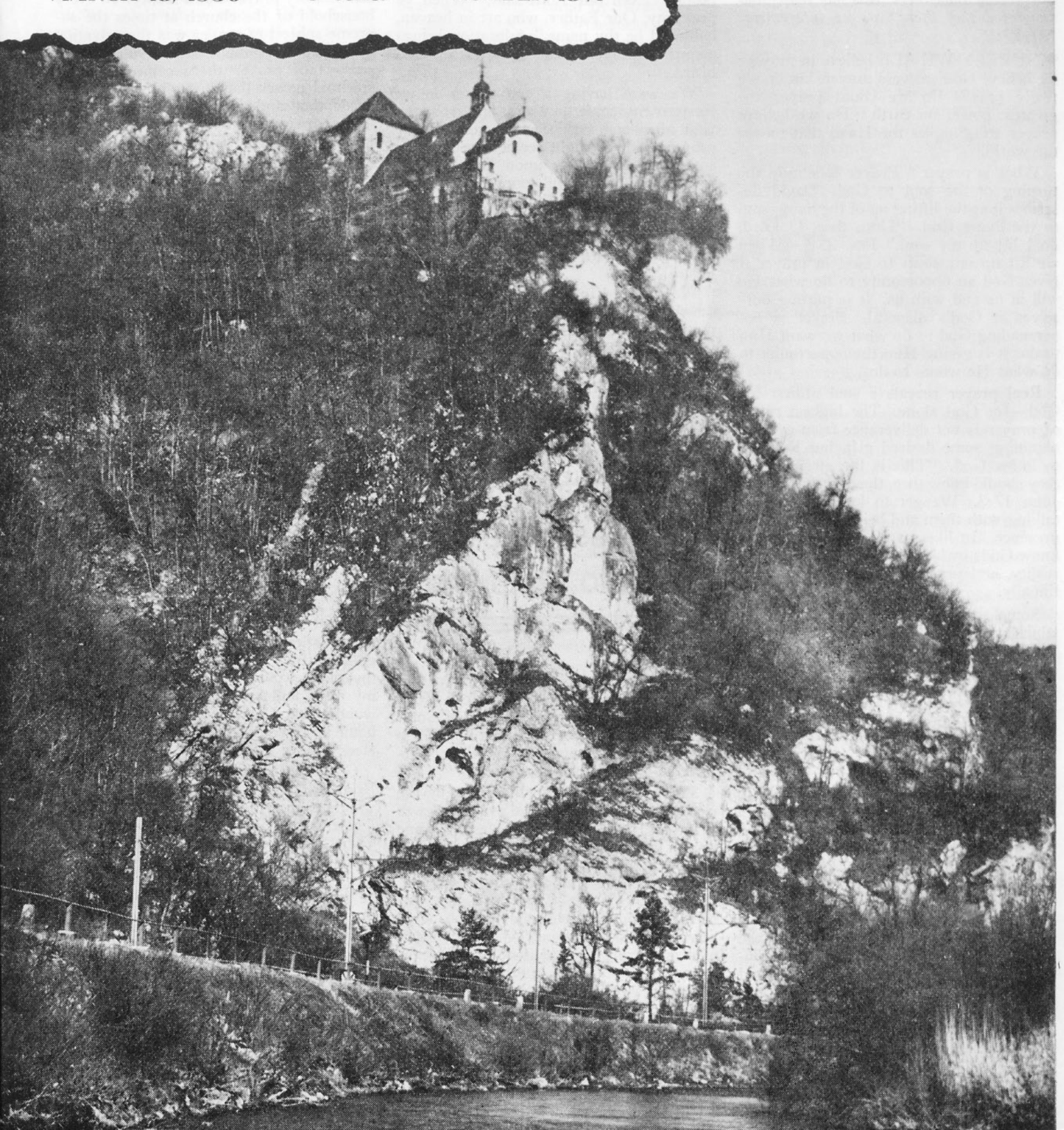
What do I owe  
To Christ, my Lord and King?

That all my life  
Be one sweet offering;

That all my life  
To noblest heights aspire,

That all I do  
Be touched with holy fire.

—John Oxenham



# DO YOU HAVE A BURDEN FOR SOULS?

Hattie Hammond

*He saw that there was no man, and wondered that there was no intercessor.* Isa. 59:16.

● SURELY WE ALL believe in prayer; we believe God answers prayer, but do we really pray? Do we count prayer the greatest power on earth? Do we believe prayer still "moves the Hand that moves the world"?

What is prayer? Prayer is simply the turning of the soul to God. David describes it as the lifting up of the living soul to the living God. "Unto thee, O Lord, do I lift up my soul." Psa. 25:1. When we lift up our souls to God in prayer it gives God an opportunity to do what He will in us and with us. It is putting ourselves at God's disposal. Prayer is not persuading God to do what we want Him to do; it is giving Him the opportunity to do what He wants to do.

Real prayer reveals a soul athirst for God—for God alone. The highest result of prayer is not deliverance from evil, or obtaining some desired gift, but learning to know God. "This is life eternal, that they should know thee, the only true God." John 17:3. We get to know people by talking with them and being often in their presence. In like manner do we come to know God; by holding Him as a conscious reality, and practicing His presence continually.

Some time ago I read a pamphlet in which a friend of Horace Bushnell said, "When that man of God prayed, there came over me a wonderful sense of God's presence. When he buried his face in his hands in communion with God, I was afraid to stretch out my hand in the darkness, lest I should touch God." Is it not true that many of our "prayers" are prayerless—and is it not because we rush into His presence without taking time to pull our shoes off our feet? Forget not, O child of God, "Holy and reverend is his name." We are in the presence of a holy God, the King of kings and Lord of lords. Who dares be indifferent by repeating meaningless phrases and prayerless prayers? But rather in the language of the angels we will use such expressions of the attributes of God as will make us conscious of His greatness, holiness, and

power. Even our Lord said, "When ye pray, say, Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name." Adoration brings a spirit of prayer—prayer that brings God near.

We were having a convention in an Eastern city some time ago, and from the first afternoon service every song, every prayer, every thought seemed to be, "My soul, wait thou only upon God." With reverent and prayerful tones we began to sing, "Come, Thou Almighty King; help us Thy praise to sing; help us to pray. Father all glorious, o'er all victorious, Come and reign over us, Ancient of Days."

We lingered long on the latter part of the third verse, "Thou who Almighty art, now rule in every heart, and ne'er from us depart—Spirit of power." This was



followed with that song of worship that angels delight to sing—"Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty, tho' the eye of sinful men Thy glory may not see: only Thou art holy, there is none beside Thee; perfect in power, in love, and purity."

The pastor slipped to his knees by the chair on the platform. The evangelist was prostrated behind the pulpit desk. Of one accord the entire audience went to their knees. Was there a mighty volume of prayer? Did it sound as the rushing of many waters? No—I do not know that there was one audible tone: but oh, what mighty work was done! With this spirit of prayer came the spirit of revival. Sinners were converted, and genuinely so. Believers were filled with the Spirit. So mightily continued the power of God in our midst, that Christians who had been

filled with the Spirit for years and supposed they were all right, began to inquire of their souls if they were really saved. With such a spirit of prayer prevailing, intercessory prayer becomes a reality.

I have been wondering what has become of that phrase, "A burden for souls." One does not hear it so often these days. It seems to be old-fashioned indeed. In days of old, men and women felt this burden roll upon them as they walked to and fro in the midst of poor lost souls. With them intercessory prayer was a reality. In every household of the church at times the supreme subject of prayer was the salvation of certain individuals. As a result of these seasons of prayer there came waves of spiritual power that brought scores, hundreds, thousands into the kingdom of God. The poor sinner is only as much interested in his soul as the Christian is interested in him. We must first touch God before we can touch our fellow-men.

It is true the prayers of Knox and the songs of Sankey are still said and sung, but often there is no soul in them. Men and women, comfortable in the assurance of their own salvation, have no concern for neighbors, friends and kindred. Campaigns take the place of revivals. Evangelistic meetings drift into experience meetings, in which the Christians recount with mild pleasure their own spiritual privileges, feed their own souls, get a blessing and go home satisfied. In view of this condition many evangelists have to devote their public meetings to attempting to arouse Christian people rather than to preaching to the unsaved. The lethargy of Christians is to be lamented. Beloved, God is still on the throne. His love for the sinner is still the same. He still answers prayer.

Oh, for the burden and conviction of Baxter of Kidderminster, when he said, "I am amazed at myself that I can preach the doctrines which mean life and death in so listless a manner. I wonder that I do not preach with tears and descend from my pulpit, almost taking the unsaved in my arms and bearing them to Christ. I wonder that I can sleep when I go to my home and think of the unsaved into whose faces I have looked."

God grant us that thirst for souls that Brainerd knew when he said, "I care not where or how I live, or what hardships I go through, just so I can bring souls to Christ." Listen to that sainted Brown of Haddington, exhorting his sons, "Oh, labor, labor to win souls to Christ! Let it be your aim in every sermon you preach, in every visit you pay. Under the influence of this feeling live, walk, and speak. For this cause labor, weep, fast, and pray." Yea, let our very existence be for the cause of Christ and for the rescuing of lost men and women.

Let us always preach as though it were

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our last sermon; let us labor as though it were our last day. Let us pray as though it were our last prayer. Let not the condition of other Christians hinder your faith or your prayers. If the church will not pray, and you cannot get one of its members to agree with you, Jesus has said, "If ye shall ask . . . I will do." John 14:14. How well I remember a dear elderly woman in Indiana who sat in her wheel chair, all alone with God in her home. Her prayer for months had been that God would sweep the town and countryside with a mighty Holy Ghost revival. At times it seemed the revival was almost despaired of; but still she continued to pray. Souls were at stake. Boys and girls were without God. Men and women were hastening into eternity. They must be saved. Something must be done. Only the power of God could meet the need. So one by one, day after day, she continued to name them over before the throne of God.

The pastor called me for a ten-day meeting. It lasted for nearly five weeks and resulted in the conversion of nearly a hundred souls. The majority of them were saved after midnight—in their homes, at their work, in the pews of the church, and at the altar. At eleven, twelve, and one o'clock in the morning these converts would go to the home of this godly mother to tell her they had been saved. Invariably they heard the words, "I am not surprised, I prayed you through a long time ago."

It pays to pray. God will roll the burden on our hearts if we will really pray, "Lord, teach me to pray."

"Oh, ye who sigh and languish  
And mourn your lack of power,  
Hear ye this gentle whisper:  
'Could you not watch one hour?'  
For fruitfulness and blessing  
There is no royal road;  
The power for holy service  
Is intercourse with God."

#### PARENTHOOD

Parenthood is a tremendous responsibility. Words cannot measure it. It requires the wisdom of Solomon and the grace of our Divine Saviour. Nevertheless, these attributes are at our disposal at all times, if we are ready to take our Lord at His word. "My grace is sufficient for thee." 2 Cor. 12:9. And this is the confidence we have in Him, that, "if we ask anything according to His will, He heareth us." 1 John 5:14.

The father of Hudson Taylor was desperately serious concerning his wedded life. On the day of his wedding he busied himself in his Master's business, until the hour drew near for his marriage; everything must be ready, nothing could be neglected. When the hour had almost ar-

rived he retired into his closet, and talked with his Lord about the responsibility which he was about to undertake. God saw his earnestness, his devotion to duty, his desire to serve, and gave him a son of whom any parent would justifiably be proud.

The wise parent is he who commits the unborn babe into the keeping and service of an all-powerful and ever-living God. Need a parent fear for the future of his child when committed to an inheritance of this magnitude? God wants children developed and nurtured by parents with spiritual vision and earnestness of purpose. For these twinkling lights will be the beacons that He will use in this age of materialism and spiritual indifference, which is creeping like a paralysis over the whole world. What a vision! What an inspiration! May God so inspire the parents of His Church now.—R. C. Lenton.

#### FIRST THINGS FIRST

We may rest fully assured of this—a man's influence in the world can be gauged, not by his eloquence or his zeal or his energy or his orthodoxy, but by his prayers.

We may work for Christ from morn till night; we may spend much time in Bible study; we may be earnest and faithful in our preaching and in our individual dealing; but none of these can be truly effective unless we are much in prayer. We shall only be full of good works, and not "bearing fruit in every good work." Col. 1:10. To be little with God in prayer is to be little for God in service. Much secret prayer means public power. Yes, is it not a fact that while our organizing is well-nigh perfect, our agonizing in prayer is well-nigh lost?—*The Kneeling Christian*.

## SUBDUED

"He is able to subdue all things unto Himself." Phil. 3:21

● BEFORE GOD can launch us out into the breadth and sweetness of His service, and entrust to us great things for Himself, we must be perfectly subdued in every part of our nature to His will and the disposition of His mind. We must be subdued in our hearts, in our wills, in our words, in our tempers, in our manners; subdued through and through so thoroughly that we will be flexible to all His purposes and plans. We must be so subdued that harshness, severity, criticism, sluggishness, laziness, impetuosity and all wanting our own way (even in religious matters) must be subdued out of us.

We must be subdued, not merely in our own opinion, not merely think ourselves subdued, not only be subdued in the esteem of our friends and fellow workers, but subdued so perfectly that the all-seeing eye of God can look us through and the omniscient One can know that we are subdued. God must conquer the man that He can trust with His great thoughts and plans.

The Holy Ghost must saturate us with a divine conquest before He can use us to conquer other souls. The Lord will begin to subdue us with gentle means, and if we sink lovingly and promptly into His mind, the work will be done; but if we have flint or iron in our nature He will use heroic means, if necessary, and put us between the millstones and grind us to powder until He can mould us without any resistance to His purpose. The greatest difficulty in the way of God's using His servants, even His zealous and oftentimes

anointed servants, is that they are not perfectly, universally, and constantly subdued under the power of God.

We must be so subdued as to stop meddling with other people's matters that God has not entrusted us with; so subdued as not to be calling God's servants hard names, and thrusting at Christians who are doing what they can in their various fields for the Master; so subdued that we can hold our tongues, and walk softly with God, keep our eyes upon Jesus, attend to our own work, and do God's will promptly and lovingly, glad to have a place in His kingdom and to do a little service for Him.

Oh! it is grand to be absolutely conquered by the Holy Ghost, and swing out a thousand miles from everybody and everything into the ocean of God's presence—to work with Him in humility, without stumbling over others, without religious peevishness, and bend with every plan God gives us.

When we are subdued in the sight of God, He will work miracles in us and show His power in healing, in finance, in service, in gentleness and sweetness of the inner heart life; miracles of grace that will astonish us and surprise our friends and utterly amaze our enemies as they come to know the magnitude of what God has wrought. Let us get subdued in every way, in everything; so subdued that we can keep still in God and see Him work out the great, bright thoughts of His eternal mind in our lives.—Anonymous (from an Evangel reader).

# EDITORIAL

## Winning Children for Christ

By the time this reaches most *Evangel* readers, the Eighth National Sunday School Convention will be in progress here at Springfield. Undoubtedly it will rival the biennial General Council in size. The attendance at the National Sunday School Convention has grown each year until it is probably the largest gathering of its kind in America.

It is altogether fitting that we should give so much attention to Sunday School work. This glorious Pentecostal message must be perpetuated. John Wesley said, in his day, "Unless we take care of the rising generation, the present revival of religion will be only the age of a man." The same is true of this Pentecostal revival today. We must indoctrinate the boys and girls and prepare them to carry on the torch of Truth which God has committed to us.

Not only should we think of preserving our Movement, but we should remember that Sunday School work is a fruitful means of winning adults. The early Methodists found it so. Wesley said, "Is this not a new thing upon the earth? God begins His work in children. . . . Thus the flame spreads to those of riper years." Many a family has been reached simply by getting one of the children into Sunday School; and many a parent has been saved through the truth that a child has taken home.

But the main reason for child evangelism and Sunday School work is the urgent spiritual need of the children themselves. Over thirty million of them are receiving no religious training whatever. They are an easy prey to atheism, Communism, and every evil. The Good Shepherd yearns for these lambs. He gave His life to save them. Do not doubt the depth of a childhood conversion. Some of the soundest conversions take place between the ages of 10 and 13, and even before. An investigation revealed that 90% of the Christians living today were saved between the ages of 12 and 20.

The Master taught us to sow the gospel seed on *good* ground. Is any ground more promising, more receptive, more fertile than the tender heart of a child? Age and neglect will harden the soil. Let us not wait until he is grown to adulthood to lead him to Christ. It will be far more difficult to win him then, and after he is won it will be much harder to change his ways. It is when clay is soft that it can be molded. It is when a tree is small it can be

straightened. It is when a life is young that it can be influenced most easily for God.

We should thank the Lord for every new agency by which the work of teaching the Bible and winning the lost can be advanced. One of these is visual aid. The pictures and other illustrations make the truth very plain. It was at the National Sunday School Convention last year that a certain teacher learned the value of visual aid. When she returned to her home town she put this method into practice, and the very first time she presented her illustrated lessons she had the joy of seeing five souls come to the Saviour.

That is the final test of every method used in the Sunday School: does it help to lead souls to Christ and make the way of salvation more clear? A ragged little girl recently walked into a Sunday School in Pittsburgh and asked, "Is this the way to heaven?" That is a good question. In many cases it is; in every case it should be. For many children the Sunday School may be the only way to heaven that they will ever find.

The ideal of Sunday School teaching is well illustrated by two statues which the Swiss have erected in honor of the great teacher, Pestalozzi. The first statue represents the teacher with two children by his side—a boy and a girl. The face of the teacher is turned down toward his pupils, and the children's faces are turned up toward their beloved teacher, their eyes fixed intently upon him.

A number of years after this statue had been erected, the Swiss people decided that it did not truly represent their great teacher. They therefore built a second statue, and in it stands a single boy beside Pestalozzi. As in the first statue, the face of the teacher is turned down toward his pupil, and he appears to be pouring out his very life for the boy's enlightenment. But the eyes of the boy, instead of being fixed on the teacher, are gazing out into the great beyond.

The task of the Christian teacher is not to attract the children to himself, or even to his particular church; it is to waken them to their spiritual need and to point them to the Lamb of God which taketh away the sin of the world. Christ is the Friend they need for this life and the life to come. Let us earnestly pray that they will come to know Him in their childhood; and let us avail ourselves of every tool that will make us better workmen in the important ministry of child evangelism.

"My bark is wafted to the strand  
By breath divine;  
And on the helm there rests a Hand  
Other than mine."

## Reading God's Word

When you come to the Word of God the great point is to come with a deep consciousness of your own ignorance, seeking on your knees the help of God, that by His Holy Spirit He may graciously instruct you.

I remember when I thus began to read the Scriptures. I had been a student of divinity in the University of Halle, and had written many a long manuscript at the lectures of the professor of divinity; but I had not come to this blessed Book in the right spirit.

At length I came to it as I had never done before. I said, "The Holy Ghost is the Teacher now in the Church of Christ; the Holy Scriptures are now the rule given by God: from them I must learn His mind—I will now prove it." I locked my door. I put my Bible on the chair, and spent three hours prayerfully reading the Word of God; and I unhesitatingly say that in those three hours I learned more than in any previous three, six, or twelve months' period of my life.

This was not all. I not only increased in knowledge, but there came with that knowledge a peace and joy in the Holy Ghost of which I had known little before.  
—GEORGE MULLER.

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# A CHURCH-BUILDING "MIRACLE"

Billie Davis

● THE NORMAL tendency of life is to multiply itself. A tiny cell will soon divide and become two cells. Even a weed will fling its seeds into the wind, that other weeds might spring up for miles around. A man finds one of the greatest sources of human pleasure as he watches his life reproduced in his child.

It is to be expected, then, that the greatest form of life—the spiritual life that a true Christian knows—should seek to multiply itself. This process of Christian life striving to produce more Christian life is commonly known as "evangelism." The existence of the Christian Church today is the result of this irrepressible urge of Christians to reproduce their kind—to work and preach and travail in prayer that souls might be born into the kingdom of God.

When the Pentecostal blessing was first poured out upon Christians in this country, those Christians received a wonderful new kind of life which they had not known before. They immediately became possessed with a desire to perpetuate that life. So they built churches. They formed the General Council of the Assemblies of God. As possessors of life they could not be satisfied until they had made provision for the multiplication of that life.

Today the Assemblies of God is known as the "fastest growing religious body." Not long ago at an interdenominational gathering, a prominent speaker said, "The growth of this group has been almost a miracle!" And it has been a kind of miracle—a miracle like the birth of a child, or the germination of a seed. It has been the miracle of life producing life. It has been the miracle of consistent and sincere evangelism.

The greatest factor in the building of a church is evangelism. The spontaneous desire of a pastor and his people to reproduce in others the life they know in Christ will always result in conversions and additions to the church. Why, then, are there not more and larger churches being built? The answer to this question lies in the fact that our leaders too often fail to recognize more than the one obvious form of evangelism—preaching. If these leaders could realize that perhaps the most effective evangelism (reproduc-

tion of spiritual life) can be effected in the form of Christian education for the children and young people, then they would discover a church-building miracle indeed!

Almost any pastor has it within his power to produce, by the grace of Christ, a mature Pentecostal congregation. He may gather about him a group of children and begin purposefully to impart to them the beautiful life he knows in Jesus. He may teach them the lessons of the Bible, share with them his favorite Bible stories, show them by his example the Christian way of life, and confide in them his desire to have them for his own sons and daughters in the Lord. He may build for them an efficient Sunday School, train and inspire for them a group of faithful teachers, and provide for them many pleasant and educational activities under the sponsorship of the church.

If he is faithful and sincere in this task, the "miracle" will happen. From a group of noisy, insignificant, disposition-trying youngsters will emerge an established and loyal congregation of Spirit-filled Christians!

This is why the Vacation Bible School workers have chosen as their slogan this year the words: "The VBS is a Church-building Miracle!" The VBS is one of the pastor's greatest aids in building a church that will perpetuate his ministry. In the happy summertime when the care-free boys and girls are eager to flock into his church for a morning of pleasant activity, the pastor has as great an opportunity as will ever come his way to win souls and to increase the membership of his church!

As he stands in the morning sunshine on the steps of the church, a pastor who loves souls will look upon the laughing children who gather for the VBS as potential Christian leaders. He will yearn to capture their energy and harness it for the Lord. He will long to keep their innocent faces from the cruel, disfiguring clutches of sin. He will realize that God, in His great loving plan, has sent in these young lives today that their hearts might respond to the gospel. He will understand that for a few hours he and his workers will have the opportunity to point them



Children love Vacation Bible School—from the opening morning to the final night when they proudly display their handwork.

to the Lamb of God. He will feel that if he does not do his best by them today, their souls may be eternally lost. But if he can so influence them that they will return to the church, they may find the Lord as their Savior. The responsibility will overwhelm him. He will accept the challenge and determine in his heart that the life he knows in Christ shall never be allowed to die with him. He will impart it to a new generation. And, though he may not even realize it at the time, with this driving urge to impart life the pastor will have caught the true spirit of evangelism.

As the Vacation Bible School gets under way, the wise and observant pastor will discover more and more of its amazing church-building values. He will notice that some of his church members who have never been active in gospel work before are happily giving time and interest to the VBS. He will see young people, who have been considered too timid to teach in Sunday School, suddenly blossom forth into eager children's workers. He may be surprised to find that the indifferent, unchurched people of the community are bringing their children, and sometimes peering curiously into the church building, or inspecting the classrooms with sincere interest. He may discover a musician, or a poster artist, or a good program director among his heretofore unused young people, for the VBS has the quality of putting every available Christian into service!

Perhaps most important of all, the

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The author and her husband, George Davis, are National Sunday School Representatives. She has carried a major part of the responsibility of producing the entirely new set of VBS books which the Gospel Publishing House is introducing this Spring.

# Spontaneous Revival Sweeps C.B.I.

Bartlett Peterson, President

● THIS IS the thirteenth day of spontaneous Holy Ghost revival in our midst. What God is doing the human mind can never fully evaluate. An attempt to put a description of the revival into mere words makes one realize the total inadequacy of human language.

As on the day of Pentecost, God helped us also to get into "one accord"—and "suddenly there came a sound from heaven. . . ." With it came a breaking, melting process as lives were conscious of being remade and transformed on the Divine Potter's wheel. At one instant one was conscious of the sweeping power of a great forest fire; in the next a cleansing, as if by colossal waves, overwhelmed us. Some testified that their lives had been completely transformed within minutes of time. With messages in other tongues, interpretations and prophecies the Holy Spirit faithfully confirms the Word which has become our frequent guide. In addition to Spirit-prompted exhortations given by faculty members there came a desire to read the Word both singly and in unison. Every verse ministered to us.

In the hunger and earnestness of these meetings it has been difficult to count the number who have been baptized in the Holy Spirit. However, a goodly number have already testified to having received a glorious Acts 2:4 baptism.

Comments upon the depth of this revival have come from members of the faculty and students alike. Some have stated that it is the deepest revival they can recall. Though regular classes have been forgotten, it is evident that we are in one large classroom with THE TEACHER and THE TEXTBOOK. Surely God is in this place. "And the end is not yet, praise the Lord!"

The following account from today's *Springfield Daily News* (Feb. 28, 1950) gives a fuller account of the revival:

## CBI STUDENTS ARE CONTINUING SPONTANEOUS REVIVAL SERVICES

With the Holy Ghost leading the services, as one student explained, a revival series which began spontaneously February 16 is continuing at Central Bible Institute, 3000 North Grant.

The "re-awakening" began in a morning chapel service as a time of fellowship with the Lord consumed the feelings and interests of the some 750 students enrolled in the Biblical institute.

The first day and the second the revival lasted through the morning and began in earnest last Monday, February 20. Classes have been dismissed since then.

All through last week the services of testimony and singing took place in three daily periods: from 8 a.m. to noon; from 2 until 4:30; and from 7 to 10:30 p.m. or later.

The same program was followed yesterday and the revival will continue an indefinite length of time—"as long as the Spirit leads."

Confessions were volunteered early in the revival and there was fervor in the impromptu testimonials last week. It was explained that yesterday a mood of attentiveness and waiting to divine "the purpose of the Lord in enveloping the campus with His Presence" prevailed.

Both students and faculty are participating in the revival which has not developed into the extended around-the-clock exultations of Asbury College in Kentucky and Wheaton College in Illinois.

Services were held last Saturday morning, but not in the afternoon and night, and Sunday brought only the regular activities of church attendance.

Yesterday Dean W. I. Evans and the Rev. Robert Cummings delivered messages. C.B.I. president is the Rev. Bartlett Peterson.

A student noted that the Spirit of the Lord descended as if in response to hungry hearts,

and that with this guidance songs entered the hearts.

As one person is inspired to sing aloud, others join in, and testimonials of the goodness of God multiply as the revival periods progress.

There have been varieties of emotional response, some reacting to the occasion demonstratively and others in contemplative quietness.

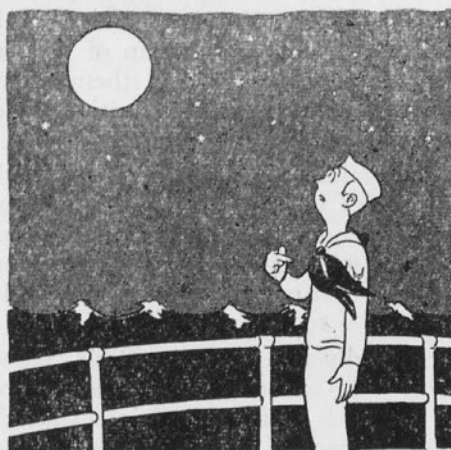
A student spokesman said the impact of the Presence is affecting the souls and spirits and hearts of the students, and is effecting great changes in their lives. He termed the happenings as a re-awakening and an interval when the soul or spirit is fed.

A majority of the male students are theological trainees. Predominant courses for the women are in the field of missions. There also are several music majors at the school.

Last year a similar demonstration occurred, but this year there appears to be an atmosphere of belief that there is a special divine purpose.

Letters have been received from such far points as Hong Kong and Africa remarking on spontaneous revivals there, and there was comment on the spread of the unscheduled similar events over this country.

## "Does God Need You?"



"Perhaps not. He has done without you for a long time. Where were you when He created the universe? When the morning stars sang. . . ."

The quotation and cartoon above were taken from a new issue of *Reveille*. Like the 17 issues that have preceded it, *Reveille* No. 18 carries a strong salvation appeal—beamed to the man in uniform. Sample copies of this third peacetime edition have just been mailed to nearly 1,800 members of the nation's defense forces, as well as to 175 hospitalized veterans, 950 military chaplains, and 135 Veteran's Administration Hospital chaplains. Within the next six or seven months the Christ's Ambassadors Department will receive hundreds of letters from chaplains requesting *Reveille* for distribution to their men.

A hundred thousand copies of this issue of *Reveille* are now ready for the mail, but even so, your loved ones in the military forces may not receive a copy of this evangelistic paper unless we have their addresses. You can assure yourself that they will get *Reveille* by sending

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 Your name .....  
 Address .....

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Not only does the Servicemen's Division minister to those in military service; it is also vitally interested in the spiritual welfare of the hospitalized veterans in 130 Veteran's Administration Hospitals across the nation. A new issue of *Chat, the Pocket Chaplain* with a printing of 50,000 copies will soon be ready for release to these patients.

You can help place a copy of *Chat* in their hands if you will send us information about all such veterans known to you. Please include the following:

Name of patient .....  
 Hospital address .....  
 Ward number .....  
 Home address .....  
 Saved? ..... Your relationship to him .....  
 Your name .....  
 Address .....

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Count us as co-workers with you in an effort to win to the Lord your loved ones who have not yet been saved.

# Sunday School Lesson

## THE GREAT TEACHER

Lesson for March 26

John 14:1-6; 15:1-6

John 13 closed with a discouraging note. Having washed the feet of the disciples, Jesus became troubled in spirit, announced that He was to be betrayed (v. 21), foretold the failure of Peter (v. 38), foretold His departure (v. 33), then exhorted the disciples to love one another (v. 34). It was a sad and tender hour, full of forebodings.

### 1. Comfort in Darkness

The events of the times had a depressing and discouraging effect on the disciples. They were hoping for a secular kingdom. This is shown in a revival of this hope when Jesus came forth from the dead; for when He spoke about tarrying for the enduement of power from on high, they replied, "Lord, wilt thou at this time restore again the kingdom to Israel?" Acts 1:6.

There was but little to encourage them other than the comforting words of Jesus, "Let not your heart be troubled." They were going to see Him denied, abused and crucified. It was the hour of the power of darkness (Luke 22:53), and what darkness! Let this lesson be an encouragement to us. Little do we know what lies before us. Hopes may seem to be dashed to the ground, hearts may be crushed, situations may arise which we cannot understand. It is in such hours that we need to remember the exhortation, "Cast not away therefore your confidence, which hath great recompense of reward." Heb. 10:35. All else has failed; nothing remains on which we can depend except the promises of the unchanging God.

Jesus saw the blow that was to fall upon His faithful disciples, so He said, "Let not your heart be troubled: ye believe in God, believe also in me." Jesus promised them, in place of the secular kingdom for which they were looking, a spiritual and heavenly inheritance. He would have them see that "our citizenship is in heaven; from whence also we look for the Saviour, the Lord Jesus Christ." Phil. 3:20.

Have you ever had to change your opinions? Has life had to be entirely readjusted? It had to be so with the disciples. It has to be so with us. Many times in some lives readjustments have to take place. There are times when readjustments are easy and pleasant; at other times they are difficult and rend the inmost soul. Whatever happens may we look to Jesus. Sometimes our hearts are troubled, greatly troubled; but we still have His promise and, as we cling to it, the comfort of the Holy Ghost comes in and we find rest to our souls. "Let not your heart be troubled."

### 2. Comfort in the Midst of Confusion

Thomas did not understand when Jesus said,

by Ernest S. Williams

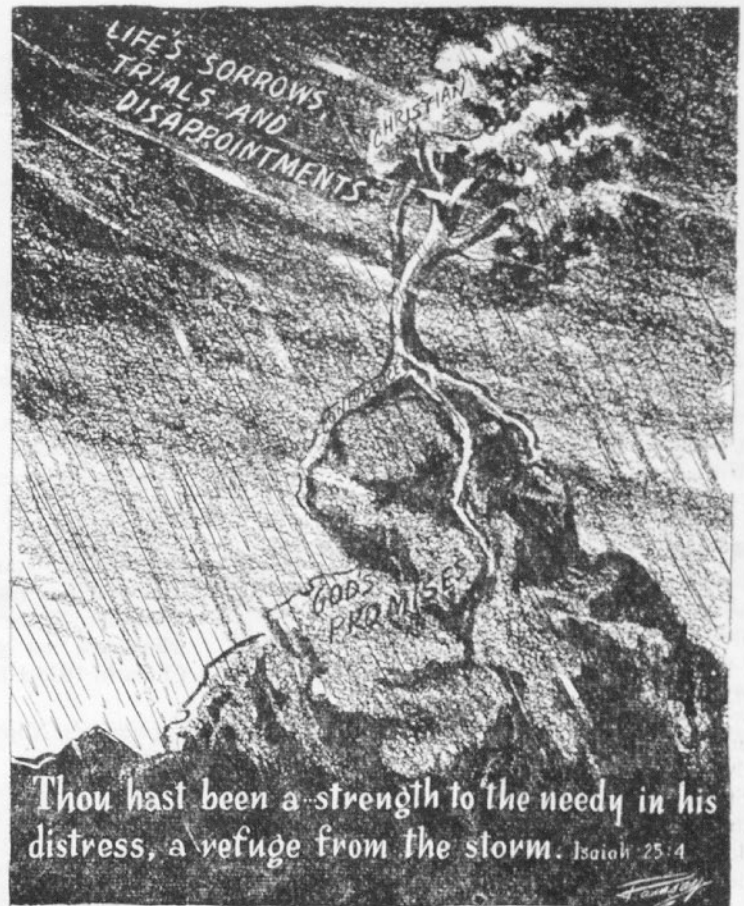
"Let not your heart be troubled," for Jesus also said, "I go away," and "whither I go ye know, and the way ye know." v. 4. Jesus had been telling the disciples that He would have to leave them, but they had been slow to comprehend. He warned that His leaving would be in a tragic manner, but their eyes were yet heavy. See how often He had foretold it to them. Matt. 16:21; 17:22, 23; 20:17-19; 26:12-29; Luke 9:22, 44, 45; 18:31-34. Is it not similar with us? We know the Scriptures—we know that "if we suffer with him we shall also reign with him" (2 Tim. 2:12)—but to comprehend experimentally we must go through the test. Not until Jesus came forth from the dead did the disciples comprehend what He meant when He said, "And the way ye know." Luke 24:45, 46.

Jesus knew the confusion of mind that would come to the disciples with His betrayal and death. He would stabilize them with the words, "Let not your heart be troubled." However tragic the events that lay before them might be, however dashed their earthly hopes, they were to seek shelter for their souls in His unchanging word. If all of earth should fail, heaven was still their portion. "In my Father's house are many mansions . . . I go to prepare a place for you." v. 2. The tragedy of the Cross was not to be the end of things. After His death He would rise and be "alive for evermore." Rev. 1:18.

The disciples were to see the place where His body would be laid after His sacrificial agonies on the Cross. He would give them assurance beyond the grave. "I will come again, and receive you unto myself; that where I am there ye may be also." v. 3. What a message presented in so few words! The tragedy of His betrayal and crucifixion, the triumph of His resurrection, the promise of His second coming, the eternal home of the blessed, the assurance of being forever with Him in the paradise above!

### 3. Abiding in Christ

Largely we have been thinking of the hope set before us, the means of comfort in the hours of darkness and the times of conflict and darkened understanding. Now we return from the promises of everlasting life to the consciousness of our union with Jesus here. Jesus begins by introducing us to the Father as the great Husbandman. "I am the vine, and my Father is the husbandman." God planted Jesus in the midst of a



BREASTING THE TEMPEST'S RAGE

wicked world. Jesus is the root of all our victories. "Ye are the branches" means that we are living parts of the Vine. Christ our life. All we have to do is to abide in Him, drawing our life from Him. Works detached from Jesus are "dead works." Heb. 6:1; 9:14. What God is interested in is fruit, the result of the life of Jesus flowing into us and through us. Christian character is Christlikeness, the result of union with Him. The fruit of the Spirit comes through our union with the Vine. Gal. 5:22, 23. We retain this relationship by abiding in Christ.

Israel lost their place of life-bearing and life-giving because they left off drawing their life from the true olive tree (Rom. 11:17), substituting in its place "the doctrines and commandments of men" and depending on their personal merits as is shown in the prayer of the Pharisee who went into the Temple to pray. Luke 18:11, 12. We lose our place in the Vine when we become self-sufficient. Have we not seen men and women who were used of God some years ago, going through the same performance as once brought the blessing of God, but now powerless and without fruit? Self-sufficiency ruins, but Christ-sufficiency blesses and brings forth much fruit.

### THIS WEEK'S LESSON

The Servant King: Lesson for March 19.  
Lesson Text: John 13:2-17.

Among the ancient Greeks, the runner that won the race was not the man who crossed the line in the shortest time, but the man who crossed it in the least time with his torch still burning. We are often so busy with life's activities that we are in danger of allowing the torch of our spiritual life to become extinguished.

# Revival in Hong Kong

(Editor's Note: The Ecclesia Bible Institute formerly was situated in Canton, South China. Because of the Communist invasion the school was moved last year to the island of Cheung Chau, Hong Kong. Classes were resumed last fall. There are more than 40 young men and women enrolled in the Institute. J. E. Morrison is president of the school which is partly supported by our fellowship. The first of February a revival broke out among the students. Mr. Morrison gives us the following information concerning the revival.)

● "ON FRIDAY, February 3, at 1:15 o'clock, Ecclesia Bible Institute had a regular Friday afternoon prayer meeting. Sarah C. Johnston spoke briefly, exhorting the students to seek the Lord. Immediately the Holy Spirit began to work among the students. The student body went to prayer and the prayer service lasted until 11:30 that night. During the period 12 of the students received the Baptism in the Holy Spirit. Four others, who had questions regarding the Baptism, were delivered from fear and doubt and testified to victory. Another was healed.

"After a belated supper some of the students returned and prayed until nearly three o'clock in the morning. Dogs in the neighborhood were barking at the unusual noise, so they finally decided to go to bed. One of the students received his Baptism after he had gone to bed.

"On February 4, six of the boys went to a hill top to pray. Very soon all began to speak in other tongues. Meanwhile the girls had assembled in their dormitory to pray, and several of them also received the fullness of the Spirit. By noon 23 had received the Baptism.

"Many of the students came to me to confess sins of long standing. How wonderful is He who searches the heart, and cleanses from defilement! There is such an urgency upon all who have not yet received. Since I came to China in 1923 I have never seen such a revival."

(Editor's Note: Matthew Lee, who is in the States assisting Howard C. Osgood in hymn translation, has received three letters from Mrs. Lee, who lives near the school in Hong Kong. Mrs. Lee was at the service mentioned by Mr. Morrison and gives some added information. Part of her communication bears a later

date than Mr. Morrison's letter. She writes as follows.)

"Meanwhile the girls got together in their dormitory to pray, during which time several of them received the Baptism in the Holy Spirit. One of these gave a message in tongues. She was a Cantonese girl and did not know the Mandarin dialect, but her message was given in Mandarin. According to her message, the Holy Spirit had long tried to work among the students but because they did not wait upon the Lord as they should He was unable to work. The Lord had used Miss Johnston to stir them. The students were admonished to watch and pray as the Lord was coming soon." (Mrs. Lee was reared in Peking and knows Mandarin.)

"One girl was praying but did not seem to have any liberty. Right beside her another girl cried out in prayer these words, 'I am coming soon. The door of grace is soon to be closed!' Upon hearing this the first girl was greatly alarmed. She got up and ran downstairs and confessed to the Dean of Women that she had been untruthful. After that she returned and knelt and began to speak in tongues.

"The revival lasted six days, ending on February 8. During the six days all classes and the scheduled semester examinations were put aside."

## From Communist China

The following are excerpts from a letter from Miss Henrietta A. Tieleman, missionary in Nanking, China, which is in Communist territory. Miss Alice F. Stewart is also stationed there.

"The Lord has been blessing our labors at Wu T'ai Shan where Miss Stewart ministers on Tuesday evening and also has a Sunday School on Saturday afternoons. A Mr. Liu, who had tuberculosis and was confined to his bed, was saved. He is now up and around. While he was still confined to his bed he read three of the Gospels. His wife also has been saved and they want to be immersed. They have written to their relatives urging them to believe on the Lord.

"Another encouraging case is that of a former minister who was backslidden. The man would not even allow his children to attend the Tuesday evening service; they were sent to bed. His oldest daughter had said to him, 'Daddy, it is bad enough that you are on your way to destruction, but why do you want us to go that way, too?' The family was taken through deep waters to bring the father back to the Lord. He had been a minister with another mission society.

"Here at our home we have noticed an increase in attendance at our meetings. Our Chinese workers take care of the Sunday School. We have an attendance of at least 40 in Sunday School. On Wednesday afternoons we have a training class for teachers. We also have Bible studies and prayer meeting during the week. Then we have other work in nearby villages.

"Miss Stewart has not been well. Twice before this winter she was ill. We would appreciate prayer in her behalf. God has been pleased to heal others in answer to our humble prayers, and now we are being tested physically ourselves."



TOP: Four of the believers of an Assembly of God indigenous church in Shanghai. The church building is shown in the background.

BOTTOM: Baptismal candidates in Nanking. The picture was taken early last fall. Frank Kuo, standing at the extreme left, is a co-worker with Henrietta A. Tieleman and Alice F. Stewart.







Violette E. Wilcox  
South Africa

## NEWS NOTES

Miss Dorothy L. Chapman sailed for North India on January 30.

All relief clothing, relief gifts, and missionary supplies and equipment should be sent to the Assemblies of God Warehouse, 233 Fifty-Third Street, Brooklyn 20, New York instead of to our Fifth Avenue office.

Mrs. Violette E. Wilcox sailed on February 21 for South Africa.

Raymond A. Busby's new address is P. O. Box 156, Djakarta, Java, Indonesia.



Dorothy L. Chapman  
North India

## Missionary Effort at Bermuda

Evangelists Fern C. Huffstutler and Verbal I. Eskew (of Tulsa, Okla. and St. Louis, Mo.) are engaged in a missionary effort on the Bermuda Islands. Miss Huffstutler has written the Foreign Missions Department concerning the work:

"In November I conducted a revival in Toronto, Canada. Some of the students there were from Bermuda and two of them were healed in the revival. They urged me to come to their people with the message of salvation and healing. I felt constrained of the Lord to come. Miss Eskew consented to come along to assist in the effort.

"We found a lovely little church which is in full fellowship with the Pentecostal Assemblies of Canada. Harold Thomas, who was converted under the Pentecostal Assemblies of Canada in the West Indies some years ago, is pastor.

"We were unable to locate a building on the island large enough to house the people who attend our services. Hundreds stand outside and many turn away to their homes for lack of seeing room. In each service there have been from 75 to 200 persons who have come forward to give their lives to the Lord. We have seen the power of God demonstrated in healings also.

"There are 12,000 whites on the island, mostly British; the rest of the 34,000 or more population is colored. We are praying for an assembly for both. We covet your prayers in our efforts."

# Facing the Future

F. WILDON COLBAUGH, PROMOTIONAL DIRECTOR  
Foreign Missions Department

● "THE GOSPEL OF CHRIST," Paul writes to the Romans, "is the power of God unto salvation to every one that believeth." The work of our Assemblies of God missionaries has proved the Word true. God has blessed and souls have been saved from all walks of life through the ministry of the missionaries. The forces of darkness have been defeated in hundreds of thousands of lives where our missionaries have labored.

It is not uncommon for the Word to be preached and a raw heathen to respond, surrendering his life to the Lord. In time, that very man is giving to others the gospel message which has been "the power of God unto salvation" for him—eagerly sharing his blessings.

The Foreign Missions Department has been praying earnestly that God will increase the burden for missions that has been placed upon our fellowship. Through the years there has been a great response to the missionary cause. Now the challenge is greater than it has ever been. Many doors of service and opportunity are open today which it appears may close very shortly. To enter the open doors requires the cooperation

of every member of our Assemblies of God fellowship.

What is your individual responsibility to the great unfinished task? A goal has been set before our fellowship of \$200,000 per month as the amount needed to carry on our foreign missionary work and to provide for some expansion in certain strategic areas. To break down this amount and make it personal means that the average of giving should be about 72 cents per month for each member of the Assemblies of God. Actually this is LESS THAN THREE CENTS PER DAY. But who wouldn't be willing to give five cents a day to save a life and soul for eternity?

Each month we plan to place before you the goal of our missionary giving and the response to date. We would like to have you know whether or not the goal is being reached, and if it is not then we would like everyone to pray earnestly about his part in supporting the missionary program. A graph (see graph on this page) will present the goal for the year, the goal to date, and the actual receipts to date. This will make it possible to see at a glance the progress in giving. Why not give an extra offering to assure that the goal will be reached?

To help inform our churches of the work of the Foreign Missions Department at home and abroad, a Missionary Representative has been chosen in each district. These Representatives met in Springfield, Missouri, March 13-15. At that time work of promoting our missionary program was discussed and outlined. It is hoped that as a result of the days of conference together the entire fellowship can become better acquainted with the work that is being done throughout the world by our Foreign Missions Department. Also, it is hoped that as the Representatives are able to work among the churches there will come a greater response to the goal which has been put before us for the missionary work.

Send all foreign missionary offerings to:  
**FOREIGN MISSIONS DEPARTMENT**  
434 W. Pacific St., Springfield 1, Mo.

## Oklahoma Convention

Bartlesville, Oklahoma—We are rejoicing over the missionary convention held here February 3-5. Mr. and Mrs. George H. Carmichael, representing Palestine; Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth G. Short, representing Borneo and the Philippines; and Miss Anne R. Eberhardt, representing North India, were our visiting missionaries and speakers. Crowds filled the auditorium at each service.

Notwithstanding the fact that we face an urgent need of funds with which to enlarge our own church and Sunday School, a real spirit of giving was manifested during the convention. Missionary offerings in cash and pledges for the three days amounted to \$2,500.

Our church has been greatly benefited and the lives of our people enriched and built up through the ministry of the missionaries. Many visitors from neighboring assemblies were also present to share the blessings of the convention.—C. H. Asher, Pastor.

(Churches desiring missionary speakers for missionary conventions are invited to write to the Foreign Missions Department, 434 West Pacific Street, Springfield 1, Missouri. The Foreign Missions Department will be glad to assist churches in every way possible in their preparations for conventions. Convention helps—banners, folders, literature, etc.—are available; however, it is necessary to ask for the helps a considerable time in advance.)

\$2,400,000



The figure to the right indicates the goal for foreign missionary giving for the year 1950. This is an average of \$200,000 per month. Each month we will show in this space the goal for the period to date, and the actual receipts for the period. We plan to use two other pictures of the man to indicate the progress. The man had not grown enough in January to be shown. Be sure to watch this space each month.

# The Passing and the Permanent

Compiled by Robert C. Cunningham

## WORLD CONGRESS ON PRAYER AND REVIVAL

A World Congress on prayer and revival has been called by the International Association of Evangelists, to be held in July, 1950, at the Bible Conference grounds at Winona Lake, Indiana. The three-fold purpose of the Congress is to (1) pray for revival; (2) earnestly study God's requirements for revival and seek to meet them in our own lives; (3) consider a program for united action for revival. Revival fires are already burning in many places; perhaps this Congress will help them spread.

### A SUNDAY SCHOOL "TORNADO"

The city of Hutchinson, Kansas, recently was hit with the Sunday School spirit as by a strong wind off the prairies. The occasion was the visit of Wm. E. Kirschke, executive secretary of the National Sunday School Association, who conducted a week's Sunday School conference in the Assemblies of God Church, of which Oria R. Bray is pastor.

Enthusiasm grew so strong that Christian workers from neighboring churches of several denominations flocked to the sessions, especially for the final service when Brother Kirschke spoke on "The Twentieth Century Challenge to Christian Laymen." Among those present were workers from the Mennonite Brethren Church, Christian Church, Missionary Church, and other Assembly of God churches in the area. At the end of the service virtually all of the men in the auditorium went forward attesting to their desire to give themselves in any way to bring about a Sunday School revival in America.

"This is the thing that is going to save our young people today," one visitor declared in commenting on the message. "Our country is doomed unless parents are awakened to their responsibility and Christian workers see the need in our homes and community."—U.E.A.

### SUNDAY SCHOOL CONTEST WINNERS

The result of the second annual contest for increasing Sunday School attendance, sponsored by *Christian Life*, have been announced, and five Assembly of God Sunday Schools are among the prize winners.

In Class A (schools with attendance of 300 or more) the first prize was won by the First Assembly of God, Spokane, Wash.; R. J. Carlson, pastor; M. E. Phinney, superintendent. Third prize was taken by North Hollywood Assembly of God, N. Hollywood, Calif.; Arne Vick, pastor; S. H. Pearson, superintendent. Fourteenth prize went to Fremont Tabernacle, Seattle, Wash.; Ralph W. Harris, pastor; Theodore Hagen, superintendent.

Prize winners in Class B (attendance of 100 to 299) are the Full Gospel Tabernacle, Bakersfield, Calif.; C. M. Ward, pastor; Grace Shaffer, superintendent; 16th prize; and Lake View Gospel Church, Chicago, Ill.; Devore H. Waltermann, pastor; Meryle E. Erby, superintendent, 17th prize. There were 529 Sunday Schools of numerous denominations entered in the contest, which lasted six weeks.

The most outstanding single project to increase Sunday School attendance was conducted by Fremont Tabernacle in Seattle. This involved the making of a handwritten Bible, using a different scribe for each of the 1189 chapters in the Bible. The project provided means for making contact between God's Word and hundreds of persons in the community.

### A REVIVAL IN PORTUGAL

A stirring revival is sweeping a city of Catholic-dominated Portugal. In one week, 332 people came forward for salvation in the Marinha Grand Baptist Church, Portugal.

### A MODERN DANIEL

When the nominating committee of the New Jersey Food Merchants Association recently approached Mr. Henry Zeeuw about becoming its president, he said: "Yes, on three conditions. There must be no Sunday activities, no liquor served at meetings, and no special speakers who use smut and profanity." Mr. Zeeuw was elected. He is a Christian Reformed churchman.—U.E.A.

### SPONSORS FOR DISPLACED PERSONS

Word comes from the office of Brother Kinderman, our European Field Secretary, that quite a number of *Evangel* readers have responded to the appeal that was made in the February 11 issue regarding the sponsoring of Displaced Persons. One good brother in Washington has sponsored five families at once! Other friends who may be interested in helping European families in this way are urged to write at once to G. Kinderman, 160 Fifth Avenue, New York 10, N.Y. It is reported that March 31 may possibly be the deadline, terminating further sponsoring of D.P. families, although this is not certain.

### A MISSIONARY CRISIS

The following paragraph from *World Dominion* should send every lover of souls to his knees in intercessory prayer:

"There is a deepening conviction that the whole missionary movement has reached a crucial turning-point in its history. God is speaking in the tremendous events of our time. The whole setting of the contemporary missionary task has changed. The rise of the younger churches, the revolutionary movements which have been sweeping many of the lands in which they live, the emergence of new forms of resistance to the gospel—these are some of the factors in a missionary situation which differs radically from that which an earlier generation knew."

### CHANGING THE TIMES

Prof. Paul Elliott of Texas Tech., Lubbock, Tex., is a physicist who worked on the atom bomb during the war. He says the seasons might be changed by the explosion simultaneously of several hydrogen bombs high in the air. They might change the earth's orbit around the sun or speed up its rotation; and as a result, winter might be made longer and summer shorter—and we might have 370 days in the year instead of 365.

We read of the Antichrist (the beast with ten horns) that he shall think to change times and laws. Daniel 7:25. Will he try to change the seasons with the H-bomb? Perhaps he will try—but it appears that God may reserve this power for His own use, for Daniel says it is He, the God of heaven, that "changeth the times and the seasons." Daniel 2:21.

### SCIENTISTS PROFESS FAITH

The latest *Who's Who* lists 55% of the scientists as believing in God, while in 1939 only 11% of the scientists believed in Him.

### ISRAEL'S IMPORTS UP

Israel's imports from the United States during the first half of 1949 were approximately \$27,000,000 or more that 150% greater than during the corresponding period of 1948. The largest single item was machinery and equipment. Other things imported in large amounts were finished steel and other metal products, textiles, chemicals, grains, foodstuffs, petroleum and related products.

### MARY'S ASSUMPTION

According to *Revelation*, it is reported that the Roman Catholic Church may highlight its observance of "Holy Year" by proclaiming "Mary's Assumption" as a new dogma. Since the 16th century the Roman church has proclaimed as a fact revealed by God that Mary, the mother of Jesus, is now in heaven not only in soul but also in body. Catholics who now deny this truth are said to sin mortally. Should it be proclaimed as a dogma, any who denied it would be separated from the church as heretics.

The dogma would be the first introduced since 1870, when the Vatican Council ruled that a pope is infallible when speaking officially on matters of faith and practice. Thus would men set aside the Bible as the only infallible rule of faith and practice, and deny the plain teaching of the Scripture that the virgin Mary, though a chosen instrument of God, was just as human and just as much in need of a savior as the thief on the cross. Nor was she the object of any supernatural work other than the virgin birth and the new birth.

### FEDERAL AID TO EDUCATION

Congressman Graham A. Barden of North Carolina has introduced a new aid-to-education bill (H. R. 7160) in the House of Representatives. It takes up the Protestant stand of public funds for public schools only.

Meanwhile there is a bill in the Senate, known as the Thomas bill (S. 246), which would permit the states to use federal funds for education in whichever way they see fit. If the states wish to ignore the first amendment to the Constitution by giving support to sectarian education, the Thomas bill would let them do so.

Roman Catholics will do all they can to defeat H. R. 7160 in the House, and to support the Thomas bill (S. 246) in the Senate, for they want federal funds for their parochial schools. Protestants have parochial schools too but they do not want federal aid. An important principle affecting American freedom is involved in this issue. Government support of sectarian schools would undermine the public school system and tend to create religious and class strife. Letters sent to Congressmen at Washington, urging that the Thomas bill be defeated and the Barden bill passed, might help to assure that public funds shall be used for public schools only.

# Is It Nothing to You?

WESLEY R. STEELBERG

on National Radio Hour, "Sermons in Song"

● PRAISE THE LORD! Is that a familiar salutation to you? To many I know it is very familiar, to others it may sound strange, but we are striving to exalt Christ on this broadcast that all who hear shall be able to say, "Praise the Lord for the truth, the message of life I heard over SERMONS IN SONG."

In the Book of the Lamentations of Jeremiah, as you read the first chapter you seem to hear the weeping of the prophet over a spoiled and desolate people, a forsaken nation; and in the 12th verse there is an anguished appeal in which the seer cries out, "Is it nothing to you, all ye that pass by? Behold, and see if there be any sorrow like unto my sorrow, which is done unto me, wherewith the Lord hath afflicted me in the day of his fierce anger." Some days ago I awakened very early thinking of this broadcast, and as I lay there praying this verse came to me. I prayed then and I pray now that God may help me to bring you a message that may be very helpful as we meditate on it.

When sorrow, affliction, and misfortune overtake us we are prone to seek the comfort and sympathy of friends who may console us. Sometimes we find them; more often we may not. If we do not find some one who offers sympathy, we react in various ways. Some may resort to drink to drown their sorrows; others seek solitude and in silence nurse their wounds. Some may grow bitter and deplore their misfortunes by vehemently denouncing a God who allows such tragedy to befall them. The picture in our text seems to fall into this latter category. The prophet, though a man of God, invites the sympathy of all who gaze upon him, and says in the language of a people suffering chastening, "Just see what God has done to me. Do I deserve all this?"

Please do not misunderstand me. Jeremiah would not be found to fight against God; he is only voicing the sentiment of a people suffering punishment. But how typical this is of individuals and of nations who, having sinned until the cup of iniquity is full, find themselves face to face with the harvest of what they have sown. Instead of repenting and asking God for mercy, they accuse God of taking vengeance upon them, and seek sympathy from every passerby, asking the question, "Has God been fair to me?"

"Oh, friend, if you've been tempted to blame God for your reverses—if in the tragic hour of your reaping you have cried out in pain that has stirred angry and rebellious passions in your soul—I beg you now to listen. God is neither embittered nor appeased. His heart is only sad by reason of the fact that you, so blinded by your suffering, should point at Him an accusing finger, when all the while it is only the fruit of your own doings that you taste. He longs to help you, to deliver you, and if you could but see the true picture and would in penitence turn and confess your sin, how quickly He would meet and help you and in mercy temper those afflictions.

Then my mind turns swiftly to a different

scene. I see the Son of God hanging on that ugly cross. A vicious crown of thorns is pressed down on His head, and blood streams down and mats His beard and gathers in a clot at the end. The gaping wounds show ugly red where the whiskers were pulled out by the roots. The body sags forward and down as the muscles and the cords give way, and the nasty wounds in the palms of the hands widen as the flesh tears with the weight. Great welts and livid bruises stand out in wild array against the pale flesh of His back where rods and flail have bitten through the flesh. The groan of agony, not for Himself but for His persecutors, falls from His tongue as with parched lips and feverish breath He prays, "Father, forgive them, for they know not what they do."

The mocking spectators are passing by and wagging their heads. They say, "If thou be the Son of God, come down from the cross." No sympathy there, no word of hope or comfort, only sneering ridicule; but He was suffering not for His own wrong doing: He was bearing our sins—yours and mine. Could not God fittingly have cried out in that hour, "Is it nothing to you, all ye who pass by?" I'm sure He could; but instead He listened to the prayer of His Son pleading for mercy for His murderers.

To you who hear this message and have not accepted the Savior, who have never repented of sin and acknowledged your wrongs which probably deserve far worse discipline than ever you have received, may I plead with you not to accuse God. Don't blame your Creator, but look again toward Calvary and see Him hanging there, bearing your sins and afflictions. Then go quickly to prayer and claim the forgiveness, the relief, the peace that He purchased; and you will join the host of those who adore Him for His mercy and never accuse Him of being anything but good and gracious.

(All correspondence and offerings toward the support of "Sermons in Song" should be addressed to the Radio Department, P. O. Box 70, Springfield, Missouri.)

"By preaching, some men can move multitudes. By prayer, any believer can move God."



Mr. and Mrs. Lewis I. Mudge, happy at Pinellas Park Home.

# "We've Been So Happy"

"We've been so happy since coming here." Brother Mudge is a quiet, unobtrusive man, not given to saying much about himself, but is enthusiastic about the efforts of the General Council to lessen the cares of its workers during their latter years. (The Pinellas Park Retirement Home in Florida, where Brother and Sister Mudge are now residing, is one of the results of these efforts.)

He said that he and Sister Mudge first heard of the Home shortly after it was opened a year ago. Although still very active, Mrs. Mudge was frail and beginning to feel the effects of strenuous years in the Lord's service, the couple knew that before long they would have to retire to a life less active and demanding. Soon after hearing about the Home, they made formal application for entrance, were accepted, and last spring two more happy guests were established in Pinellas Park.

## Their Life Work

A great deal of their lives has been spent in pioneering new churches and building up those where division and strife had been at work. Brother Mudge went direct from Glad Tidings Bible Institute to Paso Robles, California, his first pastorate. There was no church there, only a Pentecostal family who were willing to help in order that an assembly might be established. The only building available was an old abandoned paintshop that had been used for a variety of enterprises in the past. It was cleaned up, the old walls were covered (part of this being accomplished with samples from wallpaper catalogs) and meetings were begun. Today Paso Robles has a flourishing Assembly of God Church—due largely to those early efforts of a young man just out of Bible School and ready to pioneer for God.

Brother and Sister Mudge's latest pastorate was in Iron River, Michigan. During their last year in that district Brother Mudge was a District Presbyterian, and while he held that office seven new churches were started in his section as home missions projects.

## Still Serving

No longer engaged in active ministry, their hearts are still in the Lord's work. Brother Mudge is teaching a class of men in one of our Sunday Schools in St. Petersburg. One of their greatest joys now is to receive a letter telling them of the progress of one of those new works up in Michigan. In the meantime they have fitted wonderfully into the life of their new home, and their sweet spirit is a blessing to all there. Both are anxious to do everything possible to help. Brother Mudge is particularly adept at "fixing things," and there are plenty of things to fix in a home the size of our Pinellas Park Home.

We are unceasingly grateful for the unselfish lives of many men and women like Brother and Sister Mudge who have spent their best years in the Lord's work; and we particularly rejoice in the work of the Department of Benevolences which is endeavoring to provide a home and security for these ministers and missionaries, should they need it in their later years. It is only by your prayers and regular giving

that this work can be continued as a blessing to these faithful elderly workers. We must look to our Evangel readers to help us to keep this home open to provide the comforts of life for these pioneers, and your contributions will be most welcome.

Kindly send your offerings to the Department of Benevolences (Fred Vogler, Director), 434 W. Pacific, Springfield 1, Missouri.

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### THANKS FROM THE RESERVATIONS

Such outstanding response to the gospel is being seen on the Indian reservations in Arizona, that we want to share the good news with our readers. Mrs. Clarence Washburn, one of our missionaries, has given us this report:

"We want to let you know how much we appreciated your Christmas boxes. We forgot about our own Christmas this year while trying to make things brighter for the Indian people. From our kind friends in many states we received gifts, clothing, food, quilts, candy and nuts. It was a real pleasure to distribute these things among the Indians.

"In the two Indian hospitals 150 treats and gifts were given out. We visited two reservations and took gifts to the people. One old Pima man with long white hair was asked what he wanted most for Christmas. He asked for a box of salve. Later, when we visited him, we found him lying sick in a cold adobe hut, with practically nothing of comforts. Yes, he received the salve and warm clothing and food. We hung Scripture mottoes from the palm-thatched roof; then gave him a little gospel message and had prayer with him. We felt the presence of Him who said, 'Other sheep I have, which are not of this fold; them also I must bring.' There was a warm response from the aged black eyes and a tear as he clasped our hands in parting. This is just one of the many whom we can hear calling to us from the twenty reservations in Arizona.

"Our Christmas church service was precious with over 150 attending. Quite a group of Navajos came, together with Pimas, Maricopas, Choctaws, Apaches, Senecas, Walapie, Supi, Yavapie and Hopi Indians. Our little borrowed chapel was crowded out. We have been praying for a church building, and now we have found a suitable place. We trust to be able to move in shortly, and to put up the sign, 'Phoenix Indian Assembly.'"

#### New Church a Reality

Very soon after receiving the above report, word came that the new Phoenix Indian Assembly is a reality, and the Church stands as a testimony to the wonder-working power of our

God. About two years ago Sister Washburn, assisted by the T. L. Johnsons, began visiting in the Indian hospitals and in the Indian homes around Phoenix. Many were healed while in the hospitals, and returned to their homes with a zeal to tell others of Christ. The missionaries were invited into the humble homes, neighbors were called in to hear the message, and within a few months there was a large number of Christian converts.

The Christ's Ambassadors of the First Assembly of God offered their C. A. chapel for services for the Indians, and the church gave its bus for gathering them in from the reservations and the Government Indian school. Altogether 22 tribes have been reached with the gospel. For a number of months the C. A. chapel has been crowded out, and the Indians have been praying for a church building of their own.

At last a church has been purchased, and the first service was held February 12 with about 130 in attendance. God is blessing the Indian Christians, enabling them to buy cars and pickup trucks, and now they are going out to bring in others to find the Lord.

The church will seat 300. The auditorium is in excellent condition, with a good floor and painted walls. Provision is made for a baptistry to be installed when funds permit. In connection with the church is a good parsonage and a large shaded lot where trailers are parked for the other workers. Vacant lots adjoining provide ample space for camp meeting.

The parsonage needs a stove, and the church needs a piano and hymn books. Anyone interested in helping this new Indian congregation get off to a good start in their new church, may send offerings to our office. Please remember this new Indian congregation in your prayers.

### SHE ARRIVED

ON—February 6 at 6:05 a.m.

WEIGHING—6 lbs., 10 oz.

NAMED—Carrie Lorraine.

Little Carrie joins two adopted children in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Richard J. Teeter, missionaries at Valdez, Alaska.

### CHURCH-BUILDING "MIRACLE"

(Continued from page five)

pastor will have a choice opportunity to endear himself to the future congregation of his church. He will not only speak a brief welcome to the entire VBS, but he will be present in the building as much as possible. He will look in upon the boys' woodwork class, and perhaps try his hand with a saw. He will admire the Intermediate notebooks, and bring a box of cookies for the Beginners' lunch. He will try to be the sort of human, personal leader that Jesus was as He blessed the children and accepted for His miracle the lunch of an unknown boy.

From the pastor's faithful, sincere efforts will no doubt come the result of a number of boys and girls giving their lives to Christ. On the night of the VBS commencement service still



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At the N. A. E. convention in Chicago in 1948 a number of editors and publishers met to talk over the possibilities of exchanging news, pictures, and other items needed by evangelical publications. It was decided that there are many ways, such as these, in which editors and publishers can help each other, and so a Constitutional Convention was called. This Convention met in Chicago last April. At that time a Constitution was adopted and officers elected.

During the past year a number of committees have been working on various projects, including a news service, and it is expected that an Evangelical News Service will be operating within a few months. There are many other ways in which the editors and publishers have already received definite help by their association together. People in the same business can learn

from each other.

The Second Annual Convention was held in Chicago, Jan. 24-26, 1950, with 100 present. There were about 70 periodicals and publishers represented. Officers elected at that time are shown above. Left to right, they are: Martin Erikson, Editor of "The Standard," Chicago, Treasurer; Hart R. Armstrong, Editor of Church School Publications, Gospel Publishing House, Springfield, Mo., Secretary; Robert Walker, Editor of "Christian Life," Chicago, officer at large; H. J. Kuiper, Editor of "The Banner," Grand Rapids, President; James DeForest Murch, Editor of "United Evangelical Action," Cincinnati, officer at large; A. L. Goodrich, Editor of "The Baptist Record," Jackson, Miss., Vice-President. (Photo by Ernest Keasling.)

others may be saved. But these are only the comparatively small, immediate results. The pastor will never know the real value of his untiring work among the children until one day, perhaps many years from now, he will hear someone say, "Isn't it a miracle how this church has grown!"

Then perhaps the exultant pastor will look across the auditorium to where a faithful deacon greets visitors at the door. He will remember that he first met that deacon as an unmanageable bundle of energy and mischief in the Junior Department. He will smile knowingly and answer, "Yes, it certainly has been a miracle."

## N.A.E. CONVENTION TO BE AT INDIANAPOLIS

**Eighth Annual Convention to open April 18 in Roberts Park Methodist Church**

Congressman Graham A. Barden of North Carolina, author of the famous Barden Bill, will speak at the Eighth Annual Convention of the National Association of Evangelicals April 18-21 in Indianapolis, Ind., according to R. L. Decker, executive secretary. Representatives of 65 Protestant denominations are expected to attend the gathering to map out a strategy of united evangelical action for the coming year.

Other speakers will include C. C. Burnett, of the Assemblies of God; Frank Gigliotti, Presbyterian; Henry Bast, Reformed; Roy S. Hollomon, Southern Baptist; and Frank Gaebelein, Reformed Episcopal.

The convention theme is to be "God's Word for God's World." Highlighting the program will be an address by Harold J. Ockenga on "Roman Catholicism in the Light of God's Word." Paul S. Rees will speak on the theme, "Communism in the Light of God's Word." Leslie R. Marston of the Free Methodist Church will describe the perils of statism. The opening address will be given by Stephen W. Paine, president of Houghton College, who is president of the N.A.E.

Simultaneous morning sessions will be conducted on Sunday School work, war relief, foreign missions, religious broadcasting, Christian higher education, Christian day schools, youth, home missions, army and navy chaplains, and evangelism. Laymen's meetings will be held April 22. Women's sessions will meet each morning.

Special features of the convention will be the report of the Commission on a Christian Philosophy of Education, which is headed by Frank E. Gaebelein, and the report of the Committee on International Co-operation of Evangelicals, of which J. Elwin Wright is secretary. The latter report is expected to open a discussion on "Why the World Council of Churches is not an adequate means of world-wide co-operation among evangelicals."

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## Among the Assemblies

**TOLLESON, ARIZ.**—We closed a very successful meeting on Jan. 15 with Evangelist Richard E. Jeffrey of California. The attendance was very good throughout the meeting. A good number were saved and there were a number of outstanding healings. The church has been greatly encouraged.—O. W. Killingsworth, Pastor.

**BAYSHORE, FLA.**—We have recently closed a three-weeks' revival with Evangelist Joseph Deramo of Lithia, Ark. Sixteen were saved and the church was greatly encouraged. Several are seeking the Baptism of the Holy Ghost.—Mrs. Ida H. Jones, Pastor.

**OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLA.**—The people of Glad Tidings Assembly of God are praising the Lord for a wonderful revival. There were 26 saved, 14 received the Holy Spirit, 14 were baptized in water, and 16 were added to the church. The revival was conducted by our pastor, L. C. Harris.—Bethel Majors, Secretary.

**NORTH MALVERN, ARK.**—We closed a five-weeks' revival on December 12, with Evangelist and Mrs. W. V. Grant. God met with us in a wonderful way. There were over 100 filled with the Holy Ghost. A great number were saved, and many healed. All the glory belongs to God. It was the greatest meeting we have had since coming here.—W. E. Hand, Pastor.

**TEXARKANA, ARK.**—The First Assembly of God has recently closed a successful revival with R. D. Jones Evangelistic Trio. A good number were saved and several received the Holy Spirit. Attendance was good each night. We broke our Sunday School records twice during the meeting. One Sunday we had 256, and the next 273. We praise God for His blessings.—Charles W. Prince, Pastor.

**PRATT, KANS.**—In November, Evangelist and Mrs. Mandigo of North Dakota were with us in a very profitable campaign. Revival fires were kindled and have continued to burn. In January, Evangelist and Mrs. I. D. Rayborn began special meetings. God moved in a marvelous way. A good number were saved and filled with the Spirit. Our average for this Sunday School year is 167; our January average reached 175. We give God the glory.—Russell Rexroat, Pastor.

**SUNNYVALE, CALIF.**—We have concluded a three-weeks' meeting with Evangelists Fredrick and Sarah Byers of Brooks, Ore. Two were saved, and 14 received the Baptism of the Holy Spirit. Many were refilled and the church has been edified. Our new pastor, Mark A. Hinman, and family arrived while the meeting was in progress. Amid the showers of blessings they were welcomed into their new field of labor. We expect the revival to continue and mighty works to be wrought by God.—Mrs. Amelia Ring, church secretary.

**STOCKTON, CALIF.**—Calvary Tabernacle has just closed one of the best revivals it has ever had. Evangelist Thomas B. Don Carlos was with us. The power of God was present every night and the attendance increased nightly. Many were saved and filled with the Spirit. Some outstanding healings were witnessed. The revival spirit reached out into the homes of unsaved people who called us to come and pray that they would be saved. We are now planning for the largest water baptismal service we have ever had, thanks to a God that still gives revivals.—Earl F. Davis, Pastor.

**LITTLE ROCK, ARK.**—Central Assembly has just closed a three-weeks' revival with Evangelist and Mrs. Dean Duncan, of Denver, Colo. This was one of the greatest revivals in the history of our church. Some 45 or 50 were saved. The crowds were so large that we had to remove a partition to accommodate the people. Our Sunday School soared to the highest attendance ever recorded. Many new people were reached with the gospel. The outstanding results were the salvation of so many men and whole families. Most of the converts are affiliating with the church.—Robert C. Sellers, Pastor.

**VERO BEACH, FLA.**—In November, 1948, we came here to a small group of people who were discouraged but who loved the Lord. At the time they were worshipping under a well-worn tent. The people made known their desire for a church building and we began to pray. Soon money began to come in, some being donated by folk who were not members of the church. The South Florida District gave us \$500. We turned the first shovel of earth on Jan. 5, 1949, and moved into the church in March. Most of the labor was donated and came from our own few men.

We now have about 30 members, a fine group of young people, and a Sunday School averaging 85. We are looking forward to still greater things from the Lord.—L. E. Blue, Pastor.

**COLUMBUS, GA.**—North Highlands Assembly of God enjoyed one of the greatest revivals in its 30-year history, Jan. 15—Feb. 19, through the anointed ministry of Evangelist Gayle Jackson. Between 700 and 800 persons moved to the prayer rooms for salvation. "Signs, wonders, divers miracles, and gifts of the Holy Ghost" confirmed the fearless preaching of Christ as the One who meets man's every need.

Visitors from more than a dozen states came and were immeasurably blessed. A Polish Catholic foundry worker from New York, who had suffered for years with accumulated dust in his lungs, was instantly delivered from this trouble and healed of a serious knee ailment. A Salvation Army couple from Iowa, a business man from Jacksonville, Fla., and many other visitors from adjoining states and other parts of Georgia, came and found deliverance from sin, sickness, and the bondage of evil habits.

Neighbors were among those who experience outstanding healings. A little brother and sister, whose eyes were pitifully crossed and wore thick glasses, were healed. Their little eyes are straight. An elderly lady, who had worn a steel brace for seven years, was healed. She mops and cleans without her brace and, according to her testimony, suffers no discomfort. She said, "God gave me a new back."

A little girl of eleven or twelve with a blind eye was instantly healed. Before leaving the service she could read ordinary print with the eye that had been blind when she came to the service.

A number of deaf mutes were healed. One, a lady of 34 years of age who lives not many blocks from the church, was able to hear and speak immediately. She also received the Baptism of the Holy Spirit and spoke beautifully in other tongues as the Spirit gave her utterance. In the two weeks since her healing she is learning to talk surprisingly well.

A number of persons returned their hearing aids to the company which had fitted them, all giving testimony of their healing in this revival, so the manager came to the meetings to investigate. It pleased the Lord to give hearing and speech to a little deaf mute girl in that service. The manager was confounded.

The concluding week of the revival was designated Holy Ghost Rally Week, and God met us in a way that exceeded our fondest hopes. For three nights Brother Jackson preached on the wonder, the glory, the beauty, and the power of this heaven-sent experience. Ten or twelve were filled with the Spirit the first two nights. When the third night came there were literally hundreds of hungry souls waiting to be filled with the Holy Ghost. As they sat and began to worship the Lord Jesus Christ with upraised hands, the Spirit began to fall upon them. In various parts of the auditorium persons received the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues. Ten or more ministers, together with the evangelist and the pastor, moved among the seekers and prayed with them. In the section near the front which had been reserved for unfilled persons, faith mounted so high and the Spirit moved so mightily that about ten out of every twelve upon whom the ministers laid their hands received the Baptism.

It was the greatest service in Holy Ghost power that I ever have been privileged to witness, in almost thirty years. One brother estimated that at least two hundred persons were filled with the Holy Ghost in that service. I think 300 would be nearer the correct number; but no count was kept.

Eighty-five persons were immersed and 88 affiliated with the Assembly before the revival concluded.—Edgar Bethany, Pastor.

**BROOKFIELD, MO.**—We thank the Lord for the revival we had with Evangelist T. E. (Ted) Smith of Meridian, Miss. There were several at the altar for salvation, and some were baptized with the Holy Spirit. Members of the church said attendance was larger than it had been in 10 years.—Johnnie Meeks, Pastor.

**TALLAHASSEE, FLA.**—We had a three-weeks revival with Evangelist Nan Ferguson of West Monroe, La. God's presence and power was manifest throughout the meeting. More than 50 were saved, and 40 received the Baptism of the Holy Ghost. Twenty of this number were between the ages of 15 and 25. The revival fires are still present in our midst, and people are being saved and filled in each regular service.—W. S. Bagwell, Pastor, South City Assembly.

**MOBILE, ALA.**—Prichard Assembly of God has recently closed one of the most glorious revivals our church has had in a long time. Evangelist and Mrs. R. Von Kemp were with us for three weeks. There were 32 at the altar for salvation and at least 31 were filled with the Holy Spirit. Night after night great outpourings of the Holy Spirit fell in the services. Much good was done, and the spiritual tide of the church is still high. Many sick people testified to the healing of their bodies. Before the main service each evening, Mrs. Kemp conducted children's services. These services were well attended; some nights there were as many as 265 children present. Every department of our church has been blessed, for which we praise God.—J. D. Stevens, Pastor.

**VAN BUREN, MO.**—Since we came here about six months ago, the Lord has been greatly blessing us in our regular services. We found a group of faithful, praying people. Some 25 have been saved and 11 received the Baptism. An old man 88 years old and his wife 77 were among those saved. This brother had been afflicted for a number of years, but God healed him; he threw away his cane and walked out completely whole.

Our Sunday School is growing; our record attendance is 141. Our C.A.'s are increasing in number and several have recently received the Holy Ghost. Evangelist and Mrs. I. M. Graham of Greeley, Mo., were with us for two weeks in the fall. The weather was bad, but we had good crowds and the interest was good. There were three saved and one received the Holy Ghost.—Clarence Love, Pastor.

**TEXARKANA, ARK.**—We have enjoyed the third revival with Evangelist and Mrs. D. C. Ogden of Covington, Tenn. In our revival last year God gave us around 50 people who were saved or reclaimed; but this revival far exceeded it. The evangelist's messages built great faith among the people to believe God for Bible deliverance from many habits that had bound them. So many unusual things happened in the services each night that we were unable to keep record of all that God was doing. Every night there was a definite victory. One night seven men and one woman were prostrate under the mighty power of God during the altar service. The appeal to sinners and backsliders was so great that some fainted while the invitation was going forth. I have been in Pentecost all my life but I have never seen the Lord work in this manner before.—Alvin C. McGaugh, Pastor, Central Assembly of God, 912 Grand Ave.

**SANFORD, ME.**—We are thanking God for a visitation of His Spirit in the Sanford Full Gospel Tabernacle. Evangelist Joe Wooldridge and family of Jacksonville, Fla., were with us for a two-weeks' meeting. Around 15 were saved and several backsliders were reclaimed. The instrumental numbers and the singing were inspiring.

Increased attendance and interest in the C. A. meetings and Sunday School has been noted. An all-time record of 101 in Sunday School attendance was made Jan. 22. This was after the revival meeting had closed. Five have received the Baptism since the close of the meeting. As soon as possible we intend to purchase a Sunday School bus.

Brother and Sister Charles Robertson, our pastors, came to us more than two years ago. During this time God has added to our numbers and increased our Sunday School. In October, 1948 and again in June, 1949 Evangelist and Mrs. Richard Vinyard were with us. A number were healed and 10 received the Baptism of the Holy Ghost.—Arnold W. Scott, Secretary.

**EVANSVILLE, IND.**—We have just closed a meeting with my brother, Jack Vibbert, who is a Methodist minister with an Acts 2:4 experience. Every department of our church was stirred by the anointed preaching. All Sunday School records were broken. A fine number were saved and filled with the Holy Spirit.—Hansel Vibbert, Pastor.

**BARTLESVILLE, OKLA.**—Assembly of God, West 3rd. & Virginia Sts., Mar. 19—; Charles H. Hoskins Evangelistic Party.—by C. H. Asher, Pastor.

**TULSA, OKLA.**—Bethel Temple, 1202 S. Boulder St., Mar. 12—; Evangelist C. S. Tubby of Canada.—by William A. Ward, Pastor.

**PHOENIX, ARIZ.**—Bethel Assembly of God, 9th and Oak Sts., Mar. 19—Apr. 2—; Evangelist Kenneth Schmidt.—by John C. Poteet, Pastor.

**NORFOLK, VA.**—Calvary First Assembly of God, 220 Colley Ave., Mar. 21—Apr. 9; Evangelist Stanley Cooke.—by Homer Peterson, Pastor.

**PHILIPSBURG, PA.**—Gospel Tabernacle, Mar. 16—Apr. 2; Evangelist Harvey McAlister.—by H. A. Christopher, Pastor.

**VANCOUVER, WASH.**—Glad Tidings Church, Mar. 14—Apr. 2; Evangelists Carl and Edna Goodwin, Pomona, Calif. (Paul G. Trulin is pastor.)

**EL CENTRO, CALIF.**—Assembly of God Tabernacle, 10th and Park, Apr. 2—; Evangelist W. E. Long.—by H. J. Keener, Pastor.

**LOS ANGELES, CALIF.**—Assembly of God, 5359 W. Adams, meeting in progress; Evangelists Kathleen Carter and Rose Mary Berlin.—by Myrtle Daniel, Pastor.

**KANSAS CITY, MO.**—Sheffield Assembly of God, 6800 Independence Ave., Mar. 14—19; Evangelist R. E. McAlister from Canada.—by C. W. Quattlebaum, Pastor.

**FRESNO, CALIF.**—Calvary Tabernacle, 1st and Nevada Sts., Mar. 12—; Evangelist Robert D. (Bobby) Clark, Bakersfield, Calif.—by Claude Weaver, Pastor.

**CORSICANA, TEX.**—First Assembly of God, 405 S. 14th St., meeting in progress; Evangelist and Mrs. R. Von Kemp, Russellville, Ark.—by Bracy I. Greer, Pastor.

**CORONA, L. I., N. Y.**—Free Gospel Church, 110th St. and 34th Ave., Mar. 29—Apr. 16; Evangelist and Mrs. Ernest V. Berquist, Louisville, Ky.—by Charles R. Shuss, Pastor.

**PLAINFIELD, N. J.**—Grace Evangel Church Central Ave. & W. 8th Sts., Mar. 23, 10:00 a.m., first monthly service for women; Marie E. Brown, New York City, speaker. All ladies welcome.—by Andrew Rahner, Pastor.

**SUSANVILLE, CALIF.**—Assembly of God, meeting in progress; Evangelist and Mrs. Stanley MacPherson and Evangelist and Mrs. Robert Ferguson.—by K. R. Carney, Pastor.

**ASHEVILLE, N. C.**—Full Gospel Assembly, cor. Montford Ave. and W. Chestnut Sts., Mar. 19—Apr. 16; Evangelist and Mrs. Carl Henry of California.—by Clinton E. Finch, Pastor.

## 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.

**HOQUIAM, WASH.**—Bethel Temple, 716 M. St., Mar. 21—Apr. 2; Evangelist Jim Swanson, Toronto, Canada.—Ingvald M. Henriksen, Pastor.

**DAWSON, GA.**—First Assembly of God, 9th Ave. and Stonewall, Mar. 23—Apr. 9; Evangelist Glen Miller, Georgia District C. A. President, and his wife.—Claude E. Collins, Pastor.

**EWING, MO.**—Assembly of God, Mar. 19—; Evangelist Dean E. Duncan, Denver, Colo.—by R. L. Cimino, Pastor.

**FORT SMITH, ARK.**—First Assembly of God, Mar. 26—Apr. 9; Evangelists Earla McKinney, Inez and Mary Smith of Texas.—by B. Owen Oslin, Pastor.

**LYNDEN, WASH.**—Assembly of God, 7th and Liberty St. Mar. 26—; Evangelist Fulton Buntain. (C. R. Chittim is pastor.)

**RICHMOND, CALIF.**—Full Gospel Temple, 14th St. and Bissel Ave., Mar. 26—Apr. 16; Evangelist Arthur Arnold, Los Angeles, Calif.—E. Ely Persing, Pastor.

**BICKNELL, IND.**—Calvary Assembly of God, Mar. 5—19 or longer; Evangelist and Mrs. Carey Puckett, LaGrange, Ky.—by John L. Riggle, Pastor.

**PARAGOULD, ARK.**—Mar. 12—; Evangelists Bessie L. Fisher and Nell Gaines Cheek of Memphis, Tenn. (C. L. Hundley is Pastor.)

**FT. WORTH, TEX.**—Hemphill Assembly of God meeting in progress; Evangelist George Hayes.—by Carl Alcorn, Pastor.

**NORWALK, OHIO**—Assembly of God, 298 E. Main St., Feb. 28—; Evangelist and Mrs. Gerald Fischer.—by R. D. Cooper, Pastor.

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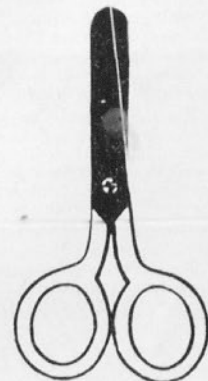
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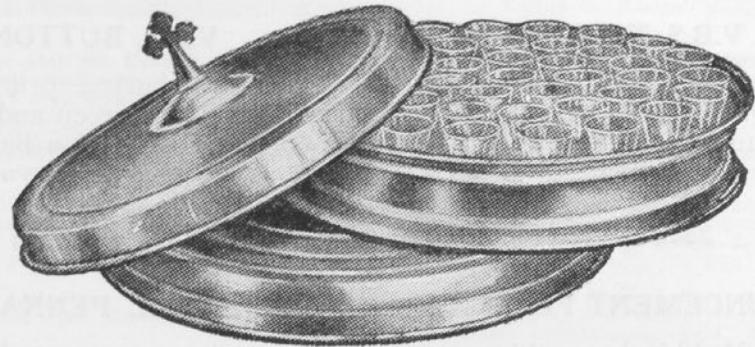
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WOODBURN, OREG.—Assembly of God, Mar. 14—Apr. 12; Evangelist John F. Mauck—by Arthur Hyland, Pastor.

ST. PAUL, VA.—Assembly of God, Mar. 26—Apr. 9 or longer; Evangelist C. A. Waack, Tulsa, Okla. (David Vogler is pastor.)

CHICAGO, ILL.—Ebenezer Pentecostal Church, 1665 N. Mozart St., Mar. 21—Apr. 4; Evangelist Roy Hill. Special Easter services, Apr. 6—9, T. J. Jones, Dean of N. C. B. I., speaker. Special Good Friday service 2:30 p.m.—by James Clark, Pastor.

LAS CRUCES, N. MEX.—First Assembly of God, 7th & Van Patten, Apr. 9—30 or longer (not Mar. 15—Apr. 5 as previously announced); Evangelist and Mrs. E. R. Winter, Houston, Tex.—by E. E. Franks, Pastor.

JOLIET, ILL.—County-wide union campaign at Central Presbyterian Church, Richards St. and 1st Ave., Apr. 9—; services 2:30 and 7:45 p.m. Five churches co-operating.—by Allan G. Snider, Pastor of Joliet Full Gospel Church.

ALBANY, N. Y.—Union meeting, auspices of the Capitol District Full Gospel Churches, Mar. 12-26, in Unitarian Church, Washington Ave., opposite State Teachers College. Evangelist Louise Nankivell, Chicago, Ill. For information write Burton H. Ellis, 373 Delaware Ave., Albany, N. Y.

SOUTHERN IDAHO MISSIONARY CONVENTIONS  
Pocatello, Apr. 4—5. L. A. Steller, Pastor. Jerome, Apr. 6—7. A. E. Rainwater, Pastor. Caldwell, Apr. 10—11. J. E. Shaw, Pastor. Weiser, Apr. 12-13. O. W. Fish, Pastor.

Four services at each convention. Opening night, Speed-the-Light Rally. Morning meeting, W.M.C. Afternoon service. Home Missions. Night meeting, World Missions. M. L. Hodges, speaker both nights.

#### ARKANSAS W.M.C. CONVENTION

The first All-State Women's Missionary Council Convention will be held at First Assembly of God, 22nd and Franklin Sts., North Little Rock, Ark., Apr. 4; Services 10:00 a.m., 2:00 and 7:00 p.m. Convention is under the direction of Cora Jennings, State President, and the sectional directors. There will be special speakers, some of them from other states. This convention will provide information about W.M.C. work for Districts that do not have such an organization. T. J. Gotcher, host pastor.—by L. C. Ramsey.

#### MONTANA DISTRICT COUNCIL

The Fifteenth Annual Meeting of the Montana District Council will be in Missoula Assembly of God, 337 Stephens Ave., Mar. 27—31. Council opens Monday evening with C. A. Rally. First business session Tuesday at 9:00 a.m. with Currell Muirhead, District Superintendent, presiding. Joseph E. Neely, Superintendent of Wyoming District, will be special speaker.

The District Presbytery will meet Mar. 24, 25, and 27 in Missoula. Those seeking credentials for the first time should be present on the 27th. For reservations write Eugene A. Born, 337 Stephens Ave., Missoula, Mont.—Lyle B. Spradley, District Secretary.

#### ALABAMA DISTRICT SECTIONAL COUNCILS

Mobile Section, Crichton Assembly, Mar. 27—28. Andalusia Section, Opine Assembly, Mar. 30—31. Dothan Section, Mt. Zion Assembly, Apr. 3—4. Phenix City Section, Eufaula Assembly, Apr. 6—7. Montgomery Section, Temple Assembly, Clanton, Apr. 17—18. Anniston Section, West Enda Assembly, Apr. 20—21. Birmingham Section, Norwood Assembly, Apr. 24—25. Tennessee Valley Section, Lincoln Assembly, Huntsville, Apr. 27—28. Tuscaloosa Section, Winfield Assembly, May 8—9. Demopolis Section, Mount Olive Assembly, Needham, May 11—12.

Each Sectional Council will begin on the night of the first day with a fellowship rally. Three services the second day at 9:30 a.m., 1:30 and 7:15 p.m. Each church is entitled to one delegate at the business session. Those applying for credentials or renewal of credentials are requested to meet the Credentials Committee at 2:00 p.m. on the second day of the Council in your section.

For further information write T. H. Spence, District Superintendent, P. O. Box 2171, Montgomery, Ala., or Howard P. Trawick, District Secretary, P. O. Box 276, Slocomb, Ala.