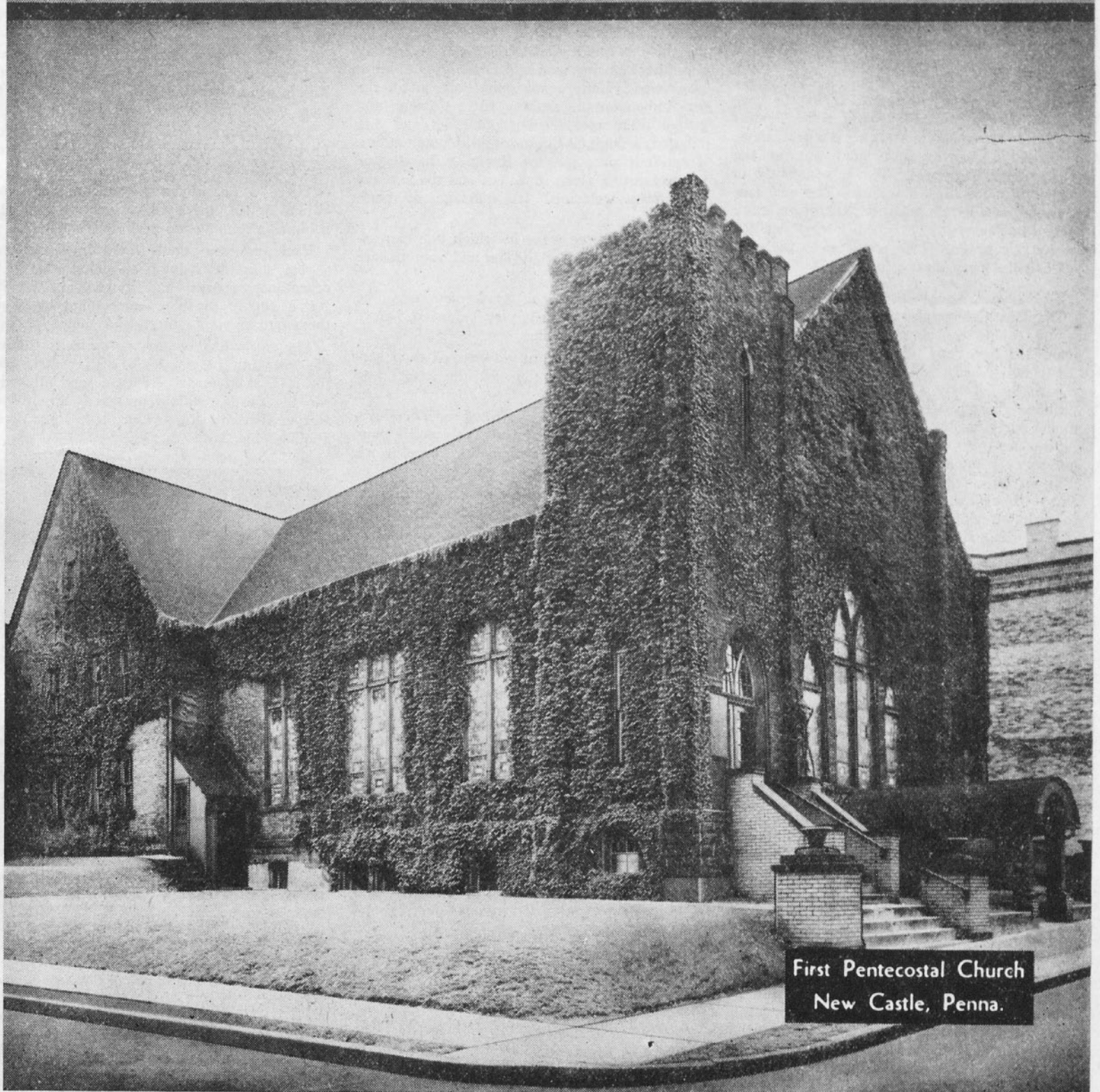


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EDITORIAL

OUR CHAPLAINS IN KOREA

There are ten Assemblies of God ministers serving as Chaplains in the U. S. Army at the present time. At least two of them (Chaplains Frank R. Griep and Dudley Q. Boyd) have been in the combat area in Korea. A third (Chaplain John R. Elrod) may also be in Korea; at least, we know that he is somewhere in the vicinity of Japan.

Chaplain Boyd reported that 104 of his men accepted Christ as their personal Savior during November, the last month for which we have received a report. Chaplain Boyd said, in his letter:

"Since my last report I have been transferred to a front-line regiment. We have been on the move constantly, trying to keep one jump ahead of the enemy. The longest we have stayed in one place is three days. Sleeping in Korean huts and out in the rice paddies is rugged. We are constantly in danger. But the Lord is with us. The men face life realizing its uncertainty; therefore more turn wholeheartedly to the Lord Jesus for help and courage. Their response to the gospel call has been most gratifying.

"It is bitterly cold here in North Korea. . ."

Chaplain Griep also reports from Korea, saying: "Due to being on the move, I was unable to have any services last Sunday at all, though I had one on Tuesday and another Wednesday. Today I had three—the first at battalion headquarters, in a former Communist party headquarters building; the second out in the open air, near our most forward company's command post. I set up the little altar set on a big rock just below an ancient Korean-inscribed monument. The men sat on rocks all around—we have no lack of them here. A clear river below us, mountains on all sides, with one snow-capped in the distance. Also a partially camouflaged tank in immediate rear.

"I spoke on Daniel 7:1-14, with emphasis on how Daniel was almost overwhelmed by the concept of the terrible beasts of destruction and carnage, but was saved by the vision of the Ancient of Days and the Son of Man in the midst of it all. Surrounded by destruction and spoilage on all sides, our men are only spared from losing their perspective and their hope by a fresh glimpse of the Lord of glory. A few shells from our own artillery landed about a hundred yards away just before the benediction!

"Had a most interesting time at the aid station last night. Two of our men, missing since November 1, were brought back in by a Chinese soldier. After being separated from their unit, these two men hiked for a few days to get back. Then this Chinese soldier threw a hand grenade at them, wounding them enough so he was able to strip them of their weapons and valuables. Then he led them to a hole where he hid them for about ten days, feeding and protecting them from the enemy. He paid Koreans to feed them while he was gone two and a half days to observe American positions. Then he returned, and

three days later began to march back to our lines. He then returned their weapons and all valuables.

"This Chinese is with us now. He was a former Nationalist soldier, drafted by the Communists and brought to Korea by the Communists. Now he is glad to desert their army and is very co-operative in giving information. Evidently this is another result of the good will for America among Chinese people due to the years of missionary work.

"May the Lord bless as you support us in your prayers."

No doubt all or most of our readers have been praying regularly for the young men in the armed services, and for their leaders. Let us continue to hold them up before the Throne of Grace, and to pray for the Chaplains also.

Pray for the Servicemen's Division of our C. A. Department at Springfield, which is keeping in touch with the Chaplains and helping them in their vital ministry in every way possible. The Servicemen's Division is doing a good work. Letters are going out to all the servicemen on the mailing list regularly, and gospel literature is being published and distributed through Chaplains of all denominations. Thousands of copies of REVELLE have gone to the fighting front in Korea and the servicemen have welcomed its message of truth and life.

There are three ways in which you can assist the Servicemen's Division and have a share in its ministry.

1. Pray that more servicemen may be reached, and more souls may be saved, before it is eternally too late.

2. Send the name and address of each serviceman to whom you would like letters and printed literature sent.

3. Make a financial contribution. The Division is facing a crisis and urgently needs your support in order to continue its gospel work and to meet the growing challenge.

The address is: Servicemen's Division, C. A. Department, 434 West Pacific Street, Springfield 1, Missouri.

PRAYER CRUSADE

"More things are wrought by prayer than this world dreams of." Prayer may well be the predominating factor in bringing revival to our land, and victory to our armed forces, in this hour of crisis.

A Prayer Crusade has been launched for enlisting nation-wide intercession for repentance, revival, and victory for our country. An attractive Prayer Card has been prepared for distribution in churches, Sunday Schools, and other assemblies of Christian people. The card contains eight definite petitions for prayer and praise, as follows:

1. *Heavenly Father, give wisdom and guidance, and faith in Thee, to our President, to his advisors, to the members of Congress, and to all those in authority in our land, in this hour of crisis.*

2. *Move upon our leaders to look beyond our armed forces and material defenses, to Thee, the living God, who gives deliverance and victory.*

3. *Give glorious victory, I beseech Thee, to our armed forces on land, and sea, and in the air. Bless the men and women who are heroically defending the cause of freedom. Save*

great multitudes, strengthen the Christians, and make many of them soul-winners.

4. *Like the people of Nineveh of old, may we repent of our individual and national sins; "cry mightily to God"; and "turn every one from his evil way," that freedom may not perish from our land.*

5. *May our newspapers, and radio speakers, and teachers in our schools, join in the crusade for prayer, and for a return to a living faith in the Lord Jesus Christ.*

6. *May the ministers of our churches unite in calling their people to repent, and to pray, individually and unitedly, for a great outpouring of the Holy Spirit, and for a nation-wide revival in 1951.*

7. *O God, move upon the youth of our land, and upon all classes of people, that they may not be deceived by communism, and that vast numbers may be led to a saving knowledge of Christ.*

8. *Lord, send revival to my own heart. Help me to confess and forsake all my sins. Teach me to pray in faith for revival in my own church and throughout our land.*

These things I ask in the Name of our Lord Jesus Christ, who said, "If ye shall ask . . . I will do."

There is a prayer pledge on each card. When signed, the card can be kept in your Bible as a reminder to pray daily.

Each one who reads these lines can have a real share in helping to enlist prayer for repentance, revival and victory, by sending for a supply of these cards, and by giving them out in your church and Sunday School.

The cards will be sent postpaid as follows: 25 cents for 12 copies; \$1.25 for 100; \$3.50 for 300, \$5.00 for 500. Please send all orders for the cards, with remittance, directly to: Prayer Crusade, Room 1302, 1505 Race Street, Philadelphia 2, Pa.

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Christ Our Glorious Shepherd King

A Convention Address by J. A. Synan

And he shall stand and feed in the strength of the Lord, in the majesty of the name of the Lord his God; and they shall abide: for now shall he be great unto the ends of the earth. Micah 5:4.

MICAH, WHO lived and prophesied between 740 and 700 B.C., was known as the Morasthite because he lived at Moresteth near Lachish on the border of Philistia, about thirty miles southwest of Jerusalem. He was a contemporary of Jotham, Ahaz, and Hezekiah, kings of Judah; also of the prophets Isaiah and Hosea. He was preaching in his community the same truth that Isaiah was preaching in Jerusalem, and Hosea in Israel. We have many strong and wonderful statements on the spiritual truths and ethical standards that God furnished to bless and to guide His people, Israel. We see them throughout this wonderful prophecy. We have a number of outstanding predictions of things to come. One of them is the place where Christ should be born, naming the place as Bethlehem in Judah. Then we have definite reference to His birth as that upon which all Israel waited until "she which travaileth hath brought forth." Then, finally, we have this glorious scene of Christ as the Shepherd King.

I

We would like to think first upon the continuing reign and ministry of Christ, our glorious Shepherd King. We remember with humility of heart the suffering of our Christ. The cross often comes into our vision with vivid impressions of the sacrifice and shame that characterized His dying in our behalf. We can visualize the crown of thorns. We can see the nails driven through His hands and His feet. We observe the anguish, the evidences of pain, the darkness, the sympathetic movements of nature, and we hear His outcry in the darkness of His forsakenness and loneliness as the dark waters of the sins of the world overflow His soul, wave after wave. We remember, we appreciate, and we feel keenly and deeply those facts of His suffering and humiliation. It is well for us often to go to Calvary, breathe its atmosphere, live close to the throbbing heart of the wounded Savior, and stay by until we see

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His side riven and the blood and water flowing out, and know that our salvation is a fact accomplished through His broken heart and His shed blood.

But it is blessed also to observe that open tomb and to look upon our risen Lord standing triumphant, victorious. I like that scene that John beheld when he looked upon the throne and saw a lamb as it had been slain, standing in the midst of the throne. He went down under the stroke of death and under the malice of man, but He rose and He is the victorious Lamb of God.

"He shall stand and feed." He rules as a shepherd. Let us see Him as He takes the position that represents stability, that represents the fact that He is in a commanding position in which He may see and direct all the affairs of His Kingdom. Let us observe His character. Earthly rulers often are tyrants, imposing heavy yokes and cruel bondage. But His yoke is easy, His burden is light. His service is perfect freedom. No person has such a prince as those who have made Christ their king and have crowned Him Lord of all. Inasmuch as He ever liveth, there is no danger that His dominion shall ever have an end. We are told in the prophecy of Daniel that His dominion is one that shall not end, that His is a kingdom that shall never be destroyed. Follow Him and you are safe. Sleep at His feet; no lion can disturb. Let Him feed you and there is no loss. Live close to Him and know the thrill of pure and perfect delight. He shall stand and feed; He shall see; He shall rule. He knows all. He

feels the need of all. And He graciously provides for all.

People are hungry for salvation. Jesus Christ is ready to feed their hungry hearts with a born-again experience. People are hungry for good, old-fashioned, Blood-bought, Bible holiness and Jesus Christ is ready to feed those hungry hearts with a life of holiness that will satisfy.

People are hungry for the Holy Ghost and fire, and Jesus Christ is ready to satisfy that hunger with a mighty, Pentecostal Baptism with the Holy Spirit.

People are hungry for healing. They are suffering in their bodies and Jesus Christ is ready to satisfy that hunger with that healing that He has provided in His atonement.

People are hungry too for the fellowship that flows among the hearts that are redeemed by the blood of the Lamb and cleansed and filled with the Spirit and delighting in all the truth of God. There are hungry hearts that long for that fellowship. Jesus Christ is ready to satisfy that hunger and He is satisfying it.

I would like you to think of the constancy of His provisions. He doesn't send a revival one day and then let us languish in spiritual dearth and hunger for a long interval. I like the way the prophet Jeremiah expressed it in the 14th chapter of his prophecy and the 8th verse. "O the hope of Israel, the savior thereof in time of trouble, why shouldest thou be as a stranger in the land, and as a wayfaring man that turneth aside to tarry for a night?" There are some people who think that the Lord gets a great degree of satisfaction out of passing by occasionally to visit a church, or coming into one or two services of a convention to pay a special visit. But according to this prophet, the Lord isn't inclined to be such a visitor. He doesn't want to be treated as a stranger in the land, or as a wayfaring man that turneth aside to tarry for a night, but He wants to abide, to stand and feed in the strength of the Lord, in the majesty of the name of the Lord, His God.

We used to hear some of our people down in the Southland sing a little song that went like this: "Somebody wants to be blessed, Lord. Won't you come by here? Somebody wants to be saved, Lord. Won't You come by here? Somebody wants to be filled with the Spirit, Lord. Won't You come by here? Oh, Lord, won't You please come by here?" Well, if you have been living in a kind of stranded condition like that and haven't had any blessings from Him for a while, go ahead and sing that sort of song. But I'm glad that He will be with us always even unto the end. I'm glad that it is His pleasure to stand and feed us in the strength of the Lord, and to bless us all the time, and to satisfy our souls



J. A. Synan at Memphis Convention

all along the way. Think of it. He said in His word, "I the Lord do keep it; I will water it every moment: lest any hurt it, I will keep it night and day." "He shall feed his flock like a shepherd: he shall gather the lambs with his arm, and carry them in his bosom, and shall gently lead those that are with young."

II

Further, we see that because of His continuing presence and blessing, the church abides through all the years. Notice those words, so brief and yet so confident and strong—"And they shall abide." This applies to God's believing people. It means that God's people shall abide in peace—not peace with the world, but always peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. And they can enjoy the blessing about which the Psalmist sang when he said, "Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil; for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff they comfort me. Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies: thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over. Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life: and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever." His presence shall be with His church, and His provision for her blessings and advancement shall be upon her, and in spite of all the devil's opposition she shall abide and make progress through the ages.

It is one of the greatest miracles ever that there is a church on earth today. She has fought her way through the persecutions of a pagan world until she planted the banners of King Immanuel in the capital city of the world. She has waded through blood and fire and prison to proclaim the message of salvation to the ends of the earth. All that the devil could invent to dull the ardor, to discourage the spirits of God's saints, he has done. He has burned them on crosses, and he has drowned them in the chilly waters, and He has confined them until they languished long years in prison and died of starvation and pain. He has dragged them through the streets of the cities hitched on horses until their brains were dashed out on the cobblestones. He has drawn one fingernail from one finger one day and another the next day and on until all of the fingernails were drawn out by the roots, and then all of the toenails by the same process. He has tormented and tortured God's people through the ages until it is estimated that 200,000,000 human beings have been sacrificed upon the altar of the world's hate since Jesus Christ died upon the cross of Calvary. But through it all, God's saints have marched unafraid, uncompromising, holding the torch of truth high and preaching a gospel of redemption by Blood, and of resurrection through the mighty power of God, and of eternal life to all who will believe.

I tell you, we are not in any mood to stop preaching that sort of gospel or to tone it down in the least degree. Some may do it, but God has always had a people (and He does now) that will not give up, but will fight the enemy, press the battle to the gates, and follow Jesus Christ through fire and flood and prison and agonizing death to that glory of immortality on the other shore.

It is true that there are times when the fire has died down in one area or one

denomination, but only to break out somewhere else. J. A. Seiss, in *Lectures on the Apocalypse*, quotes from another historian the following inspiring account of the progress of Christianity through the ages:

"Contemporary with the waning of piety in Antioch was its waxing in Milan. When churches of Alexandria and Carthage were sinking in the decrepitude of formalism, the churches of Gaul were battling the vices of imperial civilization and the rudeness and disorder of barbarism. The era of the early growth of Rome's impious pretensions was the era of Ireland's light, holiness, and beauty. While Mohammed was God's avenger on Syria and Egypt, the monks of Iona were studying their Bible, and Scotch missionaries were crossing the Anglo-Saxon border and entering the heart of Germany. As Gregory IV was encouraging the sons of the emperor, Louis, in parricidal wars, Claude was preaching the truth in Turin and adorning it with a

GAIN—BY LOSS

There is no gain but by a loss;
We cannot save but by the Cross;
The corn of wheat to multiply,
Must fall into the ground and die;
O should a soul alone remain
When it a hundredfold can gain?

Our souls are held by all thy hold;
Slaves still are slaves in chains of gold;
To whatsoever we may cling,
We make it a soul-chaining thing;
Whether it be a life or land,
And dear as our right eye or hand.

Wherever you ripe fields behold,
Waving to God their sheaves of gold,
Be sure some corn of wheat has died,
Some saintly soul been crucified;
Someone has suffered, wept and prayed,
And fought hell's legions undismayed.

—Victoria Booth-Clibborn Demarest

holy life. When the Pontifical court at Avignon was disgracing the name of religion by luxury and vice, pious men were writing books and preaching sermons and practicing godly virtues in Teutonic cities. When the night of despotism and superstition was getting blacker than ever in France, the morning star of the Reformation rose in England. When Italian fields were covered with rotten stubble, Bohemia was whitening to the harvest."

Yes, while Rome was corrupting, God had His own witnesses, and the blood of the Waldenses and the Albigenses did not smother the fires of Truth, but rather fertilized the soil for spiritual growth. In the blood of the martyrs, truly, were to be found the seeds of the Church. If Rome will not preach the gospel truth, Martin Luther will preach it in spite of the thundering bulls of the Pope. And if the Anglican church will not preach it, John Wesley will preach it. If other great movements will not preach it, then the Pentecostal movement will. God will have people who will preach a Blood-bought gospel that saves from sin, from all sin. God will have a people who will exalt Jesus Christ as God's divine Son. God will have a people who do not believe that Genesis is Jewish folklore, but who believe it is the true revelation

of God's story of creation. God will have a people who believe that the miracles of the Old Testament are not forgeries, but facts of the putting forth of supernatural power. God will have a people who will preach the virgin birth, not as a pagan myth but as one of the sweetest facts of the story of Jesus Christ. God will have a people who not only believe, but know that the Baptism with the Holy Ghost and Fire is the heritage of God's church, from the time Pentecost blazed in glory over Jerusalem in A. D. 30 right down to this very hour. God will have a people who believe in divine healing. He will have a people who are watching and waiting for His coming, their loins girt about with Truth, keeping themselves unspotted from the world.

"And they shall abide." In spite of the devil's opposition from without, and in spite of unfaithfulness from within, in spite of Caesar, in spite of Napoleon, in spite of Hitler, in spite of Stalin, in spite of the infidel, in spite of every wolf in sheep's clothing who stands behind the sacred desk and emasculates the gospel, in spite of a lying Ananias and Sapphira, and a world-loving Demas, and a self-esteeming Diotrefes—in spite of all of them, God has a church, a church that loves Jesus Christ, a church that has no fellowship with this world because it loves Christ, and walks in the light and wears white robes, even along the streets of Sodom. He will have a people like that, and "they shall abide." They'll be here preaching; they'll be here singing; they'll be here shouting; they'll be here testifying until the voice of the archangel sounds from the vaulted skies and the trump of God awakens sleeping saints, and His people are taken up from the face of this earth. Even then, He'll have two witnesses that will preach the truth in the very face of Antichrist. When they have been killed and caught up to glory, He will have an angel flying through the midst of the skies and proclaiming it. He's going to have somebody telling it until the day of judgment, until the powers of the devil are broken forever and Christ is enthroned as King. Hallelujah! "They shall abide."

III

All of these things combine to emphasize and declare the greatness of our King. "For now shall he be great unto the ends of the earth"—great in His condescension, great in His life and ministry, great in His death and resurrection, great in His ascension into Glory, great in His mediatorial administrations, great in the worship of His saints.

He is great in His influence upon history. Dr. G. Watkins of Cambridge said: "Somehow or other, modern history radiates as visibly from Jesus of Nazareth as ancient history converges on Him. The systems of men may have their day, but the majestic course of the ages gathers round that Son of man who claimed to be the final truth of earth and heaven." James Paul Richter adds, "He being the holiest of the mighty and the mightiest of the holy has lifted with His pierced hands empires off their hinges, turned the stream of centuries out of its channel, and still governs the ages." While L. M. Sweet states that "the movement which culminated in Christianity is the most significant as it is the most central historical movement of antiquity. Therefore," he reasons, "the de-

preciation of Christianity is the degradation of history."

By and by He shall be great unto the ends of the earth. The prophet sensed this fact and projected himself into that period and called it now. If one will launch out far enough into the ocean of God's divine revelation, he will ultimately reach the warm and deep gulf-stream of prophecy where all of God's great historical movements and all of His glorious future intentions for His redeemed people coalesce in one blessed, living, thrilling, and ineffable now. The past will sing and preach to him, and the future will shine upon him and beckon him on. G. Campbell Morgan said, "No man can live this hour who does not feel behind him the infinite movement of ages past and before him the infinite pull of ages yet unborn." When we live in God's now, we can see the ultimate triumph of truth. We can see the ultimate victory of our Christ over all the forces of darkness.

*"A better day is coming,
A morning cometh long,
When girded right
With holy might
Shall overthrow the wrong.*

*"When God, the Lord, shall listen
To every, plaintive sigh,
And stretch His hand
O'er every land
In justice by and by.*

*"The voice of haughty error
No more shall fill the air,
But age and youth
Will love the truth
And spread it everywhere.*

*"No more from want or sorrow
Will come the hopeless cry,
And strife shall cease
And perfect peace
Shall flourish by and by.*

*"Oh, for that holy dawning
We watch and wait and pray,
'Til o'er the height
The morning light
Shall drive the gloom away.*

*"And when the heavenly glory
Shall flood the earth and sky,
We'll bless the Lord
For all His Word
And praise Him by and by."*

Then we will say, "Now shall he be great unto the ends of the earth, and to the ends of all ages." We will enjoy the glory with Him until time is old and grayheaded, until it lies down and dies on the bosom of eternity and is entombed in the forgetfulness of God. We'll be living with Him and He will be great forever and forever and forever.

CAN YOU NAME ONE?

Roger W. Babson, the noted statistician, says: "I have not been able to find a single and useful institution which has not been founded either by an intensely religious man or by the son of a praying mother. I have made this statement before the Chambers of Commerce of all of the largest cities of the country, and have asked them to bring forward a case that is an exception to this rule. Thus far I have not heard of a single one."

Have You the Right Ticket?

F. L. French

A TRAVELER stepped to the ticket office in the station at Plainfield, N. J., saying, "I would like a ticket to Elizabeth, please." The clerk handed out a ticket, for which the traveler paid and which he put into his pocket without looking at it. He boarded the train, but when the conductor came to collect his ticket he found that the clerk had made a mistake, and had given him a ticket for Bound Brook. The clerk thought he gave the right ticket, but it was really a ticket for a station in the opposite direction.

In this case fortunately the conductor was able to properly adjust the mistake without much trouble. But what a terrible calamity it would be for one who wanted to go to heaven and found out too late that he did not have the right ticket, that instead of a ticket to heaven, he could only move to hell!

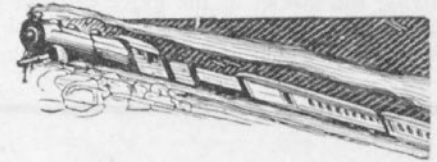
There are those today who think they can furnish tickets to heaven for all who ask for them, but who do not know the way themselves and lead others astray.

There is the man who says that the way to heaven is through "salvation by character." But what is character? "Reputation is what we are before men; character is what we are before God."

What are men before God? Read what He says of all: "There is none righteous, no, not one; . . . there is none that seeketh after God; . . . there is none that doeth good, no, not one; for all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God." Rom. 3:10-12, 23. And as God says there shall be no sin and defilement in heaven (Rev. 21:27), the one who hopes to reach heaven with a ticket marked, "salvation by character," never will arrive at his desired destination.

Another would sell you a ticket to Heaven marked; "It is by keeping the Ten Commandments." But who ever kept them? Who ever loved God with all his heart, and soul, and mind, and strength, and his neighbor as himself? Matt. 22:35-40. The law was not given to man to take him to heaven, but to show him the wickedness of his sinful heart, which could not measure up to God's requirements; to shut his mouth and make him realize that he is guilty before God and needs a Savior. Rom. 3:19. The law was our schoolmaster, to bring us to Christ. Gal. 3:22-24. It is not a ticket to heaven.

Another would use the so-called "Sermon on the Mount," as a ticket to heaven, but all one needs to do is to read it carefully, verse by verse, and ask himself, "Am I living up to this?" to realize the futility of getting to heaven that way. It is the Lord, who sees not as man seeth, but looks on the heart, and tells us it is not enough to have an outward observance of certain things, but



what He sees is the desire and purpose of the heart. He has said, "The heart is deceitful above all things, and desperately wicked"; "every imagination of the thoughts of his [man's] heart was only evil continually." Jer. 17:9; Gen. 6:5. Even the very righteous acts of sinners are evil (Is. 64:6), and are as filthy rags in His sight. We cannot get to heaven with a wicked heart or be there clothed in filthy rags.

Another recommends as a ticket to heaven to "Follow Christ," and says, "Yes, that's the way I expect to get there."

"All right," says a man of God, "I will tell you where to begin to follow Him," so he turns to 1 Peter 2:22, where we read of Christ, "Who did no sin, neither was guile found in His mouth." Can you follow Him thus?

The man must realize the futility of such a way to heaven.

Another will recommend "joining the church," as the way to heaven. No doubt there are many who are unsaved, who never have been born again, who have "joined the church"; but that does not take them to heaven, nor save them. In fact no one can be joined to the Church of our Lord Jesus Christ until after he has been saved! In Acts 2:47, we read, "And the Lord added to the Church daily such as should be saved." In the Revised Version it says, "Such as were being saved." The Church is the body of our Lord and Savior (Eph. 1:22, 23), and we can only be brought into it through the ministry of the Holy Spirit (1 Cor. 12:13), who seals us to God AFTER we believe (Eph. 1:13). Only saved sinners are members of His Church.

No, friend, God does not save any by good character, by keeping the Commandments, by obeying the Sermon on the Mount, by following Christ, nor by "joining the church"; and one who tries to give you a ticket to heaven on any or all of these grounds is deceiving your soul and sending you to hell instead of to glory. God definitely declares that without shedding of blood is no remission of sins (Heb. 9:22); that all have sinned and come short of the glory of God; and the soul that sinneth it shall die. Therefore every one of us must die for our sins, unless a holy substitute can be found to take our sins and our judgment. This God has promised in the Person and work of His Holy Son, who His own self bare our sins in His own body on the tree (Calvary). He has once suffered for sins, the Just for the unjust to bring us to God. 1 Peter 2:22-24; 3:18. He is the

only Savior for sinners; the only One who can take us to heaven; the only way to God. John 14:6; Acts 4:12. Only those whose names are recorded in the Book of Life of the slain Lamb of God, can enter heaven. Rev. 13:8; 21, 27.

How may we secure our ticket to heaven? It is by "repentance toward God, and faith toward our Lord Jesus Christ." Acts 20:21. For three years Paul preached at Ephesus testifying the gospel of the grace of God. He declared the whole counsel of God. He kept back nothing which was profitable to them.

He was pure from the blood of all men. He sums up his preaching in these words, "Repentance toward God, and faith toward our Lord Jesus Christ." This is the only way, the only ticket to heaven. If you will come right now to God, confessing your sins in true repentance, and trust in the Lord Jesus Christ, who was delivered to death on the Cross for our sins, and rose again to justify (or, make us righteous before the holy throne of God)—if you will thus come and trust in Jesus, you have a certain ticket to heaven, and all the men and devils in the world cannot keep you out.—*Christian Life*.

sufficient Christ as He was in the days of the long ago. He is ready and willing to save, to heal, to help, to do "exceeding abundantly above all we ask or think."

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I had overworked and was terribly run-down physically. My friends were alarmed; my wife was greatly distressed. Finally, she urged me to spend the winter in California. I had long desired to see California but hesitated to go in such a poor state of health. Money was scarce and I did not feel equal to taking any meetings. To go would certainly mean a real step of faith. At last we decided that, humanly speaking, it was practically our only hope of recovery; and so one evening shortly before Christmas, with a heart that seemed well nigh broken, I boarded the train.

I don't remember ever feeling quite so lonely. Would I ever see my family again? What would I do in California? How would my wife and three children be provided for during my absence? These were some of the questions in my mind.

I arrived in Los Angeles on Christmas morning. A good friend of former years met me at the station and took me to his home. He and his wife were kind to me, but the shadows were so very dark. I could not see that behind them the sun was shining, nor did I know that soon it would be all light again. After a few days another friend of earlier years, hearing that I was in Los Angeles, came to see me. He stated that his wife had told him he must come and bring me to their home, situated so beautifully in the midst of a lovely orange grove. Upon my arrival in their home, that dear couple began to minister to my sick body and my weary and perplexed mind. Never shall I forget their kindness. Words fail me when I attempt to set forth in writing their never-to-be-forgotten expressions of love to one so unworthy.

One morning while sitting in their spacious drawing room and still wondering just what the final outcome of my illness would be, once again I heard a Voice which said, "Jesus is Victor!"

"Yes," I replied, "I know Jesus is Victor." Why, I had believed that for years, at least intellectually.

But once again the Voice said, "Jesus is Victor," with the emphasis on the word "is." Immediately I recognized it was my Heavenly Father speaking and assuring me that at that very moment, Jesus was Victor! Like a bolt out of Heaven's blue, I had made a fresh contact with the living, life-giving Son of God, and now He was recharging my old run-down battery, until I actually felt streams of resurrection life pour into me. Like floods it came.

I walked the floor of that drawing room again and again, saying, "Jesus is Victor, Jesus is Victor!" And the more I shouted, the more His Divine Life poured in, until I felt I was soaking in a fountain of life. I had landed once more on the top of Pisgah. Now the light was dazzling bright. How could there ever be another shadow.

At once I thought I wanted to preach. I must move out and tell the people that "Jesus is Victor." I said to my friends, "I wish someone would ask me to preach." In a little while the doorbell rang and a lady stood outside inquiring for Brother Bender of Venezuela, who was visiting in the same home

LIGHTS AND SHADOWS ON THE PILGRIM WAY

Another in a Series by A. G. Ward

MANY YEARS AGO, when my son was still quite young, I took him with me to a large Camp Meeting near Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. The grounds were nice, the services were good, but the accommodation and food seemed intolerable. As was my custom, I put all I had into the preaching and, not being strong at the time and unable to eat the food provided, I soon exhausted myself and became seriously ill. Day after day I labored on and did my best with some measure of success. On the closing day of the campaign my illness grew much worse, and during the night as I lay on a cot in a cold, damp tent, I was in great distress of both body and mind. The shadows seemed awfully dark! The Camp was to break up the following morning. I was a long way from home; I had the care of my little son and was desperately ill. Whatever would I do?

About 3 o'clock in the morning I heard a Voice—it was my Father's. That Voice said, "I am the Lord that healeth thee," and also, "He sent His Word and healed them." Instantly my faith laid hold of the Word which had come to me, and at once the healing power of our living Lord began to flow into my body. Later I arose, packed my grips, got my boy ready, and travelled all day without the slightest return of my illness. It was all bright again! The light had put the shadows to flight. God had proved Himself once more as the "Enough God." He is the Living One! It is always safe to trust Him!

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I was at another great Camp Meeting—this time, in North Carolina. We had wonderful services; the blessing and glory of God rested upon the people. It was easy to preach; there was plenty of inspiration; but the change from the rather cold weather of the north to that of the sunny south finally played havoc

with my voice, which was never strong even in the most favorable climate. On the closing Sunday of the Camp, we were to have six services—I was to speak twice. When I awoke that morning I found, to my disappointment, that my voice was gone. I could only speak in a low whisper.

What was I to do? Thousands of people would soon be gathering. It was later estimated that 10,000 people were in attendance that day. I felt that if I mentioned my physical condition to those in charge of the camp, it might distress them and would only weaken my own faith. So I remained silent, believing that somehow God would undertake.

I was to preach in the morning service. I took my place with others on the platform. The meeting began; I grew no better and finally I whispered to the presiding minister of the camp, "My voice is gone; I will not be able to preach." The shadow of the moment was awfully dark. The leader did not seem at all perturbed and said he would pray, which no doubt he did. In another few moments he stood up and announced that I would preach, and presented me to that great audience. It was a wonderful moment in my life. I felt the light must soon break. It came to me that while I could not possibly heal myself, I could (by an act of simple faith) stand upon my feet and open my mouth. Surely God would meet me and deliverance would come! Oh, the thrill of proving the all-sufficiency of God once more. I did as I felt moved to do, and to my great delight I discovered that God had restored my voice. I was able to preach for a full hour that morning without any physical distress, and again in the afternoon.

"God is able!" I am not able, neither are you nor anyone else, but He is, and if we will but dare to prove His Word, He will not fail us. At this moment, if you are ill or perplexed or in distress, look up. Reach out, believe God's Word, and throw your whole weight upon Him. "Let go, and let God!" "He lives, He lives; Christ Jesus lives today." He is the same kind, loving, sympathetic, all-

where I was guest. She explained to him that she had a Mission near Los Angeles and had arranged for a convention, but that very morning her announced convention speaker had sent her word that he could not be with her. She was troubled and wondered if Brother Bender would take his place.

Our brother told her he would not be able to do so, as he already had another engagement, but added, "I think Brother Ward might help you."

She was amazed and said, "I heard Brother Ward was in California but did not know where to contact him." It was soon arranged that I should preach at the convention. So there, as in other places, I proved the reality of the experience which had come to me that morning in my friends' drawing room where a Voice from Glory said to my poor, troubled heart, "Jesus is Victor!"

Why are we so hesitant to believe God? Why don't we launch out, far out into the depths of His mercy? He waits to be gracious. At this very moment He offers to us His Resurrection Life. No matter what unbelievers say, no matter how men scorn and ridicule this holy way, *it is real!* Jesus lives; He is "the same yesterday, and today, and forever." There is nothing too hard for Him; He cannot be baffled by difficulties or circumstances. All problems are easy for Him.

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I had had a long, trying year of heavy work, following a longer period of responsibility and anxiety. However, I did not realize that any trouble of a serious nature was developing in my body, until one Sunday morning, after taking part in a service in the Minneapolis Gospel Tabernacle, I was suddenly stricken with a disease from which few recover—uremic poison. Soon I was having one convulsion after another. I was hurried to the hospital, where little hope was held out for my recovery. As I lay in that hospital room, I felt surely, at last, I had reached the end of life's trail. I seemed to be at the edge of the river, waiting for the boatman to put off from the other shore and convey me across, but to my great disappointment every thing was so awfully dark. Oh, the blackness of the shadow that appeared to envelope me.

I said in my heart, "I am about to leave this world and where am I going? I cannot enter heaven, for I am not worthy to enter such a holy place." I never once thought of the long years of service which I had tried so faithfully to render to the Lord. The only thing I seemed conscious of that day was my unfitness for heaven.

Then, out of the inky darkness of that lonely hour, a Voice spoke so clearly to my fainting heart and said, "My child, all who have ever entered these holy portals have done so pleading the blood of Christ." At once my heart responded. "Then I, too, may enter, for I have unwavering faith in the precious blood of Jesus." With this, the light broke. Indeed, it seemed as though ten thousand bright lights had all been turned on at the same moment. Now I was in a blaze of ineffable glory. It was too wonderful for words to express.

Many people prayed. Young people cried their hearts out to God. He had mercy and spared my life and now, ten years later, I am still walking in the light which broke on me that day in my ward in the hospital at Minneapolis.

God has been so very good to me! The "Pilgrim Way" grows brighter with the passing of the years. The end of the trail is not too far distant. The crossing-over place must be somewhere up the road, or it may be His coming will overtake me. I am inclined to think it shall be the latter.

"Midst the darkness, storm, and sorrow,
One bright gleam I see;
Well I know the blessed morrow
Christ will come for me.

"Midst the light, and peace, and glory
Of the Father's home,
Christ for me is watching, waiting,
Waiting till I come.

"Long the blessed Guide has led me
By the desert road;
Now I see the golden towers,
City of my God.

"There, amidst the love and glory,
He is waiting yet;
On His hands a name is graven
He can ne'er forget. . . ."

—The Pentecostal Testimony.



CRUSHED BY HEAVY TRUCK

On the morning of August 29, 1950, my husband was leaving for work. He drives a four-ton truck. Our 17-months-old baby boy, Delbert, had just gotten out of his crib and I did not notice he had gone out of the house. As my husband drove out of the yard our little girl, who was standing on the porch, screamed and said, "Daddy ran over the baby."

I ran to stop my husband as he did not know he had hit the baby, and then I ran back to the baby. I picked him up. He seemed lifeless and had not moved. His face was covered with blood and dirt, and he was bleeding from his nose and ear. We cried out to God to help us for we knew He was our only hope. In a few seconds the baby began to move and cry.

We lived two miles out of Hamilton, so we called our pastor, Brother Vernon Griggs, to pray before we started for town. Brother Griggs and my husband's brother met us at the edge of town and prayed for him. Then we took him to the hospital. We all felt the assurance that God had met us.

X rays were taken which showed the skull fractured in two places and 14 and 15 ribs broken. The prints of the tire treads were plainly visible down both sides of his spine

and across his head. He was bleeding from the bladder indicating kidney injuries.

The ground where the accident happened was packed hard as concrete, but there was a thin layer of dust so the tracks were visible. The tracks showed that the outside dual tire had left the ground for a space of 1½ feet, and it was directly in line with the bloody spot where the child's face lay.

The doctor held no hope for his life. In view of the injuries already evident, he said it was very probable that the spleen was ruptured and his whole insides crushed. An operation would be impossible because an anesthetic could not be given with the skull fractured. With so many ribs broken there was great danger of the lungs being punctured causing pneumonia. They immediately put him under an oxygen tent, and made preparation to give a blood transfusion and to feed him through his veins.

God undertook so marvelously that the transfusion was never given and he was able to take food right from the first day. He was never unconscious from the time we first prayed for him. By the end of the first day the indications of the kidney injuries were gone. When no complications set in after two days the doctors were amazed.

The third night after the accident the baby was very restless; he cried out in pain and grabbed at his head. The nurse gave him a strong hypo but it failed to take effect, and for an hour and a half he continued to be in pain. We called Brother Griggs, and when we prayed he immediately went to sleep and slept soundly the rest of the night.

From that time on he never showed another sign of pain. The next morning he was laughing and playing with his toys. He could turn himself freely, lie on either side or on his stomach. We knew God had completely healed him. On the fifth morning he was dismissed from the hospital. In less than one week after the accident he was playing about the house as healthy and happy as a child could be. The scars on his face disappeared and the only evidence of the accident was a tiny scar below his lip.

The doctors and nurses said it was truly a miracle. The city and community have been stirred. Many unsaved people have looked at him in amazement and said, "It truly was a miracle of God." We cannot praise the Lord enough. We feel that our baby is twice a gift from God.—Mrs. Loren Gibbs, 505 N. 2nd St., Hamilton, Mont.

(Vernon D. Griggs, states: "God was gracious and the baby's recovery was miraculous. On the sixth day after the accident we resigned the pastorate of the church in Hamilton to enter the evangelistic field. The boy's recovery was complete at that time. We have seen him since and he is in excellent health.")



Delbert Gibbs

A NEW TRACT

The remarkable testimony of Joseph P. Wannemacher, a Hungarian Catholic violinist whom God wondrously saved and healed of an incurable disease, is now available in tract form. This testimony was published in the Evangel a number of months ago, and many readers requested that it be printed in tract form. It is a 12-page pamphlet entitled, "When God's Love Came in." The price is \$1.00 per hundred copies. Order from the Gospel Publishing House, Springfield 1, Missouri. Ask for Tract No. 4671.



DEDICATION DAY FOR NEW ASSEMBLY AT KUALA LUMPUR, MALAYA

The above new church located at Kuala Lumpur, Malaya, a city of more than one hundred thousand people, is the result of many years of unselfish labor by Christian workers and several missionaries, including Carrie Anderson and the Arthur Sandahls. Mr. and Mrs. David W. Nyien are now in charge. Services are conducted in English and Cantonese.

Chinese, Indians, Eurasians, and others in Kuala Lumpur are permitted to accept the gospel, but the national Malaysians are Moslems and the law forbids their becoming Christians. Howard C. Osgood, Field Secretary for East Asia, and Mrs. Osgood were present on dedication day.

God Selects a Site

Hilda Olsen and Margaret Anderson, Basutoland

IN ORDER TO START our new work in Basutoland, land was needed. A site was chosen, but permission was needed from the village chief to build. Last April on our way from Johannesburg, where we had been filling in pending the arrival of another missionary on the field, to Mt. Tabor, Basutoland we visited the locality where we hoped to locate, but prospects seemed dark for us.

The August Kasts of the Swiss Assemblies of God have a station at Mt. Tabor. We studied the Sesuto language, spoken by the Basutos, there.

We were at Mt. Tabor only a few days when the queen mother, regent of the second largest chieftainry in Basutoland, came one night unexpectedly to see us. She had traveled all day on horseback to ask that a church be built in her village, Rothe, which is headquarters of the chieftainry law courts, treasury, etc. It seemed too good to be true, but then God does the "... exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that worketh in us." The new site which God has chosen is ever so much better than the one we originally selected. Rothe is about 50 miles from Mt. Tabor.

This is Africa and the attitude is "tomorrow is another day." Things move slowly, especially when they concern chiefs, but we have a Chief higher than all those here and He has been working in our behalf. The site offered to us already has been granted, and surveyed; plans have been submitted to the government; and all the papers are now in our hands. We are ready for construction. We are living in Rothe in a trailer awaiting the completion of the buildings.

We know that much hard work faces us as

we attempt to reach the people God has placed in our care. We ask that you join us in prayer. Here are specific requests:

1. Pray that the people here at Rothe will be prepared to receive the Word.
2. Pray that the queen mother, Mo-Mohlalefi, who solicited our coming to Rothe, and her son, Mohlalefi, will be saved.
3. Pray that God will give us wisdom and supply every need for the new work.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS

December, 1950

Alabama	1,037.51	Nevada	34.71
Arizona	758.50	New Hampshire	406.74
Arkansas	3,008.24	New Jersey	2,687.18
California	21,604.13	New Mexico	857.59
Colorado	2,996.49	New York	8,516.19
Connecticut	715.49	North Carolina	408.67
Delaware	679.27	North Dakota	1,892.11
District of Columbia	1,160.00	Ohio	12,884.57
Florida	3,636.06	Oklahoma	6,407.77
Georgia	710.24	Oregon	7,278.47
German Branch	483.44	Pen sylvania	7,766.68
Hungarian Branch	145.21	Polish Branch	32.60
Idaho	1,395.65	Rhode Island	361.49
Illinois	7,629.13	Russian Branch	46.81
Iowa	3,084.35	South Carolina	185.24
Indiana	3,064.14	South Dakota	1,003.16
Italian Branch	290.00	Tennessee	708.00
Kansas	4,877.80	Texas	15,027.05
Kentucky	743.09	Ukrainian Branch	188.50
Latin American Branch	133.98	Utah	27.38
Louisiana	552.94	Vermont	25.00
Maine	158.55	Virginia	1,125.42
Maryland	1,336.65	Washington	14,730.72
Massachusetts	743.75	West Virginia	1,029.31
Michigan	6,992.17	Wisconsin	4,598.06
Minnesota	6,694.11	Wyoming	348.86
Mississippi	760.44	Alaska	156.78
Missouri	10,129.55	Canada	179.50
Montana	2,151.60	Foreign	371.08
Nebraska	3,310.07	Legacies	256.72
		Miscellaneous	24,594.98
Total Amount Reported	205,119.99		

District Fund	10,763.87	
National Home Missions	1,870.33	
Office Expense Fund	6,080.25	
Literature Expense Fund	60.20	
Given Direct to Missionaries	21,284.42	40,059.07

Amount Received for Council Foreign Missions	165,060.93
Amount received for Non-Council Foreign Missions	2,158.36

Total Receipts for Foreign Missions	167,219.28
Amount Received for Home Missions	11,790.38

FOREIGN MISSIONS DISBURSEMENTS

December, 1950

Belgian Congo	2,242.90	Israel	3,040.50
Dahomey	2,016.28	Syria	139.05
Gold Coast	6,333.46	Central America	6,609.31
Liberia	8,985.37	Mexican work in United States	340.86
Nigeria	6,223.01	Mexico	863.50
Nyasaland	923.45	Argentina	1,783.00
Sierra Leone	1,306.63	Bolivia	1,078.29
Union of South Africa	6,983.74	Brazil	3,065.43
Upper Volta	9,982.50	Chile	2,339.28
China	6,558.32	Colombia	419.76
Fiji	2,966.45	Paraguay	532.06
Formosa	449.00	Peru	4,278.51
Hawaii	2,135.25	Uruguay	749.00
Indonesia	3,631.04	Venezuela	2,408.70
Japan	3,643.28	West Indies	9,537.09
Malaya	593.00	Entertainment of Missionaries	2,101.41
Philippines	5,965.80	General Transportation	8,681.20
Samoa, American Branch	237.41	Retired Missionaries	1,348.00
Burma	1,009.47	Spanish Literature	8,401.46
Ceylon	1,535.00	Miscellaneous	9,057.43
India	37,718.40		
Egypt	3,916.12		
Europe	5,751.96		
Iran	100.00		
Total Distribution to Council	187,982.13		
Foreign Missions	3,894.11		
Non-Council Missionaries	191,876.24		
Total Disbursements	24,656.96		
Charged to Hold Accounts	167,219.28		
Total Receipts			

Total Disbursements

Mrs. Nettie Juergensen, who arrived in Japan in mid-November to engage in missionary work, writes: "It would thrill your soul to see the well-filled churches here. A few years ago we would have a street meeting and work so hard to get just a few in, and then they did not seem too anxious, but it is different now. Surely this is Japan's day."

Not Dull to Them

Mrs. Paul D. Schoonmaker, North India

THIRTY-FIRST ANNUAL MISSIONARY CONVENTION! It sounds dull, doesn't it, almost like statistics?

It may sound so to you, but when we think of our missionary conventions in North India there comes a sense of excitement even surpassing that which many of us felt as children going to camp meetings back in the States. Remember?

The trip to our convention here may not be as thrilling as the trips were then, especially since some of the important trains arrive at Chapra, where the convention is held, in the middle of the night; nevertheless, it cannot be denied that our trip here is interesting. Indian trains furnish beds without bedding; bathrooms, much of the time, without water; food without a dining room; and an ever-changing scene of human interest which could scarcely be excelled in the States.

As a child perhaps you helped wait tables at your district camp meeting to defray part of your expenses. Upon arrival at our North India Convention, dining room responsibilities do not face one unless he happens to be among the seven or eight of the Catering Committee which is responsible for housing and feeding the 70 or 80 guests. It is no small task to care for so many, and were it not for the fact that the grounds are spacious and friends in Chapra are generous, it would not be possible. Missionaries at the station where the convention is held carry a large burden of the convention.

Our 1950 Annual Missionary Convention was held from October 24 to November 3. Robert W. Cummings, Field Secretary for India, Pakistan, and Ceylon, and Evangelist Arne Vick were with us, both just out from

BROADCAST BRINGS PEACE AND JOY

"Last night I came home from work down in the coal mine. I was tired and it was late. After I had my supper I turned on my radio to Radio Luxembourg, a thing I have never done before. Over the air came a lovely refrain, 'Jesus Is Mine.' After toiling all day in the coal mine, what a blessing this brought! Then came another song, 'Jesus Whispers I Am With You.' I cannot express in words what a peace and joy I found in listening to these words.

"I am writing to thank you for your message and to ask you and the American Assemblies to pray for my sick wife and son. My little lad is a cripple. He has curvature of the spine through tuberculosis. My wife is suffering from a nervous breakdown, but I believe God will answer prayer.—W. F. Dorchester, Yorks, England.

The above is a letter from a listener to the Assemblies of God REVIVALTIME radio broadcast over Radio Luxembourg. A message of comfort and salvation is being beamed each week to European lands over the powerful 200,000-watt station.

To keep REVIVALTIME on Radio Luxembourg \$200 is needed each week. If you would like to have a part in the continuance of this radio-missionary endeavor for the benefit of Europe's hungry millions, you are invited to send an offering to the **Foreign Missions Department, 434 West Pacific Street, Springfield 1, Missouri, designated "For Radio Luxembourg."**

the States. They were our speakers. Our Field Secretary's messages were heart-searching. He spoke in the afternoon. We discovered that Evangelist Vick has the heart of a pastor and the gifts of an evangelist, and we laughed and wept as he opened up the Word to us.

Difficulty had been expected in housing, for the guest house, usually occupied at conventions, was not available for use; but everyone rallied to the need. Tents were brought, and there was a little city of tents. In the end everyone was housed on the grounds and we fared even better than in other years. All services could be attended without difficulty since no one had far to go. It was just a large family.

We might say that it was in the fellowship of the services that the old-time thrill was experienced most, in the united heart-worship and praise, but seeing the national church assuming the responsibility rightfully hers was thrilling also. Since the formation

of the Assemblies of God of North India and Pakistan two years ago, steps have been taken to relinquish to the national church rights and prerogatives formerly reserved for the missionaries. To make decisions upon those issues was the primary purpose of our gathering. A few more steps were taken toward the goal, and it is indeed a glorious feeling to see the national church forging ahead.

May God continue to lead in the fulfilling of His perfect will for His church in this land.

NOW ATTENDING BIBLE SCHOOL

Eldon E. Vincent writes from Honolulu, Territory of Hawaii, where he is engaged in missionary work:

Twenty-one students are now studying in Aloha Bible Institute to prepare themselves for service for the Master. Most of them have been saved and filled with the Holy Spirit here in the local church.

One of the students, a Japanese boy, was planning to attend the University of Hawaii; however, after attending a few services he consecrated his life to Christ, was baptized in water, and also filled with the Holy Spirit.

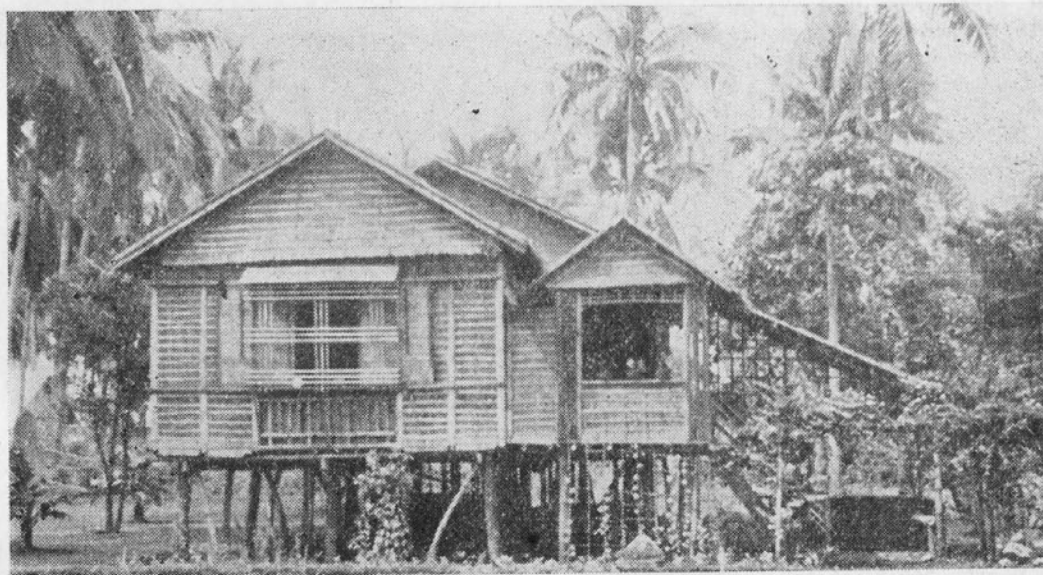
One Friday evening he came to the young people's service, rushed to where I was sitting near the rear of the auditorium, and fell on his knees before me between the seats. With face aglow he said, "Mr. Vincent, God has called me to Japan. What shall I do?"

I told him that there was only one thing to do and that was to ask God what He would have him do while he was waiting to go.

The following Sunday he came for an application to Aloha Bible Institute, saying, "God wants me to go to Bible School."

He has met a great deal of opposition from his Buddhist parents, but thus far has lived a triumphant life.

Each student in the Aloha Bible Institute is a living testimony of the marvelous work of God.



SITE OF NEW ASSEMBLY IN SAN JOSE, PHILIPPINES

Shown above is the Assemblies of God Mission Home at San Jose, Antique, Philippines. On the front right of the lot a new Assembly is being erected. San Jose is the capital of the Antique Province.

SUNDAY'S LESSON

A PREVIEW OF NEXT WEEK'S LESSON BY E. S. WILLIAMS

THE TEN VIRGINS

Lesson for February 11

Matthew 25:1-13

The account concerning the ten virgins is a parable. A parable is "a story or illustration of truth." Parables are valuable, but doctrine should not be established from parables; parables merely illustrate doctrine. Since the parable of the ten virgins is for the purpose of illustrating a truth, some freedom ought to be allowed in its use. For example, there are those who believe that it illustrates the New Birth, without which none can enter the kingdom of God; others take it to illustrate the need for receiving the Baptism of the Holy Spirit subsequent to the New Birth in order to be ready for the coming of Christ; others use it to impress upon the saved who have been filled with the Spirit the fact that the initial experience is not enough, but that there is need of continually being "filled with the Spirit" until Jesus comes.

In one of the Jewish writings of Old Testament times we find a similar warning to Israel. "Our wise men of blessed memory say, Repent while thou hast strength to do it, whilst thy lamp burns, and thy oil is not extinguished; for if thy lamp be gone out, thy oil will profit thee nothing." Another writer of Old Testament times puts it in a different form: "God saith to Israel, My sons, repent while the gates of repentance stand open; for I receive a gift at present, but when I sit in judgment in the age to come, I will receive none."

1. The Bridegroom

The Bridegroom, as we know, is our Lord Jesus, who came into the world that He might "take out of them (the Gentiles) a people for His name." Acts 15:14. At different times Jesus spoke of the wedding and of its guests, warning that some would not come when invited. Matt. 22:1-14; Luke 14:16-24.

In the Epistles the thought is further developed. Paul wrote to the church at Corinth that he, as a father in the Lord, had espoused them to one husband, that he might present them as a chaste virgin to Christ. Then he expressed his fear lest Satan should prevent this from being realized, through the ministry of false apostles. 2 Cor. 1:1-4, 13-15. James speaks of those who break their marriage vows to God through friendship with the world (James 4:4), while the apostle Paul tells us that Christ is coming for a glorious Church without spot or wrinkle or any such thing (Eph. 5:25-27). The time of the wedding will be after the catching away of the Church, before Jesus comes to reign as King of kings and Lord of lords. Rev. 19:7-9.

2. The Ten Virgins

There may be some significance in the

number given in the parable. Ten is the number of perfection of order, while five is significant of God's wonderful grace and power, according to some expositors. It is perfectly in order that we be preparing for the coming of the Bridegroom, a preparation that is made through "God's wonderful grace and power."

In the parable of the wedding (Matt. 22:11) one came "which had not on a wedding garment." Adam Clarke says: "Among the Orientals long white robes were worn at public festivals; and those who appeared on such occasions with any other garments were esteemed not only highly culpable, but worthy of punishment." The Pulpit Commentary observes: "It is said to have been an Oriental custom to present each guest invited to a royal feast with a festive robe to be worn for the occasion."

Let us now think of "perfection of order" and "God's wonderful grace and power" as related to preparation for the "marriage supper of the Lamb." God is looking for perfection (the perfection He imparts to us) among those that are bidden. "The king came in to see the guests," not to welcome them only but also to see how they were clothed, according to custom. When he saw one guest without a wedding garment, immediately he demanded his banishment. This was his demand for "perfection of order." There was no excuse. Not to have on the proper garment was the mark either of carelessness or of presumption. The garment was provided by him who had sent out the invitation. In this we see "God's wonderful grace and power"—"by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God." Eph. 2:8. That a person should join an

earthly church and make a profession of religion is not enough. There must be the wedding garment, if one is to be admitted to the marriage supper of the Lamb. At the marriage "perfection of order" is seen, resulting from "God's wonderful grace and power." "And to her was granted [provided by God] that she should be arrayed in fine linen, clean and white: for the fine linen is the righteousness of saints." Rev. 19:8.

3. The Need of Oil

All ten of the virgins started out with lamps that were burning. There was oil in the lamps. The five foolish seemed to presume that this was all that was needed. The wise saw the need of a vessel of oil to keep the lamps replenished, and prepared accordingly. Since most of our readers will be those who believe in the need for making preparation so that when the Bridegroom comes oil will be present with which to replenish the

lamps, we emphasize this truth—"Let your loins be girded about and your lamps burning; and ye yourselves like unto men that wait for their Lord." Luke 12:35, 36.

The oil in the parable is a well-recognized symbol of the Holy Spirit. Preparation is the work of the Spirit from the time of the New Birth to the time when we are caught up to meet the Lord in the air. While lamps do represent the Word of God (as in Psalm 119:105—"Thy word is a lamp unto my feet," a vehicle of light) it would seem that in this parable the believer himself is represented by the lamp—"Ye are the light of the world." We, as vessels of the Holy Spirit, should be full of the divine oil. May we not be content with being filled with the Holy Spirit once, but may we come constantly to the Source of supply that these vessels may be kept full and that the light of our testimony for the Lord may shine forth brightly and unceasingly. Fresh anointings and refillings of the Spirit should be our continuous experience.

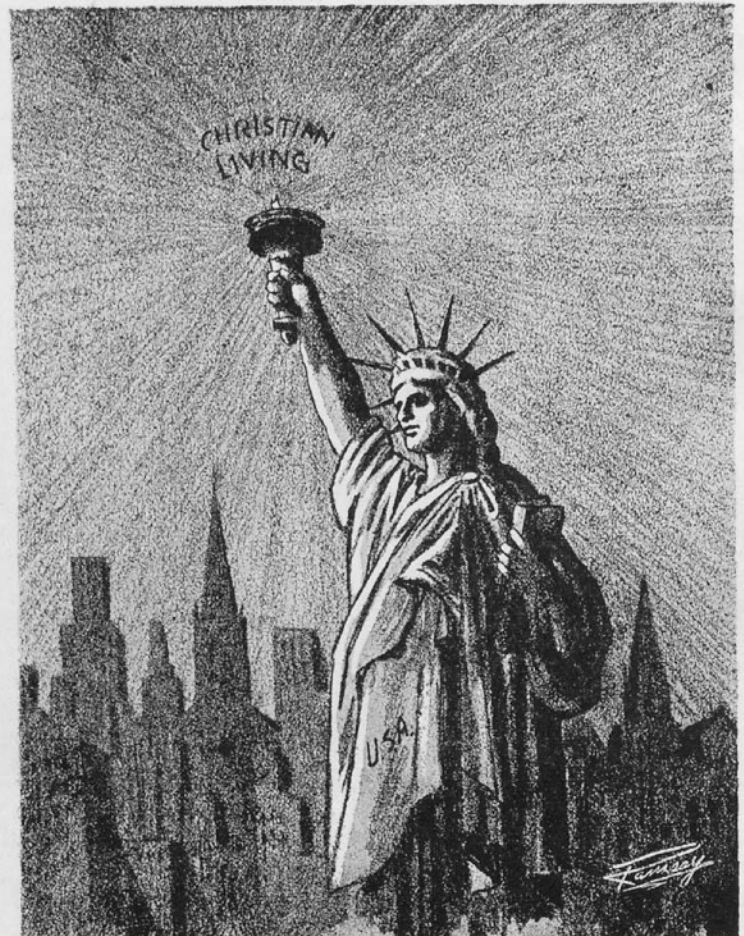
THIS WEEK'S LESSON

Christ's Teaching on Giving (lesson for Sunday, February 4). Lesson text: Matthew 6:19-21, 31-34; Luke 21:1-4.

THE RESULT OF PRAYER

The most important human factor in effective evangelism is *prayer*. Every great awakening in the history of the Church from the time of the apostles until today has been the result of prayer. There have been great awakenings without much preaching, and there have been great awakenings with absolutely no organization, but there has never been a true awakening without much prayer.—R. A. Torrey.

A LAMP GOING OUT



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NEWS BRIEFS FROM THE CHRISTIAN PERSPECTIVE

Threatening War

According to *Quote*, Joseph Stalin has said: "We do not want war any more than the West does. But we are less interested in peace than the West, and therein lies the strength of our position."

Per Capita Income

The United Nations, through its statistical office, has reported concerning the annual per capita income in various countries. In the U.S.A. it is \$1,453. In Russia it is \$308 a year, and in China it is only \$27. Poverty is fertile soil for Communism, but Communism will not cure poverty. The gospel will, if the Chinese will accept it.

Religious Radio in Question

The Federal Communications Commission examiner has recommended that an application by the Reorganized Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints for a radio station at Independence, Mo., be denied on the grounds that grant of such a license would conflict with the First Amendment to the Constitution. Implications of the examiner's report may be far-reaching if it is adopted by the Commission. There are a number of broadcasting stations owned by religious organizations, although they do not confine themselves to religious broadcasts as the contemplated station at Independence would like to do.

A Christian Broadcast in Egypt

Egyptian Christians, who for years have been petitioning for programs over the State radio station, finally had their wish granted this past Christmas Eve. It was a ceremonial mass, not a gospel service, but perhaps the door is opening for gospel broadcasting. A Moslem columnist had written: "The fact that Islam is the State religion of Egypt is no reason to ban Christian programs over the radio. Our radio station is neither a mosque nor a Moslem religious foundation. It belongs to the State. And the State does not belong to the Moslems alone, but to Christian Egyptians and Egyptianized Christians as well."

Worship at Junior High School

A news dispatch from Enid, Okla., states that all is quiet for five minutes at Long-fellow Junior High School, Enid, before classes start. Over the public address system comes a recorded hymn. Then a pupil reads a Scripture selection which is followed by a "thought for the day."

This voluntary program is in its third year under the direction of Miss Marie Nelson, seventh-grade mathematics teacher. It is popular among students. They willingly find their places in the building five minutes before the regular time for classes so as to share in the program, which they say helps them to "start the day right."

Faculty members have to sift the names of volunteers for the Bible readings because too many students apply. T. W. Liming, principal, says: "We feel that this program is a step toward the fourfold development of a child's life—the physical, mental, social, and spiritual."

Raising Money for Israel

The U. S. Export-Import Bank has granted the Republic of Israel a \$35,000,000 loan for use in agricultural development. In addition, Israel is planning to offer a public bond issue of \$500,000,000 to the American public. It undoubtedly will be over-subscribed, due to the widespread sentiment among American Jewry in favor of the new republic.

Mission Schools to Stay in Israel

Missionary schools "have the right to develop their activities unhindered," according to Dr. David Remez, Minister of Education for the State of Israel. During a debate held in December in the Israeli parliament, Dr. Remez also declared that Christian children were free to attend other educational establishments besides missionary schools. All parents in Israel, he said, "are entitled to choose appropriate schools for their children, whether a public school or a private or missionary school."

Guarding Our Freedom

A third national conference on church and state will be held in Constitution Hall, Washington, D. C., on February 1, sponsored by the organization known as Protestants and Other Americans United. According to Glenn Archer, head of the organization, the conference is made necessary by the possibility of an appointment of an ambassador to the Vatican, and the repeated reports of the use of public money for sectarian schools in 34 states.

Should Gambling Be Legalized?

Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt said recently: "Perhaps it would be better to legalize gambling and tax it heavily."

"The gambling scandal in New York City points up for us again how difficult it is to prevent people from doing what they want to do," Mrs. Roosevelt wrote in her syndicated column. "Evidently gambling, like drinking, is one of the things that many people want to do."

Her column stirred up quite a furor. Fortunately for the nation, it is not Mrs. Roosevelt but the voting public that decides what our laws will be, and in the election on November 7, 1950, there were four states which declined to approve of more liberal gambling laws. In California and Arizona, the proposals to legalize gambling under state control were defeated. In Montana the voters refused to legalize slot machines, and in Massachusetts they declined to legalize a lottery to raise money to increase old age pensions.

It is encouraging to know that such propositions were defeated. Gambling becomes such a mania with professional gamblers that they will keep at it even when a flood threatens to wash them out, as in the case of the recent flood at Reno, Nevada. Some gamblers were reported to have said that they would continue to gamble even if they had to stand in water with hip boots on to do it.

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ALASKA PASTOR RETURNS TO STATES

Wesley Hansen, pastor of our church at Ketchikan, Alaska, for the past eighteen months, is returning to the States to re-enter evangelistic work. Brother and Sister Hansen have enjoyed a fruitful ministry in Alaska, with many souls weeping their way through to real Salvation, and many of the sick have been healed. Brother Hansen states that there is a need for Vocational Volunteers in Ketchikan—those who will come in to assist in the church and Sunday School while being occupied with secular work to earn their living.

Then Hansens plan to attend the National Sunday School Convention in March, and then enter the evangelistic field for a while before returning to Alaska. Their address while in the States is Route 1, Wenatchee, Washington.

CHRISTMAS ECHOES FROM ALASKA

We can't resist sharing with you a part of a letter from Mr. and Mrs. Lyle Johnson, Superintendent and Matron of our Juneau Children's Home, describing Christmas with those twenty-nine children of the far Northland. They are now bright, happy boys and girls, enjoying every comfort and kindness which children need; but without the shelter of this Home they would be homeless. Here is the letter:

"Christmas was a wonderful day for all of us here in the Home. We began our day with morning worship, as we always do. We had a beautiful white cake with a white candle burning in the center, and the children sang the birthday song to Jesus—to impress them a little more with the reason for observing Christmas. We closed with prayer, in which we all joined with hearts overflowing with gratitude to our Heavenly Father.

"The beautiful, lighted tree was decorated by the children themselves, and gifts were piled high around it. Women's Missionary Council groups and individuals from many parts of the country worked hard to make this happy Christmas possible, and other good friends sent gifts of money. As we saw the happy faces and heard the shrieks of delighted children, we wished that you folk in the States could have shared in the joy of these children, and felt the blessing of the Lord as we gathered there. One after another the children came to me with, 'Aunty, see what I got; O, I'm so happy,' as they showed me the lovely gifts which they received.

"Later in the day we put tables together, making one long table, placed bright center-pieces with red candles down the length of it, and served a very delicious dinner to thirty-nine. As our pastor looked down the

length of that long table, he spoke again and again of how happy the children and staff were. When we have had the threat of possible war to live with night and day for so long here in Alaska, this Christmas seemed especially precious to us, because we were able to celebrate Christ's birth once again in peace. We all felt the close presence of our Lord, and His Spirit hovering over us.

"May He bless each one of you for your gifts and your love to these children. You have made many boys and girls happy, which is pleasing to God, and you have caused the entire staff of the Home to rejoice and realize that we are not alone in this work, but you, too, are loving and caring for this big family of Children."

CHRISTMAS ON A RESERVATION

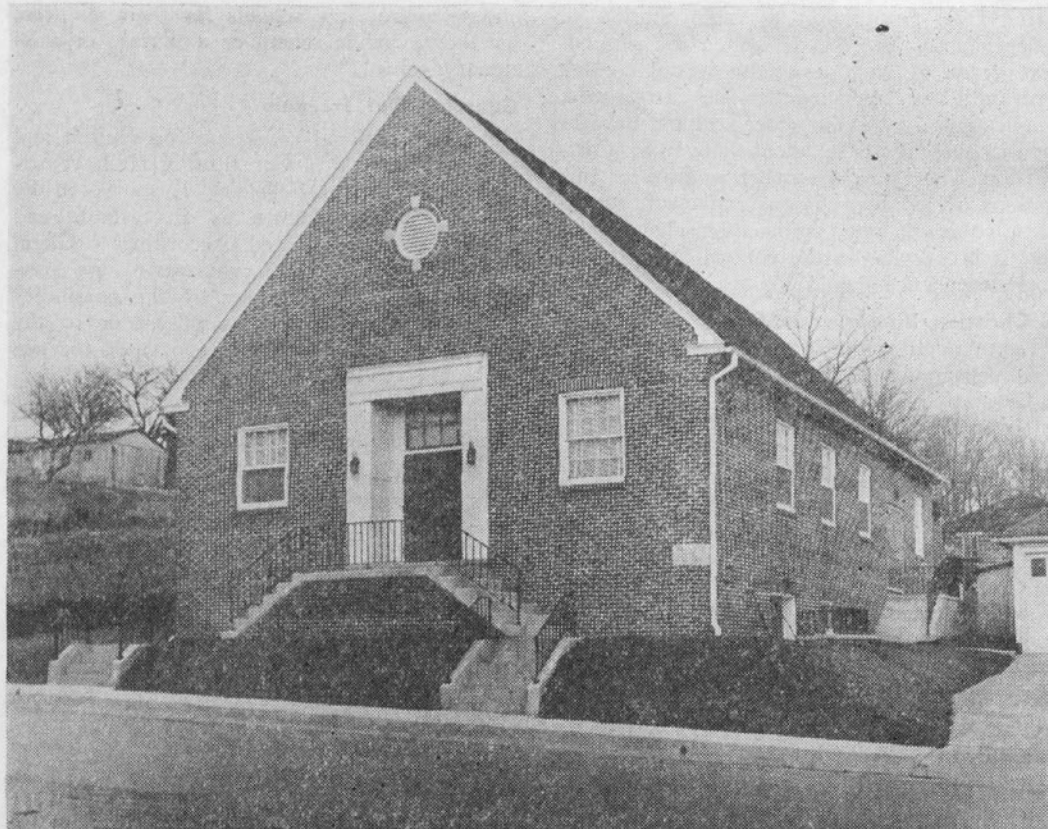
Vera Eldridge, one of our missionaries on an Indian Reservation in Minnesota, reports a lovely Christmas season, with the presence of the Lord felt in a special way in the services. She writes: "Since we are in our new chapel there has been an increase in attendance at every one of our services. The Sunday School doubled the first day in the

new building. Some have not missed a service in the new chapel, who had never come before. A young Indian girl has started reading her Bible for the first time. Pray with us for a great revival."

CHRISTMAS IN THE MOUNTAINS

One of the Kentucky Mountain missionaries, Wave Berg, reports a unique experience during the Christmas season. She says:

"It was my privilege to go into five public schools, to give the Christmas story in illustrated form to 480 grade school children and their teachers. Three of the schools were in rural communities where they would not have had the Christmas story told to them otherwise. In one school many of the parents gathered for the program. Later the teacher told me that this was the first time many of the parents have ever heard the story of Christmas. There is no church or Sunday School in that community. The lives of the people there are so empty and barren. With no one to instruct them in the way of life, they have not the joy of the Lord or the anticipation of His soon return—no Comforter to be with them in their sorrows and trials. May those



NEW HOUSE OF WORSHIP DEDICATED AT WINDSOR, PENNSYLVANIA

In November 1936 the Pentecostal Lighthouse in Windsor was founded with the announcement that meetings would begin in what had been a factory building. Although the location was not particularly desirable, the people appreciated the goodness of God in giving them a place of worship in their own community. They had heard the Pentecostal message in a neighboring town, but they could not attend the meetings there as regularly as they wished because no public means of transportation was available.

In the years that followed, the people prayed many times for a better meeting-place. First, however, they wanted a parsonage. This need was met in 1946 when a run-down house was purchased. Workers volunteered to completely renovate the property, and today it is a lovely parsonage. Then on March 25, 1949, the congregation voted to build a new church. Just

one year later (March 26, 1950) this fine building was dedicated by A. Newton Chase, Superintendent of the Eastern District.

The building is located just one block from the center of town. It is of cinder block construction, with brick facing. A contractor was hired to erect the super-structure, but most of the other work was done by members and friends of the assembly, who freely donated many hours of their time. Even the ladies of the assembly did their share of hammering when they assisted in nailing on the rock laths. Size of the building is 36x60, with full basement. It was erected at a total cost of about \$17,000.

Pastors of the Pentecostal Lighthouse (Assembly of God) are Gladys I. Buchwalter and Dorothy R. Brosey. They and their congregation are praising God for His goodness and His gracious help.

who have the call of God upon their lives be obedient and go where He sends them! He is not willing that any should perish."

NEWS

WITH CHRIST

CHARLES C. BEATTY, of Seattle, Wash., went to be forever with his Lord and Savior on January 9, at the age of 80. Brother Beatty was ordained a Baptist preacher in 1902. In 1928 he became affiliated with the General Council of the Assemblies of God, after which time he ministered in Minnesota for many years as evangelist and Bible teacher. At various times he served as Assistant Superintendent of the North Central District Council, Dean of North Central Bible Institute in Minneapolis, and Dean of Northwest Bible College in Seattle. He is survived by his wife.

A YEAR OF BLESSING AT CALVARY TEMPLE IN WINNIPEG

WINNIPEG, CANADA—We praise the Lord for the revival He sent to Calvary Temple in 1950.

Evangelist Jack Holcomb was with us in March. God blessed his ministry in a wonderful way.

Evangelist and Mrs. Kenneth Schmidt were with us for four weeks of spiritual blessing. The attendance was good in this meeting and 35 professed faith in the Lord as their personal Savior. On the last Sunday of Brother Schmidt's meeting God moved in a precious way. The altars were lined with men and women seeking God. This was the day before the devastating flood in Winnipeg. Even though one-third of the city was evacuated, God gave us a very good summer.

In the fall Evangelist Martin Luther Davidson of Houston, Tex. was with us for four weeks. The auditorium was packed every Sunday night and the week-night attendance was exceptionally good. On the closing night there were 1,600 in the main auditorium and about 400 listened to the loud speaker in the lower auditorium. That night 20 gave their hearts to Christ. Altogether there were 75 saved in this meeting, and there were some outstanding cases of healing. The first Sunday after the meeting we baptized 30 in water. Their testimonies before they were baptized were inspiring.—Theodore E. Ness, Pastor.

AMONG THE ASSEMBLIES

CONROE, TEX.—The Lord brought a young man from the assembly in Mexia, Tex. to preach to us. The meetings were held in a tent and they continued for six weeks, during which time about 100 came forward for salvation, 30 received the Holy Ghost, and a number were healed. As many as 500 were present on some occasions.—Paul Zook, Pastor.

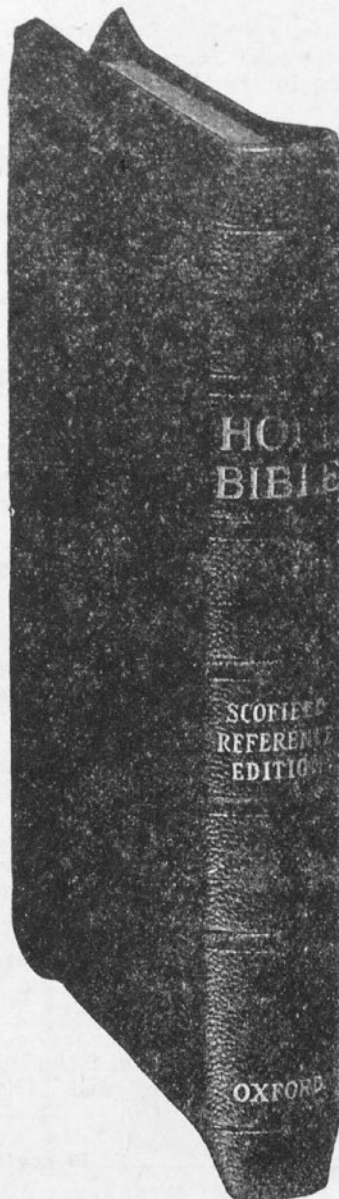
HAYDONVILLE, OKLA.—We had a wonderful revival with Evangelist John R. Vest of California. Thirty-four were saved and four were filled with the Holy Ghost. Our church was benefited and the spirit of revival remains with us.—A. W. Graham, Pastor.

SPRINGFIELD, MO.—We recently had a revival with one of the young men of our church. God met with us in a real way. We have been here about 14 months and this is the best revival we have had. God gave us 32 souls and 11 received the Holy Ghost. We had a water baptismal service at the close of the revival.

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YOUNGSTOWN, OHIO—Highway Tabernacle, Feb. 13—; Evangelist Charles H. E. Duncombe of England.—by O. R. Keener, Pastor.

EAGLE LAKE, FLA.—Assembly of God, Feb. 18—Mar. 4 or longer; Evangelist Alden Yates, Manassas, Va.—by Harry Rupp, Jr., Pastor.

PECKVILLE, PA.—Feb. 4—18 or longer; Evangelist Richard Vineyard and party.—by D. A. Berquist, Pastor.

WOOD LAKE, NEBR.—Assembly of God, Jan. 21—Feb. 4; Wright-Myers Evangelistic Team, Dayton, Ky.—by E. Kirschman, Pastor.

AURORA, NEBR.—Feb. 4—; Evangelists Norman and Norma Correll, Columbus, Nebr. (J. M. Cummings is Pastor.)

WATERTOWN, S. DAK.—Assembly of God, meetings in progress; Evangelist Hofmo Duo, Los Angeles, Calif.—by Grant A. Wacker, Pastor.

CHARLESTON, MO.—First Assembly of God, Jan. 23—; Evangelists Bob Bryson and Kenneth Forman, Beaumont, Tex.—by E. E. (Ted) Smith, Pastor.

WALTERIA, CALIF.—Assembly of God, Jan. 29—Feb. 4; Evangelists Virgil and Edythe Warens. (Fred Martin is Pastor.)

LAMAR, MO.—Jan. 21—; S. K. Biffle, Joplin, Mo.—by James Eastman, Pastor.

OTTUMWA, IOWA.—Meeting in progress; Evangelist N. R. Dickerson, Pawhuska, Okla. (Otis Dixon is Pastor.)

JOPLIN, MO.—First Assembly of God, Feb. 4—18; Evangelist E. L. Slavens. (S. K. Biffle is Pastor.)

LULING, TEX.—Meeting in progress; Evangelist H. S. Teichman, Corpus Christi, Tex.—by M. W. Putnam, Pastor.

AUBURN, CALIF.—Meeting in progress; Mathan Musical Evangelists, Kansas City, Mo. (T. Mendenhall is Pastor.)

CHICAGO, ILL.—Lakeview Gospel Church, 3142 N. Racine Ave., Feb. 2—11; Evangelist R. S. Peterson.—by D. H. Waltherman, Pastor.

TORONTO, CANADA—Glad Tidings Tabernacle, 833 St. Clair Ave. W., Feb. 4—28; Evangelist Ralph Elmore, Calhoun, La.—by H. R. Pannabecker, Pastor.

GRESHAM, OREG.—Assembly of God, Jan. 21—Feb. 11; Evangelists William and Irene Andrews, Seattle, Wash.—by George A. Bullock, Pastor.

PORT HURON, MICH.—Assembly of God, Jan. 28—; Evangelist and Mrs. Bird Campbell of Sedalia, Mo.—by Paul A. Evans, Pastor.

GRANITE CITY, ILL.—Tri City Park Tabernacle, meeting in progress; Evangelist A. R. Vanderploeg and party.—by Robert D. Shaw, Pastor.

REEDLEY, CALIF.—Full Gospel Tabernacle, 12th and E., Feb. 4—Mar. 4; Evangelist John F. Hauck. (A. H. Drake is Pastor.)

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BEATRICE, NEBR.—Assembly of God, Jan. 23—; Evangelist Dale V. Helle, Seattle Wash. (W. C. Womersley is Pastor.)

NORTH McALESTER, OKLA.—Assembly of God Feb. 11—; Evangelist A. N. Burns, Oklahoma City.—by Alton Parker, Pastor.

CLINTON, IOWA—Clinton Tabernacle, meeting in progress; Evangelist James B. Hosier, Waterloo, Iowa.—by C. E. Thompson, Pastor.

GARIBALDI, OREG.—Assembly of God, meeting in progress; Evangelist G. W. Hocker, Cottage Grove, Oreg.—by John Haskins, Pastor.

FORT MADISON, IOWA—Assembly of God, 1212 30th St., Jan. 23—Feb. 13 or longer; Evangelist Earl Hall of Southern Missouri.—by Mirko E. Parlotz, Pastor.

CARMEN, OKLA.—Quarterly S. S. Rally for Section 8, Feb. 13. Speaker, G. H. Lancaster, Okemah, Okla.—by N. B. Rayburn, sectional Representative.

SOUTH FLORIDA DISTRICT COUNCIL—Lake Bonny Camp, Lakeland, Fla., Feb. 13—15. Wesley R. Steelberg, speaker. For information write District Secretary, J. W. Collins, Box 428, Lakeland, Fla.

ON THE COVER PAGE

This beautiful vine-covered edifice in New Castle, once a Methodist church, is now the home of the First Pentecostal Church. James D. Menzie is Pastor.

The Pentecostal work in New Castle started with prayer meetings in the home of Mrs. E. J. Pearce. From this humble beginning the work grew, slowly but steadily. After moving from one rented location to another, a lot was purchased and a concrete building erected in 1919. During this early period of growth, the church was privileged to receive instruction from time to time from such spiritual stalwarts as Joseph Tunmore, John T. Boddy, Robert A. Brown, David H. McDowell, Gottfried F. Bender, John Waggoner, Ernest S. Williams, and others.

In 1920 Alfred G. Ward of Toronto, Canada, accepted a call to be the first Pastor. The church continued to grow until a new building became necessary, and in 1929 the Lord providentially opened the way for the purchase of the present building from the Methodists at the low price of \$14,500. The location is at the corner of Pearson and Epworth Streets, not far from the business district and easily accessible from all sections of the city.

The auditorium and the balcony have a capacity of 450, and when the Sunday School auditorium also is opened it is possible to accommodate about 900 people.

The parsonage, which adjoins the church, was also purchased and for a time it was used as a residence for the pastor. Since Brother Menzie became Pastor (in 1944) the Sunday School has grown until it has become necessary to annex the parsonage for classroom use. The annex now accommodates the Junior Department and a number of Adult classes.

The average attendance for the past Sunday School year was 350. In addition, two branch Sunday Schools are being conducted in the suburbs of the city each Sunday afternoon.

The First Pentecostal Church is affiliated with the Assemblies of God. From its earliest days it has always been a missionary church, and many of its members have gone out into the whitened harvest field as ministers and missionaries.

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