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NOT BY MIGHT, NOR BY POWER, BUT BY MY SPIRIT, SAITH THE LORD



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PASSING and PERMANENT

NEWS BRIEFS FROM THE CHRISTIAN PERSPECTIVE

A Sign in Israel

The following statement appeared in one of the leading newspapers in Israel: "Two thousand years ago we Jews cut off our son Jesus. Now, because he is largely cut off by Christians, perhaps he will return to his own people." Yes, He will return—no "perhaps" about it—and the nation which rejected Him at His first coming will welcome Him at His second advent.

Politics Forbidden in Church

The Council of the Evangelical Church in Wurttemberg, Germany, has found it necessary to prohibit the use of places of worship and other church buildings for lectures or discussions on political matters. It was finding that a division over political views was threatening to disrupt the unity of the members, and so it has instructed both preachers and people to leave their politics at home when they assemble for Christian worship.

Ridgway Recommends Bible

In a letter to the Japanese municipal officials, General Matthew B. Ridgway approves the Scripture distribution by the Pocket Testament League. "Their magnificent effort," he said, "can be measured by the fact that they have already distributed seven million Scriptures to the Japanese people. The spreading of the Word of God is a most important undertaking."

Writing to another organization in response to a gift of New Testaments, General Ridgway said: "The spiritual resources of an individual soldier are far more important than the strength of his body or the power of his weapons. The reading of the Holy Scriptures is always an important part of the development of those spiritual resources."

Evidently the new Commander-in-Chief of our Far Eastern Forces is following in the footsteps of his predecessor, General MacArthur, and is encouraging the distribution of the Scriptures among both the servicemen and the civilians in his domain.

Goodwill Industries

The annual delegate assembly of Goodwill Industries met at Indianapolis with 257 executives present. The official report showed that more wages were paid and more disabled persons were served by Goodwill Industries last year than in any year since the Methodist-related agency was founded.

Fact Versus Fiction

"From the Bureau of Census in Washington comes an astonishing report," said an editorial in *Liberty*. "Within two years the production of fiction stories in the United States dropped fifty per cent. During the same period the sale of the Holy Bible increased by 2,500,000 copies. . . . The trend revealed by the Census Bureau reflects a hunger for nourishment of the human spirit; a revolt from the illusion of 'realistic' skeptics; a flight back to pure truth."

Union of Messianic Jews

A conference was held last December in Jerusalem that may prove to be a turning point in the growth of the Hebrew Christian movement. About 60 Jewish believers in the Messiahship of Jesus met to form a Union of Messianic Jews. They chose Daniel Zion, former Chief Rabbi of Bulgaria, as chairman. At least six languages were used—Hebrew, English, Yiddish, German, French, and Bulgarian. In the official report released to the press, the organization said: "Messianic Jews believe in Jeshuah Moshiach as their promised Saviour, accept both the Old and New Testaments, but do not believe in all the doctrines which the Gentile churches have evolved. Their understanding of the person and teaching of the Moschiach is purely Jewish."

No More Prayer?

The modernists rejected the miracles, then they rejected the inspiration of the Bible; and now, as the next logical step, they reject the power of prayer. They are painfully frank about it. Dr. Enslin of Crozier Seminary is quoted as saying: "As I see it, prayer in the conventional sense of the word is doomed as surely as burnt sacrifice and the Juggernaut car. We go through the gestures of prayer, but we do not and cannot expect results."

Dr. Lake of Harvard Divinity School is quoted as follows: "I do not believe that the religion of tomorrow will have any more place for petition than it will have for any other form of magic."

There is only one answer to unbelief like this. It is the testimony of millions of believers who have found that God does answer prayer. And as long as there are people on earth getting answers to their prayer, there are going to be people praying in the old-fashioned way.

On the Cover Page

The Gospel Tabernacle of Green Bay, Wisconsin, has a distinguished location. It is built on the site of the first Protestant church in all the Northwest Territory.

The first building on this location was erected when the north central states were as yet an undeveloped wilderness. At that time John Jacob Astor, the wealthy fur trader, donated the land. A number of churches owned by various congregations have stood on this site, which is within three blocks of the heart of the city.

The present structure was purchased by the Assembly of God congregation in 1934. That was two years after E. A. Beck and his sister, Miss Ida Beck, came to Green Bay. At that time there were about a dozen people attending the meetings. At present the Sunday School is averaging about 250 in attendance. There has been an increase of 100 in the past two years. Last year thirty-two were baptized in water and fifty new members united with the church.

Brother Beck is Assistant District Superintendent of the Assemblies of God in the Wisconsin and Northern Michigan District.

Baccalaureate Services Cancelled

"Reports from many states show that the baccalaureate services traditional in high schools had to be abandoned in many communities this year," reports *Christian Century*. "Opposition from Roman Catholic priests, and in some cases from Jewish rabbis, made it impossible to hold the religious services for high-school graduates which were taken for granted a few years ago. In New York the state commissioner of education laid down a ruling which at first was taken to mean that no such services could be held in public school buildings. Later this was clarified to the extent of saying that services with an invocation and benediction would be permissible, provided that the address was 'of a moral and ethical nature' and 'does not teach any religious tenet.' Elsewhere, local school boards decided to call off the customary baccalaureate services in the interests of community good relations."

It is natural for the unsaved to rebel against the preaching of the gospel and to seek refuge in the laws of the land. However, as long as baccalaureate services are held in churches or ministers are invited to be the speakers, the ministers ought to preach the Word of God rather than deliver a moral or ethical address, for it is the Word that the young people need.

Pentecost and Christ's Return

R. M. RIGGS AT THE GENERAL COUNCIL

The Pentecostal movement, the second half century of which we are commemorating and inaugurating during this General Council, has illumined the fact of the return of Jesus Christ as it has never been illumined before. The Holy Spirit Himself who has come to us in such glorious fashion in the past fifty years, has brought with Him a revival of intense interest and expectation as regards the second coming of our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ.

There are two big events in the history of mankind: the first coming of Jesus Christ and His second coming. These are two great, high mountain peaks in the affairs of this world. Heaven ignores many things that you and I call important; and heaven marks up, as the high peak of all human experience, the time when Jesus was born and lived and died to redeem the world. That was the great high peak of history as you and I look backward. Heaven also looks down upon that coming event—the return of our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ, to this earth again.

John the Baptist was the herald of His first coming. The Bible says that John was filled with the Holy Ghost from his mother's womb. That is an experience which none other has had. John, the greatest of the prophets according to the Lord Jesus, was baptized with the Holy Ghost before he was born. He was animated by the Holy Spirit. His whole ministry was permeated by the blessed Holy Spirit. It was John, on the banks of Jordan, who said,

"Here He is, the Lamb of God, which taketh away the sins of the world. The kingdom is at hand." It was the Holy Ghost through John the Baptist who proclaimed the first coming of Christ.

My friends, it is the same Holy Spirit that has prepared an instrument again. It is the same Holy Spirit who has come to this earth in special form again to be the forerunner of an advent of the Lord Jesus Christ. The Holy Ghost, in this wonderful Pentecostal movement, is again saying, "Behold! Behold!" Not "Behold the Lamb," but "Behold the Lion! This is He. The kingdom is at hand."

When people were baptized with the Holy Ghost and spoke in tongues years ago, particularly in the early part of this twentieth-century Pentecostal revival, it was very common for the interpretation to be, "Jesus is coming soon!" The Holy Ghost testified. He gave forth the midnight cry, "Behold, the Bridegroom cometh." Out of the mouths of babes and sucklings—those individuals who were willing to give all to the Lord and be filled with the Holy Ghost—out of their mouths the Holy Ghost said, over and over again, "Jesus is coming soon!" That was back in 1909, as far as my experience goes. If Jesus' coming was near then, it is all the nearer tonight. The Holy Ghost did not lie. The Holy Ghost did not build up a false hope. The Holy Ghost told the truth. Jesus is coming soon!

That happy note wrought in our hearts a keen sense of victory and ex-

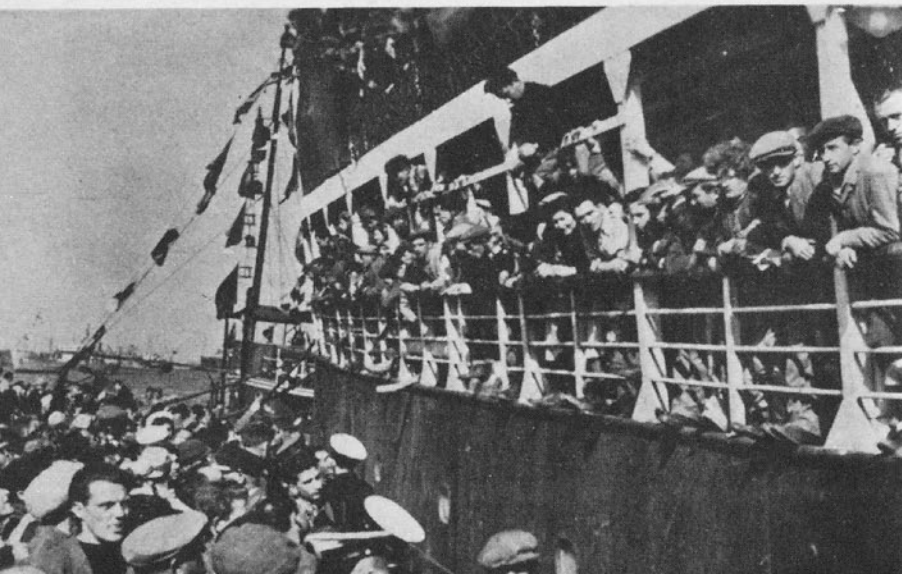
pectation. He said, "When these things begin to come to pass, lift up your heads, for your redemption draweth nigh." We turned from our earthly pursuits; we turned from the things we formerly counted dear; and we went out on the trail for the Lord. We looked up, and we expected His coming at any moment.

I remember very well as a boy in my early teens going off to work as a carpenter, helping to make a living for my widowed mother. Early in the morning I would see the sun come up as I walked to the place where I was to work all day. I saw the sun come up morning after morning, but one morning my heart was full of happy expectation. I talked to the old sun. I said, "There you are again, Mr. Sun. Once more you are coming up. I have something to tell you. You won't be coming up like that very much longer, for Jesus is coming soon." And night after night as I trudged home and saw the sun setting on the western horizon I made my little speech to him—"You won't have to do that much longer. Jesus is coming. He is coming soon."

My friends, it is a blessed hope. "Looking for that blessed hope and the glorious appearing of the great God and our Saviour, Jesus Christ." Peter says we are born again unto a lively hope, a living hope. That hope burns within our hearts. Paul says we are saved by hope. That does not mean our sins are washed away by hope, but it means that we are sustained, preserved, upheld

Another shipload of Jews arriving in Haifa, Israel. "He that scattered Israel will gather him." Jer. 31:10.

Israel's army parading its strength in Jerusalem. "Judah also shall fight at Jerusalem." Zech. 14:14.



faithfully along the Christian trail by this blessed hope that is burning within our hearts.

"Now abideth faith, hope, and charity." We emphasize faith and charity, but tonight I'm emphasizing hope. God put this hope within our hearts and He wants it to burn high. Paul said, "If in this world only we have hope, we are of all men most miserable." But our hope, our expectations, our possessions, our inheritance are not here. They are there in the future world.

We believe in the second coming of Jesus but not just as a doctrine. It is one of the four cardinal doctrines of the Pentecostal movement, but I want to call your attention to the fact that it is a personal matter. It is not just an event. It is not just a high point of history. It is a personal hope, a secret longing to look upon His face. I tell you it is Jesus that is coming. The Man who washed away our sins is coming again; the Man who has walked at our side day after day, that Man is coming again; the Man whom we pray to; the Man whom we love. One of these days we are going to look upon His blessed face.

I want to give you just a few Scriptures to emphasize this fact: "Unto them that look for Him shall He appear." He is coming to "them that love His appearing." Notice the personal element in all this. "Watch therefore, for you know not what hour *your Lord* doth come." "Blessed is that servant whom *his Lord when He cometh* shall find so doing." "If any man say, *My Lord* delayeth His coming." "*The Lord of that servant* shall come." "Be ye like unto men that wait for *their Lord*." Jesus said, "If I go, I will come again." Paul said, "*The Lord Himself* shall descend from heaven with a shout." This is a personal matter between you or me and Jesus. We love Him and He loves us and He is coming after us. Praise His precious name!

He has commanded us to watch. Surely we should not need the command to look for our Bridegroom, for what girl, full of love for her new husband, would not long for his return each time he went away? It is our Bridegroom whom we are looking for, and He has commanded us to look up and watch for His coming. "Watch, therefore, for ye know neither the day nor the hour wherein the Son of man cometh." "Watch ye therefore: for ye know not when the master of the house cometh." Again: "What I say unto you I say unto all, Watch." My friends, we must keep the upward look. Where is our love? Where is our faithfulness to our Bridegroom? Where is our emotional

response to His coming? It ought to lift us up and keep us on tiptoe expecting His return.

Likewise, He has told us to be ready. "Therefore be ye also ready, for in such an hour as you think not the Son of man cometh." Again He said, "Do not sleep." And He also has commanded us to think about His return and read the signs of the times. He rebuked the Pharisees because they could read the signs of the heavens but they could not read the signs of the times. Paul said, "I would not have you ignorant, brethren." Again he said, "Concerning the times and seasons, ye have no need that I write unto you, for ye yourselves know perfectly." Again he said, "When I was with you did I not tell you these things?" I tell you, the Holy Ghost is given to show us things to come. He has anointed our eyes with eyesalve. We are not children of darkness. We are children of light, and He wants us to understand about His return.

So in addition to this matter of *feeling* Christ's return, I want to invite your attention to *knowing* Christ's return. This glorious truth appeals to our emotions, to our intellects, and to our wills. We have dealt with the emotional appeal. Now let me cite you something of the mental appeal. Briefly I want to point out four outstanding, present-day signs of the times.

The Jew, of course, is one of these signs. In the last three and a quarter years (since May 14, 1948) 548,000 Jews have returned to Palestine. At the present time there are 1,203,000 Jews in Palestine and only 167,000 people that are not Jews. They are returning at a rate as high as 30,000 a month. There is no immigration quota. All can come, and the more the better. That has happened in the last three years in fulfillment of this Scripture in Ezekiel 37:21—"Thus saith the Lord God; Behold, I will take the children of Israel from among the heathen, whither they be gone, and will gather them on every side, and bring them into their own land."

Again, the Jews are today a nation for the first time in over 2000 years. Israel is a member of the United Nations. The Bible tells us very clearly that at the end of the age, as the Antichrist begins to function, he is to find a kingdom with ten subdivisions, and one of those ten is to be the nation of Israel. That could not have happened three and one-half years ago, but now the Jews are in place ready for the fulfillment of that scripture.

Likewise, the Jews are ready to fight at Jerusalem. They have universal, total conscription over there, boys and girls,

men and women. Zechariah 14:14 says, "Judah also shall fight at Jerusalem." They have fought and won their independence. They have a large standing army at the present time. They are ready to fight, ready to take their place in the events of these last days. Jesus said, "When ye see the fig tree put forth its bud, then know ye that the time is near at hand." Now, my friends, we are up against the time of His return. The Spirit says He is coming. The Bible says He is coming. The Jews say He is coming.

Here is another sign. The great nation of Russia, much as she doesn't like to do so, is telling us that Jesus is coming. In the 38th chapter of Ezekiel there is a call to this nation of Russia. "Be thou prepared, and prepare for thyself, thou, and all thy company. . . . After many days thou shalt be visited: in the latter years thou shalt come." Russia lay dormant as a great, slumbering giant for century after century. At the turn of this century, when Pentecost first came to this country, little Japan was whipping Russia in that Russo-Japanese war. When Russia hit little Finland, we said, "Just like the big bully," and little Finland stood up and held her on the other side of the Mannerheim line a long time. Hitler said, "That is just a big sleeping giant. Give me a few months and I'll push him over." He thought so, but

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Jesus the Name that Saves

Emil A. Balliet

ONE OF THE greatest verses in the Bible is Romans 10:13—"For whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved."

The apostle Paul, who wrote these words, knew the truth of them by experience. There are three things in the text which call for our attention:

1. The world-wide reach of the message of salvation—"WHOSOEVER shall call upon the name of the Lord. . . ."

This word "whosoever" contains no limits as to race, creed, or caste. Paul believed that whosoever meant Jew or Gentile, bond or free, male or female, learned or unlearned, rich or poor. As Paul traveled on his missionary journeys, he preached to low and high. He reached Sergius Paulus, deputy of the island of Cyprus, with the gospel; and he also won Lydia, a seller of purple. He won a woman of the street—the teller of fortunes; he also found the runaway slave Onesimus, and he preached the gospel to the Philippian jailer.

"Whosoever" means anyone—everyone. It means you and me. "Whosoever" took in a drunken baseball player and made a Billy Sunday out of him. "Whosoever" included a lawyer, Charles G. Finney, and made a mighty preacher out of him. "Whosoever" means Borden of Yale—the Generalissimo, Chiang Kai-shek—R. G. LeTourneau—in fact, it means anyone—black or white, brown or yellow, man or woman, rich or poor, young or old, educated or illiterate. "Whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved."

2. Please note also the marvelous simplicity of the message of salvation—"Whosoever shall CALL upon the name of the Lord. . . ." You must desire to be saved, and you must call. If you do not call, you will not be saved. Many excuses are given for not being saved, but there is only one reason—lack of desire, and a failure to call. How could one make the way to salvation more simple? If we call, He hears us and saves!

Anyone can call! To call for help is one of the instinctive acts of life. I don't think you can find a mother who is unable to interpret the cries of her child. She knows when the baby's cry indicates contentment, or exasperation, or real difficulty. Let that child utter the cry of fear or pain and that mother

drops everything and runs for the baby. To call out for help is nothing new for you or anyone else. It is instinctive; it is natural. Our heavenly Father is well acquainted with the cries of men. The moment you feel your need of salvation and you cry out to Him for help, He will hear and answer.

The call does not have to be audible, but it must be sincere and from the heart. One woman called on the name of the Lord by touching the hem of His garment, and her faith saved her.

3. You must "call upon the name of the LORD JESUS CHRIST." "For there is none other name under heaven given among men whereby we must be saved." No wonder we exalt His wonderful name! We sing with the poet:

"That beautiful name, that beautiful name,
From sin has power to save us.
That beautiful name, that wonderful name,
That matchless name is Jesus."

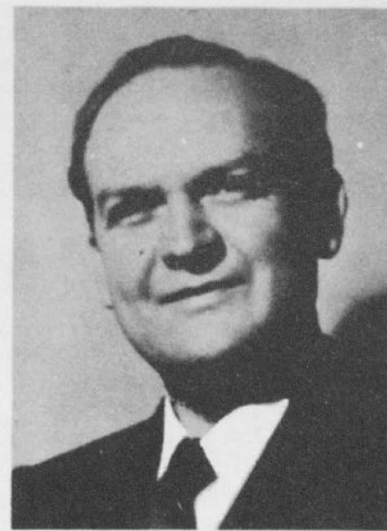
4. Best of all, note the glorious certainty of the message of salvation! "Whosoever shall call on the name of the Lord SHALL BE SAVED!" No doubt or uncertainty about it—*shall* be saved! There are no failures in Christ's program, and there are no exceptions. If you will indicate your need before God in honesty and sincerity, you shall be saved! Christ Himself said, "Him that cometh unto me I will in no wise cast out." He means just that! If

PENTECOSTAL YOUTH RALLY

Brother Balliet will speak at a great Pentecostal Youth Rally in Detroit, Michigan, on Tuesday night, October 30. Leaders of the young people's work in various Pentecostal bodies will participate in the meeting.

The rally will be in the auditorium of the Cass Technical High School on Grand River Avenue, Detroit. It will mark the opening of the annual convention of the Pentecostal Fellowship of North America, which will continue until Friday night, November 2. There will be three meetings a day and all of these meetings will be open to the public.

All ministers and members of the Assemblies of God who can attend this convention are urged to be present to enjoy the spiritual inspiration and to meet new brothers and sisters of like precious faith.



you will come, He will meet with you and give you the glorious witness of real, personal salvation.

By salvation we mean a full deliverance from all that would destroy us—sins of the flesh, sins of failure, sins of the disposition. You can be saved from yourself. Frequently we are our own worst enemies, and to be saved from one's own self is a mighty salvation! Thank God, if you call, Christ can and will save you from the narrow, circumscribed area of the self-life, and He will move you out in the glorious area of the Christ life.

Salvation is more than an escape from eternal punishment. Salvation transforms and regenerates men right here and now. Salvation takes the hell out of a man's heart and gives him a little heaven to go to heaven with! We are saved from a life of sin to a life of righteousness; from hate to love; from getting to giving; from laziness to labor; from the flesh to the Holy Spirit; from fear to faith; from despair to hope; from sin to salvation; from death to life.

Do you want this salvation? Remember, "Whosoever (that means you and me)—*whosoever* shall call on the name of the Lord shall be saved"!

"Nothing Within"

In the Boston Library they have blocks of wood made like books, which they use to fill up vacant shelves. They are labelled, "Nothing Within." When they purchase new books these are taken out and the new books are substituted. There are some professing Christians who might be labeled, "Nothing Within"—they have a form of godliness but know nothing of the power of Christ. Their lives will become of value when they can be labelled, "Christ Within."

You do not test the resources of God till you try the impossible.—F. B. Meyer.



SENDAI ANNIVERSARY SERVICE

Margaret Carlow, missionary to Japan for the past two years, is shown seated on the floor of her residence in Sendai while receiving a kimono, a haori (a short coat), and a fan as gifts from the church during its second anniversary service. The girl beside Miss Carlow is Miss Narisawa in whose home services began in Sendai. The congregation sits on mats like those shown in the picture for their services.

Summer Sowing in Japan

Margaret Carlow, Japan

THE LAST week of June Miss Irene Classen, Mr. Nakamura, the Christians here and I worked in co-operation with the Pocket Testament League to distribute Scriptures and witness for Christ in the city. Many thousands of Testaments were given away.

The services which affected our church included presentation of Gospels to 970 high-school boys in a school near here; a service in the University Hospital; witnessing before 1,238 prisoners; and dealing with twenty men condemned to die.

A number of new people came to the church as a result of this evangelistic effort. An old grandmother seventy-five years of age has attended faithfully since the grade school meeting.

In July Miss Classen and I went to the village of Kosaka to visit at the home of a girl who was saved here in Sendai. She had made arrangements for some services. The oldest copper mine in Japan is located here in Kosaka, "the little Anaconda of Japan." I could not understand the conversation of the people on the trains, as there is a difference in pronunciation and sentence structure in this section of Japan.

We also visited the country town of Nenoshiroishi where we stayed at the home of a young man who had been saved in the Sendai Assembly. He has a real concern for his village and made arrangements for us to have a service in the town hall attended by at least 300 people. We also spoke in the school to children who wished to attend, and we held a street meeting.

Country houses in Japan are quite large and are covered with straw roofs. The kitchen has a hole in the roof to let out the smoke from the fire over which the cooking pots are hung on an adjustable hook. One special delicacy we were served was *o-shiro-ko* which is dumplings made of pounded rice cooked in sweet bean soup.

A railroad man who had been in a hospital here for six months was nursed by a lady who attends our church. As a result, this man and his wife arranged services for us at the country town of Yoshioka, which has a population of 7,000. A meeting was held for school teachers and others interested in working for God, at which time visual educational aids were demonstrated. We held Sunday school using the visual aids. A street meeting was held with the use of a loudspeaker. The evening service in the town hall was crowded out.

We feel God is setting an open door before us in Yoshioka, as we can rent a house for services quite reasonably. We are looking for someone to live in the house and work in the Sunday school.

It is our hope that the Sendai church will become an evangelistic center to reach the numerous country places around where the gospel is not being preached. Pray for an outpouring of the Holy Spirit here that the believers might be established and begin working for Him.

It's harvest time! The storm's coming.

Po Station Develops

George Flattery, Upper Volta

WE HAVE been working every day except Sunday on our new mission station. The Lord has helped us obtain the materials as needed. We made an 800-mile trip for one supply of wood, and last week we made a 320-mile trip for wood and cement. It is now getting difficult to obtain cement, but the Lord helped us to secure five tons more. The very day that we arrived in Tamale, Gold Coast, a five-ton order of cement arrived there, having been ordered several months before by a French Commander. He had cancelled the order and so it was possible for us to get it. We now have enough to finish our new house. Praise the Lord!

One day about two months ago the big chief of this tribe sent word to us that he would come that day to be saved. He came and we prayed with him and he seemed satisfied that Jesus had saved him. Pray that he will go through with God. (His deceased father was the chief and religious leader of this entire tribe. The natives used to take their offerings of sheep, chickens, etc., to him to offer on his altar.) He will have a difficult time to remain true, and will need much prayer and encouragement.

Fifteen Converted in Scripture Class

Dorris Trigg reports from Woodstock School in Landour, India, that fifteen students, including three Hindu children, were converted in one of her Scripture classes at the school.

Miss Trigg writes: "I have been conducting a thirty-minute Scripture class every morning, and have been praying that many members of the class would be saved. The Lord surely answered the prayer. One morning a member of the class asked, 'Miss Trigg, how does one become a Christian?'"

"It was a joy to explain the way of salvation to such eager listeners. They were anxious to accept Christ, and fifteen immediately expressed a desire to be saved. The three Hindu children come from wealthy Indian homes. Their parents are quite strict followers of Hinduism and may object to their children's acceptance of Christianity. Pray that God will keep all of these students faithful to Himself."

REFUGEES EXPRESS GRATITUDE

A letter has come to the Foreign Missions Department office from the Russian refugees, whose evacuation to the United States was made possible by help from the Assemblies of God. Enclosed was a check for \$400, as the first contribution of the group to our foreign mission work.

The letter (signed by A. A. Gouroff, G. I. Avromenko and T. N. Zakatchenko) said: "We are doing this with a feeling of deep gratitude to all those who assisted us in so many ways to come to this wonderful country. We hope that this amount, as well as our further effort, will help you to do unto others what you have done for us."



Virgil F. Smith
Brazil



Mrs. Virgil F. Smith
Brazil



Rachel Maser
Cuba



Philip A. Crouch
Egypt



Mrs. P. A. Crouch
Egypt

Bawku Fetishes Burned

Mrs. H. S. Lehmann, Gold Coast

WITHIN THE LAST four months the Lord has wonderfully led in the opening of a new section. Mighty conviction has come upon the people of this area and hundreds not only have confessed Christ, but have openly burned their fetishes, charms and jujus.

In one place the chief and over 300 of his people gathered at one time and publicly destroyed their fetishes. They made a huge pile over four feet high and the smoke from that fire was certainly a "sweet savor" in our Lord's nostrils.

People are coming from such a distance to hear the gospel that we haven't teachers who can go that far to help them. Delegations of twenty to thirty and more from villages into which we have sent no worker have come to join with the new Christians and publicly confess Christ and destroy their jujus. This is one of the most thrilling experiences of our missionary life. We are so thankful to report that this has been indigenous from the very beginning.

Of course, there are problems, serious problems, but God will surely help. One is a need for workers. Another is for an understanding of this language. We have just completed the first primer and it is very inadequate. Prayer warriors can profitably hold us and this language need before the Lord. The Bawkus must have the Word, but first we must have their language.

NEWS NOTES

Mr. and Mrs. Everett E. Devine, missionaries to Chile, arrived in the States on August 6.

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Mr. and Mrs. Vinton H. Shumway, who sailed for Nigeria on July 13, have arrived safely on the field.

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Mr. and Mrs. David L. Kensinger of the Nicaraguan field are at home on furlough.

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Robert W. Cummings, Field Secretary for the Middle East, and Mrs. Cummings returned to the States in August. They have been visiting our India, Ceylon, and Pakistan works since September of last year. Dorothy L. Chapman, missionary to North India, was on the same boat with the Cummings. She has returned to the States due to eye trouble. Remember her in prayer.

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Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth L. Godbey of the Nigerian field are now on furlough in the States.

Mr. and Mrs. Philip A. Crouch left the United States in August to return to Egypt to resume their work at the Assiut Orphanage. The little Egyptian boy, Wagee Elia, returned with them.

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Rachel Maser returned to Cuba in August, following the General Council meeting.

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Mr. and Mrs. John L. Franklin, of Guatemala, and Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Devine, of Chile, returned to the United States in August.

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Mr. and Mrs. Virgil F. Smith left for Brazil in August.

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Kenneth Short went to Manila, Philippine Islands, in August. En route he visited at Honolulu and Hong Kong. Word has been received that he arrived safely in Manila and is now engaged in meetings at the Revival Center.

GOSPEL CAMPAIGN IN SWITZERLAND

Stanley A. Damon, of Belgium, went to Switzerland during June for a series of gospel services. God blessed the tour and brought encouragement to the assemblies in Lausanne, Aigle, Vevey, Chateau d'Oeux, La Chaux de Fonds, Neuveville, St. Imier, Le Locle and a score of other places.

In Vallorbe Mr. and Mrs. Damon participated in a street meeting (see picture) which is beginning under the leadership of the choir master. Mr. and Mrs. Maret, pastors in Lausanne, have gone out thirty miles to this city on the French border to open a new work. God is blessing.



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SUNDAY'S LESSON

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

MINISTRIES OF ELISHA

Lesson for October 7

2 Kings 4:1-17

Our lesson tells of provision made for a defenceless widow, and also of promise made to a great woman.

The widow was the wife of one of the sons of the prophets, which means that he had been a disciple, or learner, in one of the schools of the prophets. Among Jewish writers it is affirmed that she was the wife of Obadiah, Ahab's servant who, upon meeting with Elijah, reminded the prophet that he had "hid an hundred men of the Lord's prophets by fifty in a cave, and fed them with bread and with water." 1 Kings 18:13. They affirm that in order to provide for God's servants at a time when Jezebel was bent on killing them, he had gone into debt. Now, because of this debt, his wife, left a widow, was in extreme circumstances. How much truth there may be in this we do not know, but it affords a lesson. While we owe it to all to do good, we must not forget our responsibility to those of our own household. While some think too largely of their own, others neglect their own while they bestow upon others.

1. A DESTITUTE WIDOW

a. Her godly husband. When she came before Elisha she said, "Thou knowest that thy servant did fear the Lord." v. 1. When God calls us home we may leave very little of this world's goods, but we may all leave a testimony. This widow was left without this world's goods, but she could remember the consistent character of her husband. God also takes knowledge of character. Many of His faithful ones have little in this life, but enjoy His benediction. "Hath not God chosen the poor of this world, rich in faith, and heirs of the kingdom which He hath promised to them that love Him?" James 2:5. Spiritual riches are of greater worth than the wealth of this world.

b. Her dire poverty. How old her sons were at this time we do not know. We may well suppose them to be yet young in life, for were they older they might have earned enough to pay their father's debt and thus be in no danger of being sold into bondage. What strain is put on the poor, especially on a mother, when left without support for her family. This widow was suffering not only poverty, but also anguish of spirit as she faced the consequences of poverty. Proper thought for those who may be left is a part of our responsibility in this life.

c. Her heartless creditors. When we owe debts we must expect our creditors to demand that which is due to them. This is but natural; however, their demands may

inflict more misery than they realize. In this case the creditors were going to take away this widow's sons and sell them into slavery in order to get back that which was owed them. They were going to get theirs regardless. Evidently they did not think of the anguish that their heartlessness would bring to this widowed mother and her tender sons. It is right to be careful in business matters, but if we are Christians we should consider, "How would I like to be treated were I in that other person's place? Suppose I were that widow and those were my sons, how would I like to be treated?" The Bible says, "Love thy neighbor as thyself."

d. Her appeal to the prophet. The widow had confidence in Elisha. She recognized him as a man of God. In her distress she cried out to him, told her plight, and received an encouraging answer. How those in distress, whether spiritually or otherwise, need those to whom they may pour out their hearts. And how good it is when they to whom they come are able to give an understanding answer. Let us pray that God will thus equip us; for too often, I fear, we turn the torn souls away empty. If there is "balm in Gilead" may we gather a supply to bestow on them that are needy. Even a little interest or a brief word "fitly spoken" may work wonders in distressed hearts.

e. Her test of faith. When the widow came to Elisha, he replied, "Go, borrow thee vessels . . . empty vessels; borrow not a few." v. 3. Then she was to "shut the door" and pour into these vessels from the small portion of oil that she had. We see her obedience of faith in going to her neighbors and borrowing, and then in beginning to pour. As she poured, the vessels became filled; when she had finished, she had sufficient supply for the payment of all her debt.

Can we not apply this spiritually? So often we feel spiritually impoverished. We look at ourselves and ask, "What have I that I can give that would be helpful?" Let us remember the lad's five loaves and the two fishes. It was as they were given to Jesus, then broken, and passed out, that they supplied the need of the multitude. It is as we give out from that which God has given us that the supply grows on our hands. The best way to keep our own cup full is by ever sharing our blessings with others.

2. THE GREAT WOMAN OF SHUNEM

a. Her thoughtfulness. She saw the man of God passing by and invited him in for a meal.

This kindness brought such blessing that she desired to go even further. She would provide for him a place where he might lodge overnight when he passed that way, so she confided her desire to her husband. That is the way God's blessing works. "Give and it shall be given unto you." Give out of the kindness of your heart, and God will so bless that you will wish to give more. Give sparingly, or grudgingly, and the joy of the Lord will dry up within you.

b. Her generosity rewarded. As Elisha on his weary way rested one day in the chamber which had been prepared, he wished to bestow kindness in return for kindnesses received. What could this woman enjoy more than having a son? So Elisha told her that God was going to bless her with the joy of motherhood.

c. Her severe test. It was a great joy to this excellent woman when God gave her a son. It was a great grief when the little fellow died. Here we have a picture of life. It brings its joys and also its sorrows. Never will we be out of the valley of tears until the time when "God shall wipe away all tears." But sorrows to Christian hearts are outnumbered by the tokens of joy. Just as the son of this woman was restored to life, so joys that seem to perish for a moment are restored to us as we walk in obedience to God. May our faith never fail.

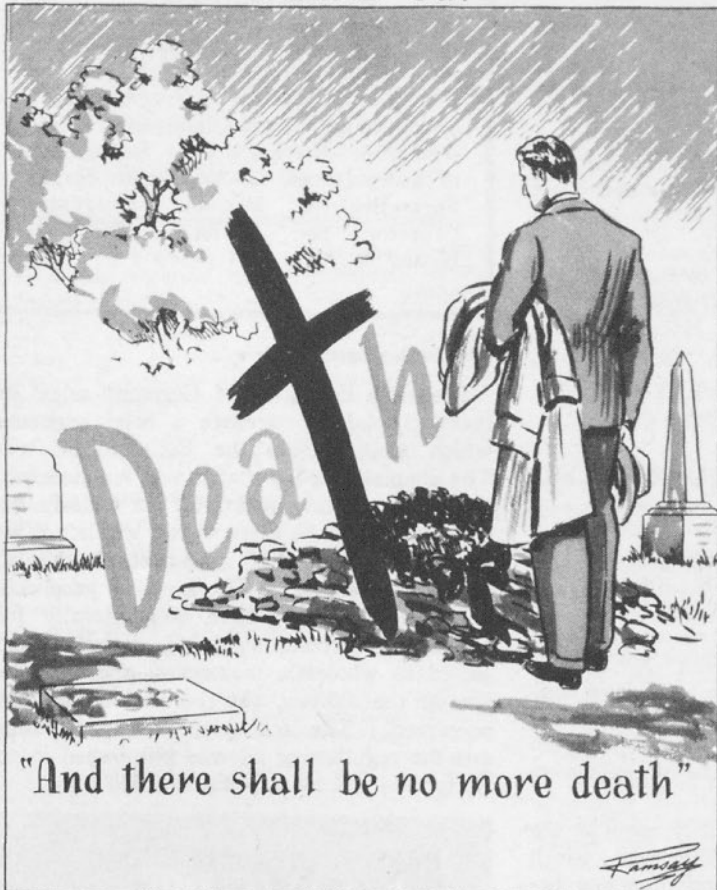
THIS WEEK'S LESSON

Elisha Steps Out in Faith (lesson for Sunday, September 30). Lesson text: 2 Kings 2:14-22.

A VESSEL MEET FOR THE MASTER'S USE



"CROSSED" OUT



ELISHA RAISES THE DEAD

Lesson for October 14

2 Kings 4:18-36

Having briefly touched upon the account concerning the woman of Shunem and her son in our previous lesson, we now take up this story more fully. By way of introduction we might raise the question, Is the age of miracles past? Many say that the miracles of Moses were to confirm the giving of the law, and that the miracles of the New Testament were for confirmation of the gospel. Since we now have the Scriptures for our guide, they say, it is unscriptural to expect further miracles.

We recognize sound reasons for such argument, but against such argument we are faced with miracles in the Old Testament which were not given as confirmation of the law, and we are faced with miracles of the present. We do not endorse everything that goes under the name of signs and wonders, but we do see sufficient works of God to assure us that miracles still confirm the written Word.

1. A "Great" Woman

Of the woman of Shunem the Bible says she was "a great woman." The Chaldee says she was "a woman fearing sin." The Arabic calls her "a woman eminent for piety before God." There are different standards of greatness. Alexander is considered great as a warrior; some are considered great as statesmen; this woman was great in her love for God and in richness of character. Very few of us may become great in the eyes of the

world, but we may all be great in Christian principle and virtue. After all, it is these qualities which are of chief value.

It is said that after the War between the States, Robert E. Lee was left in poverty and he was offered a large salary if he would lend his name to a questionable enterprise, to which he replied, "My name is not for sale." He might be poor, but he would not sell his influence.

2. An Observant Woman

She observed Elisha as he passed by. She may have observed him frequently before deciding to invite him in, for the Scripture quotes her as saying, "This is an holy man of God, which passeth by us continually." v. 9. There was something about Elisha that attracted attention. His life was different from others. He left the imprint of a man of God. Let all of us remember that we are being observed and what we are speaks more loudly than

what we say. The Jewish Sanhedrin took knowledge of the disciples of Christ that they had been with Jesus. May our conduct testify that we are people of God.

3. A Thoughtful Woman

As this great woman observed Elisha she desired to help him. First she ventured to invite him in to eat bread. There she observed him more closely. Closer observation confirmed the impression which she had of him. His passing by had been worthy; he was equally worthy when in the home. This inspired her to desire that he might have a simple place of rest and retreat when he passed that way. May our walk never be stilted, but may it be of consistent character both in our close associations and in more distant relationships.

4. A Modest Woman

Elisha appreciated the kindness shown by the woman of Shunem and her husband, and wished to do something to reward them. He bade Gehazi ask them, "Wouldst thou be spoken for to the king, or to the captain of the host?" What could be granted her that was higher than to be introduced into favor with the king? Many would be most happy for such an introduction. Some strive for places of prominence. They will spend large sums to be listed in "Who's Who." With his woman "Who's Who" meant nothing. A woman of simple taste, she was perfectly content to remain where she was. All she cared for was to love God and to serve Him, her family, and her community. That is the kind of people that make noble citizens! v. 13.

5. A Woman Rewarded

When this modest woman declined material

honors, Gehazi reminded the prophet that she had no son. What disappointment to a Jewish wife that children be withheld! Children were considered an "heritage of the Lord." To be blessed with them was considered a sign of divine favor. Yet this good woman was childless. In this she was not alone. Sarah had been childless but became the mother of Isaac. Hannah was barren but became the mother of Samuel. Good people are sometimes deprived of blessings which it seems should confirm their goodness. Elisha, under the guidance of God, would have this woman to know that her wish would be granted; she was to be the mother of a son. This news she welcomed, for it meant more to her than to be honored before the king.

6. A Woman Tested

According to the word of the prophet, the son was born. When he was old enough to follow the reapers, possibly somewhere between four and six years of age, he was stricken perhaps with a sunstroke in the field. This noble woman now faced a new crisis in life. Would she, like Job, be able to say, "The Lord giveth and the Lord taketh away," or would her heart become bitter? It is how we react in the test that proves and develops our character.

7. A Woman Crushed

As mother she nursed the child until it died (v. 20); then she laid it on the bed that had been provided for the prophet. This done, she arranged to ride to the prophet with the news that her son had died. As she approached the prophet, Gehazi would have thrust her away (v. 27), not having an understanding heart. How different was Elisha. He said, "Let her alone." He did not yet know the reason for her action, but he would find out. How different are the acts of those living in the natural, from the actions of those who live in close communion with God. The woman had come expecting succor, yet Gehazi would drive her away!

8. A Woman Made Glad

When Elisha learned that the son was dead, he went to the home and raised the child to life. We have not mentioned the method that Elisha used, for God is not bound to methods. If our eyes are on means and methods we may miss seeing the Lord and forget the need of faith. God may use certain methods, but those methods without God are of no avail. We are not Elishas. We must be ourselves, letting God work in us to will and to do of His own good pleasure.

Faith makes the outlook bright, the inlook good, and the future glorious.

SPECIAL ISSUE NEXT WEEK

There will be no comments on the Sunday School Lesson in next week's EVANGEL and so we are publishing Brother Williams' comments on both lessons in this issue.

The EVANGEL for next Sunday will be a special "Get-Acquainted" issue for door-to-door distribution in the Enlargement Campaign. Order enough copies to cover your community. The price is only \$1.50 per hundred copies, postpaid.

MISSIONS AT HOME

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"WE WANT MORE JESUS STORY"

These are the pleading words of an Indian man, spoken through an interpreter to Mrs. Alta Washburn, pastor of our Indian church in Phoenix, Arizona. Mrs. Washburn tells the story in a letter. She writes:

"I feel we are gaining ground for we are reaching more tribes all the time. This work cannot be judged alone by the church services and attendance on Sunday, for there are classes being held in the Government Indian Sanitarium and the Government Hospital. The outstation at Laveen Reservation has a steady worker now. We are also having services at the Salt River Reservation and classes in homes. One Indian woman goes each Sunday morning to Guadielopi. There is also regular visitation at another Navajo Camp.

"Lately we have started an entirely new kind of ministry. We will need your prayers, so I will tell you about it. A Navajo family, Brother and Sister Clark, was saved in our church in Phoenix over a year ago. They were here a short while, then moved to Gallup, New Mexico. They are the only ones among their people there who speak English. She wrote to us recently: 'I have told them all about Jesus I know. Come over and tell my people more.' It is 350 miles from Phoenix, but my heart cried out to go. We took clothes, food, candy, bedding and other things. They were waiting. It was miles and miles into the bush, only a trail. The largest hogan in the camp was ready. Quilts were spread on the floor for us. There were 25 to 35 Indians present. Sister Clark had to interpret every word. We sang, prayed, and waited for their question. One man said, 'Tell lady to come every week. We want more Jesus story.'

"Of course, I was so stirred. I wanted to stay on and on. But in Phoenix there are fourteen tribes to reach. Only by getting a few of each tribe saved can we ever hope to



Brother Volger, Home Missions Secretary, and some of the Indians who participated in the Home Missions Rally at the General Council last month.

reach the many needy Reservations. I decided to write a plain sermon, in short sentences, for Brother Clark to read in Navajo each Sunday when visiting them.

"I am praying God will send in support for the work so I can remain at home, for the load is very heavy, even with all of us putting our shoulders to the wheel. Again we thank you for every gift, however small. It certainly will be used for His cause in the Indian work."

(If you wish to contribute to the work being done among the American Indians, please address your offering to the Home Missions Department, 434 W. Pacific, Springfield 1, Missouri.)

GERMAN BRANCH COUNCIL AND CAMP MEETING

The German Branch Council and Camp Meeting convened at our beautiful Bethel Park in Bridgman, Michigan, July 26th through August 5th.

Karl Steffens of Huntington, N. Y. was the main speaker. Other brethren from different branches of the Assemblies of God were in attendance. Also G. Kinderman from Europe and Hilda Wagenknecht of India were with us.

Brother Steffens was mightily used of the Lord in bringing timely messages which led to real heart-searching and humbling before the Lord. God blessed richly in saving souls. Many were baptized with the Holy Spirit, and the sick were healed.

Sister Rosaltha Fisher, Sunday School Evangelist, gave us some helpful and enlightening talks on better methods and equipment in the Sunday School.

A special feature of the Camp was the dedication on July 29th of Bethany Home, the newly erected Old People's Home at Bethel Park. The Home can house about twenty-four and is one of the most modern buildings of its kind in that vicinity. We do thank God for His help and the splendid co-operation of His people who helped with their means and stood faithful in prayer for a Home for our older brothers and sisters of the German Branch. We expect to open and begin operating the Home on October 13th.

All in all, this was the best Camp Meeting we have ever had. To God be the glory.—Reported by G. F. Zeller, Secretary of the German Branch of the Assemblies of God.

SPECIAL NEED

Our National Children's Home at Hot Springs, Arkansas, urgently needs a Fordson Tractor. If you can make a contribution toward this need, kindly send your offering to the Department of Benevolences, 434 W. Pacific Street, Springfield 1, Missouri, designated "Tractor for National Children's Home."

The Indestructible Jew

Frederick the Great of Germany asked his court chaplain to prepare a brief argument which would prove the Bible to be true. The chaplain replied that it was not necessary to prepare an argument, for he already had one which could be given in two words. When Frederick asked for his argument, the chaplain replied, "The Jew." The striking prophecies regarding the Jews have been literally fulfilled. Persecuted, displaced, deported, subjected to wholesale massacres, and scattered among the nations, yet the nation has been preserved. The scattering, the persecution, and the regathering all was prophesied in the Scriptures and all is being fulfilled today.

NEWS

GENERAL COUNCIL SIDELIGHTS

ATLANTA—There were visitors at the General Council from every state of the union and from Alaska, Canada, Mexico, Cuba, Scotland, Sweden, Holland, and Egypt, not to mention our foreign missionaries.

Grover Langston and other members of the Housing Committee had their hands full providing accommodations for all the out-of-town visitors. A secretary worked full time for six weeks making the preliminary arrangements, and several were on duty constantly at the housing desk in the auditorium. Almost a thousand hotel rooms and 160 motel units were reserved in advance, and around 400 additional rooms in houses and hotels were needed.

Edward Badten and Homer F. Rugwell, two of our Alaskan missionaries, flew a Stinson Station Wagon plane to Atlanta all the way from Fort Yukon, eight miles above the Arctic Circle. It took 48 hours flying time. They spent five nights en route and made 21 stops to refuel.

A number of representatives of the people among whom our missionaries are working were present at the General Council. Two of them were Wagee Elia, a three-year-old orphan from the Assiut Orphanage in Egypt, and Chief Black Owl, representing the Assiniboine Indian tribe of Montana.

Quite a number of ministers and friends who were unable to attend the General Council sent greetings which were read from the pulpit. Among the older ones who sent greetings were Mrs. J. R. Evans, J. Narver Gortner, S. S. Scull, Flem Van Meter, and E. F. M. Staudt.

J. R. Flower, General Secretary, is probably the only person who has attended every General Council gathering. When the General Council of the Assemblies of God was organized in April 1914 he was named General Secretary of the infant body.

Hon. Herman E. Talmadge, Governor of Georgia, gave an address of welcome in which

**REMEMBER
NATIONAL PRISON SUNDAY
November 11**

The Assemblies of God are launching a more intense campaign of prison evangelism throughout the country. Watch for further announcements.

he called for a return to the principles of Bible religion. He referred to the prediction of the historian Lord Macaulay that American democracy would destroy itself within 175 years. He pointed out that the 175 years had expired July 4, 1951, and wondered if the Kefauver Committee had not revealed a significant decadence in the moral fiber of the nation. "No nation," he said, "can last very long if the supreme rulers are not upright and honorable men." The governor said that the foundations of American greatness were Christianity, hard work, and thrift, in that order.

There were 50 gallons of paper and silver money in the missionary offering on Sunday afternoon. Half-gallon paper cups were used, instead of offering plates, and 100 of these cups were filled with the gifts of God's people.

Paul Samuelson, Kansas District Secretary, was called home from the General Council by the news that his son Freddie had been stricken with polio. Prayer was made by the Council congregation for him, and on the closing day a telegram arrived saying that Freddie was much improved.

The Florida delegates were greatly concerned over reports that the hurricane which caused so much damage in Jamaica was headed for Florida. Special prayer was offered at the Council, and the hurricane was diverted in its course so that Florida was spared.

Roy Wead, in presenting the motion concerning a nation-wide campaign of personal evangelism, made an excellent remark. "It would be a wonderful thing," he said, "if every person attending General Council would win at least one soul to Christ. It would be more important than any other business we could accomplish at the General Council." A number of people were saved during the Council, but no record was kept; and quite a number received the Baptism of the Holy Spirit.

Arvid Ohnell, Director of Prison Work for the Home Missions Department of the General Council, found several opportunities for prison ministry while attending the Atlanta convention. He spent one day at the county jail, going from cell to cell witnessing to the 500 inmates. Another day he spent at an army camp, where he prayed with a number of servicemen and presented Testaments. A third day he was preaching to the road gangs. It was through the kindness of Chaplain Allison that he had these opportunities to minister. Brother Ohnell also visited the Federal Prison in Atlanta, and the Georgia State Penitentiary, in the interest of our work.

The congregation was blessed with several vocal solos by Sven Bjork, formerly of Stockholm, Sweden. Brother Bjork has been greatly used by God in the ministry of song in the great Filadelfia Church in Stockholm. He and his little family are now making their home in the U.S.A.

David J. du Plessis extended an invitation to attend the World Pentecostal Conference which will be held in London, England, next June. He said that the meetings will be open to all. A chartered ship will sail from New York City and the fare will be \$300.00 for the round trip. The trip will take about four weeks, including one week for going, one week for the Conference, one week for visiting points on the continent, and one week for returning. All who would like to reserve passage on this Pentecostal ocean voyage should write to David J. du Plessis at the Post Office, Glenbrook, Connecticut. There will be room for 500 passengers.

Although the Council ended on Tuesday, a few remained for the Wednesday meetings conducted by Raymond T. Richey. Brother Richey had not planned to begin his city-wide salvation and healing campaign until Thursday, but he took the opportunity to use the Municipal Auditorium on Wednesday and opened his campaign a day ahead of schedule.

It was very hot in Atlanta, and most of the people attending the Council found it uncomfortable to sit in the auditorium for any great length of time. Many seemed to find it cooler to stand in the lobby and talk with their friends. Even missionaries from West Africa who are used to tropical heat found Atlanta's heat wave oppressive. It was the general thought of the people that if the next General Council is held in August it should be moved to a cooler location.

**BISHOP DEFINES PENTECOSTAL
STAND ON CHURCH UNION**

"What is the attitude of the Pentecostal Movement toward the modern trend in the direction of church union?"

J. A. Synan, Senior Bishop of the Pentecostal Holiness Church and Chairman of the Pentecostal Fellowship of North America, recently answered the question by saying:

"I believe that most Protestant churches will eventually be united in a super-church, but the Pentecostal groups are not likely to become a part of such a union, because it involves sacrificing of individual convictions. We are firmly committed to our fundamental and Pentecostal position.

"The Pentecostal Fellowship of North America is not designed to become a super-church, but is purely for fellowship and co-operation in matters of common interest to the member bodies; and to provide a voice for the group in matters pertaining to the Government, and to questions of persecution for minorities in which Pentecostals are involved. In this respect we speak for approximately a million people, including the adherents of the Assemblies of God, the Open Bible Standard Churches, the International Church of the Foursquare Gospel, the Church of God, the Pentecostal Assemblies of Canada, the International Pentecostal Assemblies, the Church of God Mountain Assembly, the Zion Evangelistic Fellowship, and the Pentecostal Holiness Church."

Members of these various Pentecostal bodies will meet in Detroit, Michigan, for a four-day convention, beginning October 30. It will be the fourth annual convention of the Pentecostal Fellowship of North America. A large number of Pentecostal churches in Greater Detroit are co-operating to make this the largest and best convention yet.

The day services will be held in the Memorial Hall of the Woodward Avenue Baptist Church. The night meetings will be in the Cass Technical High School auditorium on Grand River Avenue.

TO THE JEW FIRST

In order to help our brother Herman Pencovic to present the needs of the Jewish people more effectively, it is felt important that he visit the Holy Land and see firsthand the needs in the land of Israel. We thank God for the good work that is being conducted in our mission premises in Jerusalem, and for every effort to reach the Jewish people in the U. S. A. as well. Brother Pencovic is supervisor of our Jewish work in America.

Funds are needed to finance the travel expense of our Brother Pencovic. One thousand dollars invested in this may mean the salvation of thousands. All offerings may be sent to the Home Missions Department, 434 W. Pacific Street, Springfield, Missouri marked "Pencovic visit to Israel."



Harold Chalfant and Chas. M. Leaming (above) will be two of the night speakers at the annual convention of the Pentecostal Fellowship of North America at Detroit, Mich., Oct. 30 to Nov. 2.

The Tuller Hotel has been selected as convention headquarters. For hotel rooms or other accommodations, write to Bernard L. Bresson, 1161 Withington Street, Ferndale 20, Michigan. Be sure to enclose postage for reply.

The convention will open with a youth rally on Tuesday night, October 30. The speaker will be Emil A. Balliet, Pastor of the Central Assembly of God at Springfield, Missouri.

Other night speakers will be Charles Leaming, Pastor of Faith Temple (Open Bible Standard Churches) in St. Petersburg, Florida; Harold Chalfant, Youth Director of the International Church of the Foursquare Gospel, Los Angeles, California; and L. C. Heaston of the Church of God.

All services will be open to the general public.

**SEVENTY SAVED, MANY HEALED,
IN SPECIAL MEETINGS**

BANGOR, PA.—We had a wonderful meeting with Evangelist Stanley W. Karol of Philadelphia, Pa. This vicinity was stirred by the many things God did for us. This place has been considered very difficult, but God began to work in our midst the first night. The response of the nominal Christians to the movings of God's Spirit was gratifying. Many came forward expressing their need for Jesus. We believe that at least 70 were genuinely saved.

A four-year-old boy who walked paddy-foot was prayed for, and afterwards the father exclaimed that the boy's legs had straightened.

An eight-year-old girl who was sickly and had to miss a lot of school because of poor eyesight was healed. She was almost blind in her right eye. She is a new girl now and has no need for glasses. She has also given her heart to Jesus.

A boy whose left eye was dim so that he was unable to distinguish Brother Karol, was healed and he is able to read fine print without his glasses.

A boy whose upper eyelid was bitten off by a dog was prayed for. Two weeks later the lid was perfectly normal and closing properly. His 15-year-old sister, whose mind was undeveloped and who could not do anything for herself, is now doing and saying things that the doctor said was impossible. She is learning new words every day, and shows signs of love for the first time. This brother and sister come from a family of nine. All attend our church and they are hungry for God.

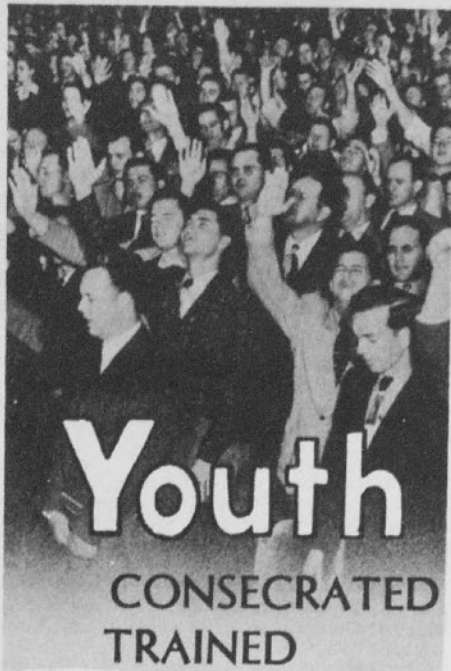
A 73-year-old lady was healed of deafness which she had had since childhood. A ten-year-old girl had a large lump on her hip, and it has completely disappeared. Others were healed of arthritis, heart trouble, varicose veins, and nervousness.

We praise the Lord for this wonderful visitation of His Spirit.—Anthony Sorbo, Pastor, First Pentecostal Church.

AMONG THE ASSEMBLIES

SAN FRANCISCO, CALIF.—We had a two-week meeting with Evangelist Claude Wood. Souls were saved and filled with the Spirit, and a number of sick bodies were healed.—Leland R. Keys, Pastor, Glad Tidings Temple.

MER ROUGE, LA.—We had a successful meeting with Evangelist and Mrs. Herman Grigsby of Malvern, Ark. A number were saved



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and filled with the Holy Spirit. Six were baptized in water and eight united with the church.—Mrs. Vashti Smith, Pastor.

CORPUS CHRISTI, TEX.—The Hillcrest Assembly had a glorious three-week meeting with Evangelist and Mrs. H. S. Teichman of Portland, Tex. The messages were uplifting, and our church as a whole was drawn closer to the Lord.—J. W. Nash, Pastor.

ROBERTSDALE, ALA.—Evangelist Marvin L. Smith of Mobile, Ala. was here in a meeting. Attendance was very good and we feel that God did a special work in every service. Our entire church, as well as several neighboring churches, were benefited by this meeting.—Gordon Earls, Pastor.

POLK CITY, FLA.—On August 15 we closed a meeting with Evangelist and Mrs. D. L. Jolley of Lakeland, Fla. Three were saved, and the Christians were stirred to do a greater work for the Lord. We have started a building fund for Sunday School rooms.—James A. Hinzman, Pastor.

PEORIA, ILL.—In August we had a meeting with the Musical Vander Ploegs of Toledo, Ohio. A spirit of revival was prevalent from the very first night. The glory of God came down at times until the preacher was not able to minister the Word. Thirty-six found Christ. Well over 200 people attended our assembly who had not been there before. Many nights the attendance was so large that we had to use every available space.—Walter H. Smith, Pastor, Glad Tidings Assembly.

LOMETA, TEX.—In July we had a three-week meeting with Evangelist George W. Hathcock. We praise the Lord for the lasting results of this meeting and for the souls that were saved.

Olevia Boan, teacher at Southwestern Bible Institute, conducted a V. B. S. in June with an average attendance of 30. This has proved to be a blessing to the youth of our church.—Vernon L. Johnson, Pastor.

WILLIAMSPORT, MD.—Our assembly was formed three or four years ago. V. W. Miles, formerly of Baltimore, Md., is a faithful pastor, and his wife and family contribute to the services. We have a lovely brick church, and we are now building a Sunday School room. We are averaging 160 to 200 in attendance every Sunday.

God leads us by His Spirit in a wonderful way. Sometimes the Spirit comes upon us so beautifully that Brother Miles cannot preach. Souls are getting saved in our Sunday morning services. Many have been healed in our regular services.

A lady with a cancerous mole was prayed for. Later it fell off while she was washing dishes. A man who had not attended our church before was healed of hernia of 20 years' standing. He no longer wears a truss for support, as he is completely healed. I was healed of a bowel condition which I had had for 20 years, and also of a condition called chest palsy.

We have two broadcasts each week—one over station WARK, Hagerstown, Md. on Sundays at 9 a.m., and one over station WEPM, Martinsburg, Md. on Saturdays at 8 p.m.—Mrs. E. W. Beasley.

COMING MEETINGS

Notices should reach us three weeks in advance, due to the fact that the Evangel is made up 18 days before the date which appears upon it.

HAVRE, MONT.—Assembly of God, Oct. 7—21; Evangelist Donald H. Fee.—by Shelby W. Clark, Pastor.

WYNONA, OKLA.—Oct. 7—; Evangelist N. B. Rayburn, Henryetta, Okla. (R. E. Jones is Pastor.)

MADISONVILLE, KY.—Meeting in progress; Evangelist Marvin L. Robinson, Waxahachie, Tex.—by Elmer L. Cover, Pastor.

AUBURN, WASH.—Sept. 25—Oct. 14; Evangelists Carl and Edna Goodwin, Pomona, Calif. (John E. Southard is Pastor.)

OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLA.—Park Assembly, Oct. 7—; Evangelist A. N. Burns, Oklahoma City, Okla.—by E. W. Rethford, Pastor.

SAYRETON, ALA.—First Assembly of God, Sept. 30—Oct. 14; Evangelist Marvin L. Smith, Mobile, Ala. (Robert Gowins is Pastor.)

ST. LOUIS, MO.—South Side Assembly, Oct. 14; Sunshine Evangelistic Party of Covington, Ky. (Harry Myers is Pastor.)

DOWNERS GROVE, ILL.—Suburban Assembly of God, Sept. 23—Oct. 14; Evangelist Stanley Karol.—by D. A. Ross, Pastor.

BASTROP, LA.—Sept. 30—; Evangelists Cordelia Donnell and Mildred Holler. (J. E. Allen is Pastor.)

LAKE CHARLES, LA.—Glad Tidings Assembly, 712 Alamo, Sept. 18—Oct. 9 or longer; the Eskelin Family.—by Lowel Ashbrook, Pastor.

ATLANTA, GA.—Washington St. Assembly, Oct. 1—; Sunshine Evangelistic Party of Covington, Ky. (Jimmie Mayo is Pastor.)

PEARSALL, TEX.—Assembly of God, meeting in progress; Evangelist and Mrs. R. L. Whitworth.—by R. J. (Bob) Miller, Pastor.

WALLA WALLA, WASH.—Assembly of God, meeting in progress; Evangelist Fulton W. Buntain of Canada. (Dave Carlson is Pastor.)

HANKINS, N. Y.—Full Gospel Assembly Oct. 7—20; Evangelist Ed Menaldino of New York City.—by G. D. Morriello, Pastor.

MONTANA DISTRICT S. S. TOUR—Oct. 15—31, Raymond White, National Sunday School Representative. (Maryiann Sitton is District Director of Education.)

ILLINOIS DISTRICT S. S. RALLIES—Oct. 1—14; C. W. Denton, National Sunday School Representative. (F. H. Toliver is District S. S. Director.)

PORTLAND, OREG.—First Assembly of God, S. E. 20th and Madison Sts., Oct. 7—21; Evangelist Louise Nankivell.—by N. D. Davidson, Pastor.

WICHITA, KANS.—First Assembly of God, Lincoln and S. Main Sts., Oct. 14—; Evangelists Cordelia Donnell and Mildred Holler.—by Robert R. Morrison, Pastor.

BALTIMORE, MD.—Trinity Assembly, Harford Rd. and Parkside Dr., Sept. 30—Oct. 14 or longer; Evangelist Carl Brumback, Stanley, Va.—by A. H. Clattenburg, Pastor.

WASHINGTON, D. C.—Bethel Tabernacle, 12th and C Sts. S. W., Sept. 30—; Evangelist Anna B. Lock, Galva, Ill.—by Harry V. Schaefer, Pastor.

CHICAGO, ILL.—Bethel Temple, Lavergne (5000 west) and George (2900 north), Oct. 2—21; Harold Horton of England.—by W. L. Williams, Pastor.

SEQUIM, WASH.—Assembly of God, Sept. 25, for two weeks or longer; Evangelist Ferdie C. Jay, Wenatchee, Wash. (Ernest A. Welk is Pastor.)

MEMPHIS, TENN.—First Assembly, Sept. 30—Oct. 21; Evangelist William F. McPherson and Blackwood Brothers Quartet.—by James E. Hamill, Pastor.

COFFEE SPRINGS, ALA.—Marvin Chapel Assembly, Oct. 28—Nov. 4; Evangelist Marvin L. Smith, Mobile, Ala. (Penson Benefield is Pastor.)

DALLAS, TEX.—Revival Tabernacle, 1831 Richardson St., Sept. 26—; Evangelist and Mrs. Bobby McCutchen, Austin, Tex.—by Carl Callihan, Pastor.

OAKLAND, CALIF.—Revival Tabernacle, 421 10th St., Sept. 23—; Evangelist Roy Sapp and party of Monroe, La. (Cecil J. Lowry is Pastor.)

STATEN ISLAND, N. Y.—El-Bethel Assembly of God, Sept. 30—Oct. 14; Evangelist Edwin Anderson, Providence, R. I.—by Edward Schlossmacher, Pastor.

PLYMOUTH, IND.—First Assembly of God, 601 N. Michigan St., Sept. 18—Oct. 7; Evangelist and Mrs. Harold Duncan.—by William Van Winkle, Pastor.

GRAHAM, TEX.—Assembly of God, Oct. 14—28 or longer; Evangelist and Mrs. Edward Willis, Fort Worth, Tex.—(V. W. Marcontell is Pastor.)

AINSWORTH, NEBR.—Oct. 7—; Evangelist C. M. Smitley, Springfield, Mo.—by B. H. Armes, Pastor.

TALCO, TEX.—Meeting in progress; Evangelist W. L. Bates, Pep, N. Mex.—by C. I. Myers, Pastor.

WILLOUGHBY, OHIO—Assembly of God, Oct. 2—14; Evangelist Guy Phillips, Tulsa, Okla.—by C. D. Hirst, Pastor.

TORONTO, CANADA—Evangel Temple, Bond and Dundas Sts., meeting in progress; McColl-Gerard Evangelistic Party. (W. G. McPherson is Pastor.)

REGIONAL S. S. CONFERENCES of the Wyoming District, Sept. 23—Oct. 5. Victor Trimmer, National Sunday School Representative, speaker. (W. Neil McDaniel is District S. S. Director.)

FRESNO, CALIF.—Full Gospel Tabernacle, city-wide workers' training course, Sept. 30—Oct. 5; D. V. Hurst, Supervisor of Workers' Training Division of National Sunday School Department. (Floyd Hawkins is chairman.)

MINNEAPOLIS, MINN.—Seminar for sectional Sunday School representatives, at North Central Bible Institute, Oct. 8—9. Paul Copeland, National S. S. Director, 'speaker. (E. B. Adamson is District S. S. Director.)

SPRINGVALE, ME.—Sanford Full Gospel Tabernacle, Sept. 30—Oct. 14; Evangelist C. S. Tubby of Canada. Sectional Fellowship Meeting, Oct. 1. Robert Wallace, Sectional Presbyterian, speaking at 2:30 p.m. Maurice Q. Spencer is pastor.—by Arnold W. Scott, Secretary.

FINDLAY, OHIO—Sunday School Convention at First Assembly of God, Oct. 15—16. Speakers, Paul Copeland, National S. S. Director, and C. W. Denton, National S. S. Representative. (T. E. Hartshorn is District S. S. Director.)

BARABOO, WIS.—Gospel Tabernacle, 219 First St., Oct. 2—14; Evangelist and Mrs. Neale Sheneman, Oxford, Nebr. Missionary Convention, Oct. 18—21; Julius Olsen, Vera Swartztrauber and other missionaries speaking.—by V. N. Hillestad, Pastor.

COFFEYVILLE, KANS.—Homecoming and Anniversary of cornerstone laying, Oct. 7 and 8. Speakers include General Superintendent, Wesley R. Steelberg, and Kansas District Superintendent, V. G. Greisen. Services 10:30 a.m. and 2 and 7:45 p.m.—by Everette Ewing, Pastor.

SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION of the Northern California and Nevada District, Full Gospel Temple, Richmond, Calif., Oct. 2—4. Speakers, George Davis, National S. S. Representative, and Billie Davis, Associate Editor, "Our Sunday School Counsellor." (L. W. Suter is District S. S. Director.)

EASTERN DISTRICT PRAYER CONFERENCE—Pentecostal Church, 825 Green Ridge St., Scranton, Pa. Oct. 9—11. Services 9:30 a.m., 2:30 and 7:30 p.m. O. L. Harrup of Alexandria, Va., night speaker. For accommodations write Pastor F. F. Reidenbach, 825 Green Ridge St., Scranton, Pa.—by J. E. Jenkins, Prayer League Leader.

NEW YORK-NEW JERSEY FALL S. S. CONVENTIONS, Oct. 14—28. Victor Trimmer, National Sunday School Director, principal speaker. Other speakers: Thomas Brubaker, District Superintendent; Richard Bergstrom, District Secretary-Treasurer; and P. G. Barnard, District S. S. Director.

PLEASANT GROVE CAMP MEETING—Durant, Fla., Oct. 11—21. Thomas Paino, Indianapolis, Ind., guest speaker. Early morning prayer service under direction of Mabel Willetts of S.E.B.I. Missionary Rally Day, Oct. 19. Vesper Services conducted by Paul Paino. For information write M. L. Blount, Secretary, Durant, Fla.

ANNUAL CONVENTION, Pentecostal Fellowship of North America, Detroit, Michigan, opening with Youth Rally on Tuesday night, Oct. 30, and ending Friday night, Nov. 2. Night meetings in Cass Technical High School auditorium, Grand River Ave. Day meetings in Woodward Avenue Baptist Church. For hotel rooms or other accommodations, write Bernard L. Bresson, 1161 Withington Street, Ferndale 20, Mich. Enclose postage for reply.

LAUREL, MD.—Meeting in progress; Evangelists Paul and Evangeline Brndjar, Detroit, Mich.—by Alma B. Bryant, Pastor.

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TEXAS DISTRICT BIBLE CONFERENCES—Oct. 2 to Dec. 7. Services the First day at 10:30 a.m., 2:30 and 7:30 p.m.; services the second day at 10 a.m. and 2:30 p.m.

San Angelo Section, Oct. 2—3, First Assembly, San Angelo. Wichita Falls Section, Oct. 4—5, First Assembly, Wichita Falls. Fort Worth Section, Oct. 9—10, Hemphill Assembly, Fort Worth. Dallas Section, Oct. 23—24; Victory Assembly, Dallas. Greenville Section, Oct. 25—26, Full Gospel Tabernacle, McKenney. Paris Section, Oct. 30—31, DeKalb. Further announcement later. For information write Texas District Council, 1200 Sycamore, Waxahachie, Tex.—by J. O. Savell, District Superintendent.

NEW ADDRESSES

Pastor Claud L. Myers, 609 N. Chemical, Hutchinson, Kans.

Pastor L. C. Sloan, 180 W. Hart St., Buffalo, Wyo.

Larry Bottroff, 2102 E. Yale, Phoenix, Ariz. "Pastoring Bethel Assembly."

Howard R. Davidson, 3554 Raymont Blvd., University Heights 18, Ohio. "Pastor of Calvary Tabernacle, Cleveland, Ohio."

Robert C. Dock, 4863 Magoun Ave., East Chicago, Ind. "Pastoring Full Gospel Church."

Pastor James M. Cummings, Box 231, Bayard, Nebr.

Robert Bressette, Hammersly Forks, Pa. Harold V. George, 1009 N. Elm St., Centralia, Ill.

Pastor Norman L. Gardner, 0121 27th St., Lewiston, Idaho.

Pastor Maurice Burgund, Montgomery City, Mo. Preston Roberts, Route 1, Fairland, Okla. "Pastoring the Long Assembly."

Pastor Frank W. Simpson, General Delivery, Farmersville, Calif. "Building new church here."

Robert O. Cook, Box 6, Maud, Okla.

Pastor W. D. Clonts, Cromwell, Okla.

Pastor Troy A. Beavers, Box 861, Chester, Calif.

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Pastor Chester Strickland, Box 589, Canadian, Tex.

Evangelist C. E. Barr, 2815 Harding Ave., Granite City, Ill.

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T. J. Silva, 705 N. E. Stafford St., Portland 11, Oreg. "Pastoring Central Assembly."

James D. Bell, Box 1271, Winslow, Ariz.

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Pastor Lawrence Bradshaw, Box 301, Molalla, Oreg.

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MISCELLANEOUS NOTICES

RADIO PROGRAM—Station KGON, Oregon City, Oreg., 1230 kc., Sundays 9 to 9:30 a.m.—by Lawrence Bradshaw, Pastor.

RADIO PROGRAM—"The Old-Fashioned Gospel Hour," station WEAR, Pensacola, Fla., Sundays 9:15 a.m.—Mrs. Edna L. Glass.

NEW SECRETARY-TREASURER in Alabama District is A. L. Shell Jr., P. O. Box 2171, Montgomery, Ala. (Howard Trawick, the former Secretary-Treasurer, is now pastor in Enterprise, Ala.)

PENTECOST AND CHRIST'S RETURN

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something had happened. "After many days thou shalt be visited."

Russia stands now as an ugly threat to the whole wide world, towering in its military might. That is something recent. This Scripture has now been fulfilled: Russia is to be a great power "in the latter years." That has happened in the last ten years. It is a sign of the times.

"Thou shalt come . . . and many people with thee." Does Russia have satellites? Yes, all over eastern Europe, and down into Malaya, Tibet, China, and North Korea she has gone. All of these are her satellites. "Russia, come on, and many people with thee." That is what the Scripture says. Now she is gathering her people with her, ready for that final march.

She is opposed, too. Ezekiel 38:13 says that certain ones shall rise up and say, "Art thou come to take a spoil? We'll show you whether you are going to do this or not." So it has happened today that 52 out of the 60 nations of the United Nations have risen up and said, "No, you can't have South Korea. We resist you. We stand against you." She is now opposed as the Bible said she would be and she is gathering many satellites as the Bible says. Because of these things about Russia, I say it is the latter days.

Our hearts say so. Our minds say so as well.

Here is another sign. The religions of the world are indicating to us that we are approaching the end of the age. In the 13th and 17th chapters of Revelation, you will find the religions of the world bound together. The people are delivered from those false religions and now are bound together in the worship of the Antichrist. Whoever does not worship the Beast and his image shall be slain.

What has happened? When the American army captured Japan, Shintoism was thrown into the garbage can. The great Mikado admitted that he was not God after all. In that way God struck Shintoism to the ground. What about Confucianism, that millennium-old religion that held China in sway? The Red hordes of Communism are sweeping it away. Young China repudiates the old religion and accepts the new religion. Communism is destroying Confucianism and Taoism likewise. In recent months Russia has gone into Tibet, the old citadel of Lamaism, and Communism threatens to tear up that decadent religion likewise. "God is now crushing one after the other of these false religions, getting ready to bind them together in the worship of the Antichrist that is not very far away.

In Cleveland, Ohio, just last year, the Federal Council of Churches changed its name to the National Council of Churches and there were united with it the Home Missions Council, the Foreign Missions Council, the International Council of Religious Education, etc. Several groups came together to constitute a great super church. Ecumenicity they call it, a big word and a big business as these false religions are getting together.

Here is a verse over in Isaiah 54:15, "Behold, they shall surely gather together, but not by me." In this country empty religions getting together, the Arabs and the Roman Catholics getting together, Communism crushing heathen religions. The tares are being gathered in bundles, getting ready for this day that is just ahead. My friends, when anointed eyes look out upon the world's scene they tell us clearly that Jesus is coming very soon.

Now a brief reference to world government. In Daniel 2 and 7 and in Revelation 13 and 17 it is very clearly shown that in the days just before the coming of the Son of man there is to be a great, world-wide government. There has been none since Rome fell in A. D. 476. But the League of Nations a few decades ago and now the United Nations have constituted a kind of world government. You say it isn't much of a government because of the great division in it. I admit that, but nevertheless the nations are together in form and in name, and we have the world government of the last days in embryo. We have the nucleus of this world government over which the Antichrist will take charge when he arrives. This world government today has its own army in Korea. It has its own flag. It is a government that is preparing to stand strong against any attack that shall be made upon it in the future. There is the Atlantic Pact. Here is NATO, the North Atlantic Treaty Organization. American soldiers are stationed over in Europe, and a European army is being formed under General Eisenhower. They are all uniting together. This, my friends, is a clear advance toward that moment

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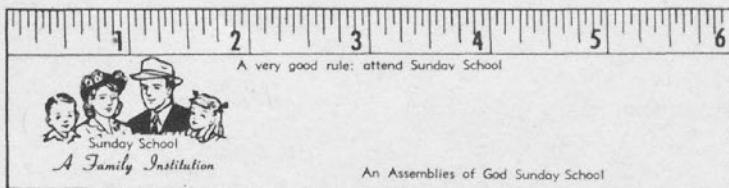
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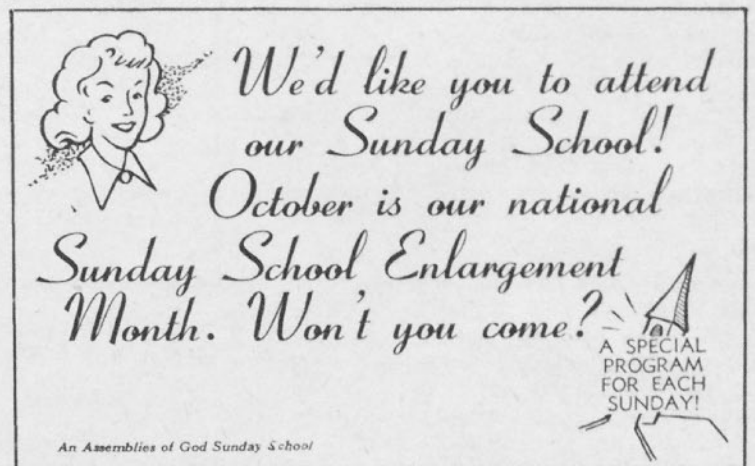


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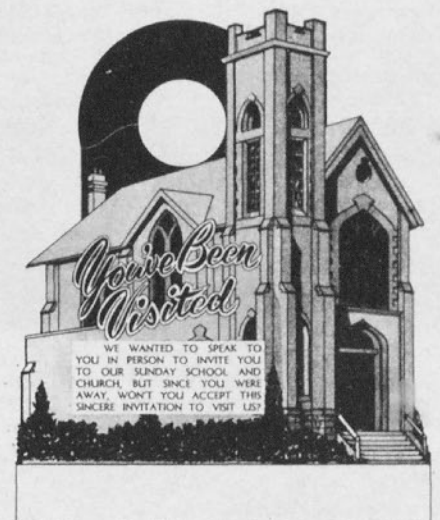
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THE TRAGEDY IN KANSAS

when the armies of the world under Anti-christ shall march against our Lord as He comes back in the clouds of heaven. It is not very far away.

For just a moment let me appeal to your wills. This truth has an appeal to our hearts, our minds, and our wills. What are we going to do about it? The kingdom is coming soon. Our hearts say so. Our minds say so. The signs of the times say so. What is our attitude? Let me warn you against two dangers in this regard.

One danger is to gaze up into heaven. "Why stand ye gazing up into heaven?" There was a group called the Millerites who put on white robes and went out on a mountain and expected Jesus to come. That was their reaction to the thought of the coming of Jesus. All they expected to do was to go out and meet Him. They thought they had discovered the date of His coming. They used the convenient so-called *prophetic yardstick* of 2520 years. Along came Pastor Russell using the yardstick and he said that Jesus came in 1914, if you please, the very year of the first world war. "Millions now living shall never die!" he said. What a travesty! What an insult to our intelligence! They have abused the doctrine of the second coming by setting dates.

Some of our own people have said: "We can't go to Bible School for Jesus is coming soon. We can't build a church. What is the use of a new building? Jesus is coming soon. How utterly contrary to common sense that is. It is logic in reverse. If Jesus is coming soon, then we must get up and work with intense activity. Jesus Himself said, "I must work while it is day. The night cometh when no man can work." The Lord wants us to occupy until He comes. He wants us to go out into the highways and hedges and bring people in. Let's not retire to some upper room and congratulate ourselves that we are different from other people. Instead let us intensify our missionary and evangelistic program and go into all the world with this gospel.

The Lord has actually told us that we can hasten His return. In Second Peter 3:12 (margin) we have it very clearly said, "Looking for and hastening the coming of the day of God." Jesus said, "This gospel shall be preached in all the world for a witness, and then shall the end come." God is waiting.

The longsuffering of our Lord means salvation for somebody. He is waiting for somebody to be saved. This evangelistic program of ours, this missionary program of ours, this home missionary program of ours, this Sunday school program of ours, is in God's will. He wants us to go full steam ahead into all the world, preaching the gospel, thereby to hasten His return.

I recently read an article on the second coming by Bob Jones Jr. He said: "The thought of the coming of the Lord stirs my heart. It makes me clear my desk every night. I must be caught up with my work. I

The recent flood tragedy in Kansas has been partially described in the *Evangel*, but though the language has been graphic and descriptive it is utterly impossible to actually describe the heartache, discouragement, anguish of mind, and intense suffering to which our own beloved brothers, sisters, pastors, and friends have been subjected. Churches, homes, personal possessions, for which many have labored and saved over a period of many years, were all swept away in a matter of hours, and all that now remains is the mud-caked debris, the vile stench of decaying animal carcasses, and the desolation which only flood, tornado, or fire can produce.

Because of extensive damage to industrial plants, many of our friends not only are homeless and without places of worship, but they are also without employment, and thus have no income. This means they must depend upon Red Cross and other welfare agencies for food, shelter, and clothing. I know that if this occurred in your community you would say, "Our brethren will not fail us now," and your faith would be fixed on the understanding and sympathy of your Christian brethren. Can we, then, fail to do for them what we would expect them to do for us if our circumstances were reversed?

must not let my work lag. I must not let His coming catch me with my work undone." Like the Negro spiritual, "See that sun, how he run. Don't let him get you with your work undone." I won't go as far as to say that those who are not caught up with their work won't be caught up to meet the Lord. But I will say we had better be busy doing the will of God when Jesus comes.

The other danger you and I face is going to sleep and forgetting His return. Remember that slothful servant that said, "My Lord delayeth his coming." Listen, my brother, I want to know what right you had to stop preaching the Second Coming. You say you made a mistake when you prophesied that Mussolini would be the Antichrist? That is no reason why you should stop preaching that Jesus is coming. Keep off those extreme limbs of interpretation. Keep on the solid Word of God, and keep on preaching that Jesus is coming. What right have we to let the people sleep in this midnight hour? He is coming, and our hearts are stirred by it. I say we must be on tiptoe, for our Jesus is coming very soon.

Brother Boddy, who was editor of the *EVANGEL* many years ago, was asked one day, "Who is going to be taken up when Jesus comes?" He answered sagely, "Those who are taken up with Him now." If you are taken up with Jesus now, and love Him with all your heart, and make His kingdom your chief concern, you will be caught up with Him when He comes. Peter prayed that when He comes we shall be found in peace and purity. "Wherefore, beloved, seeing that ye

Our *Evangel* readers have responded most graciously. To date approximately \$4,000 has been subscribed, but when we realize that the loss in church buildings alone exceeds one hundred thousand dollars, to say nothing of the homes and personal goods destroyed, we feel moved to appeal to every church, to every individual reader, to our whole Christian family, and to urge you to rally to this cause now and to send an offering, even though it may be small.

In these days of strange phenomena we do not know when the tables may be turned, so let us allow the same compassions to move us which Matthew 9:36 records moved our Saviour as He saw the multitudes faint and needy.

Don't delay, dear ones. Good intentions and sympathetic expressions are all good, but this emergency compels us to appeal for instant, generous sacrificial action. Cold weather is at hand. Do it NOW! Thank you.

All offerings should be sent directly to the Home Missions Department, % Fred Vogler, 434 West Pacific Street, Springfield 1, Missouri. Gifts of food, clothing, song books, preacher's books, canned goods, etc., should be sent direct to the Kansas District Council, 1009 South Broadway, Wichita, Kansas.

look for such things, be diligent that you may be found of Him in peace, without spot and blameless."

There is a beautiful illustration in Leviticus 25:16, the story of the Year of Jubilee. They held their possessions and counted them of worth according to the number of years until Jubilee. "According to the fewness of the years thou shalt diminish the price of it." Ah, how many years until He comes? That means that the price of things on this earth has gone down in proportion and they are not worth much any more. Don't place too much value on that job you are seeking, or that property you want to buy. It is all going to be swept away when Jesus comes.

When I was a boy, my chums and I used to go to the old swimming hole in the summertime. We broke into a run about a block away and we taunted each other about the last one in. As we drew near the pool we began to undress. By the time we got to the edge of the water there was not much more to strip. Just one jump out of our trousers and into the water we went. The nearer we got to the water the less we had on. Now friends, we are not very far from our goal. We are not very far from His return. Our hearts tell us. Our head tells us. The Word tells us. The Holy Ghost tells us. We are called upon to keep expecting. Love His appearing. Look for His appearing. Keep your heart filled with an eager, affectionate longing for His return. While you love Him get out and work for Him. With all that is within us, let us be busy. Let us be somewhere working for Jesus when He comes.