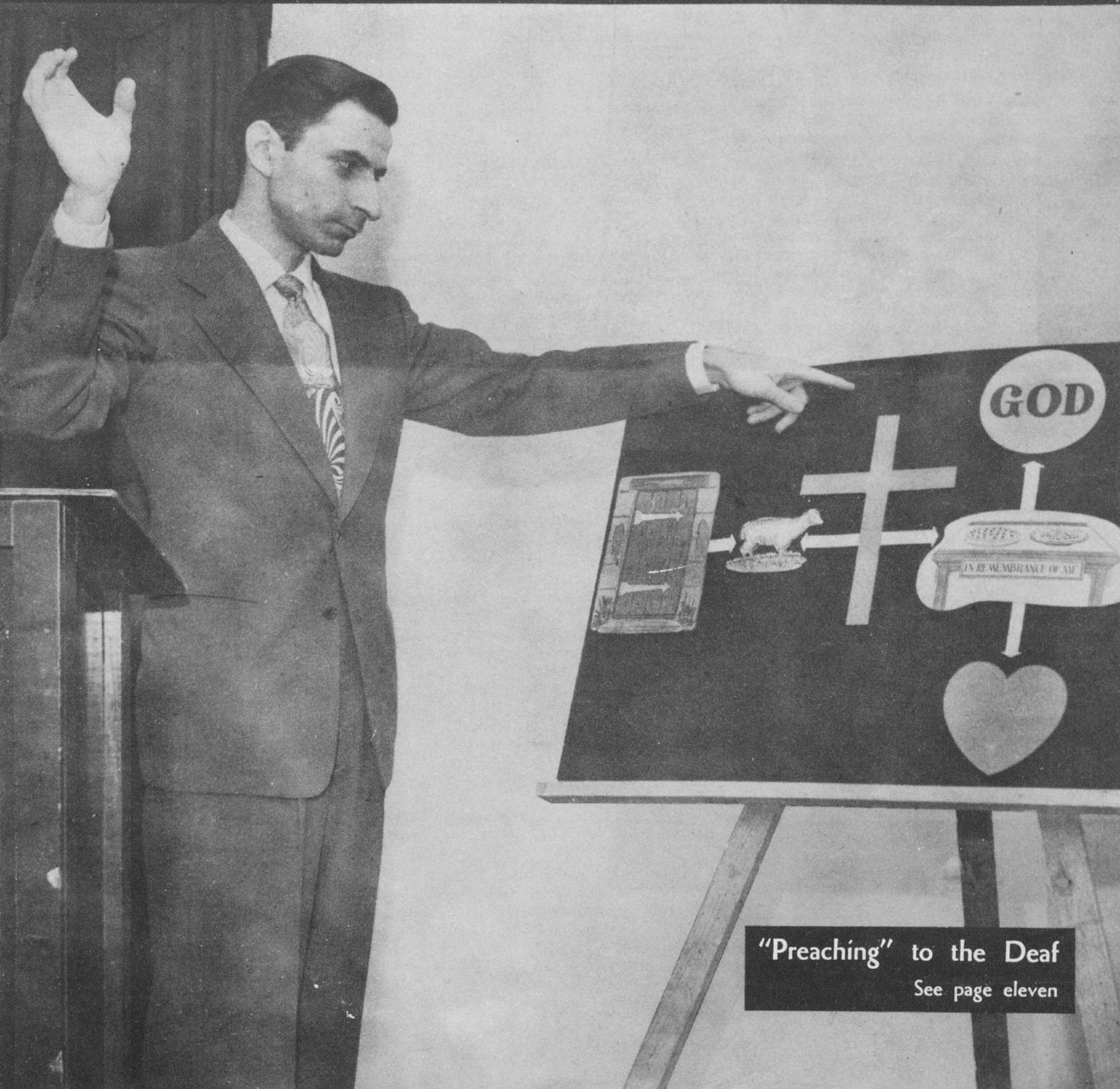


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NOT BY MIGHT, NOR BY POWER, BUT BY MY SPIRIT, SAITH THE LORD



"Preaching" to the Deaf
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PASSING and PERMANENT

NEWS BRIEFS FROM THE CHRISTIAN PERSPECTIVE

Building Permits Granted

The Government has relented in regard to the issuing of permits for the building of new churches. The National Production Authority is approving all projects for which application had been made prior to February 15, 1952, even though permits had been denied earlier. This means that during the second half of 1952, some 446 churches and religious bodies will be permitted to start new construction valued at \$101,647,000.

New Plan for Conscientious Objectors

More than 5,000 men of draft age, whose conscience will not permit them to bear arms, will be affected by an order signed last month by President Truman. It is a new program whereby conscientious objectors will be assigned to work that is channeled through religious and charitable organizations. The "peace churches" regard the new program as a tremendous advance over the World War II plan which placed conscientious objectors in Civilian Public Service camps.

"Best Seller" for the Blind

The Bible is still the world's best seller, even among the blind. A new edition of the "Talking Bible" has just been published, to be distributed by the Library of Congress and the American Bible Society. It is a series of phonograph records on which 36 books of the Bible are read aloud. It took four years to prepare. It is said that among the eleven hundred books for the blind that are listed in the catalog of the Library of Congress, the Bible has proven to be the most popular.

Geiger Counter Confirms Age of Bible Manuscript

Popular Science Monthly recently published an article of great interest to all who love the Bible. It concerned the Biblical scrolls found in a cave near the Dead Sea a couple of years ago. You may remember that one of the scrolls was the prophecy of Isaiah, and certain scholars hailed it as the oldest known manuscript in existence today. They said it was probably written more than nineteen hundred years ago, in the time of Christ.

Some doubted that it was so old. However a radio chemist at the University of Chicago, Willard F. Libby, has devised a technique for dating by radioactivity. He took a piece of the linen

wrappings in which the sacred scrolls were found and reduced it to carbon. Then with the aid of a Geiger counter he determined the age of the linen. He announced that the flax from which the linen wrappings were made was grown 1917 years ago. The scrolls were probably in use at the time of Christ—and the remarkable thing is that the wording of the scrolls agrees almost exactly with the wording of Isaiah's prophecy as it is found in our Bibles today. How marvelous is the way in which God has preserved His written Word throughout the centuries!

Bible Award for MacArthur

The Chicago Bible Society has given its Gutenberg award to General Douglas MacArthur. The award is a six-color facsimile page from the Gutenberg Bible. It will be presented annually "for outstanding service in the spread of the gospel." It was bestowed on General MacArthur because he "brought about the greatest mass distribution of Scriptures in modern times when, as supreme commander for the allied powers in Japan, he established the contacts and prepared the way for the Bible societies of the world to enter into Japan and distribute millions of copies."

"Christian Life" Contest

The results of the interdenominational Sunday School contest sponsored by *Christian Life* are announced in the March issue of that magazine. Six Assemblies of God Sunday Schools were among the prize-winners, as follows:

Class A, 800 or more members—Central Assembly of God, Springfield, Mo., grand prize; First Assembly of God, Memphis, Tenn., fourth prize.

Class B, 500 to 799 members—First Assembly of God, San Diego, Calif., fourth prize; Gospel Tabernacle, Minneapolis, Minn., ninth prize.

Class C, 250 to 499 members—Assembly of God, Broken Arrow, Okla., first prize.

Class D, 100 to 249 members—Assembly of God, Fontana, Calif., first prize.

There were 630 Sunday Schools entered in the contest, representing many different denominations in the United States, Canada, and Latin America. During the six-week contest period (Oct. 21 to Nov. 25, 1951) they reported a total increase of 110,000 in Sunday School attendance.

Christianity in Korea

A newspaper correspondent in Pusan, Korea, writes:

"The Christian church is growing enormously amid the terrible suffering, and daily prayer meetings held in Pusan are thronged with hundreds of worshippers, and more than a score of new churches have sprung up in warehouses, tents, private homes, outdoor groves. Besides church services, there are Bible-study classes and various mutual assistance programs.

"A year ago Pusan had one seminary and one Bible school. Today Pusan has four seminaries and three Bible schools.

"The religious fervor is described as an almost primitive Christian evangelism which takes the words of the Christian Testament literally.

"Over 400 refugee pastors from North Korea have led in the evangelism in South Korea, holding services, setting up refugee centers for those who have lost their homes, organizing shelters for the aged and orphans, starting schools.

"Many Bibles were lost in the hasty flight to the South, and after a recent shipment of 1500 Bibles was distributed, there was a near riot when the crowd found that there were not nearly enough to go around."

Bertrand Russell's Admission

In his recent little volume *The Impact of Science on Society*, Prof. Bertrand Russell makes an astonishing statement. He says:

"The root of the matter is a very simple and old-fashioned thing, a thing so simple that I am almost ashamed to mention it for fear of the derisive smile with which wise cynics will greet it—is love, Christian love, or compassion. If you feel this, you have a motive for existence, a guide in action, a reason for courage, an imperative necessity for intellectual honesty. If you feel this, you have all that anybody should need in the way of religion. Although you may not find happiness, you will never know the deep despair of those whose life is aimless and void of purpose; for there is always something that you can do to diminish the awful sum of human misery."

Wilbur M. Smith, writing in *Our Hope*, comments: "Few men in the twentieth century have been such consistent, bitter, scoffing enemies of Christianity as the mathematician and philosopher, Bertrand Russell. One statement from a man past seventy can never cancel the evil influences of thirty years of writing against Christ (but) the statement is a confession that for all these years he has been fighting the only thing that can bring hope to this world."

Meeting God by Appointment

THE CALENDAR OF REDEMPTION AS SEEN IN THE FEASTS OF JEHOVAH

T. J. Jones



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LEVITICUS is a book of "shadows of good things to come," which things are ours in Christ. In the twenty-third chapter of Leviticus we have a list of the *Feasts of Jehovah*. The Hebrew word "feast" means not so much a banquet as "a meeting by appointment." We have the same word in Exodus 25:22—"There I will *meet* with thee." God had an appointed time, place, and order in which to meet His people. These "appointed meetings" typify the whole story of redemption from start to finish: the sacred calendar of redemption; the pathway of the Church of the Lord from her rebirth to her arrival in the Eternal City.

There are seven feasts or "appointed meetings." God loves to meet His people, but it must be in the way that He has prescribed. It must be in God's place, God's time, and God's order. Notice the order of these appointed meetings.

I

The first "meeting by appointment" is the Passover (Lev. 23:4-5). The ground and foundation of our salvation is the slain Lamb. The slain Lamb is the starting point. It marked the birth of the nation of Israel, a beginning of months. They were now safely sheltered behind the blood. In the New Testament, Christ is our Passover. Here the penitent sinner meets God. God passes over him for Christ's sake. He is safe through the Blood. He begins with God. *Meet Him by appointment*—come to Christ today.

II

The next appointed meeting is the Feast of Unleavened Bread (Lev. 23:6-8). It is closely associated with the Passover and followed immediately upon it. For seven days they must eat unleavened bread. No leaven must be eaten. All leaven must be put away. They must search the house for leaven. Leaven in the Bible refers to the old life, hypocrisy, deceit, sin (see 1 Cor. 5:6-8). The teaching of this "appointed

meeting" is holiness of life. Surely, because of the blood on the door, the leaven must be put out. *Meet Him by appointment in holiness.*

III

The next appointed meeting is the offering of the Sheaf of the Firstfruits (Lev. 23:9-14). This typifies Jesus risen, the firstfruits of them that slept (1 Cor. 15:23). Notice that it was offered on the morrow after the Sabbath, the Sabbath being a Saturday. The morrow after the sabbath would be Sunday, the Lord's Day, Easter Sunday—Resurrection Day. For centuries His resurrection had been typified by this action of the Levitical priest waving the sheaf before God. *Let us meet Him in resurrection power.*

IV

The next "appointment" is the Feast of Weeks (Lev. 23:15-22), so called because it was a week of weeks. It began with the offering of the wave sheaf to this feast, and lasted 50 days. It was 50 days from Easter to Pentecost. That is why we use the word Pentecost. It is a Greek numeral for "50." On this very day the Holy Spirit fell. Have we "met" God by appointment in a personal experience of the mighty Baptism of the Holy Spirit?

After our Lord's resurrection, He was with them for 40 days, and then He ascended from Olivet and bade them "tarry" for "the appointed meeting" to receive the Holy Ghost. Ten days later the Spirit fell. They met Him by appointment in a vividly real experience. Have you met Him this way? In 1915 I met him this way and spoke in tongues by the Spirit. "*Be filled with the Spirit.*"

V

There was a long interval of nearly four months between the Feast of Weeks and the next Feast; that is, the Feast of Trumpets. There is doubtless a hint of the long interval between Pentecost and the end of this present age. The Feast of the Blowing of Trumpets began on the first day of the seventh month. Trumpets in the Old Testament were used for calling together special assemblies, as signals for the breaking up and journeying of the camp, and to sound an alarm in case of danger (see Num. 10:1-9). The trumpet was a war instrument (1 Cor. 14:8).

This "appointed meeting" of the blowing of trumpets typifies God breaking the silence of this dispensation in the end of the age. It announces last events, the warnings of God and the rapture of the dead and the living (1 Thess. 4:16), "caught up to meet the Lord in the air." This is the next "appointed meeting" for us. *Be ready. He is coming.* The church is to meet her Lord in the air.

VI

The Great Day of Atonement was the next "appointed meeting" on the tenth day of the seventh month (Lev. 23:26-32). It was the great "cleaning up" day in Israel, a day of humiliation, and a national day of expiation. The high priest entered the holiest on that day.

In regard to Israel, this typifies their restoration and cleansing as a nation. Applying this to God's saved people, it seems to shadow forth our appearance at the judgment seat of Christ. In view of this, let us take pains to *put things right* here and now, for we have an "appointed meeting" at "the Bema," the Judgment Seat of Christ.

VII

The last "appointed meeting" was the Feast of Tabernacles (Lev. 23:33-44). It was the closing feast of the year when all the labors were over. They made booths to remind them of their wilderness mercies. It was a time of unbounded joy. The harvests were over. It prefigures the harvest home (Rev. 21:1-8). God shall wipe tears from our eyes. The tabernacle of God shall be with men, in the city four-square, where we will meet. Here is the great goal of our exodus from Egypt's bondage—our entrance into the city of God, the eternal city. The pilgrim tent is folded up. "In heaven we'll forget all the toils of the way."

Meet me in the Eternal City. Meet God in all His appointed meetings till we arrive above.

Keep very quiet and close to Jesus, that the dust which the crowd is raising may not bother your eyes and dim your vision of His face.—S. D. Gordon.

If you keep on walking with God as Enoch did, your destination, too, will be heaven.

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My Canary Starved to Death!

The Lord sometimes teaches us lessons by letting us suffer the loss of things that are dear to us. He taught me a very important lesson through my canary.

Christ was the Head of our house, and every evening I felt I ought to read a Bible story to the children at bedtime. But having three little ones, the oldest just four and the baby ten months old, I had many duties and I permitted the Bible reading to be very irregular.

Each evening there would be one task or another to finish. I would say, "Oh, I'll read tomorrow night; I can't take time for it now." And as likely as not I would be just as busy the following night and would put it off again. As a result, the Bible reading became less and less frequent.

At this time I had a lovely canary—a charming singer, a gift from my husband. We called him Dick. Whenever his dish was empty he would chirp at the bars of his cage asking for food, and I would give him food and water. I was a busy mother and sometimes I would let him chirp a long time before I would feed him. Each time he chirped I would say to myself, "When I get this done I'll feed him," but there was always another task waiting for attention and Dicky would have to wait.

One day Dicky was not chirping any more. Suddenly I realized that he was quiet. Positively weak with fear, I ran to his cage to see. Yes, he was dead. No food in his dish. No water in his cup. I had let him starve to death!

I wept with remorse and shame. I talked to the Lord about it. He showed me that I was treating my children the same way I had treated the bird. Oh, I was giving them physical food, all right, but I wasn't giving them the Bible. I was always putting it off. Would I keep on that way until those little children were "dead" spiritually, for lack of spiritual food?

How my heart was torn as God showed me how I had failed. I promised Him faithfully that I would never again put off that Bible story at bedtime.

Each evening, by His grace, I read

to the children. For these past sixteen years I have kept my promise—and I am still keeping it, for five more precious ones have been added to our family. The Lord has taught us many lessons from the Scriptures during our evening reading.

I do thank God for teaching me the lesson before it was too late. Had I gone on carelessly neglecting the Bible reading we would have missed many blessings—perhaps some of the children even would have missed "the way" entirely!

Oh, mothers, let's be faithful to our high calling and plant the Word of God in our children's hearts!—(Mrs.) Dorothy Scovill.

Painting Mental Pictures

Day by day we are painting pictures on the memories of those around us.

A young soldier lad coming home from Korea told his mother what a comfort a certain memory had been to him during the long anxious nights at the battlefield. He had recalled how, when he and his brothers were little fellows, Mother had always gone to the piano just after tucking them in bed, and had sung them to sleep with gospel songs.

What kind of paintings are you hanging in the memories of your children?

A neighbor farmer wrote me, saying, "I think of your grandfather just about every day of my life, although he died many years ago. I shall never forget how he prayed with me as a lad when I was seeking Christ at the altar of our old country church. . . . I can still feel his big warm hand as he held my little hand while we walked together across the field to a neighbor's house for a prayer meeting. . . . I remember how he prayed. He never shouted, but many, many tears rolled down his cheeks as he led in prayer, and when he explained the Bible to us.

"In heaven, after I see my Saviour and thank Him for saving me, I want to look up your dear old grandfather. . . .

My father also hung a precious picture in my memory. I remember how often, before ever I knew the value of the Bible for myself, I would come into the house and see my father 'buried in

the book.' Often I laughed and said, "You'd think Pop had a brand new book, but it's always the Bible." In that mental picture that I treasure, my father and his Bible are inseparable.

Another picture hanging on the walls of my mind is of a great leather pouch and of a ruddy-faced man, with a pleasant smile, handling it. He was the treasurer of his church. Being a relative of his, though very much younger, I was at the house when he returned home after paying the preacher. Oh, the happiness with which he handled that tithe-pouch. Oh, the loveliness of his face. The children of the parsonage, as well as all the children of the church, loved and honored him.

The memory of that lovely face and the old leather tithe-pouch has been a great influence for good in my life. The picture hangs in my mind in a frame of pure gold.

Day by day we all are painting pictures on the memories of those around us. The little natural things that come spontaneously from our hearts are the pictures that we are hanging, whether we realize it or not. We can't help painting mental pictures. Will those pictures be a blessing?—Hermonine Hake.

Lighted Windows

The lighted windows of George Muller's orphanages were a constant reminder of God's faithfulness. A man and his wife who lived in Bristol, England, within sight of the famous orphanages, were encouraged to believe God as they looked at those windows. For eight months the man was out of work and received only a pittance to support himself and his family; but they kept trusting God and they never did suffer real want.

The light streaming from the orphanage windows in the dark night reminded them that the God who answered George Muller's prayers would also answer theirs.—H.O.

One of the shortest sermons in the world is preached by a traffic sign: "Keep Right." One of these may be seen in most any city, and most of the grief that is suffered in the city results from violating this sign.

Sin's smiles are more dangerous than her frowns.

A Continent at the Crossroads



For Africa the Choice Is Between Christ and Communism

H. B. Garlock

SURROUNDED by water and hemmed in at the north by a great desert larger than the United States of America, the major portion of Africa was sealed off for centuries from the outside world.

It was not until the latter part of the fifteenth century that travelers from Europe began venturing along the coast of the big continent. The Portuguese, having been given the advantage of a monopoly from the Pope to the seas surrounding Africa, were the first to discover the coastline. Henry the Navigator sailed as far as Sierra Leone before he died. Bartholomew Diaz reached South Africa, and Vasco da Gama sailed around the Cape and discovered portions of East Africa five years after Columbus discovered America. He eventually reached India.

Thus the Portuguese were the first to carry their religion and trade to the costal regions of Africa. They are reputed to be the first to engage in exporting slaves from Africa, which trade soon became so popular that many other nations joined in the shameful business. It has been estimated that between the sixteenth and nineteenth centuries no less than fifteen million Africans—men, women and children—were torn from their homes, captured like wild animals, and sold on the slave markets of the world. It is one of the darkest pages in human history!

While much of the coast of Africa had been discovered earlier, it was not until about a hundred years ago that Christian missionaries and explorers began penetrating the interior of the "Dark Continent." The task was long and hard. There are few rivers navigable from the mouth, and the disease-carrying tsetse fly made large portions impassable to pack animals. Few Europeans who succeeded in penetrating the country were able to survive the attacks of malaria and other tropical diseases. But messengers of the Cross braved the obstacles, and opened the continent to the outside world.

The missionaries were the first to bring the message of Christ's salvation to Africa's benighted people. At first they were received with skepticism or fear as the primitive people knew how many of their brothers had been carried

away by Arab and Portuguese slave raiders. To them all white men were the same. Not a few missionaries suffered martyrdom at the hands of hostile savages. But the gospel seed was planted and through the years it has borne an abundant harvest.

The missionaries were the first to establish hospitals and leper asylums and to train the natives in physical hygiene and better sanitary methods. Their work has been followed up by local governments and philanthropic agencies until thousands of lives have been saved and Africa's population greatly increased.

The missionaries were the first to teach the illiterate pagans to read and write. In fact, it is estimated that 85% of all education in Africa today is still in the hands of Christian missions. Mass educational programs are under way, however, and illiteracy is on its way out. Dr. Frank Laubach estimates that 40 million Africans will learn to read in this generation. Multitudes have become literate in a single generation. Many Africans who a few years ago



H. B. Garlock and Mrs. Garlock at the harbor in Monrovia, Liberia, with the Speed-the-Light Jeep furnished by the Assembly in North Hollywood, Calif. Brother Garlock is the Assemblies of God Field Secretary for Africa.

were naked, illiterate pagans, are now conscious of the fact that there are other races and other nations in the world besides their own. They have come face to face with twentieth century civilization as interpreted by Americans, Europeans and Asiatics who have come to settle among them and to traffic in the land.

The African youth of today has an insatiable thirst for education and is prepared to go to most any length to get it. He reads anything and everything he can get his hands on. The atheistic and Communistic propagandists know this and are flooding the country with their literature. Every other creed and cult is doing the same.

With the African's education comes a desire to be independent. He hears and reads of other races which like his own have been backward for centuries but have now received national and political independence. It is quite natural for him to join forces with other like-minded persons in a plea for self-government. As a result, a number of colonies in Africa are on their way to political independence whether the rest of the world is prepared for it or not. Inasmuch as most of the colonies in Africa have been under the supervision of democratic nations in the past, the African, in his quest for independence and self-government, is tempted to believe all the propaganda he hears about Communism. Why not try something new for a change? Because of this feeling, Africa provides very fertile soil for Communism today.

Paganism and illiteracy in Africa are rapidly becoming a thing of the past. The big question is, What will take their place? Materialism, nationalism and Communism are on the march. The devil is making his bid for Africa as never before. Will Africa go Communistic?

It was the Church of the Lord Jesus Christ that opened up Africa to the gospel, and she must keep it open. David Livingstone, who probably did more to heal the "open sore" of Africa than any other person, spoke to a class of students at Cambridge University on December 4, 1857 and said, "I know in a few years I shall be cut off in that country which is now open. Do not let

it be shut again. I go back to Africa to try to make an open path for commerce and Christianity. Do you carry on the work I have begun. I leave it to you."

By the help of the Lord we will keep the door open. Africa must not go Communistic.

The continent of Africa on the map resembles a great QUESTION MARK! The big question today is, *Christ or Communism?* What will our answer be?

To keep Africa's door open we must do these things:

1. We must establish Revival Centers and preach vital salvation through the Blood of Christ in the power of the Holy Spirit.

2. We MUST establish Bible Schools where those converted may study the Word

of God in order to rightly divide the Word of Truth.

3. We MUST establish indigenous, self-propagating, self-supporting and self-governing churches throughout the land.

4. We MUST translate and print the Scriptures and gospel literature in the language of the people, and sow the country down with it.

5. We MUST pray a Holy Ghost revival down on every missionary and national worker as they go forth in the name of the Lord.

6. We MUST give of our money that the tide of Communism may be stemmed and multitudes of souls be swept into the Kingdom of God before Jesus comes. May "too little and too late" never be said of us.

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Pastor Kishibe has been helping us in our Sunday morning services twice each month for several months. This past Sunday he was called to be the regular pastor of the church. We have waited some time for a pastor.

Our Christ's Ambassador leader, Ki-to-no San, filled with the Holy Spirit in late fall, will be entering our Bible School in Tokyo in just a few weeks—the third Christian to attend Bible School from our Kobe church. He had been attending a university.

One evening a young woman came to visit us at the orphanage. She opened her heart to us and we were able to lead her to Christ. "Oh, my heart is so light! I feel so different now," she exclaimed. Large tears streamed down her cheeks.

There is much evangelistic work to be done here in Japan, and the workers are so few!

Kobe Work Moving Forward

Florence M. Byers, Japan

MY ORPHAN family at the God's Love Children's Home at Kobe, Japan, is increasing. I now have quite a group of youngsters as you can see by the accompanying picture. The Lord has given me lovely children. Best of all, most of them have given their hearts to the Lord and are learning to trust Him. In their testimonies they tell of how He answers their prayers, helping them even in their school work.

The youngest girl of the Home, Shi-zu-ko, went to school for the first time today. Today was registration day for her; she will not have to return until April. She was given a mental test and came home telling about it, and the answers she gave.

Three-year-old Ichiro Chan, the youngest boy, says he will be lonesome when Shi-zu-ko enters school. He then will be the only child of preschool age in the Home unless God sends us others. You will remember Ichiro Chan as the little castaway with the blind protruding eye, received into the Home

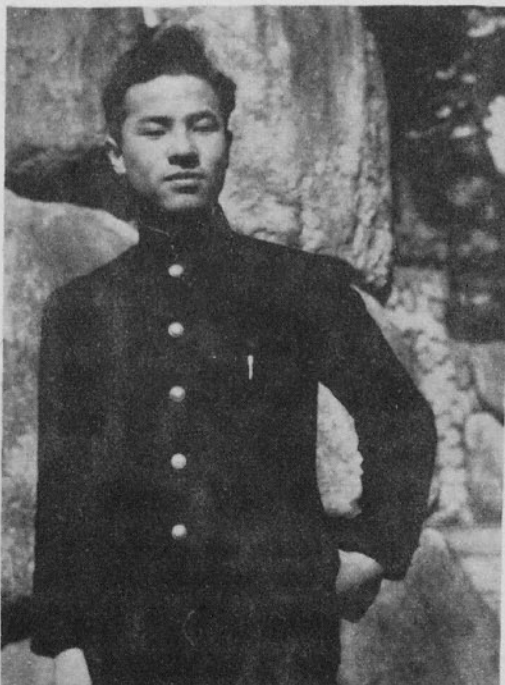
some time ago. (His picture appeared in the July 1, 1951 issue of the *Evangel*.) He has trachoma in both eyes. The better eye is becoming a bit cloudy and the doctor fears he may lose sight in that eye, too. Please pray that his sight will be preserved.

Early in January Miss Jessie Gillespy, who first came to Japan as a missionary more than forty-nine years ago, was with us for special meetings at our church in Kobe. Several of our young Christians were filled with the Holy Spirit, as was also the wife of Pastor Kishibe. Pastor Kishibe was saved under Miss Gillespy's ministry a number of years ago. He was in gospel work with her for a time. The pastor received the Baptism last December. He had made a special study of the Bible regarding the Holy Spirit, and the Lord had revealed to him that the Pentecostal experience was for every believer. In the small hours of the morning on December 14, he received his Pentecost. He was at the orphanage before seven o'clock to tell us about it.

REQUESTS FOR PRAYER

From Howard B. Hawkes, West Rupsa, Khulna, East Pakistan, come these prayer requests: "This week we accepted an invitation to visit the home of our Hindu milkman. While we sat drinking coconut milk and eating puffed rice, we watched the age-old method of threshing rice. Six oxen walked around and around over the stalks, tramping off the grains.

"Our milkman has cataracts forming on his eyes and he asked us what he should do. We pointed him to the Great Physician who is able to heal both soul and body. He has been witnessed to many times. Please put him on your prayer list. Also please remember the two-year-old daughter of one of the Christian families of the church. She has polio."



LEFT: Ki-to-no San, the Christ's Ambassador leader of the Kobe (Japan) church. This young man was filled with the Holy Spirit last fall. He is entering Bible School this year instead of completing his university training because he considers time short for Christian work. CENTER: Four candidates for water baptism from the Kobe church. RIGHT: Orphan children of the God's Love Children's Home at Kobe, and two Sunday School children (the latter are dressed in kimonos). The youngest orphan, Ichiro Chan, was having a nap at the time the picture was taken.



Mr. and Mrs. Garland E. Benintendi
Formosa



Mr. and Mrs. Morris O. Williams
Nyasaland, East Africa

MISSIONS ABROAD

NEWS OF OUR MISSIONARIES

Mr. and Mrs. Garland E. Benintendi returned to Formosa early this year. They have reached the field safely and send back this report of conditions there:

"Even though there are many missionaries here, there certainly is need for more. The bulk of the work being done is among the Mandarin-speaking people. It would be wonderful if two or three more couples could come and begin work in the Formosan dialect.

"The island is peaceful. The United States Air Force is overhead and the Seventh Fleet is around us.

"Everyone is wondering how the Korean situation eventually will turn out. Most missionaries seem to be working as though the time were short, yet making plans to stay indefinitely. I think in general the outlook is optimistic and I have talked with about forty of the missionaries."

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Mr. and Mrs. Morris O. Williams sailed February 25 for Nyasaland, East Africa. They will be stationed at Dedza where they formerly were located.

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Sixteen students were graduated from our Bible Institute in Mexico City on January 29. Most of the graduates already are actively engaged in the Lord's work.

Raymond D. Morelock, missionary to Mexico, advises that one of the great needs facing leaders in Mexico just now is for church buildings to house the congregations. Ten church structures have been started, but are unfinished—seven lack roofs. Between \$100 and \$150 in American money is needed for each roof. One congregation in Yucatan has been trying for four years to get enough money together for a roof.

A Revolving Building Loan Fund has been started for Mexico, which has helped some with the building needs, but not enough money has come back in to aid in the roofing of the buildings. Friends desiring to help finish the churches should send their offerings to the Foreign Missions Department, marked "Mexico Revolving Building Loan Fund."

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George H. Carmichael, field secretary for the Near East, left Springfield March 1 for a visit to the mission fields under his supervision. His first stop was to be at Athens, Greece. From there he expects to go to Turkey, Syria, Lebanon, the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan, and Iran. In May he will be dedicating a new church at Rezaieh, Iran. He is scheduled to attend the World Conference of Pentecostal Churches in London, England, from June 27 to July 5, after which he will return to Athens to make preparations for opening an evangelistic center there. He will be visiting Egypt before his return to the States.

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Mr. and Mrs. Harry Pennington, who sailed for the Nigerian field on the *Queen Mary* on January 23, have arrived in Africa.

Evangelizing in Europe

James E. Hamill

ROME, ITALY, February 13—Anthony Piraino of Rome, Peter Van Woerden of Holland, Norman Borge of Kearney, New Jersey, and I have just returned to Rome after a three-week tour of Italy. We went all the way down to the remotest corner of Sicily, traveling some 3,000 miles in three weeks and holding services in eighteen churches. Approximately five hundred persons turned to Christ in the meetings. Several were baptized with the Holy Spirit.

It is thought that if the *team* could have spent all this time in two or three centers of population, remaining a week or longer in each place, perhaps *thousands* could have been won to Christ in the same period!

We have never witnessed such hunger for the gospel as we have found in this country.

With the exception of two isolated villages, there has not been one place where we have ministered where we have been able to get all the people into the church building provided. In a number of places the pews were carried out so that more persons could get inside and stand for the services. The people have gathered early in the day for the night services. Some of our meetings started at five and six o'clock in the evening. There was no point in waiting longer, as no one else could get in the buildings.

Meetings have been advertised only by word of mouth.

We were the first Americans to preach the gospel in most of the towns and cities visited outside of Rome. Some of the churches have been visited by Italian-Americans who, incidentally, are doing a very fine work over here.

We have had varied and strange experiences, but our hearts have been filled with joy constantly as we have beheld the glow upon the faces of the Christians listening to God's Word. Approximately 25% of those who have been in our congregations have heard the gospel for the first time in their lives from us.

In Matera, a city of 40,000 population, church services were held in a cave of two levels. The city was built perhaps three thousand years ago on top of a series of caves. We had two meetings there and 160 persons accepted Christ. In another city we ministered

in a building formerly used as a stable. Sixty persons found Christ.

One young man told me of finding a New Testament lost by an American lieutenant during the war. He showed it to me. On the flyleaf was inscribed a message from the father of the soldier. The Italian could read English. Though a Roman Catholic, he read the New Testament. He became convicted of sin and gave his heart to Christ, then sought our pastor and began attending our services. He begged us to let him return to America with us to learn more about God. When we told him it was impossible he wanted us to take him along with us in Italy to teach him so he could tell his people about Christ. However, that too was impossible.

A member of one of the churches was with Mussolini's army that invaded Abyssinia. The Abyssinians testified to him of Christ and he was saved. The man returned to Italy to herald the glad message of Christ's power to save. These two stories re-emphasize the power of the Word of God in print and in testimony. Let's keep telling *the story* to everyone we meet.

Italy provides opportunity for reaching the masses, though evangelicals are persecuted. The new constitution of Italy provides religious liberty for all, but certain ecclesiastical powers are opposed to the Assemblies of God—the largest Protestant body in Italy. Pressure is brought on the police to close our churches and arrest the ministers. The evangelicals have been harassed and frightened.

At one place the church had been closed and the pastor had been warned against having gatherings. He especially was warned against having our service, but we went ahead with it. The priest had threatened to excommunicate all who attended, but the building was packed beyond capacity. Eight persons came to Christ. No policeman showed up.

There are many courageous and faithful Christians in this land, but the work needs your prayers. Pray for full religious liberty. Pray for more trained and Spirit-filled workers.

Peter Van Woerden, Norman Borge, and I will be going to Switzerland for two weeks beginning February 17. Please continue to pray for Europe.

Lights and Shadows on the Pilgrim Way

A. G. Ward



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OFTEN, in the early days of my association with the Pilgrim Way, I prayed—"Lord, make me as holy as a pardoned sinner can be made, and fill me as full of Thy life and love as Thou art willing to fill me."

Little did I realize at that time what a variety of experiences it would take to fully answer my prayer—lights and

shadows, clouds and sunshine, and the end is not yet. The past year has been largely one of clouds. Of course, the sun has been shining all the time, but the clouds have made it very difficult to see the sunshine. However, I am sure that:

"Our burdens are but blessings in disguise;
Through battle, smoke and fire, we win
the prize.

The weights of glory come from weights
of woe;

Our Edens, from transfigured thorns below.
O suffering saint, take up the trying things,
Until they grow from weights to heavenly
wings."

More than a year ago, my wife became seriously ill, and more than once in these past months it seemed as though she was about to leave us. After well nigh forty-five years of happy wedded life—working hard together and praying things through together—you can imagine how I felt as I contemplated making the rest of life's journey alone. May I now share with you the Lord's dealings with me during this time of testing and tell you how wonderfully God led me while the clouds continued to gather blackness over our home.

Often I had read and quoted the words of Scripture, "I will trust and not be afraid." But now those words took on a new meaning. First, "I will trust," with emphasis on the word *will*. In my days of public ministry, many times I preached from the subject, "Man's Free Will," and called attention to the dignity of ability and the awfulness of responsibility involved in the same. Again and again I told people that being moral beings with free will meant that we had it within our power to live above the world and sin; I said that no force on earth or elsewhere could prevent us from yielding to God and living a victorious life, if we would to do so. Now I came to see that faith itself is largely a matter of the will. Faith is not finally mental or emotional, but volitional. Faith is ultimately an act of the will. It is the result of a great moral surrender to the Lordship of Jesus Christ. Faith grows in the soil of obedience. Therefore,

again and again during the past months of sore trial and severe testing, I found myself saying, "I will trust." So many things seemed to suggest that I was wrong, that victory would never come, that it was senseless to be so persistent, but my heart kept repeating, "I will trust."

I am so glad it is our privilege to believe God in all circumstances. Fortunately, we were created with the ability to put God's Word to the test, and anyone who will dare to believe what God says in His Word will find that he is on safe ground and that all heaven is at his back. Soon he will be singing:

"Trusting is like breathing here,
Just so easy. Doubt and fear
Vanish in this atmosphere;
And life is grand—and life is grand."

Having scored a victory in the matter of faith, our next step was to say, "I will not be afraid." Fear is an awful thing; it has such contracting power. It causes one to shrink from life's experiences, to dread the approaching storm. Fear certainly hath torment. One night I was awakened out of a sound sleep and immediately I found myself in the awful presence of what seemed like the great giant "fear." I was frightened until I heard my Father's voice saying, "Fear not, for I am with thee; be not dismayed, for I am thy God. I will strengthen thee, yea, I will help thee; yea, I will uphold thee with the right hand of my righteousness."

On another occasion, after a restless night and almost dreading the approach of a new day with its multiplied cares and fiery trials, as I lay musing, the Spirit spoke to my heart and said:

"There is a place where we may rest
Near to the heart of God;
A place where we may be so blessed,
Near to the heart of God.
Jesus, only Saviour, dwell with us forever.
Then our home will always be
Near to the heart of God.

"There is a place of safe retreat
Near to the heart of God;
Where we may laugh, or we may weep,
Near to the heart of God.
Jesus, blest Redeemer, sanctify forever.
Then our life will always be
Near to the heart of God.

"There is a place of calm repose
Near to the heart of God;
Where we are hidden from our foes,
Near to the heart of God.
Jesus, Mighty Healer, praise His name forever.
May we now and ever be
Near to the heart of God."

Early in my wife's illness, I was invited by that splendid Christian gentleman, Pastor George Moore, to speak in his church in Ann Arbor, Michigan. While preparing for

the services, my attention was drawn once again to a passage of Scripture found in the first chapter of the "Song of Songs." I had preached from it before, but now it, too, seemed to take on a new meaning. Little did I realize at the time that it was to play such an important part in our fight of faith which was to follow.

The words of Scripture which impressed me so were, "We will be glad and rejoice; we will remember."

"We will be glad"—again I faced the question of my free will, and recognized that I possessed the ability to be glad and was responsible for so doing. But how could I be glad! Everything seemed so sad, and did not sadness seem a more appropriate spirit than gladness? But Christians have no right to be gloom-spreaders; it is our privilege to be light-bearers. We misrepresent our religion and our Lord when we give place to sadness rather than to gladness.

But someone says: "May I not be sad if I choose to be?" Certainly, you are a free moral agent—but remember this: sadness does not end with being sad. Sadness robs us of our peace, our joy, our victory, and, if indulged in long enough, may destroy our health. Dress up in sackcloth and ashes and go out on the battlefield and the enemy will defeat you before sundown, but put on your choral robes and go forth to battle with the praises of God on your lips and you will remind the devil so much of an electric instrument charged with gladness that he will hesitate to come too close to you lest he be electrocuted.

Having learned this new lesson in gladness of heart, even when all outward circumstances seemed so sad, we were ready to advance a step further and enter into a new realm; namely, that of giving audible expression to the gladness within our hearts. This is not always easy, especially when we do not feel like it. But feeling has nothing to do with it. "We will rejoice" whether we feel like it or not.

Rejoicing, without feeling, is one of the highest expressions of faith, but we are such creatures of the sense life (that is, we go so much by what we can see, hear, and feel, and by what we can reason out). Now faith is not contrary to reason, but it is often far above reason. So "we will rejoice" even when all our senses mock our efforts and reason says we are entirely wrong.

God is faithful; His Word is true. It is always safe to trust Jesus; He will never let us down. The heavens may fall and the earth crumble beneath us, but God is on the throne and no power can prevent Him from keeping His covenant with His people. "We will rejoice" even when it seems the most ridiculous thing to do, just as we will obey when to do so seems impossible.

We are called to do the impossible. I

visited a lady one day who was in great physical distress from a throat affliction. She could not swallow anything. I ordered a glass of milk for her, then asked her, in the name of the Lord, to fill her mouth with the milk. Then I said, "Now in Jesus' name swallow it." She obeyed and was instantly healed. Just so, we can rejoice no matter how we feel, for in the final analysis, rejoicing is also a matter of the will. The enemy may suggest that for one to rejoice when he does not feel like it is hypocritical. Nonsense—there is no hour in the day and no moment in any hour when it is not perfectly legitimate and Scriptural for God's children to audibly express praise and thanksgiving.

Praise is spiritual oxygen, and how badly it is needed in many places these days. During my long years of public ministry, I frequently got into assemblies where all the spiritual oxygen had long since been used up. The people were in a state of spiritual semi-stupor. Everything seemed almost lifeless. Then I would begin praising God and release some spiritual oxygen until in a little while the entire meeting would be oxygenated and new life would come into the service.

"We will rejoice," and often by doing so cheat the enemy out of what otherwise might easily prove one of his greatest victories. Remember that here, as elsewhere, you are responsible to put your will to work and make it rejoice whether you feel like doing so or not. God says in His Word, "Rejoice in the Lord always, and again I say, Rejoice." If it were impossible for us to do this, God would not require it of us. Let us remember that "God's commands are His enablers." He does not say we are to rejoice in our circumstances, nor in our environment, nor even in our successes, but in the Lord.

There was one further step in our recent fight of faith; namely, "We will remember." What a wonderful piece of mechanism the mind is—it is our most amazing faculty and our memories are often our most sacred

treasures. Yet the mind is capable of strange quirks. Often, it will remember the things it ought to forget and forget what it should remember. Therefore, it requires not only careful training but very firm discipline. Here once again the will must be brought into play and the mind must be made to obey—"We will remember."

What experiences we each have had. We are born to have experiences and to get the right interpretation to them. How wonderfully God has led us! How miraculously He has provided for us! How many times He has healed us! Sometimes He has raised us up almost from death. Again and again He has answered our prayers and we have thought at the time we would never forget such experiences. But so often, when the shadows grow dark and our Lord hides His face for a season, instead of saying, "We will remember" or we will recall our past deliverances and answers to prayer, we begin to dwell on the unpleasant days that may be past, on the difficult times we have had somewhere along life's trail, and soon we find ourselves busy handling the soiled rags of past disappointments, while alas, our beautiful casket of rare jewels may have been thrown out the window of forgetfulness.

"We will remember!" God has been so much better to us than we deserve. The Pilgrim way has far surpassed our fondest dreams. The revelations of Divine love and infinite compassion have surprised our noblest expectations, and the end is not yet.

Over in "yonderland" things will be vastly different from things here. No more sadness, no more heartaches, no more partings, no more pain, no more misunderstanding—just one long eternal day in the wonderful presence of our Lover Lord and His redeemed and blood-washed children. "We will be glad and rejoice; we will remember."

"I am thinking today of our home far away
Where the saints of all ages will gather;
When life with its testings and trials is o'er,
Where everything then will be brighter."

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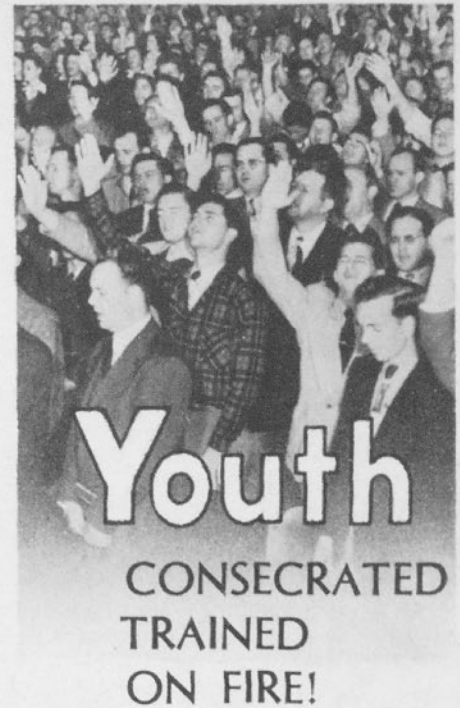
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SUNDAY'S LESSON

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

THE TEST OF DISCIPLESHIP

Lesson for March 30

Mark 12:28-34; John 13:34, 35; 15:10-14

In our lesson of two weeks ago we had the account of a certain lawyer who asked Jesus which was the greatest commandment. He had done so for the purpose of tempting Jesus (Luke 10:25). Today we have a scribe asking a similar question. When the lawyer made his request, Jesus so answered as to make the lawyer answer his own question. He knew the lawyer was not sincere.

In the lesson for today Jesus did not parley. He had before Him an honest heart asking an honest question, and without hesitation He gave him the needed answer.

1. Impression of Truth

The Sadducees who denied the existence of spirits or a resurrection of the dead had come to Jesus with a question which they thought would certainly be unanswerable. They told of a woman who had had seven husbands. Each husband had died, and they wished to know whose wife of the seven she would be in the resurrection. So material and unspiritual were they in their thinking that they supposed life in the hereafter would be much as life here and now, if there were such a thing as a resurrection.

Jesus defended both the resurrection and life after death. He said that in the resurrection life will be on a different plane from life here. All will be spiritual and marriages will be no more (Matt. 12:25). But God is not the God of a future resurrection only; He is the God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, who are clearly inferred to be living. If He is the God of the living, then Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, although having died physically, are alive in spirit in the Paradise of God.

As this scribe heard the question of the Sadducees and the answer of Jesus, he perceived that He had answered them well and he asked Him, "Which is the first commandment of all?" (v. 28). Honest people may learn much by listening to Divine truth with open hearts. Prejudice and self-conceit keep many from the things of God.

2. Desire for Truth

Jesus was in the midst of hostility when the Sadducees asked Him the question concerning marriage. Throughout His ministry He was attacked by those who sought something from His lips by which they might accuse Him. Let us remember as Christians that the world is watching our words. May we carefully guard the truth, seeking never to veer from sound doctrine, and may our lives endorse our words.

While many of these religious leaders questioned Jesus only with the hope of obtaining something which they could use against Him,

there were those of their number who were hungry for truth. The scribe of our lesson was one of these. Jesus gave him no reproof. All that He said was such as would encourage him to press into the kingdom of God.

3. Comprehension of Truth

As Jesus quoted the great commandment of love for God and for one's fellow man, the scribe said, "Well, Master, thou hast said the truth." (See verses 32-33 for the entire reply of the scribe.) How comprehensive it was! To love God with all the heart and your neighbor as yourself is more than all burnt-offerings and sacrifices. The scribe saw that practical, consistent living in devotion to God and helpfulness to his fellow men was far greater than all the ceremonies of religion, even ceremonies of sacred origin. It was God who had instituted the ceremonial laws, who had provided the sacrifice of animals as part of His worship, but if these were offered without devotion to Him and devotion to His cause it became but an empty form.

Applying this to our day, we must realize that water baptism, the Lord's Supper, church membership, attending services, all of which are divinely appointed means of grace, are emptiness if they are not followed by lives which exemplify the manifestation of the love of God.

4. Purpose of Truth

Truth is not given merely to satisfy our minds and win our mental consent. Truth is intended to do more. It is given to move our inner beings and to bring us into the kingdom of God. When the scribe said, "Thou hast said the truth," Jesus answered, "Thou art not far from the kingdom of God." How near this scribe was to salvation! I wonder if he ever entered in. Did he go on into the truth, or did he withdraw and miss its blessing? God alone can answer this question concerning him, but we may answer the question concerning ourselves. The great message of Jesus was of the kingdom of God. The great cry of His heart was, "Come unto Me, all ye that labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest" (Matt. 11:28-30). Have we come and have we entered into His rest?

5. Summary of Truth

When Jesus taught in Israel He raised the standard of righteousness to the standard of the law. Men should love God with all their hearts and their neighbors as themselves. When He gathered His disciples about Him before His denial and betrayal, He said unto them, "A new commandment I give unto you, that ye love one another; as I have loved you, that ye also love one another" (John 13:

34). The command, "Love your neighbor as yourself," made provision for sanctified self-love—"As ye would that others should do to you, do ye even the same unto them." The new commandment went further. They were to love even when unloved. They were to be faithful even when rejected and denied. How beautiful is the testimony concerning Jesus—"Having loved His own which were in the world, He loved them unto the end" (John 13:1). To demonstrate that love He took the place of the lowest servant and washed the disciples' feet. What was the lesson to us? That *by love* we should *serve one another*. I wonder how far we fall short. Oh, that God would fill us with His love.

6. Obedience to Truth

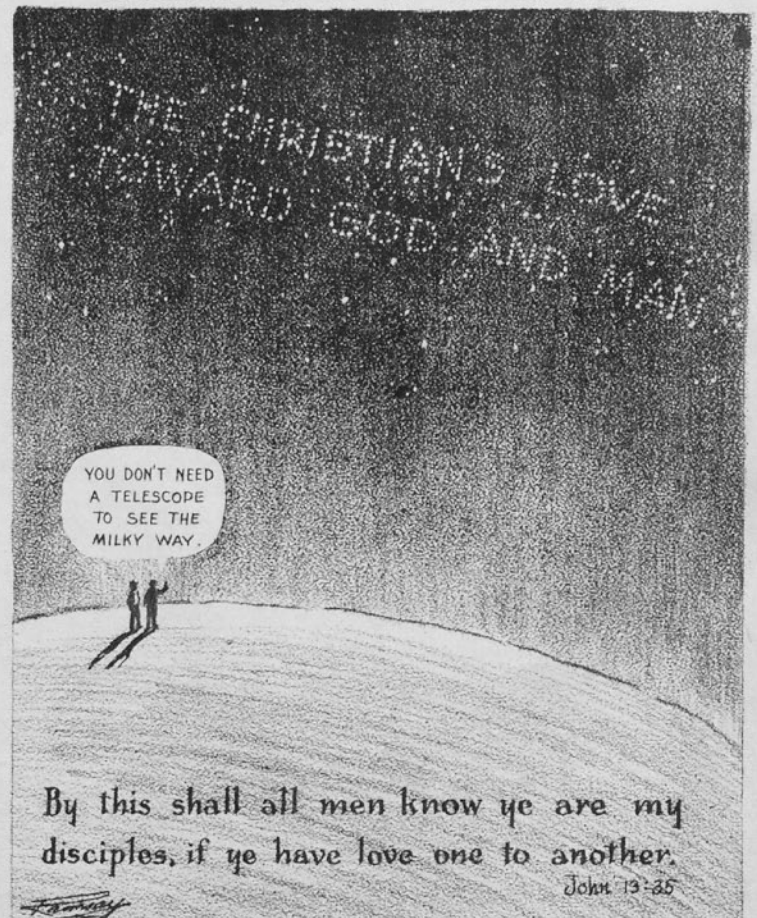
If we love others in the measure that Christ has loved us, think how it will revolutionize our lives. Our every action and word will speak of love. Jesus said, "If ye keep My commandments, ye shall abide in My love" (John 15:10). If we love Him we will obey Him. Christian love always develops character. Love that compromises with sin is not Christian love. Jesus could say, "Even as I have kept My Father's commandments, and abide in His love." He proved His love for the Father by His obedience. God is love, it is true, but God also is holy. He who walks in love must walk in uprightness and in truth.

THIS WEEK'S LESSON

The Holy Spirit—Our Helper (lesson for Sunday, March 23). Lesson text: John 16:7-15; Galatians 5:16-23.

If you have two rugs in your room, one before the mirror and one before the bed, which one will be worn out first?—*Sel.*

BRIGHTEST SPOT IN THE UNIVERSE



MISSIONS AT HOME

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THE GOSPEL FOR THE DEAF

Lottie Riekehof was a church worker in Calvary Gospel Tabernacle, Washington, D. C., back in 1946. While she was naturally concerned for all departments of the church, she became particularly interested in the class for the deaf, conducted by Mrs. Coila Soules. As Sister Riekehof came to know the worker better, her interest in the deaf grew—and a burden and vision of the need for taking the gospel to the deaf grew also.

Following the leading of the Lord, Sister Riekehof enrolled in Gallaudet College, the only college in the world for the deaf. Here she not only learned the sign language but became qualified as a teacher of the language as well. On week ends while still in school, she commuted between Washington, D. C., and New York, as well as her home in Elizabeth, N. J., bringing the Gospel to the deaf in various Assemblies.

About the time Sister Riekehof finished the course at Gallaudet College, John W. Stallings, now superintendent of the Christian Deaf Fellowship, came to Springfield and presented the need of training workers in this field. He recommended to the executive brethren that they place Sister Riekehof in Central Bible Institute as an instructor in the sign language.

Meanwhile, Sister Riekehof was looking to the Lord for guidance as to what should be the next step in the deaf work for her. When she received the letter of invitation to become an instructor in sign language at CBI, she accepted it as from the Lord.

Thus classes in sign language were begun in the fall of 1948. God has blessed this move, and to date more than two hundred workers have been trained in the sign language. There are between fifty and sixty in the classes at C.B.I. at present. Similar credit is given for sign language as for any other language.

A number of the students who have learned the sign language and have graduated are now active in deaf work in various Assemblies of God churches, as well as in state schools for the deaf. Among these is S. Wayne Shaneyfelt, who graduated in June, 1951. Brother Shaneyfelt is working at present with Pastor U. S. Grant at the Full Gospel Tabernacle, 7th and Riverview, Kansas City, Kansas. Here is Brother Shaneyfelt's testimony as to how God led him into deaf work:



S. Wayne Shaneyfelt forming the character in the sign language that means "Word."

"I was a student at CBI, looking forward to entering a pastoral ministry. I wasn't interested in studying sign language at first,

because I felt that to work with the deaf would be to work in a very limited field, and I wanted to have a wider ministry. Then one day my roommate asked me to take a carload of deaf friends to a special rally for the deaf. It was then that I first saw the need for workers among the deaf. Although I still had no thought of taking it up as a life work, it occurred to me that every pastor should know the sign language, as it would enable him to minister to the deaf in the community he served. I felt that no matter what my ministry would be, it would be expanded if I knew the sign language. To make a long story short, I took the course, and it broadened my vision; it brought me into a consecration to full-time work among the deaf."

Our brother's testimony could be repeated with some variation by many other students who first entered the class without realizing the possibilities of this needy field.

In the course of a recent discussion in our Home Missions office between members of the Home Missions Department, Brother

COVER PICTURE

The cover picture shows Robert Nathan, a deaf student attending Central Bible Institute. He is teaching with the use of visual aid at the deaf Sunday School class at Central Assembly in Springfield, Missouri. The character in the sign language that his right hand is forming is "Cross."

Be sure to read the accompanying article on this page. It will challenge you to take the needs of the deaf upon your heart.

Shaneyfelt, and Sister Riekehof, several suggestions were made relative to gospel work among the deaf.

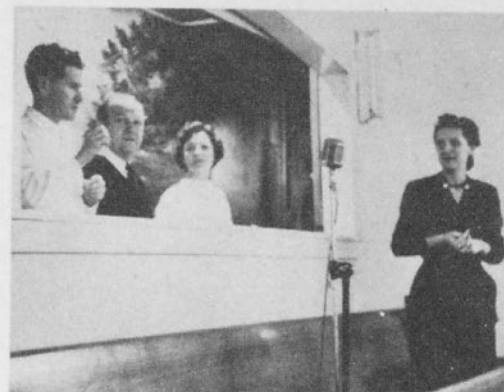
Due to the fact that the deaf are so scattered, the work is not usually self-supporting. For that reason, many churches and individuals are at a loss to know how to begin and maintain such a work. It is suggested that in every local Assembly there should be someone who knows the sign language. This could well be some consecrated young person who, while not feeling a call to full-time service, nevertheless is willing to devote time to learning the sign language and thereby to carry on a special ministry within the local church.

Since it is considered by many to be highly unsatisfactory to attempt to learn the sign language by correspondence, the prospective worker would do well to attend C.B.I. for one semester (preferably two) in order to learn the language.

Perhaps the local church could send this student, and then, as he goes back to the home church, that church's ministry will be broadened to include the deaf.

Possibilities of ministry among the deaf include:

- (1) Teaching the deaf in Sunday School classes.
- (2) Conducting Vacation Bible Schools for deaf children. (This has been done successfully for two years in Portland, Oregon.)
- (3) Interpreting for the deaf in regular and revival services.



This picture was taken last month at Central Assembly in Springfield during a water baptismal service. It shows a deaf couple, Franklin Hyler and Mrs. Hyler, about to be baptized by Pastor Emil A. Balliet. Brother Hyler is giving his testimony in the sign language and Lottie Riekehof, Instructor in the Sign Language at Central Bible Institute, is interpreting for the benefit of the hearing congregation.

(4) Pastoring the deaf where there is a sufficient number to warrant having services of their own, separate from the hearing congregation.

(5) Supervising deaf children in state schools for the deaf. Some of our own workers who have gone out from C.B.I. are now working in this capacity, and with very good results. State schools for the deaf have written C.B.I. in the hope of obtaining our students for such positions.

(6) Evangelists knowing the sign language may also enlarge their ministry. For example, Evangelist Joe Ragsdale was in a revival service in one of our Southern cities. Someone in the church knew the sign language, and through this Brother Ragsdale became interested and burdened for the deaf. He learned enough of the language to carry on a limited conversation. Now as he goes to various churches, he finds the deaf and interprets for them as best he can. These groups, brought together by an evangelistic campaign, could become a permanent part of the local church if there were a trained worker to take charge when the evangelist is gone.

As one worker said, "Studying the sign language doesn't limit any man's calling. In fact, it enlarges it."

Even as we enlarge the ministry of our own churches to the deaf, a number of calls for help in organizing workers among the deaf have come to us from Europe. In response to these appeals, your Home Missions Department hopes to send two representatives of our own deaf work to Europe this summer. In order to do this, we will need finances specially designated for the expenses of these workers. Friends and relatives of the deaf may wish to help in this endeavor. We cannot ignore this call, for the deaf of Europe also have souls which must be reached with the gospel. Your offerings for this purpose should be so designated and sent directly to the Home Missions Department (Fred Vogler, Director), 434 West Pacific St., Springfield 1, Missouri.

DEAF REACHED IN GRAHAM MEETINGS

Four times a week during the recent meetings conducted by Evangelist Billy Graham in Washington, D. C., Brother William Ethridge of the Assemblies of God interpreted the mes-



FIRST ASSEMBLY, BRISTOL, VA.

The First Assembly of God in Bristol, Virginia, is located in "Pentecostal Park." The Park is one city block in size and fronts on the Lee Highway. It was in 1930 that this block of land was purchased. On it the congregation has built a church 80 by 100 feet, out of river stone.

J. E. Rasnake, a former pastor, returned to the pulpit last July. Since that time the church has built nine new Sunday School rooms, and has added a vestibule and steeple to the building. A new heating plant has been installed and a room added to the parsonage. Over \$1,200 was spent to blacktop a large parking lot.

sages for the deaf. God blessed this ministry, and thirty-two deaf accepted Christ during the campaign. Sister Fern Rolfe, another one of our workers, is assisting in special evening classes conducted at Washington Bible Institute for these new deaf converts.

At Roanoke and Lynchburg, Virginia, February 19-26, Sister Rolfe ministered to the deaf in connection with the Oral Roberts meetings, and twenty more deaf found the Lord.

While these numbers may not sound very large, the ratio between those who were ministered to, and those who accepted the Lord, is astoundingly high.

THE DEIFICATION OF MARY

The deification of Mary by the Roman Catholic Church is now complete. The declaration by the pope of the dogma of the assumption of Mary was but the last step in the gradual deification of the earthly mother of Jesus. Pagan legends about Mary started as early as in the fourth century. Priests began to elevate her as an interceder, a mother to whom sinners could come and plead their case for forgiveness.

On December 8, 1854, Pope Pius IX declared that Mary had not been like other mortals at her birth. She was free of the stain of original sin. This was the first official step by the Roman Church to deify Mary. On November 1, 1950, Pope Pius XII completed Mary's deification by establishing the dogma of the Assumption. Thus, the Roman Catholics have now officially refuted the doctrine of the Trinity. In the Roman worship there are four persons in the Godhead—Father, Son, Holy Spirit, and Mary.

This should make it clear to all Christian believers that the Roman Church is not a Christian church. It should be classified as a non-Christian religion along with the Jewish and Mohammedan religions.

The Bible declares the Trinity of the Godhead. The Roman Church, by its virtual deification of Mary, has placed itself outside the Christian church.—*Covenant Weekly*.

PERFECT THROUGH SUFFERING

"His soul entered into iron." Ps. 105:18. Render it in our language and it reads, "Iron entered his soul." Is there not a truth in this? That sorrow and privation, the yoke borne in youth, the soul's enforced restraint, are all conducive to an iron tenacity and strength of purpose, and endurance or fortitude, which are the indispensable foundation and framework of a noble character.

Do not flinch from suffering! Bear it silently, patiently, resignedly. God wants iron saints; and since there is no way of imparting iron to the moral nature but by letting people suffer, He calls them to suffering.

Steel is iron, *plus fire*. Soil is rock, *plus heat* or glacier crushing. Linen is flax, *plus the bath* that cleans, the comb that separates, the flail that pounds, and the shuttle that weaves. Human character must have a *plus* attached to it. The world does not forget great characters. But great characters are not made of luxuries, they are made of suffering.

Are the best years of your life slipping away in enforced monotony? Are you beset by inexplicable difficulties, as the thick undergrowth besets the passage of the woodsman pioneer? Then take heart, the time is not wasted; God is only putting you through the iron regimen. The iron crown of suffering precedes the golden crown of glory. And iron is entering into your soul to make it brave and strong.—*Selected*.

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According to *Intelligence Digest*, Dr. Einstein has given his unconditional approval to a fascinating book, *The Universe and Dr. Einstein*, which contains many revolutionary statements recalling some assertions of the Christian dogmatists. One of the most important reads thus:

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It is too bad the theorists who long have been ridiculing the doctrine of special creation, as taught in Genesis, did not discover their mistake before they had done so much "to destroy convictions which were by far the greatest single restraint upon national and individual conduct."

Send us the names and addresses of five friends who might enjoy reading the Evangel. We will send them a sample copy free of charge.

NEWS

THE NEXT GENERAL COUNCIL

The Executive Presbytery announces that, God willing, the next biennial General Council of the Assemblies of God will be at Milwaukee, Wisconsin, August 26 to September 2, 1953.

CHURCH DESTROYED BY FIRE

WILMER, ALA.—On February 20 the Tanner Williams Assembly was destroyed by fire. Everything was lost except a few benches. There was no insurance on the building. Contributions toward a new church will be gratefully received.—Jack C. Fowler, Pastor, Route 1, Wilmer, Alabama.

AMONG THE ASSEMBLIES

WEST PALM BEACH, FLA.—We had a profitable two-week campaign with Charles H. Harthorn of Orlando, Fla., formerly of England. In addition to the night services, Brother Harthorn taught in the mornings on "Typical Truths of the Tabernacle in the Wilderness." Those who attended were greatly benefited.—D. J. Haidt, Pastor, West Gate Assembly.

BIRMINGHAM, ALA.—Evangelist Denver C. Ogden of Memphis, Tenn. was with us for two weeks in February. His anointed messages of Bible deliverance resulted in many being saved and healed, and a number of backsliders returned to the Lord. His pastel drawings attracted many new people to the services.—D. Herbert Browne, Pastor, Norwood Assembly.

CHEYENNE, WYO.—We had a glorious three-week meeting with Evangelist Aletha Jean Sturtevant and her father, E. L. Sturtevant, of Springfield, Mo. Night after night this young evangelist exalted the Saviour and preached the Word under the unction of the Holy Spirit. Each night many came to the Lord Jesus. Large crowds attended the services. The average attendance in Sunday School during the meeting was 369. We had two baptismal services. The revival continues even though the evangelist has gone.—Joseph and Helen Dunets, Pastors.

JOHNSON CITY, TENN.—We have pastored the church here for a little over two years. The Lord has been gracious and every phase of the church work has grown. The Sunday School has received a "Gold Crown" award each year. The membership of the church has practically doubled. We paid off a standing debt and improved the Sunday School facilities.

I have resigned the pastorate to re-enter the evangelistic field, and will be available after April 1.—Silas H. Jones, 1647 7th St., Berkeley 2, Calif., or % Mrs. George Fitzgerald, 238 N. 5th St., Festus, Mo.

YAKIMA, WASH.—We had a meeting with the Jimmy Adams Evangelistic Party. The Spirit of the Lord moved in the services in such a manner that we continued longer than had been announced. Around 60 were wondrously saved and great numbers were healed. The Sunday School reached a new record in attendance. The closing night of the meeting a number were baptized in water.

In May the Adamses are going to Europe to do evangelistic work, and when they return they will be with us for another meeting.—B. V. Jones, Pastor, Full Gospel Tabernacle.

HAMILTON, ONT., CANADA—We had a two-week meeting with Evangelist and Mrs. F. R. Davidson of Missouri. The blessing of the Lord rested on the meeting from the beginning. Some were saved and a number received the baptism of the Holy Spirit. The attendance was good all through the meeting, but the greatest attendance was the last Sunday night when 800 were present. Brother Davidson gave a travelogue on his trip to Poland and his experience behind the "Iron Curtain." Sister Davidson's ministry in song and in the Word of God was much appreciated.—J. H. Blair, Pastor, Central Gospel Tabernacle.

TALIHINA, OKLA.—We enjoyed a wonderful meeting with Evangelist R. W. Holmes of Clayton, Okla. Around 21 were saved or reclaimed, and three were baptized with the Holy Spirit. Some outstanding healings were reported. The Sunday School increased from 79 to 170.—H. D. Warren, Pastor.

ANGLETON, TEX.—The Eskelin Family of Detroit, Mich. were with us for a month. They were a blessing to our church. They also ministered to schools and civic organizations. The Sunday School reached a new all-time high record.—Lester Summers, Pastor, Central Assembly.

CHANNELVIEW, TEX.—On December 23 we closed a three-week campaign with the musical Eskelin Family. The inspiring music and the Spirit-anointed preaching was edifying to all who attended. Several went to the altar for salvation. The attendance was good.—Bythel Hagee, Pastor.

DUNCAN, OKLA.—On January 22 we began a meeting with the Eskelin Family of Detroit, Mich. A year ago the Eskelins were with us for six weeks, and raised \$11,000 to start construction on our new auditorium. We finished the auditorium in January and had the dedication during this meeting. Robert Goggin, District Superintendent, and Wesley R. Steelberg, General Superintendent, were the dedicatory speakers. During the dedication revival we reached a Sunday School attendance record of 525. Many were saved and the saints were edified.—Haskell Rogers, Pastor.

PALCO, KANS.—We had a soul-stirring revival with Evangelist and Mrs. William D. Saunders. Three were saved, two were filled with the Holy Spirit, and several were healed. Brother William Satterfield has been our pastor for the past 3½ years, and he has done a wonderful work. In January he resigned to accept the pastorate at Ness City, Kans.

Brother Saunders filled in as pastor and evangelist until our new pastor, Brother R. L. Courtney from Searcy, Ark, arrived February 11.—W. D. Anglin, Secretary-Treasurer.

DALLAS, TEX.—We enjoyed a wonderful meeting with Evangelist Deward Lusk of Dallas, Tex. Twelve were saved, several reclaimed, and a number filled with the Holy Spirit. Our church was greatly benefited and the Sunday School increased in attendance.—A. T. Nelson, Pastor, Little Bethel Assembly, 4331 Belden Ave.

DAWSON, GA.—We had a two-week meeting with Evangelists Roy and Pauline Harthern of London, England. Several came to the Lord and record crowds attended this meeting. The church was stirred by Brother Harthern's pungent messages and their anointed musical ministry. As a result of this meeting seven new members came into the church, and we believe others will soon follow.—C. E. Collins, Pastor.

WACO, TEX.—We had a three-week meeting with Evangelist and Mrs. W. A. Edwards and family. Their musical numbers and singing added much to the services. Some were saved and many refilled with the Holy Spirit. Many testified to being healed of various diseases. One woman who for many years had suffered from a knee cap slipping out of place, was healed. She now walks without the aid of her cane.—Mrs. C. F. Bush, Pastor, Oak Lawn Assembly.

TAHOKA, TEX.—On January 23 we began a twelve-day meeting with Evangelist and Mrs. G. O. Baker of Medford, Ore. God blessed in a wonderful way. Souls were saved, believers were filled with the Holy Ghost, and the sick were healed. A lady, who had been blind in one eye since she was a child, instantly received sight. A crippled man, after prayer, walked away leaving his crutches at the church. A lady was healed of a crooked finger and a growth about the size of a hen's egg under her left arm. There were many other wonderful healings.

Pastors and their people from four nearby towns came to help in the meeting. We were all drawn into closer fellowship and were made to realize that Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today, and forever.—W. V. Bentley, Pastor.

MOULTRIE, GA.—We had one of the greatest meetings in the history of our Church with the Sunshine Evangelistic party, composed of Evangelist and Mrs. Bruce Thum and Charles Verness of Covington, Ky. The crowds were so large that we cancelled the newspaper advertising which we had planned. Nearly 250 people came to the church for the first time during this meeting. Many were saved and healed. The evangelistic party sponsored a Sunday School rally on the last Sunday and we broke all attendance records.—L. G. Grice, Pastor.

JOPLIN, MO.—We had a wonderful four-week meeting with Evangelists Smith and Rogers of Granite City, Ill. Five were saved, four were filled with the Spirit, and several were healed. Attendance was excellent and many new people were in every service. Our people have a mind to work, and in the past six months our Sunday School has increased 33 per cent. New members have been received in the church and others are coming in soon.—A. L. Todd, Pastor, Faith Assembly.

TEXARKANA, ARK.—We had a three-week meeting with Evangelist D. C. Ogden of Memphis, Tenn. Much time was spent in prayer that God would meet us in this meeting. As a result, many were saved and filled with the Holy Ghost, and the sick were healed. This was the fifth meeting that Brother Ogden has conducted for us. The attendance was very good, and many attended who had not been in Pentecostal services before. Someone was filled or refilled with the Spirit every night.—A. C. McGaugh, Pastor, Central Assembly.

MADISONVILLE, KY.—On January 22 we began a three-week meeting with Evangelist J. H. Wooldridge of Jacksonville, Fla. God visited us in a remarkable way. The church was filled almost every night and several nights we had to bring in extra chairs. Several were saved and one was filled with the baptism of the Holy Spirit. Many were healed. We hope to secure a larger building and have Brother Wooldridge return for another meeting in the near future.—Elmer L. Cover, Pastor.

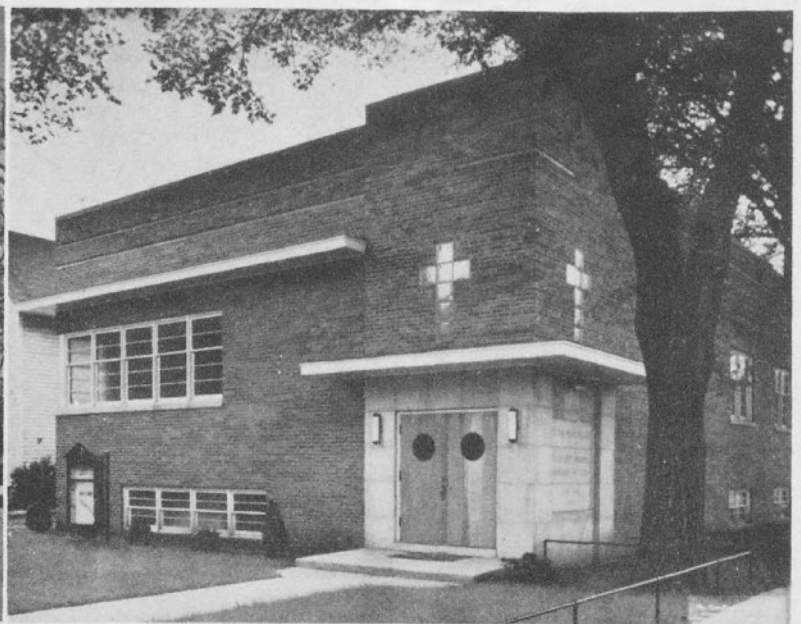


CALVARY TEMPLE (ASSEMBLY OF GOD) IN HARVEY, ILLINOIS

June 10, 1951, was a day of rejoicing for the congregation of Calvary Temple (Assembly of God) in Harvey, Illinois. On that day their new church building was dedicated to the Lord. Ralph M. Riggs and District Superintendent W. R. Williamson were the speakers, and Presbyter E. C. Sumrall had charge of the service.

The Assembly was started under the ministry of Sisters Ethel and Mildred Covert, with the help of Clarence Goudie and other faithful workers. The congregation purchased a frame church in the center of the city in 1942. In 1950 they moved the frame church to the back of the lot and continued to use it while building a new church in front. Then it was converted into a beautiful nine-room parsonage. There is a Sunday School department in the basement of the parsonage, connected to the church by a passageway.

The buildings are of modernistic design and are of matching brick throughout. The church is 40 by 90 feet with a full basement. It has attractive indirect lighting in the auditorium, pews and pulpit furniture of oak, and a grand piano and Hammond organ. William and Lucille Sawyers are the present pastors.



NEW CHURCH DEDICATED IN BROKEN BOW, OKLAHOMA

T. C. Burkett was called to Broken Bow and moved there in November, 1946, after resigning from the office of Oklahoma District C. A. President. The Sunday School attendance the first Sunday was 54. By the help of the Lord and the faithful co-operation of the congregation, the attendance was raised to an average of 100 for the first year. The Sunday School has continued to grow and it reached an average of 257 for the last quarter of 1951.

Property was purchased downtown, and a year ago the church began the construction of a new building. God miraculously supplied the needed materials and money, and now they have this beautiful brick church with a two-story Sunday School annex.

There was a grand opening service on November 18, 1951. That week the church enjoyed three services daily with the following ministers as speakers: Robert E. Goggin, V. H. Ray, R. L. Steger, C. A. Price, L. J. Choate, N. B. Rayburn, O. M. Montgomery, C. C. Wallace, Mrs. R. V. Kemp, O. E. Gaugh and a quartet from South Central Bible College. The dedication service was on December 16 and Ralph M. Riggs was the guest speaker.

TEMPLE, TEX.—We had a two-week meeting with Evangelist R. L. Brumley of Edinburg, Texas. Souls were saved and several were filled with the Holy Spirit. A number were healed of various diseases. One lady was healed of a stomach ulcer and testified that she could eat anything she wanted. Another lady had a small cancer on her forehead. After prayer the cancer fell off. We thank God for these good meetings.—D. W. Lane, Pastor, Bethel Assembly.

BISMARCK, N. DAK.—We had a two-week meeting with Evangelist Christian Hild of Fargo, N. Dak. Great crowds filled the church each evening. The response to the altar call was very good. About 100 came for spiritual help. The Sunday School record was broken with 278 present the last Sunday. We contacted many new people, and we believe we shall continue to reap benefit from the meeting.—Edwin N. Oster, Pastor.

DRIFT, KY.—We dedicated our new church January 19. Pastor G. R. Fannin of West Prestonsburg, Ky. preached the dedicatory message. On January 26 we began a three-week meeting with Brother Fannin. Twelve prayed through to salvation and four were baptized with the Holy Ghost. The church benefited greatly by this meeting, and a good foundation has been laid for a permanent full gospel work. We plan to have a radio broadcast from our church as soon as arrangements can be made. The Sunday School is growing steadily since we moved into the new church.—Ollie Sammons, Pastor.

ROCKFORD, ILL.—On February 3 we closed a successful meeting with Evangelist W. M. Stevens of Denver, Colo. Eleven knelt at the altar for salvation and seven received the baptism of the Holy Spirit. Brother Stevens faithfully declared the Word of God with power each night. The closing night the Holy Spirit moved in a dynamic way. One man rushed to the altar before the close of the sermon and was truly born again. A few minutes later five more came to be saved. The Sunday School averaged 301 in January. Sunday, February 17, we had the joy of baptizing 16 in water.

We are in our second building program within four years. First we built a buff brick church (50x80), and now we are building a two-story addition on the north (30x66). The downstairs will give us five new Sunday School rooms and a large room for children's church. The external structure of the new addition is already completed and the inside will be completed soon.—E. L. Stalons, Pastor.

COMING MEETINGS

Notices must 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. Dates of meeting must be given. Meetings in progress will not be announced unless they continue beyond the date of publication.

WEST TAMPA, FLA.—Calvary Assembly (Latin American), Mar. 16—; Dan Norton and Party.—by Paul Epler, Pastor.

BRADLEY, ALA.—Assembly of God, Apr. 2—; Evangelist Marvin L. Smith.—by J. Lester Cook, Pastor.

CALDWELL, IDAHO—Meeting in progress; Evangelist and Mrs. J. A. Voseka.—by D. V. Lilly, Pastor.

PARIS, ARK.—Assembly of God, Mar. 10—; Evangelist and Mrs. B. M. McCutchen, Austin, Tex. (Earl Teeter is Pastor.)

MILES CITY, MONT.—Mar. 11—30; Evangelist Ferdie C. Jay, Wenatchee, Wash. (Claude Conklin is Pastor.)

GALENA, KANS.—Meeting in progress; Evangelist and Mrs. O. E. Gaddis, Arkansas City, Kans. (L. J. Underwood is Pastor.)

PALMYRA, MO.—Assembly of God, Mar. 18—30; Evangelist Alfred E. Gidman, Indianapolis, Ind.—by Ivan R. Loy, Pastor.

MCCRACKEN, KANS.—Assembly of God, Mar. 30—Apr. 13; Evangelist and Mrs. Len Soper, Springfield, Mo.—by S. James Colburn, Pastor.

PRINCE FREDERICK, MD.—Full Gospel Tabernacle, Mar. 23—; Evangelist Margel Spencer, Sanford, Me.—by William Helms, Pastor.

SANFORD, ME.—Gospel Tabernacle, Mar. 30—Apr. 13; Evangelist and Mrs. C. C. Garrett, Miami, Fla.—by M. Q. Spencer, Pastor.

WOODLAND, WASH.—Meeting in progress; Evangelists Leo and Nellie Lovin, Forks, Wash. (G. R. Miller is Pastor.)

SHAWANO, WIS.—Assemblies of God Tabernacle, Apr. 1—; Evangelist and Mrs. Earle L. Cleveland, Seattle, Wash. (N. L. Shotwell is Pastor.)

TULELAKE, CALIF.—Assembly of God, Mar. 9—; Evangelist Johnnie Smith, Modesto, Calif. (Glen Ayers is Pastor.)

WALNUT CREEK, CALIF.—Assembly of God, 1756 Lacassie Ave., Apr. 6—; Evangelist Johnnie Smith, Modesto, Calif.—by William Vickery, Pastor.

NEW CASTLE, PA.—First Pentecostal Church, Epworth and Pearson Sts., Apr. 1—13; Evangelist Eva V. Hagans, Stoystown, Pa. (James Menzie is Pastor.)

DALLAS, TEX.—Pleasant Grove Assembly, Mar. 16—30; Evangelist Marvin L. Robinson.—by James H. Pruitt, Pastor.

MANNFORD, OKLA.—Assembly of God, Mar. 30—Apr. 13 or longer; Evangelists Dan and Virginia Kricorian, Boston, Mass. (William Underwood is Pastor.)

BRECKENRIDGE, MO.—Assembly of God, meeting in progress; Sheneman Evangelistic Party of Nebraska.—by Charles E. Huffman, Pastor.

AMERICUS, GA.—Assembly of God, 111 Prince St., Mar. 9—23 or longer; Evangelist R. B. Collins, Lakeland, Fla.—by A. V. Hendrick, Pastor.

HOUSTON, TEX.—Heights Assembly of God, Mar. 23—Apr. 13; Evangelist George Hayes.—by J. C. Miner, Pastor.

CORTEZ, COLO.—Assembly of God, Mar. 16—; Evangelist James Frazee, Phoenix, Ariz.—by Kenneth Crouse, Pastor.

OILDALE, CALIF.—Assembly of God, 106 Wilson St., Mar. 11—; Evangelist and Mrs. Arthur Arnold.—by Dwight Brown, Pastor.

KALISPELL, MONT.—Meeting in progress; Evangelist Martin H. Baxter, Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio. (Wesley Hurst, Jr. is Pastor.)

EL DORADO, ARK.—First Assembly of God, Mar. 30—; Evangelists Cordelia Donnell and Mildred Holler.—by C. C. Crace, Pastor.

BUFFALO, OKLA.—Assembly of God, meeting in progress; Evangelist A. N. Burns, Oklahoma City, Okla.—by Erwin W. Moore, Pastor.

PHILADELPHIA, PA.—Kensington Pentecostal Church, Apr. 1—20; Evangelist Stanley W. Karol, Philadelphia, Pa.—by Samuel A. Benson, Pastor.

MARSHALLTOWN, IOWA—Gospel Tabernacle, 305 E. Boone St., Apr. 1—13; Evangelist M. E. Parlotz, Quincy, Ill. (E. E. "Ted" Smith is Pastor.)

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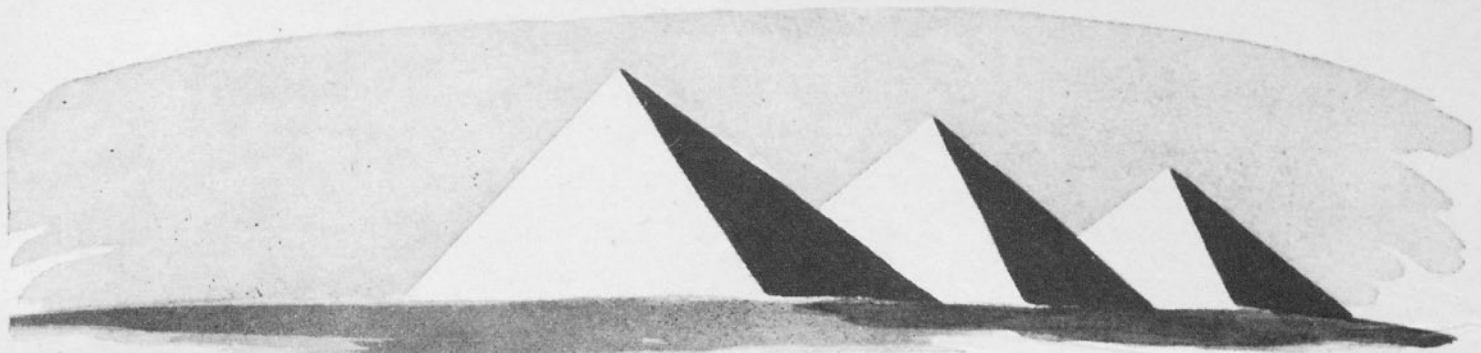
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CROMWELL, OKLA.—Mar. 23—Apr. 6; Evangelist and Mrs. A. W. Thomason, Muskogee, Okla. (former missionary to Alaska).—by W. D. Clonts, Pastor.

ROANOKE, VA.—American Legion Auditorium, Mar. 23—Apr. 6; Evangelist Louise Nankivell, Chicago, Ill.—by Harry Rupp Jr., Pastor.

LAKELAND, FLA.—Tent meeting, Cor. U. S. Highway 92 and E. Main St., Mar. 12—Apr. 16; Evangelist A. A. Allen.—by K. I. Wright, Pastor, First Assembly.

ST. LOUIS, MO.—Friendly Assembly of God, Bremen and Blair Ave., Mar. 30—; Evangelist and Mrs. Bird H. Campbell of Missouri.—by G. R. Kelly, Pastor.

CHEYENNE, WYO.—First Assembly of God, 23rd St. and Pioneer Ave., Mar. 30—Apr. 20; Evangelist Jay B. Oaks, Oklahoma City, Okla.—by Joseph and Helen Dunets, Pastors.

NEVADA STATE S. S. CONVENTION—Reno, Apr. 10—11; George Davis, National S. S. Representative, and Billie Davis, Associate Editor of "Our Sunday School Counsellor." (L. W. Suter is District S. S. Director.)

POTOMAC DISTRICT PRAYER CONVENTION—Glad Tidings Church, Colonial at Spottwood St., Norfolk, Va., Mar. 31—Apr. 3. Speakers, John W. Sullivan, Middletown, Ohio; Ralph M. Jeffrey, Hagerstown, Md. First service Mon. 7:30 p.m.—by E. O. Dickerson, District Secretary.

WILDWOOD, FLA.—Tent meeting in progress, North Main St., near center of town; Hardt Evangelistic Party, York, Pa. Prayer for sick. Write Pastor E. Koonce, Box 592, Wildwood, Fla.

OKMULGEE, OKLA.—First Assembly of God, 5th and Seminole, Mar. 30—Apr. 13 or longer; Evangelist and Mrs. Ernest V. Berquist, Youngstown, Ohio. Apr. 13 and 14, Einar Ekberg, gospel singer.—by Wm. L. Devereaux, Pastor.

NORTH DAKOTA S. S. CONVENTIONS—Fargo, Apr. 7—8; Crosby, Apr. 10—11; Bismarck, Apr. 14—15. Paul Copeland, National S. S. Director, speaking at Fargo and Crosby; R. L. Brandt, District Superintendent, speaking at Bismarck. (Mildred Dunclee is District S. S. Director.)

ANNUAL CONVENTION OF NEW MEXICO DISTRICT—First Assembly of God, Roswell, N. Mex., Apr. 8—10; J. O. Savell, Superintendent of Texas District, guest speaker. Paul W. Savage is host pastor. Pre-convention rally Monday night; J. Paul Joyner, District C. A. President, in charge.—by H. M. Fulfer, District Superintendent.

MISCELLANEOUS NOTICES

RADIO PROGRAM—Station WROV, 1240 kc., Roanoke, Va., Sundays 7 to 7:15 a.m. Sponsored by First Assembly of God.—by Harry Rupp Jr., Pastor.

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