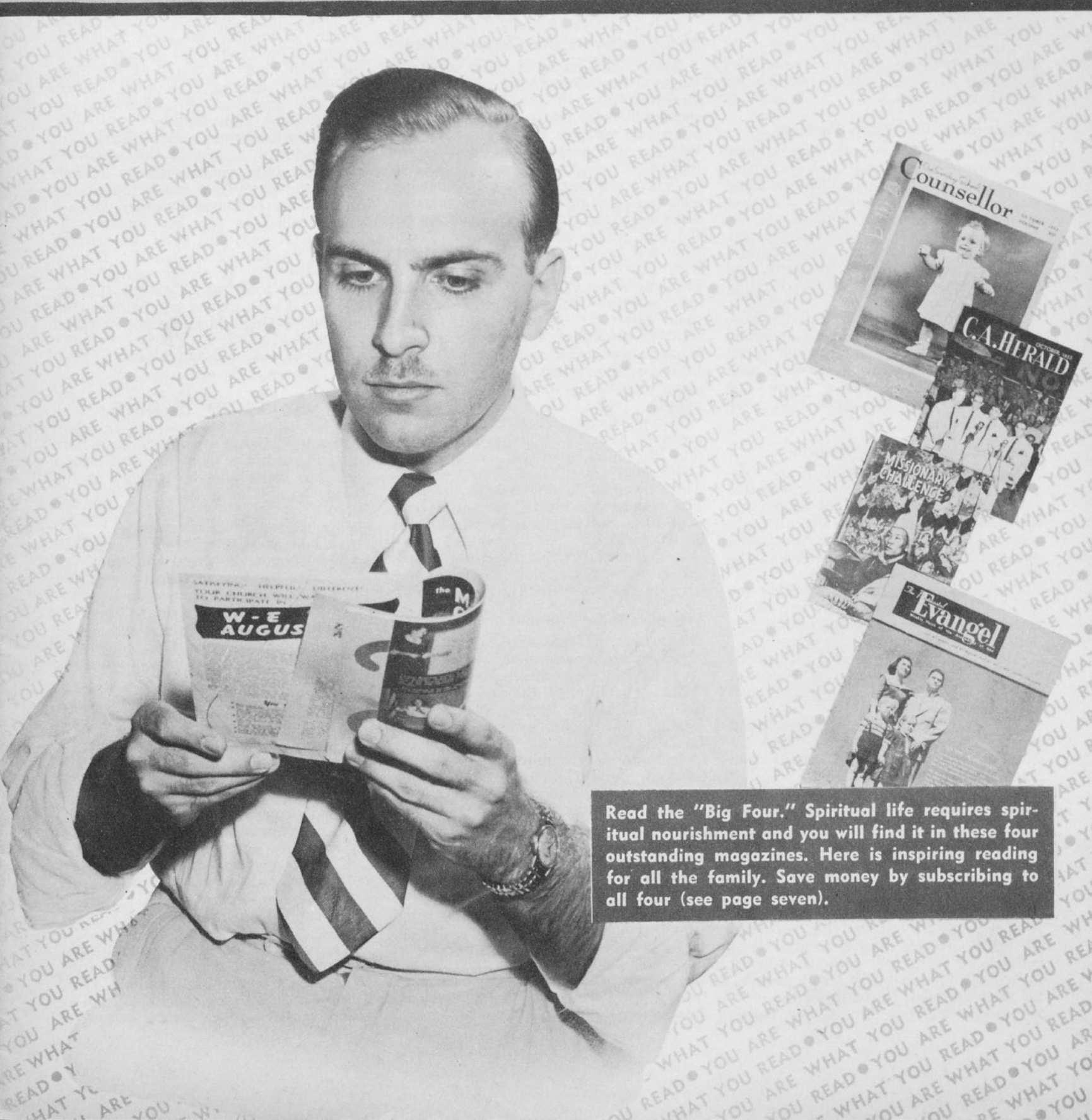


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PASSING and PERMANENT

NEWS BRIEFS FROM THE CHRISTIAN PERSPECTIVE

Tennessee's Preaching Governor

Governor Frank G. Clement of Tennessee has denied that he has any plans to embark on a career as an evangelist. "If and when I should leave politics for the ministry, it will be when I have a definite call from the Lord to do so," he said. "I am working hard at the job of being a Christian governor and I shall continue to do so."

The 34-year-old Governor often occupies Methodist pulpits as a lay preacher, but feels God has called him to his governmental post.

Communist Courtship Pattern

According to *Newsweek*, the Burmese Government recently captured documents which prescribe the Communist courtship technique. When a Burmese Red chooses a bride, he is to propose to her in the following manner: "I am deeply impressed by your qualities as a faithful and energetic member of the party, and I wish to wage the party struggle together with you."

Not very sentimental! But Communism, like Christianity, is a very practical business. Christian young people must not let the Reds outshine them in zeal. The cause of Christ must have first consideration in choosing a life companion.

The Brewer Had No Answer

Young people of the Indiana and Lexington Methodist Conferences listened to a speech on the merits of moderation in drinking. The speaker, executive director of the Indiana Brewers Association, declared that moderation, not teetotaling, is what we should aim at.

Questions were permitted, and one asked, "If you have moderation in all things, does that not mean opium and heroin also?" He replied, "Of course not."

Another asked, "If you had a daughter, would you rather she were a social drinker or a total abstainer?" The brewer had no answer.

The young people adopted a resolution urging the church to preach "total abstinence," not "temperance," in its campaign against liquor.

Beer for the Children

According to *The National Voice*, a brewer in Munich, Germany, is marketing a new beer made especially for children. Less alcoholic than regular beer, it is also slightly sweet, but it is made with hops, yeast, etc. The brewer claims that children who have tasted his beer will ask for it in preference to candy. He is endeavoring to find an agent in America to sell it. Presumably he will succeed, for there are men who will sell the souls of innocent children for an easy dollar.

Soviets Change Graveyards

Ancient churchyards in the Soviet Union are gradually being demolished by Communist authorities and converted into parks and playgrounds, it is reported. There are no longer any crosses and other religious symbols in the state cemeteries. Black triangular plaques stand above the tombs, red stars being fixed atop them.

Red Version of the Christmas Story

School children in Hungary are being taught a new Communist version of the Christmas story, in which the Bethlehem shepherds are portrayed as Russians. Hungarian refugees reaching Trieste said that the new version goes somewhat as follows:

"There was once a poor married couple who had nothing to eat or to dress in. They asked the rich people for help, but the rich people sent them away. Their baby was born in a stable, and covered with rags in a manger. The day after the baby was born, some shepherds, who had come from Russia, brought the baby some gifts.

"'We come from a country,' they said, 'where poverty and misery are unknown. In Russia the babies grow in liberty because there is no unemployment or suffering.'

"Joseph, the unemployed worker, is supposed to have asked the shepherds how they had found the house. The shepherds replied that a Red Star had guided them. Then the poor family took to the road. The shepherds covered the little baby with furs, and they all set out for the Soviet paradise."

It is doubtful if the Antichrist himself will ever concoct a more clever counterpart of the truth than this!!

Liquor Taxes Too Low

The taxes on liquor ought to be multiplied at least twelve times, in order to keep the liquor business from being a financial liability to the State of California. Dr. Lester Breslow of the State Health Department, speaking at Loma Linda, Calif. before the Institute for the Prevention of Alcoholism, said that alcoholism costs California \$300,000,000 a year, and the liquor taxes return only \$25,000,000 a year to the State.

School Wants Beer License

A Catholic school in Welby, Colo., near Denver, has filed an application with the Colorado Liquor Commission for a license to serve 3.2 beer in the school gymnasium. Officials of Assumption Church said they wanted the license so that they could "pep up" their bazaars and socials which take place "once or twice a year," according to a dispatch by *International News Service*.

Israel's Immigrants Ailing

The Hadassah Medical organization recently reported that about fifty per cent of the population in Israel is composed of immigrants who arrived "riddled with physical and emotional ailments—ailments that can be a menace to the remainder of the population." How different from the redeemed nation which the Lord will gather back to the land; then the inhabitants "shall not say, I am sick: the people that dwell therein shall be forgiven their iniquity" (Isa. 33:24).

"A Greater King"

There is a famous picture, "The King of kings," by Charles E. Butler, which depicts a number of kings noted in history. The Lord Jesus is pictured in the midst, and the kings of the earth are shown offering Him their crowns, with the exception of a few who refused to pay Him homage.

Queen Elizabeth II of Great Britain was presented with a copy of this when she was still quite young—still a Princess—and she liked it so much that it was hung in her bedroom. One day, when a visitor called to see her mother, the Princess invited this guest to see the picture. Princess Elizabeth said: "Do you know who that is in the center? Jesus is a greater King than Grandpa (George V), and if we are good we shall see Him one day."—Hugh McCullough, in *Dawn* (London).

A Hymn Is Born

A new Christian hymn has been born in Red China. The *China Bulletin* reports that it is being sung by students in the Peking area. This is it:

"Father, long before creation
Thou hadst chosen us in love;
And that love, so deep, so moving,
Draws us close to Christ above.
We will follow,
We will follow,
Firmly fixed in Christ alone.

"Though the world may change its
fashion,
Yet our God is e'er the same;
His compassion and His covenant
Through all ages will remain.
God's own children,
God's own children,
Must forever praise His name.

"God's compassion is my story,
Is my boasting all the day;
Mercy free and never failing
Moves my will, directs my way.
God so loved us,
God so loved us,
That His only Son He gave."

The work of the missionaries for the past one hundred years is bearing fruit. When the Communist Curtain is raised at last—as it will be—the church will be found to have grown strong behind it.

The Thought Life of a Christian

Hart R. Armstrong*

ONE OF THE MOST important truths concerning human character building was spoken in passing by Solomon when he said: "As he thinketh in his heart, so is he" (Proverbs 23:7). The thoughts of our mind are like building blocks with which we build our character. If a person permits himself to think often of evil, he will soon be doing evil acts, falling into evil habits, and finally living an evil life.

Pure and good thoughts ennoble the character, uplift the mind, and even exercise a wholesome influence upon the body itself; but evil thoughts have a directly opposite effect. That is why the Bible says, "Keep thy heart with all diligence; for out of it are the issues of life."

Every deed that a man performs is conceived first in his thought life. Most deeds are not produced by a sudden impulse, but are the product of many repeated thoughts.

This is particularly true with evil deeds. No man sins suddenly. First he conceives the sin in his mind; then by a series of evil thoughts he overcomes the natural repugnance to the deed, the strivings of conscience and training, the influences of the Holy Spirit and of good friends, until at last the evil thoughts succeed in producing a decision to commit an outward sin.

There is an illustration of this in nature. A violent wind storm may topple a number of trees in a community. Some of them seemed to be fine, strong trees while standing, but an examination after they are fallen probably will show that there was some hidden defect in them. Possibly the inside had become hollow by a gradual process of rotting. The storm had not caused the trees' destruction, but had simply been the occasion of their fall. The real cause of their downfall was the hidden corruption that had been developing on the inside.

Similarly, an examination of the lives of fallen men and

women probably would show that before their fall there was some gradual process of corruption at work in their mental or emotional lives. A strong temptation presented itself, and they succumbed; but the temptation was simply the occasion of their fall, not the cause of it.

Satan sees to it that evil thoughts are constantly knocking at the door of our consciousness. They confront us in the newspapers and magazines. They leap at us from newsstands. They loom before us on billboards as we drive down the highways. Our minds are besieged daily by thoughts expressed in pictures and in print.

Never in history has there been such a barrage of ideas hurled upon the minds of men. Never has there been such a volume of inexpensive books and magazines. The sad part is that so much of this reading matter is filled with corrupt, debasing, and unwholesome ideas. If we allow these ideas to enter our minds they will corrupt our lives and ruin our character.

To carry lewd and suggestive publications home for reading is as dangerous as to buy a bottle of poison and take it

home for a nip after dinner! The one may be as fatal to mental and spiritual life as the other is to the physical body.

The guarding of our thought life, then, is a matter of utmost importance. We must discriminate in selecting our reading. We cannot afford to look at, much less to read, much of the printed matter that is on the newsstands today, lest our thought life be polluted. There is a reward for those who will remain clean and pure in mind and heart. The Saviour said, "Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God." Let us not forfeit that blessing for the sake of some brief indulgence.

It would be foolish to excuse a trashy book or magazine with the words, "Oh, this once won't hurt me." One indulgence leads to another. A taste of ungodly literature breeds an appetite for more of the same. Just as it is easier to teach a baby to like ice cream and candy than to like carrots or spinach, so it is easier to cultivate a taste for the light or the popular than for the wholesome and the spiritual. Worthwhile reading requires effort and thought, and lazy minds prefer the light reading and the pictorial treatment of this modern age.

And so the call comes to the Christians and to the godly families of our Assemblies today to stand up and voluntarily choose to take the right side in this matter. It is not easy to discipline the mind, but it is important and necessary. It is not pleasant to lead the other members of the family into proper reading habits; but if the parent fails in this task, the result will be ruinous in the lives of the children.

God knew the importance of right reading. That is why He gave us the Bible which He designed to be the wellspring and source of all our reading and literature. The greatest literature in the world draws its themes and its inspiration from God's holy Word. The most satisfying and ennobling thoughts known to men are found here. Hence it is important that every Christian major in the reading of the Scriptures. More than this, the

"THIS IS BEST FOR YOU"



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DANGER! Mental poison!

But possibly you read more than the special articles—and often find yourself deep in some story full of immorality and indecency, secretly enjoying it. You have only Satan on your side then.

One of the widely-circulated magazines for women was rapidly losing circulation. A new editor decided to revise the policy which had forbidden indecent and immoral stories. Sexy stories, he asserted, would provide the shot in the arm which his magazine's circulation needed. The fear that he would lose his decent readers was put aside on the theory that thousands of decent women would secretly "thrill" to the possibility of reading "racy" stuff in an apparently wholesome magazine.

The sad thing is, he was right. Worse, I know some Christians who probably unwittingly helped to boost the circulation of his magazine with its filthy editorial policy.

The point is, once you are alerted to the situation, what are you going to do about it?

There is certainly nothing surer to shock the raw nerves of an editor than a drop in circulation because of the material he has published. In addition, the considerate thing would seem to be to put an intelligent complaint on his desk. Tell him how long you have had the magazine, what features you have enjoyed, and then speak in no uncertain terms about the objectionable stories and articles and the advertising of liquor, tobacco, and other items which ought not to appear in a home magazine.

Next, do more of your reading in Christian periodicals where the poison doesn't exist. "A Christian magazine in every home," would be a wonderful thing for our nation, our churches, our homes.

The time has come when we as Christians must take action in this matter. Too long have we sat passively by, while worldly interests have polluted our reading material to the point where it is undesirable by Christian standards.

Join this crusade for better reading: "A Christian Magazine in Every Home."

If we work together, we can help to get the poison off our library tables, and the "new life" into the hearts of our people. Let's do it now.

—Harold L. Lundquist, in *Christian Life*.

literature he reads apart from the Bible should find its impulse from the Book of books.

Christ should be the center of our thinking. It is not merely a poetic phrase that Christ is named the Alpha and Omega. Alpha is the first letter of the Greek alphabet, and Omega the last, corresponding to our letters "A" and "Z". Between these two are included all the letters of the alphabet. These letters comprise the basis for the writing of every word we use. There is not a thought we think which cannot be expressed in the medium of words, using the letters of the alphabet. And if Christ be the Alpha and the Omega—the A and the Z—then He includes the expression of the fulfillment of every human desire that is worthwhile and good. Our whole thought life can dwell in Him.

And is not this the purpose of our heavenly Father? We are told that in Christ dwells all the fulness of the Godhead bodily, and that "ye are complete in Him." God satisfies Himself in the bosom of His only begotten Son. The angels and principalities of heaven find their full delight in Him. May not we finite human beings find a sufficiency and a glorious fulness in our wonderful Saviour, without turning to any of the paltry things of this present evil world to satisfy our thought hunger?

Let us not take a second best! Christ can fully satisfy the human heart, and we can only be happy and complete when we accept Him as the center of our thinking, the theme of our whole existence, and the goal of our earthly life.

Is Your Reading RIGHT?

WOULD YOU rush into a bakery carrying a sign on its window—"Sale: Slightly Poisoned Homemade Bread"? Even if told that the poison was only at one end of the loaf, would you want to leave that kind of bread on your kitchen table?

Of course you wouldn't! It would make you hotly indignant if someone were to accuse you of such awful failure to safeguard the health of your family.

Don't look now—but some of that stuff on your living room table, or in your magazine rack, may be crawling with decay, filth, and downright poisonous reading matter.

It is true that much of the material in these magazines is good, helpful, and instructive. Special articles, departments for the home and housekeeper are prepared and printed with great care and definite attractiveness. After you have read these fine special articles, however, there is always the chance that some one else will turn to the rot—rot which you have provided by displaying the magazine in your home.

Perhaps you reason that you skip the objectionable spots. Would you reason that way about a "slightly poisoned" loaf of bread? And is the soul and mind of your family worth less to you than their bodies?

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How to Read the Bible

Oswald J. Smith

I WAS converted in 1906. From that day to this I have read God's Word every day of my life. I cannot remember a single day when I have neglected the Book of books.

The Bible has been my meat and drink all down the years, and the more I study it the more precious it becomes. There is no book like it. When Satan's attacks have been unusually severe, God's Word has been my comfort and my stay. Time after time it has been in very deed His Word to me.

Trials that might have terminated my ministry have been frustrated by the promises of God's Word.

Let me tell you how to read the Word of God.

Of course, you should start at the beginning. You should read it as you would a letter. No one would ever dream of reading a sentence here and there in a letter. The only way to get to know the contents of any letter or book is to start at the beginning and read right through.

But what do I mean when I tell you to start at the beginning? Am I referring to Genesis? Not at all. Genesis is the opening book of the Old Testament. Then what about Matthew? Matthew starts the New Testament, but the first chapter of Matthew is filled with hard names and, to a new convert, they are uninteresting. No, starting with Matthew is not starting at the beginning.

Listen, you have now been born into the Church. Which book is it that records the history of the Church? Which book tells about the beginning of the Church? Why, Acts, of course. Therefore, as a new convert, you should start with Acts. You will find Acts intensely interesting. In Acts, souls are saved and added to the Church. In Acts persecution breaks out; you will read about the way the early Christians suffered for Christ. Acts tells the story of the world's greatest missionary, Paul, and how he carried the gospel everywhere. You will learn how the first converts conducted themselves; what they did; and something of the glory and joy of their experiences will be yours. Therefore, if I were you, I would start with Acts.

Then you should read John. You already know the life of Christ, no doubt, but John deals with salvation and shows how Christ saves. Hence you should read John.

Then you should turn to Romans. You will be ready, by the time you read Acts and John, for a little of the strong meat of the Word. Romans takes you from the time you were a sinner right through your experiences of salvation, sanctification, and service to glorification. Therefore, read Romans.

You ought to read at least a chapter or, if possible, two chapters every day. You cannot afford to withhold the food that the new life needs. It must be nourished. Nor can you give it sufficient in one day to last for a week. The manna had to be gathered every morning, and you will have to study the Word of God daily. Otherwise you will starve the new life that God has given you, for it simply must have food.

If you should come across a verse that you cannot understand, do not become discouraged and give up the study of

God's Word altogether. Just lay that verse aside as you would lay aside a bone when eating fish, and go on with what you can understand. I would not throw away the entire fish just because of a bone. I would lay the bone aside and eat the fish. Why, then, should I refuse to read the Bible simply because of something that is beyond my comprehension? Probably when you read the Book again you WILL understand, for the Holy Spirit has promised to illuminate your mind and interpret God's Word to you.

Get a good reference Bible, one with good notes and a clear, readable type. Mark the special verses—those that pertain to salvation or that have been specially helpful to you. I always have a pencil in my hand when I read my study Bible.

Last of all, turn the Bible into prayer. Read a portion and then pray it out to God. You can take the Psalms or any of the great prayers of the Bible and make them yours. The experiences of David will be your experiences too. The prayers of the prophet will express your petitions.

"This Book will keep you from sin, or sin will keep you from this Book." That statement was written in my Bible when I was first saved, and I have found it true. And so will you.

As Now...So Then

Most of us have a picture of our ideal self—the person we should like to be, the person we hope and expect to be, and sometimes pray we shall become. That person does not quite exist today, but we hope he is not too far off in the future.

Our ideal self is a child of God who commences each day with ample time for prayer, Bible study, and fellowship with the Lord. Fresh from this tryst, this morning watch, he steps out victoriously into the battle of life. Yes, he has much work to do...and it is significant work that will count for ever, for it is God's work. There are friends today to be won for Christ, and he is interested in them, prays for them, and does not fail to speak to them personally of all that Christ means to him. He is in the world, but not of it. His separation unto God is also a separation from the things of this world, yet he is in warm friendly contact with men and women for Christ's sake. He is not too busy to give time to others. He is not irritable, selfish, unkind, or thoughtless. He speaks the truth and does not gossip. He has a genuine interest, true Christian love for others, and cares for them for Christ's sake. He is not proud or self-conscious. He has a two-fold victory over impurity in mind and action. He is victorious in Christ.

But am I?

Oh, yes, there is much that I am plan-



IF I BUT READ

The Lord I love went on ahead
To make a home for me. He said
He would come back again, and He—
Oh, gracious love—He wrote to me!
He knew I was so weak and blind
And foolish that I could not find
The road alone. He told me things
That all earth's wise men, and its kings,
Have never guessed, yet I foreknow
If I but read His Word. And, oh,
Such depths of love on every sheet!
My soul is trembling at His feet.
What would He think of me
If when I saw Him I should say:
"I was too busy every day
To read what Thou didst write to me;
I really hadn't time for Thee!"

—Martha Snell Nicholson

ning for the future. I am in business for God. My time is not to be wasted. I shall be always in His will, filled with His love, enjoying the fulness of His blessing. And so I dream on.

However, for me and many others this will be only a day-dream, a wish, a castle in the air. Christ will not be honored and glorified in me in this way, for I fail to realize that as I am today so I shall be tomorrow. I shall not be different. That ideal self will be the same insipid, flat, ordinary spiritual self it is today. Of course, I may still dream, hope, even pray, "God make me what I ought to be"—but there will be no difference.

We are today the exact product of our own past thinking and praying and living, and tomorrow we shall be what we are making of ourselves now in our day-by-day existence.

What shall I be in a year of two? What am I today? How is my Quiet Time, my fellowship with God, my interest in others, my disposition? Have I a victorious, Spirit-filled life today?

"As now"—today—"so then." But praise God He is ready to meet with me in prayer and Bible study today. He is ready to live His life in and through me today, to sweeten my disposition, to lessen my selfishness, to increase my zeal

and devotion to Him, to give me truth and holiness in my inmost life, to make me His true soldier.

When? Tomorrow? No, today!
"Today, if ye will hear his voice, harden not your hearts" (Hebrews 3:15). Because, "as now . . . so then." —His.

I Am Your Church Paper

MAY I introduce myself? I am your church paper, and my name is THE PENTECOSTAL EVANGEL.

My last name means "good news." They named me that because my job is to spread the good news about the Lord Jesus Christ and all the blessings He brings to men. My first name "Pentecostal" means that I was named after Peter and the other apostles. You know, they were baptized with the Holy Spirit on the day of Pentecost, and from that time on they preached the full gospel, as recorded in the Book of Acts and all the Epistles. In other words, they were

all Pentecostal preachers, such as I am.

Yes, I'm a preacher. I never hold great meetings, nor do I use sensational methods; nevertheless, I am constantly engaged in an evangelistic and Bible teaching ministry. I am always preaching to individuals. My work is different to that of other evangelists. You might call me a Home Missionary, for I seek the out-of-the-way places. A young fellow in college wrote a letter recently to say how thankful he was for my ministry. "The Lord has certainly blessed the ministry of that paper," he said. "Time after time during the year I have eagerly pulled it out of the mail-box and dropped everything to read through the EVANGEL. It has been a constant source of inspiration—how I look forward to it!"

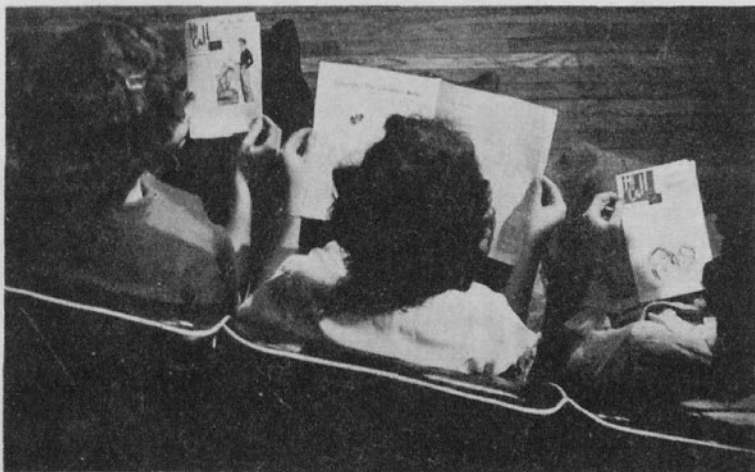
I happened to read that letter, and it made me feel good all over. Letters like that stimulate me to work all the harder for Jesus. I like to hear from my readers, and to know what articles they like the best.

I like to visit the old people, too. It almost makes me blush to think what one dear old saint said about me: "I am a widow," she said. "For many years I haven't had a Pentecostal church to go

To draw attention to the importance and possibilities of Christian literature, the Evangelical Press Association designated October as Evangelical Press Month.

The E. P. A. was organized five years ago "to promote the cause of evangelical Christianity and to enhance the influence of Christian journalism." The organization has enjoyed a steady growth. Its membership now includes about ninety periodicals, including THE PENTECOSTAL EVANGEL, and it is exerting an ever-stronger influence toward more and better evangelical literature. Its annual conventions and its weekly news service are potent factors in its growing influence.

Many encouraging signs lead E. P. A. members to believe that the Christian public is becoming more aware of the need and value of gospel literature in reaching the unsaved, and in contributing to the building of Christian character, as well as keeping informed of evangelistic and missionary activities the world around. For example, the output of the Gospel Publishing House is constantly increasing. More magazines, books, tracts, and other supplies are in demand and



Evangelical Press Month

the publication facilities are being taxed to the limit to fill all the orders.

Not only in English, but in Spanish as well, more people are reading our literature than ever before. The Spanish Sunday School literature published by the Assemblies of God is now being used by thirty-two other denominations.

You can take part in this observance of Evangelical Press Month by doing these things:

1. Read the EVANGEL regularly and share it with others.
2. Subscribe to "The Missionary Challenge" and keep abreast of missionary developments at home and abroad.
3. Be sure that each teacher and worker in Sunday School is a regular reader of "Our Sunday School Conseller."
4. Order "The C. A. Herald" for all young people between the ages of thirteen and thirty-five.
5. Make full use of the complete line of Sunday School literature that is provided by your Publishing House.
6. Secure a catalog from the Gospel Publishing House and build up your home library of Christian books. Include fiction and non-fiction, devotional books and Bible study helps, books of biography and stories of missionary adventure.
7. Plan a regular program for reading. Make time for reading at least twice a week. The Christian who disciplines himself to read helpful literature will inevitably serve his Lord better.
8. As you become acquainted with available literature, you will be able to choose suitable books for loaning to unbelievers. A well-chosen book or gospel tract has been the means of many a conversion.

The best way to stem the tide of evil reading that threatens to engulf all that is righteous is to build a solid wall of Christ-centered, Bible-based literature in every home and in every Assembly.

to, so I did appreciate the only spiritual food I received; that was in your paper. I have subscribed for some thirty years, and I can't stand to miss a copy. I'm so afraid I will miss something special, if I do. The EVANGEL is such a blessing to me."

I'm now forty years old. I belong to the Assemblies of God. My first obligation is to my own church, of course, but I seem to fill an important place in the lives of many people in other denominations, as well. One friend wrote and said: "I am a Baptist, but I feel that I do not want to be without your paper. A member of the Assembly of God sent me the EVANGEL first as a present, and now I feel that I have found a good thing."

I especially like to visit the servicemen. One man told how he looks forward to my visits. "I am in the air force, stationed on the island of Guam, with almost a year to go," he said. "There are no Pentecostal churches on the island. The EVANGEL has been such a blessing to me."

My friends often take me to jail services and street meetings. I love that, too. Other friends place me in public places, such as libraries, railroad depots, and bus stations.

No place is too distant, if I know of someone there who wants to read me. You see, I'm also a Foreign Missionary. I go anywhere in the world for a small postage stamp. I had the privilege of taking the Pentecostal message to Nigeria, years ago. As a result there was a glorious Pentecostal revival in that land and today there are thousands of happy Nigerians rejoicing in the fulness of the blessing of the gospel.

A group of Europeans in a certain city in South Africa first heard of the Assemblies of God through my pages. These fine people were open for all God had for them; and when they read about the Baptism of the Holy Spirit they began to hold prayer meetings in their homes. It was not long until the Lord filled a number of them with His Spirit. Then they asked for an Assemblies of God pastor, with the result that today there is a flourishing Assembly in that city.

I travel all over the world, and many of my articles are translated into other languages. Won't you pray that I may have an ever-widening ministry?

A pastor in the Netherlands wrote recently saying that I have been a great blessing and a help in the Lord's work there. From England a man writes to say: "God be thanked for your EVANGEL. It always is a joy when my copies come to hand. I still consider that it stands head and shoulders above other Pentecostal publications. It carries solid QUALITY."

Of course, I realize that I have no

right to boast, except in our wonderful Lord. As the apostle Paul said, we have nothing except what we have received; and if we have received it, we must not glory as if we had not received it (1 Cor. 4:7). I glory only in God, and in His grace. My motto is that which always appears on my front page—"Not by might, nor by power, but by My Spirit, saith the Lord"—and that's a good motto for all God's servants.

The reason I tell you some of the nice things people are saying about me is that it's Evangelical Press Month, and I have been urged to tell you something about the burden that is upon my heart. I am grateful for all the Pastors, Sunday School Superintendents, and other friends who introduce me to the people. I appreciate the kindness of so many readers who hand me to their neighbors or who donate a gift subscription to put me into some new home. But I know there are many homes that I never enter—homes where I could be a blessing—and so I hope you will help me get around to them.

I visit people whom the pastor cannot reach. I bring messages of healing to the sick, comfort to the shut-ins, help to the distressed, and salvation to the lost.

One evangelist gets subscriptions at each church he visits. The other day he sent me a list of twenty-five names. Another church sent me fifty-six names. They said: "In a previous order for a larger number of free subscriptions to friends or acquaintances of our people, our church derived benefits that we did not anticipate." Perhaps your church could benefit by doing the same.

One lady said she was healed while reading me. Another lady was healed and baptized with the Spirit as a result of a copy which someone handed to her. Her husband and all four children were saved, too. Then her two sons were called to preach the full gospel. Her grandson now is in the ministry also. Thus many souls have been won to Christ through this single family to whom the EVANGEL was introduced by a visitor.

So I am coming to you with the request that you pray for me, and for my editorial staff, and that you do everything you can to increase my circulation. Not that my health is poor due to any lack of circulation. My pulse is strong and my circulation is gaining steadily, thank the Lord—it has reached 160,000—but still there are millions of people who have never heard of me. I get restless and impatient, sometimes, thinking about the multitudes who read other magazines and newspapers but never read anything about the Word of Life. Won't you introduce me to more of your friends? I only want the privilege of telling them what God can do. I believe I have a message that they need, don't you?



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EVANGELISTIC CENTER DEDICATED AT KINGSTON, JAMAICA

Glenn Horst

Last-minute touches were being put on the new building. The program was arranged, but here and there a few details needed to be completed before the dedicatory service. As we drove up before the beautiful white-and-green-trimmed stucco building, our hearts were filled with praise at this monument to God's faithfulness.

As one looks around this beautiful building with the prayer room in the rear and the evangelists' quarters above the Sunday School addition, he is made to realize that a great deal of labor, sacrifice, prayers and tears have been put into the project.

The doors are of solid hardwood, the locks and hardware are chrome, the porch and foyer are paved with a native tile and the lights are a modernistic indirect lighting system. Inside, we found the benches and platform were made of a most beautiful native wood. The pulpit was a gift of the workers and the men who had made the pews. On one side of the pulpit was a hardwood table with engraved letters, "In Remembrance of Me," while on the other side stood the public address system and the remote control for speaking directly from the auditorium over Radio Jamaica.

The Jamaican military band (which is the equivalent of our Marine Corps Band in the United States) was playing fifteen minutes before the dedicatory service was to begin. As they were playing

the last strains of the opening numbers, the special guests and speakers marched onto the platform. The bishop of the Methodist Church was there, and the mayor's representative, who himself was in effect the mayor of a section of Kingston known as St. Andrews.

With a triumphant, militant air, the band played, "The Church's One Foundation Is Jesus Christ the Lord." The piano joined in the victorious anthem, and more than one thousand of us lifted up our voices with full hearts as we sang this thrilling tribute to our Lord and Master. At long last plans, wishes and dreams were being realized, for this was the dedicatory service of the Kingston, Jamaica, Evangelistic Center.

Just before the message, an English soldier, stationed in Jamaica, sang with a beautiful, clear, high tenor voice. Our hearts were melted as he sang, "Not what I wish to be, nor where I wish to go. . . . The Lord shall choose for me."

Then it was my turn to stand before those people and preach. Realizing their long hours of work and sacrifice, knowing of the disappointments and problems they had faced in building a church, for a few moments one could not find words to speak. My heart was full.

It was neither our prayer nor the sermon that dedicated this lovely temple, but it was the labors and tears of the faithful workers who offered this monument to God's glory. It would be the tears of those who would find Christ, and pardon for sin, and the joy of heaven. It would be the presence of the Lord that would perpetuate the dedication of this building.

Finally the bishop of the Methodist Church stepped forward and pronounced the benediction. As the people began to leave, one saw looks of satisfaction on the faces of the members for the accomplishments of the past. They showed faith and determination, for a great deal remains yet to be done in the city of Kingston. With this fact in mind, the superintendent, Brother Cyril Huckerby, said, "This place is already too small for some of our regular services; therefore, we will have to build other centers just like this in other parts of the city."

We are trusting that the necessary funds to pay off all indebtedness on the church may soon be forthcoming.

Heavenly Visitation in a Cuban City

Only a few short months ago the city of Ciego de Avila in the very heart of Cuba had no Pentecostal witness. The citizens of this city went on their usual way, buying and selling, living and dying with but little thought for God and eternity.

Then, a real Pentecostal revival visited Ciego de Avila. Hundreds, even thousands, gathered to hear the Word of God, and many of these hearers were thrilled to hear that there was such a thing as salvation through the blood of Christ for them. They accepted the gospel. Many of them were healed of diseases.

As a result of this revival, the people

felt the need of a meeting place, and this fine edifice was planned and built. Much of the money was given by the new believers, and the loans made by others are being paid off by the local members.

And what a congregation it is! The Sunday School of this church has some 40 branch Sunday Schools with a total attendance of over 1100 each Sunday. For several Sundays the average attendance has been 1300. Who would not rejoice in such results? Praise God for this revival in Ciego de Avila. The missionaries in charge of this church and its many outstations are Mr. and Mrs. Waldo Nicodemus.

The new church at Ciego de Avila, Cuba, built by Waldo Nicodemus



CONVERTED AT SUNRISE

Verne A. Warner

A Dominican housewife was on her way to the market place before dawn on Sunday. As she passed the Assembly of God in the capital city, where over forty of the Christians were gathered for their early morning prayer service, she heard their fervent prayers ascending heavenward. Her heart was immediately touched with conviction for her sins. With tears steaming down her cheeks she hurried into the building and cried, "Oh, please pray for me; I need God!"

At once the Christians gathered around her to pray and point her to the Saviour. Her heart was soon filled with joy because of sins forgiven; later she went on her way to the market place. Now she stops each Sunday morning to pray with the believers before going on to the market place. Her husband forbids her to attend our church at night, so she resorts to the early morning prayer for her spiritual food.

They Worship in a Rabbit House Because...

H. C. Ball



Mr. and Mrs. David Wakefield
French West Africa



David Wakefield sailed for France on September 4 for further language studies. His wife will be joining him later and then they will be going on to Africa.

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Mr. and Mrs. John Kolenda have arrived in Germany to take up their work at the Bible School in Stuttgart.

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Word has been received that Frances Edna made her appearance in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Sims on September 5, 1953.

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Mr. and Mrs. Paul Pugh of Uruguay are rejoicing over the arrival of a baby girl on September 15. She has been named Janet Elaine.

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Naomi C. Daraban writes from Formosa: "We are rejoicing in the way God is working in our new chapel. There are inquirers for salvation at nearly every service and some truly are getting through to God. Our Sunday School has increased each Sunday and interest is good. On Saturday nights we have an English service which is interpreted into Mandarin. We have had excellent results each time. A week ago nine came forward for prayer. This last Saturday a man and his wife came and were back again with their family on Sunday morning. We surely praise God for what He is doing."



Mr. and Mrs. John Kolenda
Germany



The Bible School students and faculty . . .



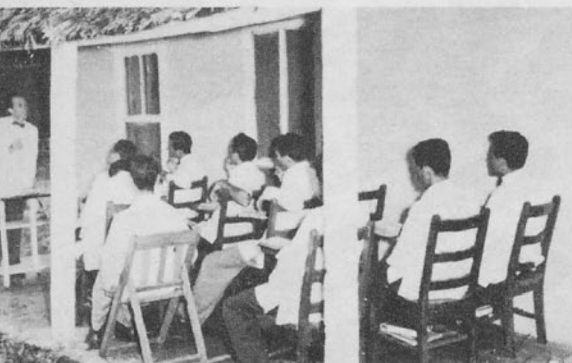
. . . have to meet in the rabbit house . . .



. . . since the hurricane struck. Even the . . .



. . . house porch is used for some classes . . .



. . . while others meet in the half-built church.

There is a saying that *it's an ill wind that blows nobody good*. Well, the hurricane that swept through Cuba and destroyed hundreds of homes also wrought havoc at the Instituto Biblico Pentecostal, the Assemblies of God Bible Institute in Manacas, Cuba. It destroyed the building in which the chapel and the classrooms were located.

Temporarily, classes and chapel are being held in the "rabbit house." Of course, this building has been cleaned and "converted" into this loftier use, but the teachers and students all long for the day when a roof can be built over the already erected walls of a building that we trust no hurricane can destroy.

The Bible Institute in Cuba has a record for working under handicaps. Commodious quarters for teachers and students have been non-existent from the very beginning. So the staff and students are worshipping in the "rabbit house." They are having their classes under the same palm-thatched shelter, holding other classes on the porch of the one missionary home at the Institute grounds. And they are also praying and looking eagerly at the walls of the new classrooms and chapel because they hope for the day when the roof will be built and when for the first time in the school's history they will enjoy a little elbow room.

Because of the greatly increased number of congregations all over Cuba, due to the recent revival, there is a demand for more pastors. These, of course, should be Cubans. Let us come to the help of the Lord and prepare for larger and better quarters where the hundreds of young Cubans can study the Word of God in preparation for a Spirit-filled ministry.

(Photos furnished by Alva Walker.)

\$4,000 NEEDED TO FINISH BUILDING

Will you help the Instituto Biblico Pentecostal in Cuba to finish their building? It will cost \$4000 to put the roof on the Bible School chapel. Already they have raised \$344 but must have additional funds. Every available inch of space is used for the students. This is a great need!

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SUNDAY'S LESSON

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

THE WISDOM OF TEMPERANCE

Lesson for November 1

Proverbs 23:20, 21, 29-35; 4:14-18

When speaking of temperance the Church usually refers to temperance in the use of strong drink. In the United States this temperance has taken the form of total abstinence—refraining entirely from drinking alcoholic beverages. This firm stand is taken by the Church because of the harmful effects of alcohol and the necessity of an unclouded Christian example. Intoxicating liquor is a major cause of crime, and certainly one of the greatest curses to mankind. During the days of national prohibition the liquor interests claimed that prohibition had only increased drunkenness and lawlessness. They claimed that if liquor were licensed, men would be more sober, there would be less crime, and our national debt would be reduced. But the exact opposite has been the result. For statistics, order a copy of "Facts About Intoxicating Liquors," published by the National Reform Association, 209 Ninth Street, Pittsburgh 22, Pennsylvania.

1. EFFECTS OF INTEMPERANCE

a. *Intemperance in Eating.* The Bible tells us to be "temperate in all things" (1 Cor. 9:25). In every phase of life Christians should avoid excesses. Even in the exercises of religion, proper restraint is sometimes required. The church at Corinth was intemperate in the use of spiritual gifts, especially the utterance gifts. Peter speaks of unrestrained indulgence as "excess of riot" (1 Peter 4:4), while Proverbs 23:20 warns against making companions of those who are "riotous eaters of flesh." Jesus said that in the last days the unconcerned would be found "eating and drinking" (Matt. 24:38). All must eat for bodily nourishment, but there is need of discipline lest love for food become gluttony. Gluttony is condemned of God as is excess of drinking: "The glutton shall come to poverty" (Prov. 23:21).

b. *Intemperance in Drinking.* "Be not among winebibbers" (Prov. 23:20). Dr. William Louis Potat, an eminent biologist, claims, "Alcohol makes nearly the whole of its attack upon the nervous system, which it deadens, or paralyzes, in direct proportion to the amount taken. And this narcotic effect is always the same no matter from what medium the alcohol comes—whisky, brandy, wine, or beer. . . ." Alcohol in any form destroys the self-control of the person who indulges. Even when the amount of alcohol used is too

small to affect the conduct, it has a degenerating effect upon one's response to a stimulus. "Beer is a devitalized, devitaminized, drugged, decayed, impoverished drink, and nothing under the sun but poisoned water."—Dr. C. W. Saleeby, London.

c. *Woes of Intemperance.* The first woe is poverty: "For the drunkard and the glutton shall come to poverty." Another is indolence: "And drowsiness shall clothe a man with rags." Have you seen the drunkard? Have you noticed his lack of self-respect and ambition? While his wife and family are suffering starvation, he goes shuffling down the street and sleeping in the gutter. If he is a man of wealth, he may be lying stupidly at home or at the club. There is no class of people who give themselves to liquor without being reduced to poverty or shame.

d. *Debasement of Intemperance.* "Who hath woe? who hath sorrow? who hath contentions? who hath babbling? who hath wounds without cause? who hath redness of eyes? They that tarry long at the wine" (v. 29). Every day we see the pitiful sorrow of the victims of strong drink. We behold the brawling, fighting, and crime which have been induced by the use of intoxicating liquor. The unruly boisterousness and shameless exposure of dissipated manhood are everywhere to be seen. I rode on a train in which a sober young lady and a soldier were seated together in front of me. After a time he offered her a drink. She accepted, and then indulged more and more. Before I left the train she was a raving fool, to the disgust of all in the car. How soon a beautiful maiden became a drunken wretch! Such is the result of intoxicating liquors.

e. *Warning Against Intemperance.* The only safe way to be preserved from the curse of liquor is to leave it entirely alone. "Look not thou upon the wine when it is red, when it giveth his colour in the cup." Instead of gazing upon it, turn from it, for "at the last it biteth like a serpent, and stingeth like an adder." There is no safety in taking "the social glass," for a life of drunkenness often begins there. There is safety only in total abstinence.

2. TWO WAYS OF LIFE CONTRASTED

Our lesson turns from Proverbs 23 back to chapter four. There we find a warning against going in the path of the evil.

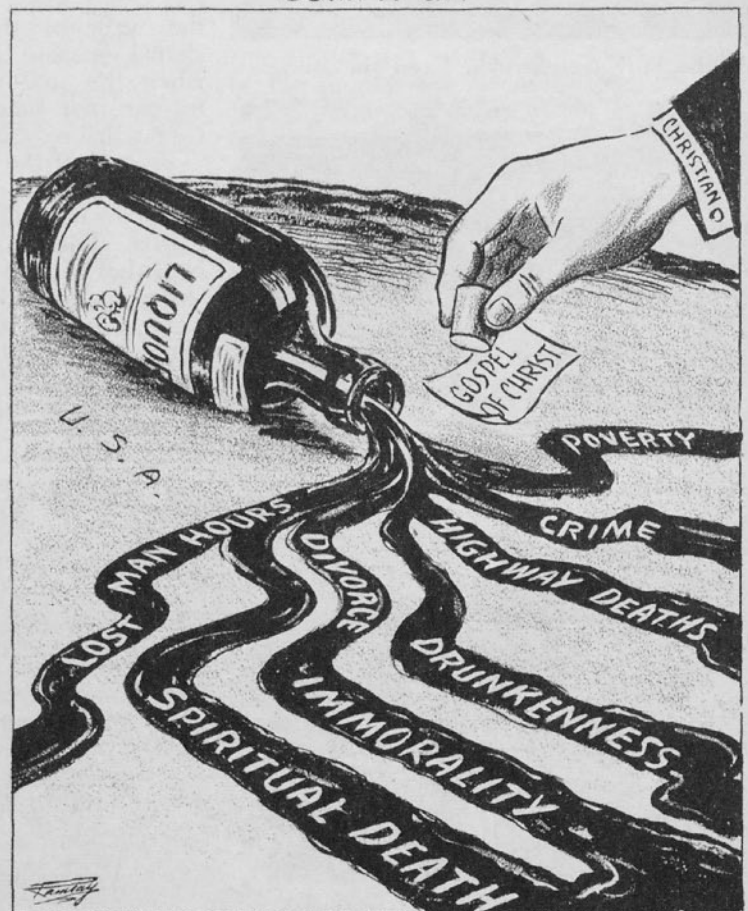
a. *The Way of the Evil.* The evil "sleep

not, except they have done mischief." This is a description of their own ways. If they were content to live their own evil lives it would be bad enough, but they are not. "Their sleep is taken away, unless they cause some to fall." The devil was a wicked sinner who could not rest in his own sin. When he saw an innocent man and woman in the garden of Eden, he could not be content until he had dragged them down to his own shameful level. This same devilish spirit has activated his followers. They are polluted, and their desire is to lower others to their level of corruption. "The way of the wicked is as darkness." There is nothing in the wicked man that leads to light—the light of purity and joy. His path leads only to the darkness of sin, disappointment, regret, and shame.

b. *The Way of the Just.* How different is the way of the just! "The path of the just is as the shining light, that shineth more and more unto the perfect day." Purity begets light, brightness, and happiness. While the steps of the evil end in "the blackness of darkness for ever," the steps of the righteous lead ever upward in peace and contentment until the soul is finally at home with the Lord forever.

c. *Exhortation to the Righteous.* Learn, not by the sad experience of intoxication and sin, but by the good advice and example of worthy persons. "Take fast hold of instruction; let her not go; keep her; for she is thy life." Good instruction is to be valued continually. As long as we remain on the earth we live in a world of temptation. Having known the truth, and having begun in the truth, we must

"CORK IT UP!"



continue to obey the truth. However enticing the forbidden things seem to be, we must "buy the truth, and sell it not." Glamour is superficial, but truth is abiding.

d. A *Final Word*. "Keep thy heart with all diligence." "Enter not into the path of the wicked." "Take fast hold of instruction." "Let thine eyes look right on." "Ponder the path of thy feet, and let thy ways be established. Turn not to the right hand nor to the left: remove thy foot from evil."

THIS WEEK'S LESSON

Jacob at Bethel (lesson for Sunday, October 25). Lesson text: Genesis 28:12-22.

God Honors Those Who Honor Him

An Indian brother was faced with a tremendous problem. He had just accepted Christ, and now it seemed that he would lose his very livelihood if he obeyed God.

A fisherman by trade, he with other fishermen had to make the best of the short fishing season. It was customary to work every day of the week, including Sunday. Although he had done this before his conversion, now he felt that this was God's day and should be kept as such. Besides, if he fished every Sunday, there would be no time to go to God's house and get the spiritual food he so much needed.

He fought a hard battle but finally decided to obey God and tie up the boat on Sunday. He felt God would honor him, and so he refused to worry about it.

After the first Sunday away, he heard of the big catches the others had been taking. It didn't bother him until a few days had passed and he found himself catching very few fish. At the end of the week he found it hard to lay the boat up. The jeering fishermen made his task even harder.

The weeks went by and it seemed that he had only fair catches each day. He heard of others who made big catches, and it seemed that the biggest of all were caught on Sunday.

Grimly he stuck to the thought that he was doing God's will and that God would surely help him.

Right at the end of the season, with only a few days left, he began to catch fish. It didn't seem that he was having any outstanding catch, but he caught fish very steadily.

The day came when the last ship brought in its haul and the season was closed. The totals were made and it was found that our Christian friend had made by far the biggest haul for the whole season. The others had all had many more days of fishing because of the

Sundays they had worked, but actually they had caught fewer fish.

I heard this Indian brother give a glowing testimony of God's goodness. His face shone with the glory of God as he related His heavenly Father's faithfulness to him.

No one ever lost a thing by doing what is right in the sight of God and in

the light of His Word. On the other hand, seeming gain may be greater loss if that gain has come by refusing to walk in all the light God sheds upon our pathway.

God will never be anyone's debtor. It is still true that the "willing and obedient... shall eat the good of the land."—by Charles Alfred Harris.

"I Was in Prison..."

by Arvid Ohnell, National Prison Representative

It is impossible to read the New Testament without paying attention to the love and interest Christ revealed in His daily life toward the outcasts of society, the neglected and condemned people of His day and ours. He gave His life as a payment for their sins and ours. When the sun refused to shine and many

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When you have a service in a police station or county jail, even if it is only for a few, it is possible that you have the opportunity there to testify to men who will later be sentenced to a state or federal institution. If they are not won to Christ they may possibly some day even face the chair, the gallows, the gas chamber, or a firing squad.

We have in the United States around 3000 county jails and many more police stations. Two years ago I visited a county jail in a town where there were many churches, and I learned that they had not had a single service in that jail in over fourteen years!

May this NOVEMBER 8th be a victorious day for God's people as jail services are held all over the United States, and may the name of the Lord be glorified!



ARVID OHNELL

of the bodies of the saints which slept arose and came out of the graves to reveal the resurrection power of God—when the mountains were shaking and the veil of the temple was rent—Christ went through the world of planets and stars to the Paradise of God with the soul, not of a high priest, but of a malefactor who repented in his dying hours.

Again we are approaching the SECOND SUNDAY IN NOVEMBER which, for the past two years, has been designated by the Assemblies of God as NATIONAL PRISON SUNDAY. All over the United States our people, whose hearts have been touched by the Saviour's love for the outcasts of society, have responded in a marvelous way. Last year special services were held on National Prison Sunday in police stations, county jails, and in state and federal Institutions.

Many times I have heard the remark, "In our city we have only a police station with very few locked up, or a small county jail with only one or two inmates." REMEMBER, DEAR FRIEND, EVERY MAN

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43 And he said unto them, I must preach the kingdom of God to other cities also: for therefore am I sent.	s Sin. Rom 23, note.
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NOT A GREAT DEAL OF MONEY

Jonathan Goforth was a missionary to China and had to live on the usual small missionary salary. In the later years of his life he lost his sight. He and his wife returned to the United States on a small pension.

One day his wife noticed an especially thoughtful look on his face. She knew him well and said, "You are figuring how much less we can get along on, so that you can give away more."

He smiled and nodded, "Yes."

This is sacrificial giving. Giving the dollar one can spare is not the highest form of giving. The Lord praised the woman of whom He could say, "All these have of their abundance cast in unto the offerings of God, but she of her penury hath cast in all the living that she had" (Luke 21:4).

It is interesting to notice that the Bible does not say that the love of a great deal of money is the root of all evil, but simply the love of money (1 Tim. 6:10). Some people hold on as tenaciously to a five-dollar bill as others cling to a thousand.

Some people try to claim the promise, "But my God shall supply all your need according to his riches in glory by Christ Jesus" (Phil. 4:19), and ignore the rest of the chapter. However, in the preceding verse Paul speaks of "the things which were sent from you" (Phil. 4:18). It is to the liberal that God promises to be liberal.

Pundita Ramabai ran an orphanage in India; and whenever the rice supply was not sufficient, she sent her girls out into the community to distribute to the poor the supply that was on hand. Whenever Pandita did this, God always provided enough rice to take care of the needs of the orphanage. God "loveth a cheerful giver" (2 Cor. 9:7).

No doubt that is the secret—be a cheerful giver. Should anyone, having read or heard of God's generosity to others, give merely in order to get, God would know the motive. In all probability God would ignore the gift. Giving does lead to getting but the giving must not be with the desire to get—"Freely ye have

received, freely give" (Matt. 10:8).

Give generously, before the Lord has to remind you to give, as He has some. A man was writing a check for \$250 for a Christian organization when he received a telegram. He read it and said, "I have suffered a great loss. That makes a difference in my business. I shall have to write this check for \$1000.

"But I thought you said you had lost money," his friend protested.

"I did, and my loss reminded me that my Heavenly Father said, 'Lay not up for yourselves treasures upon earth'" (Matt. 6:19).

It is easy to dream and scheme what you would do if you had a million dollars. But it is probable that you will not have abundance to give from, until you have learned to give out of your penury. (See Luke 21:4 again.)

Our general attitude is apt to be like the two native Christians who were discussing giving. One said, "If you had a hundred sheep, would you give fifty of them for the Lord's work?"

"You know I would."

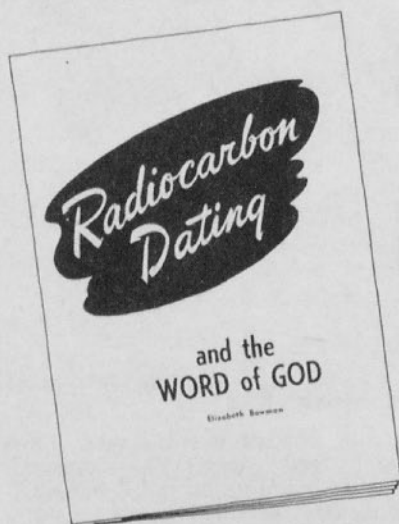
"If you had fifty sheep, would you give twenty-five?"

"You know I would."

"If you had two sheep, would you give one of them?"

"No, I wouldn't, and you have no right to ask me that when you know I have two sheep."

Many of us would give our first dollar to the Lord, but would we give our last?



RADIOCARBON DATING and the WORD of GOD

by Elizabeth Bowman

When science discovers new facts or new procedures those who disbelieve or oppose the Bible rush in to use the newly discovered techniques in an effort to disprove the Bible. Such has been the case with the radiocarbon dating technique advanced by Dr. Willard F. Libby of the University of Chicago whereby the age of ancient things can be determined by a count of radioactive emissions.

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Remember to pray during this coming week for the convention of the Pentecostal Fellowship of North America, which begins Tuesday night, October 27, in the Armory Auditorium at Charlotte, N. C. Pray that the theme of the convention, "Pentecostal Power—Today!" may become a reality in every Pentecostal assembly.

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Almost everything has been heard at one time or another in Washington, D. C., but soon the nation's capital will be hearing something new—a voice singing out over the embassy rooftops: "There is no god but Allah! Mohammed is his prophet!"

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Death is only a horizon, and a horizon is nothing save the limit of our sight.
—R. W. Raymond.

THE GENERAL COUNCIL IN PICTURES

Top row—(1) Sven Bjork, Swedish tenor whose singing was enjoyed at the Council. (2) The Missionaires Quartette—Carl Clark, Warren Grant, Ross Wyss, and Wesley Holmes. (3) Ernest S. Williams, former General Superintendent, at the pulpit.

Second row—(1) Two pastors and two foreign missionaries talking Sunday School—Lyman B. Richardson of Gary, Ind., J. Burdette Wiles of Gold Coast, West Africa, Einar G. Peterson of Cuba, and Russell H. Olson of Minneapolis, Minn. (2) Chief of Chaplains Ivan L. Bennett chatting with four ministers—S. E. Linzey of El Cajon, Calif., Chaplain Wayne E. Rowland, A. K. Moore of San Diego, Calif., and Joseph Dunets of Cheyenne, Wyo.

Third row—(1) Ten Texas preachers: R. Q. Hankins of Fairfield, W. B. Dikes of Austin, H. M. Cadwalder of Kerrville, A. M. Freeze of Lufkin, Chas. G. Lonsford of Overton, J. Paul Joyner of Austin, M. B. Netzel (District Superintendent), H. A. Conner of Waxahachie, Earl J. Rogers of McKinney, and W. W. Cothran of Round Rock. (2) Lottie Riekehof interpreting for some deaf friends during the Home Missions rally.

Fourth row—(1) Platform scene during the Youth rally. (2) Four officials of the Foreign Missions Department at their booth—George H. Carmichael, Donald G. Foote, J. Philip Hogan, and Maynard L. Ketcham.

Fifth row—(1) Noel Perkin, Foreign Missions Secretary (center, standing) telling newspaper reporters about the persecution of Protestants in Italy. Seated are Giacomo Rosapepe, Rome attorney, and Alfred J. Perna, his interpreter. (2) Wilfred A. Brown, General Treasurer, and Don Malough, National C. A. Secretary.

Bottom row—(1) Desks and sign boards formed the display of the National Sunday School Department. (2) Emil A. Balliet of North Hollywood, Calif. and Aaron A. Wilson of Kansas City, Mo. (3) Dr. R. L. Decker, Executive Secretary of the National Association of Evangelicals.



HEALED

If God has healed you recently, we invite you to write out your testimony for publication so that others who need healing will be encouraged to believe and receive the Lord's healing touch. Kindly make your testimony as brief as possible, and ask your pastor to sign it; then mail it to the Pentecostal Evangel, 434 W. Pacific St., Springfield 1, Mo.

BRONCHITIS

For almost two years I had been suffering, going to one doctor and then another. None of them knew what was wrong with me and they kept giving me X-ray treatments as they thought I had tuberculosis. I grew worse until I finally got down in bed and had to stay in for about three months. I had to sit propped up almost straight in bed and struggle to breathe. I had smothering spells which were worse at night, and some nights I did not think I would live until morning.

My daughter got another doctor and he said I had bronchitis. He gave me some medicine, but it only kept the smothering spells away for awhile and then they came back just as bad as ever.

Finally I got victory for my healing. The Lord came to my rescue and healed my body on December 12, 1950, in answer to prayer. I have been working every winter since then. The devil tried to tell me I would have bronchitis again when the weather got bad, but praise the Lord I am still healed.—Mrs. Ethel McKinzie, 6428 Wells, St. Louis 14, Mo.

(Endorsed by Cecil Collins, Pastor, Evangelistic Assembly, St. Louis, Mo.)

GALL STONES

On March 14, 1953, I was taken ill. When the doctor arrived, he said it was gall trouble. I had come home from the hospital about five weeks before that, where they had taken X rays. They told me that I had gall stones, but because of my condition they would not operate on me.

Before the doctor left the house he gave me medicine and told me he would see me the next day. That would be Sunday. I took three doses of the medicine—no more.

Sunday morning I got up and was sitting in a rocking chair. After a short while I said to a sister in the Lord who was with me, "Oh my, I feel funny. I feel as if I am dying." She helped me back to bed. The pain became so terrible that I could hardly stand it; it was growing worse. It was nearly time for Sunday School, so I asked this sister to go over and ask our pastor, Brother John Tubbs, to come and pray for me. Brother Tubbs came, bringing our Sunday School teacher, Brother William Shield, with him.

Brother Tubbs and Brother Shield prayed the prayer of faith for me. Glory to God! I sat up in bed and I began to praise and thank God. Then I said, "I must get out of bed. God has healed me." I went back and forth in my room with my arms uplifted, praising the Lord in the Spirit.

The Lord spoke to me, "Go tell those in Sunday School what I have done for you." The sister told me I was not able to go, but I went anyway. God had answered our prayers!

That evening the doctor returned. He was surprised to find me dressed and ready to go to church. "What are you doing out of bed?" he asked.

I said, "I am not sick any more."

He looked as if he could hardly believe his own eyes. "You surely look wonderful," he said. "That was wonderful medicine I gave you."

I told him it was not the medicine; the Lord had undertaken for me. I have not had any pain since. The surgeons would not operate, but Jesus operated, and removed all the gall stones. I praise Him that my healing holds good to this present day.—Mrs. M. C. Mowery, 150 South Market Street, Shamokin, Pa.

(Endorsed by John D. Tubbs, Pastor of Shamokin Gospel Tabernacle.)

FLU AND SORE THROAT

Last winter I was down with the flu. I ached all over and had a high fever. I called my pastor, Brother Davis, who anointed me with oil (James 5:14) and prayed for me. I received some relief but the fever continued on through Friday. They prayed again, and the fever left, so I was able to be up all day Saturday.

Brother Davis had asked me to preach that Sunday night at the church, but my throat was still very sore. My tonsils were so swollen that they touched, and I could not swallow without great pain. The gland on the right side of my throat was swollen out as large as an egg. On Sunday morning, therefore, when Brother Davis called for those who needed healing to come forward for prayer, I went forward and they prayed for me. By the time I had returned to my seat, the swelling of the gland had gone and my throat was as well as ever. I preached that night without a trace of pain. Jesus never fails His own.—Mrs. Lucy Kucheval, 2525 W. Grand Ave., Oklahoma City, Okla.

(Endorsed by Pastor J. P. Davis, Oklahoma City, Okla.)

HEART TROUBLE AND ARTHRITIS

I was healed at the First Assembly of God in Beckley, W. Va. during a meeting last January conducted by Evangelists R. A. Sherrill and C. A. Arnold of Farmington, Mo.

While sitting in the church during one of the Sunday afternoon services, I had a heart attack and fell over against the lady sitting next to me. Brother Sherrill noticed me. He came from the platform and prayed for me. Instantly my strength came back and my heart was beating normally.

I had had this bad heart condition for several months and had passed out often. I praise the Lord for completely healing me not only of this heart condition but also of bad nerves and arthritis. Eight months have passed and I am still healed.—Mrs. Pauline Rutherford, Glen White, West Virginia.

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SKIN CANCER

While serving as a missionary in Ouagadougou, French West Africa, I noticed a red spot on my left cheek. It grew very rapidly and soon was the size of a pea. Then it burst. It refused to heal and began to grow larger.

The Lord marvelously opened up the way for me to return to the United States. All the way across the ocean I spent the time in prayer for deliverance. The devil tried to tell me my missionary work was finished.

I arrived in the States last May. Not being able to touch God, I went to a skin specialist in Los Angeles, Calif. He immediately said it was a skin cancer, becoming malignant. His exact classification was, "Bean sized pearly nodule with central crusted ulceration typical of a basal cell epithelioma." He said that I would need a number of X-ray treatments which would be given at three-week intervals.

The next Sunday I was preaching in Pasadena, Calif. Before the service Brother Paul Boyer felt led to pray for me, and God heard and answered. When I went for my next treatment the doctor could not believe his eyes. He was so skeptical that he insisted I see a doctor in New York before returning to Africa. He gave me a letter of introduction but I have not used it, as I am completely healed.—Mrs. Harold S. Jones, c/o Mrs. G. Priestly, 1000 Warburton Ave., Yonkers, New York.

ASTHMA AND PNEUMONIA

For twenty-seven years I suffered with asthma. I had been treated by several physicians, but none of them helped me. Time and time again I was prayed for, but because of lack of faith I was not healed. Gradually I grew worse. When I became seriously ill with pneumonia in February, 1953, my family thought my time had come. The doctor said he could do no more for me.

At that time Brother J. C. Washburn was in a revival meeting at our church. Our pastor, Brother L. R. Hampton, and the entire church began to pray and believe God for my healing. About the third night after the doctor had given me up, my daughter Linda felt a burden of prayer and went to her bedroom to pray for me. At the same time they were having special prayer for me at the church.

For some time I had been unconscious. I regained consciousness long enough to hear my daughter come in exclaiming, "She's healed! She's healed! She's healed! I know you don't believe it, but she's healed anyway." Then I knew nothing more for several hours.

When I began to mend, the doctor and everyone who had seen me in that

condition were amazed. The doctor told me then that even if I got over the pneumonia my cough would always be the same as it had been. Before this I would cough a long time before I could rest, and sometimes I would cough all night. But since God healed me in February I can lie down and sleep like a baby.

I am now able to attend church, something I hadn't been able to do for nine years. The doctor and others are amazed. But there is nothing impossible with God through Jesus Christ His Son. I give Him all the praise.—Mrs. Maggie Sitzes, 706 High Street, Fredericktown, Missouri.

(Endorsed by Pastor L. R. Hampton of Fredericktown, Mo.)

Beware of the Easy Way

Yesterday morning I drove our car across the river bridge and up the hill which leads to the airport. I encountered river-fog everywhere. But when I reached the top of the hill, the sun was shining brightly.

As I looked back I could see a curtain

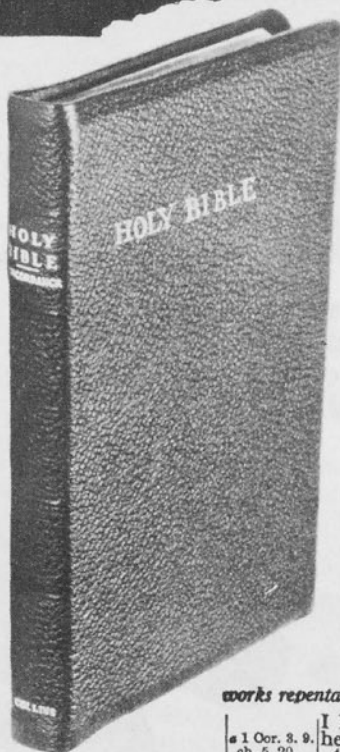
of fog overhanging the river and the city. I thought to myself: "Why do people build cities in low-lying places? How much better it would be to build the cities on higher ground, above the fog and the smog!"

Then it occurred to me that cities are usually built around railroad terminals. Because the railroad "went through" on low-lying ground, my city is located where it is. Railroads are built over "easy" ground. Surveyors and construction engineers must take the way of least resistance. They cannot build railroads up one hill and down the next. Because the surveyors and construction men were compelled to take the way of least resistance, my city will always be a place of river mists and fog.

When men build railroads, there is some excuse for their plans. When we build lives, however, there is no such excuse. We must build our lives on high ground, above the mists and fogs of time. If we build on a low plane, others will follow our example and build foolishly, too.

In the Bible we read of a man who "built his house upon the sand" (Matt. 7:26, 27). It fell. But another man "built his house upon a rock" (vv. 24, 25). No doubt he chose high, solid ground. He built above the mists and fogs of life.

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The fact that somebody else had built on sand was no excuse for him to build there. Perhaps the hills he climbed to establish his dwelling were rugged and steep, but he reached the top. His house stood firm.

As you go through life, beware of the way of least resistance. It is a way of misty misgivings and ultimate destruction. Take the hard, rugged way and build on solid ground, with your face set toward the "Sun of righteousness."

—by Arthur H. Townsend.

The Story of Jenny Lind

Jenny Lind, a renowned Swedish opera singer, went to New York in 1851, at the height of her fame and influence in the musical world. During this visit she attended a service on the Gospel ship, the "Bethel," and heard Pastor Olaf Hedstrom preach. At the conclusion of the service, she went to the pastor's study where this man of God talked with her faithfully about her need of salvation. Soon they were kneeling. Jenny Lind wept, and called on the Name of the Lord, and was gloriously saved.

Later, Pastor Hedstrom received several letters from Jenny Lind in which she expressed her appreciation of the spiritual help he had given her, and assured him that she would never appear in the theater again. Jenny Lind's decision to leave the operatic stage created a sensation, and much bitterness was expressed against religion and against Pastor Hedstrom. She kept her promise to the Lord, and from the day of her conversion she never appeared in opera.

Once an English friend found her sitting on the beach with a Bible on her knee, looking out in the glory of a sunset. They talked, and the conversation drew near to the inevitable question: "How is it that you came to abandon the stage at the very height of your success?"

"When every day," was the quiet answer, "it made me think less of this [laying a finger on the Bible] and nothing at all of that [pointing to the sunset] what else could I do?"

She was comprehending more fully a statement she had made at the time of her conversion: "There is no peace in created things. They cannot give happiness but only increase my anxiety. There is no peace, O God, until my soul finds peace in Thee."

Soul out of Christ, there is no peace

and no true joy apart from Christ. Honor and wealth cannot satisfy the thirst of the soul. "As the hart panteth after the water brooks, so panteth my soul after Thee, O God." Only Christ can satisfy, and bestow peace that passeth understanding, and give joy unspeakable and full of glory.

Come to Christ as Jenny Lind did. Accept Him as your personal Saviour, and He will forgive your sins, cleanse your heart, save your soul, and give you eternal life. Hear His wonderful assurance: "Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that heareth My Word, and believeth on Him that sent Me, hath everlasting life, and shall not come into condemnation; but is passed from death unto life" (John 5:24).—Selected.

NEWS

WELL-KNOWN CANADIAN MINISTER DEPARTS TO BE WITH CHRIST

R. E. McAlister, one of Canada's well-known preachers, passed away at Toronto last month at the age of 73.



Brother McAlister was a Pentecostal pioneer. He began preaching around 1905, although he did not receive full ordination to the Pentecostal ministry until 1912. He was instrumental in the organizing of many Pentecostal assemblies in Canada, and held pastorates in Ottawa and London, Ontario.

When the Eastern Canada and Western Canada Districts of the Assemblies of God came together in 1919 to form the Pentecostal Assemblies of Canada, Brother McAlister was appointed General Secretary of the new organization. He continued in this office and in the office of Missionary Secretary for thirteen years. He was also Editor of Canada's official magazine, "The Pentecostal Testimony," for many years.

After retiring in 1940 Brother McAlister traveled throughout Canada and the United States on preaching and Bible teaching missions. In both pulpit ministry and writing ministry he was made a blessing to many.

He is survived by his wife, Laura Ella McAlister, two sons, Robert and Arnold, and a daughter, Marion.

AMONG THE ASSEMBLIES

DES ARC, ARK.—The church was greatly blessed during the meeting with Evangelist Jerry Jones of Memphis, Tenn. Six were filled with the Holy Spirit and 35 were saved. The Sunday School gained 50 in attendance.—Alton Blankenship, Pastor.

OLATHE, KANS.—We just concluded a meeting with Evangelist and Mrs. Moses Copeland of Holton, Kans. God sent this man of God to us and our church has greatly profited from his ministry. There were some filled with the Holy Ghost and others were refilled.—David L. Richards, Pastor.

ELGIN, ILL.—The Lord gave us a good meeting with Evangelist and Mrs. E. V. Berquist. Many were saved, and one received the baptism of the Holy Spirit. We rejoiced to see entire families coming to the Lord for salvation.—C. Merrill Johnson, Pastor.

DULUTH, MINN.—The Lord met with us in a wonderful way during the meeting with Evangelist Marc Conley. The sick were healed and believers were filled with the Holy Spirit. The revival fires are still burning in the hearts of our people.—Waldo Trask, Pastor.

HOUSTON, TEX.—God gave us a mighty revival here in the Shady Oaks Assembly with Evangelist Max Francis. Many were saved, healed, and baptized with the Holy Spirit during the four-week meeting.—B. J. Parker, Secretary-Treasurer. (E. W. Wood is Pastor.)

AMERICUS, GA.—A number were saved and filled with the Holy Spirit during the meeting with Evangelist and Mrs. Raymond Jones of Murfreesboro, Ark. Numerous visitors attended the meeting. We broke our Sunday School attendance record.—A. V. Hendrick, Pastor, First Assembly of God.

PEARSON, GA.—We had a successful two-week meeting with Evangelist Harris Fennell of Dexter, Ga. Several were saved and one received the baptism of the Holy Spirit. The attendance was good; the last night of the meeting we were unable to seat all the people.—E. L. Gilliland, Pastor, Goodwill Assembly of God.

CROWELL, TEX.—On August 2 we closed an open-air meeting with Evangelist Phinis A. Lewis of Wichita Falls, Tex. God blessed from the first night; souls were saved and our church was richly blessed. One month after the close of this meeting we are still reaping results from this meeting.—M. F. Hankins, Pastor.

WATERLOO, IOWA—Much good was accomplished during the meeting with the Sunshine Party of Covington, Ky. Nearly every night souls were at the altar for salvation. Nearly 150 new people came to our church for the first time. We broke the Sunday School attendance record the last Sunday of the meeting.—Russell L. Thompson, Pastor.

REFUGIO, TEX.—We recently had a meeting with Evangelist H. H. Sutton. There were several saved and a number filled with the Holy Ghost. Several received bodily healing. Our church was encouraged and strengthened.—L. C. Barnett, Pastor.

MARSHALLTOWN, IOWA—Evangelist and Mrs. Norman F. Langford of Alton, Ill. were with us for three weeks. The anointed ministry in teaching and preaching was very beneficial to our church. Quite a few were filled or refilled with the Holy Spirit.—Pastor and Mrs. M. E. Parlotz.

SEAGOVILLE, TEX.—Evangelist and Mrs. H. H. Sutton of Beaumont, Tex. conducted a meeting for us a few months ago. There were a number of outstanding healings among our people. Recently they were with us again for three services and the church was spiritually blessed.—B. Elvin Samford, Pastor.

DOUGLAS, GA.—We are in a new work here and are holding services in a Georgia District tent. S. E. Wreyford, pastor of Bethel Chapel Assembly in El Dorado, Ark., was with us for a week. We enjoyed the rich ministry of God's Word, and the attendance increased each night. Six were saved and two filled with the Holy Spirit.—Harmel Moss, Pastor.

MOOSIC, PA.—Recently we concluded a successful 10-day meeting under the anointed ministry of Evangelist and Mrs. Christian Hild of Fargo, N. Dak. There were 51 definite decisions for Christ, and several testified to bodily healing by the power of God.

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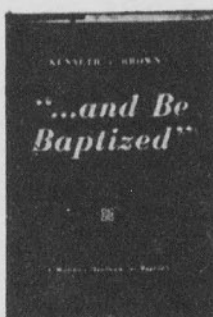
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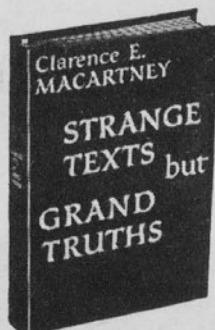


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LAMESA, TEX.—God blessed in a wonderful way during a meeting with Evangelist Cecil McGarrah of McKinney, Texas. Souls were saved and sick bodies healed. We had a good vacation Bible School with Mrs. Frank A. Milliron and Dwayne Smith. The school was conducted at night.—W. A. Edwards, Pastor.

WINTER HAVEN, FLA.—The attendance and interest were unusually good during a recent meeting with Evangelist D. C. Ogden of Memphis, Tenn. Sinners sought the Lord nightly and were saved, and our church members were blessed and revived. A number were filled with the Holy Spirit. Thirteen followed the Lord in water baptism and united with the church. Since the meeting our Sunday School continues to grow. Souls are being saved in the regular services.—J. D. Courtney, Pastor.

STOCKTON, MO.—For the past twelve months we have pastored the Assembly of God here. Souls have been saved, filled with the Spirit, and others received bodily healing.

A number of evangelists have contributed to the growth of the church. Some of them are Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Harryman, Leona Newberry, Howell Kelly, and Ralph Gothard.

We have resigned the church after much prayer, feeling that God has led us to the evangelistic field. My address is Route 2, Fair Grove, Mo.—Wilford David, Pastor.

JOPLIN, MO.—Several Assembly of God churches co-operated in a tent meeting with Evangelists W. V. and Haskel Grant. A. L. Todd, Pastor of Faith Assembly, was chairman of the meeting. Many responded to the altar call and about 360 received the baptism of the Holy Ghost. Many nights people prayed in the prayer tent until after midnight.

Many people reported that they were healed of various afflictions. A school teacher, who was blind in one eye for four years and was fast losing the sight in the other eye, was healed. A twelve-year-old girl, blind in one eye, also received sight. Several who had been deaf from birth, and some who did not have ear drums were made to hear a whisper. The former Chief of Police, who had been deaf in one ear for 26 years, was made normal again. His wife had the sense of smell restored. Growths, goiters, and ruptures disappeared instantly.—S. K. Biffle, Pastor, First Assembly of God.

SHAFTER, CALIF.—We have just closed a wonderful meeting with Evangelist Viola Duncan. Fifty-eight came forward for salvation and 17 were baptized with the Holy Ghost. Several were delivered from the cigarette habit and others received bodily healing.

During the meeting we had early morning prayer meetings and someone fasted each day of the week. Sister Duncan preached the old-time gospel and it thrilled our hearts to see people come down the aisles weeping and pray through to a definite experience with God.

Most of the converts are of C. A. age, and 26 have joined our C. A. group. We thank God for our capable C. A. leader, Everett Thompson. Our young people refuse to take part in the worldly activities in school. The teachers were amazed because of their stand for Christ and our young people had opportunity to witness to them. They hold street meetings twice a week and the salvation of all these young folk is a testimony to the town.—Mildred Mara, Pastor.

NEW ALBANY, IND.—In June Evangelist Bennie Harris was with us for a tent meeting. Words would fail us to tell of the many blessings and manifestations of the power of God. The people of this area who have been saved, filled, healed, and liberated will not soon forget this meeting.

For some time we have been increasingly aware of the fact that our six-year-old boy was losing his hearing. We took him to a specialist, who treated him and pronounced him well, but even after this the school teacher sent us a note saying that Joey had failed a hearing test at school. Many times when we spoke to Joey, when in the same room with him, he gave no indication of hearing us at all. One night we took him forward and Brother Harris prayed a very simple, short prayer. Immediately God unstopped his ears. Now we can speak to him in a very low voice from another room and he hears distinctly. I have always been a firm believer in divine healing and now my faith is stronger than ever before.—Gordon H. Matheny, Pastor.

ELKHART, IND.—For 2½ weeks the A. R. Vander Ploegs of Toledo, Ohio were with us for a meeting. Thirty-eight were saved and two received the infilling of the Holy Spirit. During this meeting 218 people attended our church for the first time. One man was healed who was deaf in his right ear. Many others received healing and deliverances.—L. R. Nowell, Pastor.

ITHACA, MICH.—We are a new church and God is blessing us. On September 6, after holding services in our home for over a year, we had our first service in our new church building.

Soon after we began holding services in our home, a man nearly 80 years old was saved and healed. For years he spent most of his time at a card room. He is now happily serving the Lord. He had been crippled for over 22 years and had to have the support of a cane at all times, but since the Lord healed him he has not used a cane or other support.

The Pentecostal message is new to the people here. Pray with us that many will be saved and filled with the Holy Spirit.—Ernest R. Anthony, Pastor.

BECKLEY, W. VA.—Since accepting the pastorate here in September, 1951, God has blessed us both spiritually and materially. The congregation has moved from a 30 x 40 wooden frame building to a 40 x 80 brick veneer structure with full basement, which is valued at \$65,000. It is located on a main thoroughfare just one block from the heart of the city. The Sunday School has grown from an average of less than 100 to an average of over 200. The financial income of our church has increased considerably. God has made it possible for us to maintain a daily radio broadcast over radio station WJLS, a 5,000-watt CBS affiliate.

Since occupying our new auditorium, our progress has been greatly helped by a number of evangelists. We have enjoyed the ministries of Evangelists Smith and Rogers, the Sherril-Arnold Evangelistic Party, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Baggett, Paul Miller, and L. N. Pearsall.

We have just concluded a four-week meeting with Evangelist and Mrs. Thomas B. Don Carlos of California. At least 15 were filled with the Holy Spirit and equally as many were saved.

The Lord performed a wonderful miracle in this meeting. Mrs. Charlotte Lacheny of Washington, D. C. was instantly healed and removed a neck brace before a large congregation of people, including Congressman Robert Bird. This young lady returned to Washington, D. C. and walked into the office of the specialist, who had been treating her, carrying the brace in her hand. She told him that God had healed her. After a thorough examination, the doctors admitted that only God could do what had been done. We praise God for His great blessings in our midst.—T. M. Waldron, Pastor, First Assembly of God.

FAIRFIELD, TEX.—The fifth annual camp meeting, held each year on the grounds of the Daniel Memorial Orphanage, began July 8. It was scheduled to run through July 19 but continued on through August 16, approximately six weeks in all.

Jay B. Oaks of Oklahoma City, Okla. preached under the mighty anointing of the Holy Ghost for the first eight days. His ministry was heart-searching and convincing. The power and the blessing of God was manifested from the beginning.

The camp continued under the anointed ministry of several other ministers, including Noble Bigham, Pastor of First Assembly in Kilgore, Tex. and also a director on the Executive Board of the orphanage; Klaude Kendrick, Vice President of Southwestern Bible Institute; Martin B. Netzel, Superintendent of Texas District; and Talmage Butler, former pastor of the Highway Chapel Assembly of God which is located on the grounds of the orphanage. Brother Butler conducted special missionary services for us one Sunday.

The concluding weeks of the camp were under the able ministry of R. F. Baker, Pastor of Central Tabernacle Assembly, Dallas, Tex.

The results from the camp have been real and lasting. Souls were saved, backsliders were reclaimed, a number received the baptism of the Holy Spirit, and some were healed. We feel that this year has been a turning point in the history of this camp and is a token of greater things to come. We are already making plans for next year's camp which will open on July 14, if the Lord tarries.—Roy W. Ditto, Secretary, Daniel Memorial Orphanage.



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WAXAHACHIE, TEX.—Evangelist and Mrs. H. D. Anderson conducted a revival for us recently in the South Park Assembly of God. Souls were saved, believers were filled with the Holy Spirit, and some were definitely healed. Brother Anderson preached the old-time gospel and his ministry was a blessing to the church.—J. H. Shipman, Pastor.

ALEXANDRIA, LA., Sept. 19—We are in the second week of a tent meeting with the Drake Evangelistic Party (F. C. Drake and A. A. and Alice Calloway) of Newton, Tex. Assembly of God churches of this area are co-operating. A goodly number have been saved, healed and filled with the Holy Spirit.

The second night of the meeting an 11-year-old girl, very hard of hearing, was healed and can now hear clearly. A man about 45 years of age, totally deaf and dumb, was healed and before he left the service that night he could speak words and sentences which we easily understood. Another man who had heart trouble and a severe pain in his side was healed. The next night he testified that he was able to sleep on that side for the first time in about three weeks. Others have been healed of various afflictions.

We have been praying a long time for just such a moving of the Spirit of God in our city. We are rejoicing, and expect many more to be saved and healed before the meeting closes.—A. F. Hanks, Pastor, First Assembly of God.

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.

STATE COLLEGE, PA.—Assembly of God, Nov. 1—22; Evangelist and Mrs. Bob Skidmore, Dallas, Tex.—by Jack Kylor, Pastor.

ROSWELL, N. MEX.—First Assembly of God, Oct. 25—Nov. 8; Evangelist and Mrs. Bobby Ray, Denver, Colo. (Paul Savage is Pastor.)

HULETT, WYO.—Assembly of God, Nov. 1—; Evangelist and Mrs. J. A. Voseka.—by J. E. Overstreet, Pastor.

NORTH BEND, OREG.—Assembly of God, Oct. 28—; Evangelist Niels P. Thomsen. (Peter Jepsen is Pastor.)

PAYNESVILLE, MINN.—Oct. 20—Nov. 1; Ivor H. Hugh, Welsh evangelist. (Orville Carlson is Pastor.)

FAIRVIEW, MONT.—Nov. 1—; Evangelist and Mrs. J. J. Wagner, Wilbur, Wash.—by Clyde Gibbs, Pastor.

BRAWLEY, CALIF.—Assembly of God, Oct. 18—; Evangelists R. H. and Louise Bishop, Denver, Colo. (N. E. Carlson is Pastor.)

MOUNTAIN VIEW, ARK.—Oct. 17—; Evangelist Silby Kilgore, Low Gap, Ark.—by Pearl Hopper, Church Reporter. (Jesse Fowler is Pastor.)

TULSA, OKLA.—Bethel Temple, Oct. 18—Nov. 8; Evangelist Faye Wakefield, Little Rock, Ark.—by G. A. Uldin, Pastor.

CAROLINA, W. VA.—Assembly of God, Oct. 27, for two weeks or longer; Evangelists Verna and Pete Saleskey.—by Olan Knotts, Pastor.

KENNETT, MO.—First Assembly of God, Oct. 25—Nov. 8 or longer; Wright-Meyers Evangelistic Team.—by J. L. Schaffer, Pastor.

PEMBROKE, ONT., CANADA—Oct. 18—; Evangelist and Mrs. F. R. Davidson, Trenton, Mo. (George Bombay is Pastor.)

WASHINGTON, IND.—Assembly of God, Oct. 13, for two weeks or longer; Evangelist J. Haskel Woodriddle.—by M. C. Johnson, Pastor.

HAMLIN, PA.—First Pentecostal Church, Nov. 1—15; Jimmy Adams Evangelistic Party. (George W. Clement is Pastor.)

ROCK FALLS, ILL.—Assembly of God, Oct. 28—Nov. 8; Evangelist and Mrs. Harry Hodge.—by Harry W. Lutz, Pastor.

MT. ZION, IND.—Assembly of God, Oct. 27—; Evangelist Floyd A. Reb, Dallas, Tex. (Leonard Dorman is Pastor.)

CLEVELAND, OHIO—Glad Tidings Gospel Center, Nov. 2—15; Evangelist and Mrs. Lee Krupnick.—by Clyde Bowman, Pastor.

WEST COLUMBIA, TEX.—Tent meeting, Oct. 25—; Evangelist Kenneth Berry and party. (Charles Johnson is Pastor.)

TURLOCK, CALIF.—Bethel Temple, Oct. 25—; Evangelist Paul Kaufman, Fresno, Calif.—by David Peters, Minister of Music. (R. Carington is Pastor.)

HAZLETON, PA.—Faith Assembly of God, Oct. 28—Nov. 15; Evangelist Rudy Cerullo, Philadelphia, Pa.—by William A. Caldwell, Pastor.

PEORIA, ILL.—First Assembly of God, Nov. 1—15; Evangelist and Mrs. Percy T. King, Sierra Madre, Calif. (H. C. McKinney is Pastor.)

HOUSTON, TEX.—Lindale Assembly of God, Oct. 25—Nov. 8 or longer; Evangelist W. T. Holcomb, Denver, Colo.—by James McKeehan, Pastor.

CLEVELAND, OHIO—First Assembly of God, 41st annual Missionary Convention and 40th Anniversary of the Pentecostal Church of Cleveland, Oct. 25—Nov. 1; Bert Webb, main speaker. Mr. and Mrs. Paul Pipkin, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Burke, A. Adele Flower, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Woolever, and Marie Stephany, missionary speakers.—by Thomas F. Zimmerman, Pastor.

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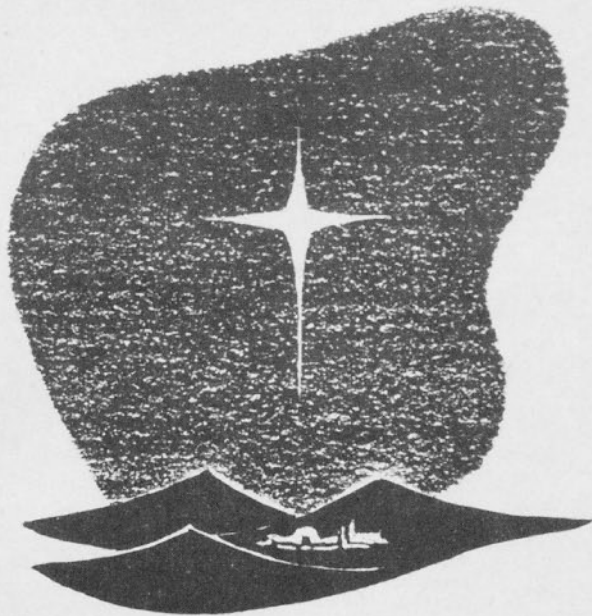
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LANSING, MICH.—First Assembly of God, Nov. 3—15; Evangelist and Mrs. Dan Kricorian, Boston, Mass. (Leslie A. Thompson is Pastor.)

DETROIT, MICH.—Southfield Assembly of God, Nov. 1—15; Evangelist Charles O. Lee.—by Lyle R. Phillips, Pastor.

MT. OLIVE, ALA.—Assembly of God, Nov. 2—15; Evangelists Joel and Esther Palmer, Lake Wales, Fla. (W. J. Waller is Pastor.)

OLNEY, TEX.—Assembly of God, Oct. 28—Nov. 15; Evangelist and Mrs. Edward Willis. (W. A. McCann is Pastor.)

BAYARD, NEBR.—Assembly of God, Oct. 27—; Evangelist and Mrs. Harry Walker, Coeur d'Alene, Idaho. (J. M. Cummings is Pastor.)

NEW KENSINGTON, PA.—Gospel Tabernacle, Oct. 11—; Evangelist and Mrs. Jay B. Oaks, Oklahoma City, Okla.—by O. M. Keener, Pastor.

NORTH BERGEN, N. J.—Nov. 1—15; Evangelist Levi L. Storms. (G. W. Duty is Pastor.)

BLOOMINGTON, IND.—Assembly of God, Oct. 20—Nov. 1; Grafner-White, Dellroy, Ohio. (Dale Zink is Pastor.)

ALTON, N. Y.—Alton Gospel Tabernacle, Nov. 8—22; Evangelist and Mrs. J. Earl Douglass.—by Stanton Virts, Pastor.

PARKERSBURG, W. VA.—First Assembly of God, Nov. 1, for ten days or longer; Evangelist Louise Nankivell.—by Joseph Caetta, Pastor.

AKRON, PA.—First Pentecostal Tabernacle, Nov. 3—15; Evangelist and Mrs. A. R. Kennedy.—by Gordon F. Preiser, Pastor.

PAMPA, TEX.—Bethel Assembly of God, Oct. 27—; Evangelist W. M. Stevens, Denver, Colo.—by O. E. Eldridge, Pastor.

MIAMI, OKLA.—Assembly of God, Oct. 18—; Evangelist William L. Devereaux, Los Angeles, Calif. (W. M. Rumbaugh is Pastor.)

WASHINGTON, D. C.—Full Gospel Tabernacle, Nov. 8—22 or longer; Evangelist Evelyn M. Olsen, Brooklyn, N. Y.—by Lloyd Christiansen, Pastor.

HOUSTON, TEX.—Glad Tidings Assembly, Oct. 25—Nov. 8; Evangelist Vernon M. Murray, Los Angeles, Calif. (Grady Q. Manley is Pastor.)

KANSAS DISTRICT COUNCIL—First Assembly of God, Wichita, Kans., Nov. 2—5; W. A. Brown, guest speaker. C. A. Rally Monday night. For information write Paul C. Samuelson, 1009 S. Broadway, Wichita 11, Kans.

TAYLORSVILLE, KY.—Oct. 27—Nov. 8; Evangelist Dave Wilkerson. (George P. Sutherland is Pastor.)

RAWLINS, WYO.—First Assembly of God, last of Oct. and first of Nov.; Evangelist Ralph L. Kay, Laramie, Wyo.—by Murray W. McLees, Pastor.

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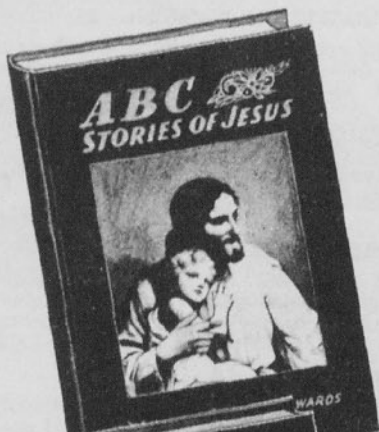
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MISCELLANEOUS

MEETING CANCELED—Meeting in Moorhead, Minn. announced to begin Oct. 20 has been canceled.—by Evangelist Ivor H. Hugh.

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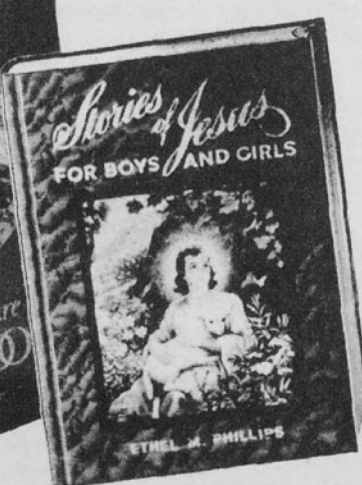
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