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



This is YOUR Home
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PASSING and PERMANENT

NEWS BRIEFS FROM THE CHRISTIAN PERSPECTIVE

Social Security for Ministers

The new Social Security law makes it possible for clergymen to participate in Social Security if they as individuals wish to do so. Foreign missionaries are eligible on the same basis as ministers residing in the U. S.

Bad "Comics" Banned

Newsstand operators in Houston, Texas, were given until September 25 to get rid of all crime, horror and sex "comics." The city council passed an ordinance which bans all publications which "prominently feature" illustrations of acts of violence. Penalties for violation include fines up to \$200 for each day an objectionable book is on display after the deadline date.

Plan National Conference on Moral, Spiritual Recovery

Protestant, Roman Catholic, and Jewish clergy and lay leaders will be invited to a National Conference on Moral and Spiritual Recovery at Washington, D. C., November 8-10. The meeting will be sponsored by the Foundation for Religious Action, formed last November by President Eisenhower's pastor, Dr. Edward L. R. Elson, of the National Presbyterian church.

The New Testament in Stamps

The story of the New Testament, told pictorially in stamps, has been presented to the Smithsonian Institute in Washington, D. C. It is part of the collection of a Brooklyn insurance broker, Philip H. Platzker, who completed over nineteen volumes of the Holy Bible on Stamps in thirteen years. The collection is valued at \$50,000.

Platzker matches Bible verses with appropriate pictures on stamps. Increasing numbers of people have been inspired to reread the Bible because of his project.

Locusts Threaten Middle East

The locust menace in the Middle East assumed a serious scale this year. A conference was held in Cairo a few weeks ago, attended by representatives of all the Arab countries, Persia, Turkey, India, Pakistan, and other lands to deal with the problem. An Arab League expert reported that the desert locust was breeding in alarming numbers in Saudi Arabia, Iraq, and Jordan. The Egyptian Ministry of Agriculture said swarms of locusts were plaguing Upper Egypt, particularly in the Assiut and Guirga areas, reminding us of the plague in the days of the Jewish exodus.

Heretical Footnote Deleted

The American Bible Society made the mistake of publishing an edition of the Gospel of Matthew in the Revised Standard Version which contained the following footnote:

"Other ancient authorities read *Joseph, to whom was betrothed the virgin Mary, was the father of Jesus who is called Christ.*"

The Bible Society received a volume of protest. As a result, all of the Gospels containing this footnote have been recalled from all parts of the world and have been converted into pulp for the making of paper for the printing of the Scriptures without this unfortunate footnote to Matthew 1:16.

An official of the Bible Society writes: "No future issue of the Gospel of Matthew in this version printed by the American Bible Society will bear this footnote, and I am informed that the publishers of the Revised Standard Version have also withdrawn this footnote and it will no longer appear in their Bibles and New Testaments."

Protestant Nuns in Sweden?

Disclosure of a movement aimed at establishing a Protestant order of nuns in Sweden has aroused leaders of the Swedish State Lutheran Church and stirred widespread comment among the general public. Although there are seven Roman Catholic convents in Sweden, there has not been a Protestant convent or cloistered sisterhood for more than three hundred years.

Fifty Priests Converted

"... and a great company of the priests were obedient to the faith" (Acts 6:7). History repeated itself when fifty Roman Catholic priests in Germany left the Church of their ordination last year. At a Protestant convention in Bensheim all fifty ex-priests were enthusiastically received as they expressed their desire to preach salvation through the merits of Christ alone.

SPECIAL OFFER

Copies of the special Campaign Issue, published last week, are still available at the remarkably low price of \$2.00 per hundred. Send cash with your order and we will prepay the postage to any point in the U.S.A. Minimum 100 copies per order at this low rate.

Persecution in Latvia

From Latvia come stories of great trials of the Christians there. Refugees from the area tell of indescribable horrors inflicted upon believers. "Christ has died—long live Judas Iscariot," is one of the rallying cries of the Communists in that terrorized land, according to *Latvian Vards*, a newspaper printed in Sweden.

Jews in Algiers to Emigrate

More than 1,500 Jews living in seven villages in Algiers have applied for entrance into Israel. A physician from Israel's Ministry of Health has gone to conduct the required medical examinations. Prospective emigrants are under 45 years of age.

Religion in Israel

The people of Israel are very religious, compared to forty years ago. For instance, when the city of Tel Aviv was laid out, no provision was made for a synagogue site, presumably because so few of the early settlers were interested in religion. Today there are 400 synagogues in Tel Aviv alone and 2,000 in Israel, of all types.

Pig-Raising Banned in Israel

Since July 10, it has been illegal to raise pigs in Israel without a special permit. The government will issue permits only in areas such as Nazareth, where many of the inhabitants are not Jews. The ruling is a victory for Orthodox Jews who wish to impose the Mosaic Law throughout the State of Israel.

The Jordan Valley Plan

The quarterly magazine "Land Reborn" gives a detailed report on progress in Israel. Eric C. Johnston, President Eisenhower's special ambassador to the Near East, tells of a plan which includes handling the riparian rights in the Jordan valley so as to decrease tension among the four nations involved—Lebanon, Syria, Israel, and Jordan.

The plan provides for storage dams in Lebanon and Jordan which would supply electric power and water for irrigation purposes in Israel, Jordan, and Syria. The cost of the project would be paid with United Nations funds (mostly American).

The object of the plan is to solve the Arab refugee problem and give to several hundred thousand people some land of their own, homes, a means of livelihood and, most of all, a "stake and status" in society.

None of the four lands involved has agreed to the plan, as yet. Each government thinks it is entitled to a greater volume of water than its share would be; but Mr. Johnston is optimistic, and it is possible that such a plan may be one means by which God will fulfill His ancient promise, "Israel shall blossom and bud, and fill the face of the world with fruit" (Isaiah 27:6).



Brother Lewis addressing
District representatives at
Home Missions conference

“Like a Mighty Army...”

Gayle F. Lewis

Assistant General Superintendent, Assemblies of God

A FEW SUNDAYS AGO I TALKED WITH a young soldier who had been assigned to Supply School at Fort Leonard Wood, Missouri. He was to be stationed at the fort for eight weeks of intensive study to learn how to keep a company of soldiers supplied with food, clothing, ammunition, and other personal needs and materials for warfare. This soldier was training to be a steward for the United States Government—to dispatch materials according to the need of the soldiers.

In Luke 16:2 we read of another steward—“There was a certain rich man, who had a steward, and he called him, and said unto him, . . . Give account of thy stewardship.”

Christ has made every Christian a steward to dispatch His properties for the advancement and propagation of His gospel. Nearly every man and woman today has been given material things as well as spiritual and mental gifts. God holds us responsible for the way we spend our lives—our time and energy. In the same manner He holds us accountable for what we do with our physical properties—our money and tangible assets.

The Assemblies of God in the U. S. A. have a Christian army, over 6,900 churches strong. God says to every member in every church, “Give account of thy stewardship.” It does not matter how large or how small is the warehouse of God’s supplies that a man controls. What is

important is whether or not the supplies are being dispatched.

According to the latest statistics a little more than thirty-five per cent of Assemblies of God churches support world missions regularly. I have noted that from the pioneer churches opened during 1953, forty-nine per cent now support home and foreign missions. It would appear that there are two ways of getting immediate supplies to perpetuate the spreading of the Pentecostal testimony through the Assemblies of God—by building more new churches that will give to home and foreign missions, and by awakening the stewards in assemblies already established.

Is it possible that Christian stewards can limit the work of God? Romans 10:14 and 15 reads, “How shall they hear without a preacher? And how shall they preach except they be sent?”

Once a church is opened or a missionary sent to the field, Christian stewards must continue to support the work, week after week, sometimes year after year.

The soldier from Fort Leonard Wood was disappointed because his duties were to be sending supplies to his company. He wanted to go to a foreign land and, perhaps, fight for his country. For every one of our 738 foreign missionaries we have about 541 Assemblies of God church members—stewards who are faithfully providing material supplies for the spreading of the salvation message. The apostle Paul asked in First Corinthians what

soldier ever serves at his own expense. God only knows who should be commended for all the faithful support.

Tithes given to the church or offerings given to missions may seem insignificant. They are more important than gifts to any charitable work of man. They are sent to supply the world with the Pentecostal testimony.

These words from pastors in pioneer churches bear witness to the faithful ministry of Christian stewards today:

“The supplying of the finances, for both personal and church needs, was and is completely a work of faith. We have only God’s promise to back us, but that promise is sufficient!” (Thank God for the stewards who have helped these workers.)

“From the very beginning this work has been altogether self-supporting. I have been completely supported and have been able to give my whole time to the ministry.” (This young pioneer wrote that his congregation supported him financially from the first service conducted in the tent in that city.)

I do not believe that every person who prayed or gave of his material blessings to help these two pioneer workers received a special heavenly vision. It may have been that the faithful support was inspired by the scripture in 1 Corinthians 4:2, “Moreover it is required in stewards, that a man be found faithful.”

This year more pioneer workers than ever before have entered new fields. Mission fields around the world are rapidly closing, making us realize that what we are going to do on the foreign fields we must do quickly. The work of the Assemblies of God is constantly reaching out to more people. New stewards are being added to the ranks of God’s faithful servants.

Do you pay your tithe into the storehouse of your church? Is your church among the thirty-five per cent who are giving regularly to home and foreign missions? The Lord will say to you, “Give account of thy stewardship.”

“Like a mighty army
Moves the Church of God
Brothers, we are treading
Where the saints have trod;
We are not divided;
All one body we,
One in hope and doctrine,
One in charity.
Onward, Christian soldiers!
Marching as to war,
With the cross of Jesus
Going on before.”

Delays Are not Denials!

Esther Kerr Rusthoi

GOD ALWAYS ANSWERS PRAYER—IN His way, in His time, He does answer.

"It came to pass in process of time, that the king of Egypt died: and the children of Israel sighed by reason of the bondage, and they cried, and their cry came up unto God by reason of the bondage. And God heard their groaning, and God remembered his covenant with Abraham, with Isaac, and with Jacob. And God looked upon the children of Israel, and God had respect unto them" (Ex. 2:23-25).

Life is not all mountain peaks of glory and blessing. Some of God's choicest saints have been permitted to pass through deep waters of trial and fiery furnaces of tribulation. Here in Exodus we see God's chosen people sighing and crying and groaning because of the bondage, oppression, and cruelty to which they were subjected. But God heard them, and He remembered His covenant!

God is still hearing the cries of His children, and He is still remembering His covenant—His promises are forever settled in heaven. "The righteous cry, and the Lord heareth, and delivereth them out of all their troubles" (Psa. 34:17).

Although God heard their cries and groans, and remembered His covenant, deliverance did not come to Israel immediately. But God set the process of deliverance in operation. The machinery of heaven was moving in the direction of complete deliverance!

God called Moses to be the channel through whom He would work, to answer the prayers of a heart-broken race. "I have surely seen the affliction of my people, . . . and have heard their cry, . . . I know their sorrows, and I am come down to deliver them, . . . and to bring them up out of that land unto a good land and a large, unto a land flowing with milk and honey" (Ex. 3:7, 8). What wonderful assurance!

Moses yielded to the call of God, and at length he gathered together all the elders of the children of Israel. And Aaron spoke the words which the Lord had spoken to Moses. "And the people BELIEVED: when they heard that the Lord had visited the children of Israel, and that he had looked upon their affliction, then they bowed their heads and WORSHIPED" (Ex. 4:31). They followed the formula which even today must be followed in receiving answers from heaven! They BELIEVED and WORSHIPED! But deliverance was still delayed!

"Thus saith the Lord God of Israel, Let my people go." With boldness and confidence Moses and Aaron delivered this ultimatum to Pharaoh. No doubt they expected immediate co-operation. But the reaction of Pharaoh was just the opposite. Additional burdens and hardships were placed upon Israel. And yet, God was working! He had the whole situation under His control!

Then Israel turned against Moses. They were bitter, rebellious, resentful people who saw only utter defeat and tragedy. "May the Eternal look on what you have done," they said indignantly to Moses and Aaron, "and punish you! You have brought us into bad odour with Pharaoh and his officers, putting a weapon in their hands to kill us!" (Ex. 5:21, Moffatt). Their faith and victory had disappeared; but God continued to work! "His ways [are] past finding out" (Rom. 11:33).

"And Moses . . . said, Lord, wherefore hast thou so evil entreated this people? why is it that thou hast sent me? For since I came to Pharaoh to speak in thy name, he hath done evil to this people; neither hast thou delivered thy people at all" (Ex. 5:22, 23). No longer was Moses filled with belief, boldness, and confidence; instead, he cried in despair and despondency, "Why? Why? Why?" But God continued to move toward the promised deliverance! He is sovereign!

How true to life! Often today, after prayer, our hearts are filled with expectancy and faith; we feel that deliverance and victory MUST be just around the corner! But many times the answer is delayed: the situation seems to grow worse instead of better. Our Father would teach us lessons of patience and implicit trust which is not based upon circumstances or feelings but upon His written Word! God's delays are not denials! "Ye greatly rejoice, . . . that the trial of your faith, being much more precious than of gold that perisheth, though it be tried with fire, might be found unto praise and honour and glory at the appearing of Jesus Christ" (1 Peter 1:6, 7).

When Moses finished crying his woes to God, enumerating his troubles, and describing how black everything seemed, God spoke! "I am the Lord, . . ." He said. "I have also heard the groaning of the children of Israel, . . . I have remembered my covenant. Wherefore say unto the children of Israel, I am the Lord, and I will bring you out from under

the burdens of the Egyptians, and I will rid you of their bondage, and I will redeem you. . . . I will take you to me for a people, and I will be to you a God. . . . I will bring you unto the land, . . . I will give it you for an heritage." Seven powerful "I wills"! When God promises, "I will," HE WILL! Every one of these promises was completely fulfilled!

He did bring them out from under their burdens. He did rid them of their bondage. He did redeem them and take them to Himself for a people. He was their God. He did bring them to the promised land and give it to them for a heritage!

God always keeps His Word. It was some time before the full answer came, but it came! We can stake our lives upon the promises of God. He will see us through! He will deliver! He will be to each of us the Mighty One!

As we cry and sigh, groan and pray, at times it may seem that there is no response from heaven. But as surely as God lives, every tear is noticed and every sigh is heard. God is faithful! God is working! In His time, in His way, He will answer! His delays are not denials, He will perform that which He has promised! He will keep His eternal covenant!

God moves in a mysterious way
His wonders to perform;
He plants His footsteps on the sea,
And rides upon the storm.
—William Cowper

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The Indian Chief and the Judge

In the early days of America there was a Judge who lived near the Indians. His widowed daughter lived with him, and her little son was the joy of the family. As leader of his few white friends, the Judge was very eager to maintain good relations with the Indians; for when provoked they often set fire to the settler's houses and murdered their helpless victims.

The Judge had succeeded in gaining the confidence of some of the tribes, but there was one old, influential Chief who still remained skeptical.

At last the Judge sent him a message. In response, the Chief called at the Judge's house, and was received courteously. The Chief listened to the white man's plea for friendship and peace; then he answered: "You ask much, and you promise much. What pledge can you give? White man's word is empty breath to the Indian. If you will trust the Indian, the Indian will trust you. Let your grandson go with me to the camp. After three days I will bring him back with my answer."

A sword could not have sent a sharper pain through the mother's heart as she listened to this conversation. She clasped the boy in her arms, and was about to rush from the room with him when the Judge called her to stay. "The boy is as dear to me as he is to you," he told her with quivering lips. "But he must go. God will watch over him."

With intense agony, the mother prepared the little lad for the journey; then she kissed him good-by and buried her face in her hands. Without a word, the Chief led the bewildered child away to his camp.

The days and nights passed. They seemed like years to the mother. At night she tossed sleeplessly; in the day she watched anxiously. The morning of the third day came, but the Chief had not returned. Finally, the sun set behind the forest. The distressed mother feared that harm had befallen her child.

The troubled Judge paced from room to room.

Finally, in the waning twilight, the Chief came in sight—he was leading the little lad back home. The boy was dressed like a chief—eagle feathers in his hair; beaver skin about his shoulders; moccasins on his feet. Proud and happy in this strange dress, the little fellow marched toward the house. The mother rushed out with a cry of joy and pressed him to her bosom.

"Now we can be friends," the Indian told the Judge. "You have trusted the Indian; the Indian will trust you."

God, too, has promised us peace. And

He has given His Son as a pledge that He will keep His promise. He wants to win us through His love. "He . . . spared not His own Son, but delivered Him up for us all" (Rom. 8:32).

All He asks of you is to trust Him, to take Him at His Word. Have you believed? Have you trusted? Do so now, for "He is able also to save them to the uttermost that come unto God by Him" (Heb. 7:25). Come to Him now in simple faith; accept the Lord Jesus Christ as your own Saviour, and you can have eternal life!

WATCH!

David Leigh

"COULD YE NOT WATCH WITH ME one hour?" These words were spoken by the Master to Peter, and through Peter to the rest of the apostles who were in the Garden. They were words of surprise, of utter amazement that His followers had failed Him in this crucial hour. "WHAT, can it really be? Even after my admonition to watch and pray, I find you sleeping? Could ye not watch with me for one brief hour?"

This was a time of desperate need. The Master was facing one of His greatest conflicts—dark Gethsemane. And as the powers of darkness hurled their forces upon His tired and weary body, beads of perspiration stood upon His brow—perspiration, not of water, but of blood. He sweat "as it were great drops of blood falling down to the ground."

Jesus' entire life had been given to standing by and praying for those in sorrow, but now at the time of His own dire need there was not one to comfort and help. He found them all sleeping—sleeping while their Master was agonizing; sleeping when He was looking to them for succour; sleeping while He was sweating as it were great drops of blood; sleeping after He had pleaded with them to watch and pray. Utterly amazed, He said, "WHAT, COULD YE NOT WATCH WITH ME ONE HOUR?"

Centuries have rolled by since those memorable words were spoken, but methinks those words are being reuttered today as the powers of darkness muster their forces against the Lord and against His Anointed, in their devilish attempts to prevail against the Church. The tide of iniquity is rolling in; the spirit of Anti-

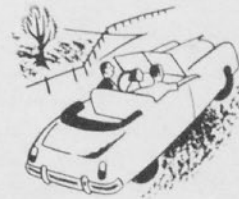
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**RADIO FACTS
for 1954**

HOMES: 98% of the 160 million residents of the United States have at least one radio in their home.



CARS: 25 million automobiles in the United States are radio equipped.



LISTENERS: Radios are owned by people from every walk of life; the richest—and the poorest; the Blood-washed—and the most ungodly.



TIME: More people listen to their radios from 6 to 11 at night than at any other time.

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This Is YOUR Home!

ONE OF THE TRAGEDIES OF AMERICAN society is the broken home. Perhaps you have seen a family next door to you separate, or maybe the tragedy has come even closer as among your own relatives, parents could not, or would not, make a home for their families. When this has happened, you have seen the little ones dragged around from pillar to post until their lives were almost wrecked. They have been forced to bear burdens that children should not bear. Their characters have been warped and twisted because they have lost confidence in mankind.

How your heart has ached as you have seen children made homeless by death, sickness, poverty, or the divorce court—all circumstances for which they were not to blame. While unsympathetic relatives and friends shrugged their shoulders, you wanted to help, but there seemed to be no way. So the State, County, or some welfare organization was called upon to provide for the children. But few of these can do more than provide the bare necessities of life. The spiritual welfare of the child is often neglected or overlooked entirely.

Because nobody cared *enough*, you have seen a teen-ager grow up to become a blemish on society. You have probably thought, "If that child had only had a chance! How I wish I could have taken him in my home!"

You can have a hand in bringing up these small victims of adversity! You have a home where care and Christian training are provided for homeless children—the National Children's Home at Hot Springs, Arkansas. This Home has taken in 212 such boys and girls during its ten years of operation. Of these, 143 have been released—eighteen for adoption, others to parents or relatives or to a guardian. Some of them are now grown and have homes of their own. It has been thrilling to hear good reports from them and to see what God can do when He is given room in lives at an early age.

Your National Children's Home is situated on one of the rolling hills two miles south of Hot Springs, and affords a wonderful view of the surrounding Ouichita Mountains. There is a "homey" look about the three buff brick buildings and the big white barn—like a comfortable farm home. But it takes more than oak-shaded buildings to make a home. And it takes more than furniture, rugs, pictures, and bric-a-brac, too.

Any home without love is an insti-

tution, but practical love makes this institution a real home for scores of youngsters. Love is seen first in the sacrificial service of the Superintendents, Mr. and Mrs. Ole Kvistad. When the welfare of a child is in question there is no limit to their sacrifice of time and strength to bring the best possible solution to a problem. Each child comes to feel that in "Mother" and "Daddy" Kvistad he has a true ally against any foe—be it the memory of an unhappy past life, or some problem of adjustment, or an undesirable trait of character.

"Mother" Kvistad says, "I encourage the children to tell me their troubles. No matter what they have on their hearts, I listen." Heart-shattering sorrows are not kept buried; but, like shadows, they disappear when brought to light. This sympathetic hearing gives the child a feeling of security and confidence. And then there is always a word of encouragement or advice for the immediate problems, too.

Discipline is needed in any home, but it must be ingrained, not flaunted before cringing culprits. Children appreciate law and order, and when they step out of line they expect to be set straight again. No child at the Home is made to feel that his personal freedom is unduly re-

stricted. "This is their home" is the attitude which forms the basis for all the rules and regulations. "Daddy" Kvistad puts it like this: "We will go the second mile with any child as long as he is on our side, but we insist upon the respect and obedience of every child."

"Mother" Kvistad knows her children and deals with each one in the light of his background, temperament, and aptitudes. An expression, a word, or an unconscious movement may indicate to her that one of the children is in need of special attention. Thus many problems are met before they become serious.

The deans are more like a big brother and big sisters to the boys and girls. Betty Lou Harmon and Betty Lou Husher are the two young ladies who care for the daily needs of our thirty girls. Whether dispensing counsel or toothpaste, these Christian house mothers add that magical potion of love that banishes the unexplainable fear caused by insecurity and lack of affection.

On the other side of the dormitory Mr. and Mrs. Eldon Conrad are "Brother" and "Sister" to thirty normal, energetic boys ranging in age from 3½ to 15. They listen to problems, supervise wardrobes, plaster skinned elbows, tie shoelaces, and supervise the work and play of their big family.

Every evening the children are led in devotions. At seven the Primaries in each wing gather for gospel choruses, personal testimonies, prayer and a Bible story. At eight the Junior groups enter a similar time of devotion, and at nine the Inter-

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We have planned for the future of these fine young ladies. They are some of the teen-agers in our family at the National Children's Home. At present they live in tiny dormitory rooms with the little tots, but a new workers' cottage is now being built and when it is completed the present workers' cottage will be remodeled to make room for twenty teen-age girls. In this more normal atmosphere they will have opportunity to learn and practice the arts of homemaking. The expansion program is urgent but it is dependent upon interested friends for financial support.



Our Twins



Twenty-room Dormitory



Administration Building



Big Boys and "Jug"



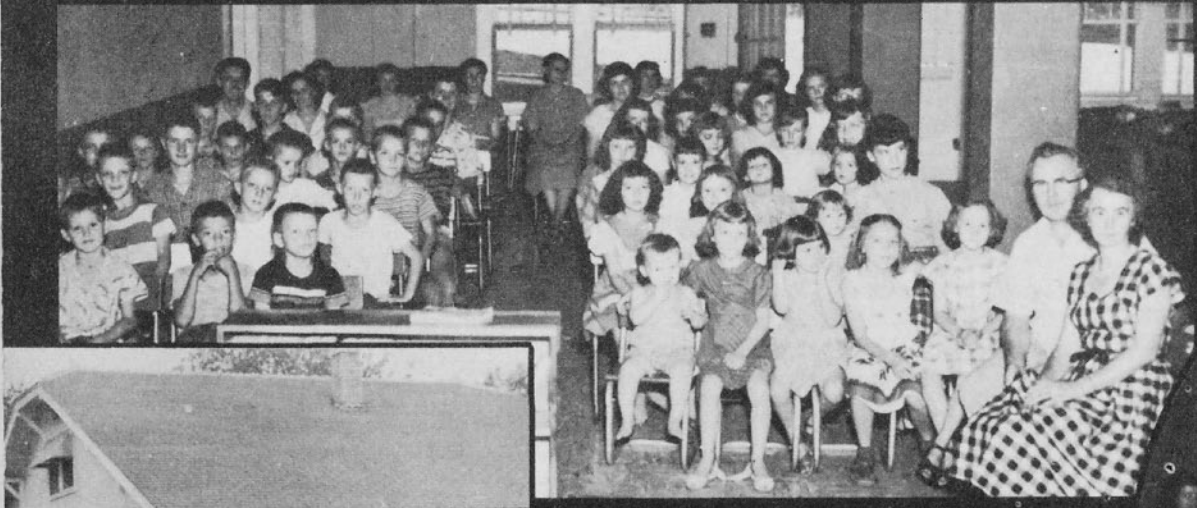
On the Playground



Barn (gymnasium above)



Laundry Duties



Friday Night Chapel



Future Home of Teen-age Girls



Quiet Hour



Basket Ball in "Hayloft"

It was an amazing thing that
a man of his position should give the mission such

AN UNUSUAL GIFT

Clarence W. Ollson

AS THE SPEED-THE-LIGHT STATION WAGON drew into the town of El Socorro, Venezuela, some of the Pentecostal Christians were there to greet us. We sat down to a delicious native meal, and soon the conversation centered around a certain



C. W. Ollson

Roman Catholic priest who had been friendly with the Christians.

Knowing the strong opposition from the priests throughout Venezuela, it seemed strange that we could talk of this man with joy rather than with

resentment. Could it be true that in this town on the plains there was a priest who was indeed a friend of the much despised "Evangelicos"? We all knew that the priests tried constantly to hinder the opening of new Protestant churches. But this priest seemed different; he made it quite clear he wanted to help us.

When the meal was finished, we went to see him. The question was, "Would he really receive us into his house?" We finally arrived at his home and knocked on the door.

Soon the door opened and before our eyes stood a tall, slender Spaniard dressed in a long, white robe. We addressed him as *Padre*. He called us "hermanos" (brethren) and welcomed us in with a gracious smile. A few minutes later he led us out of the house and along the street to a large lot just one block from the Catholic temple on the town's plaza. This was a most beautiful spot, covered with shade trees and in the very heart of the city. Our friend, the priest, made it clear to us that this lot belonged to him and he wanted to give it to the Assemblies of God for the erection of a new church building. This was a most unusual and amazing thing to us—almost unbelievable.

It was necessary for us to continue our trip to Ciudad Bolivar where we spent several days preaching the gospel. Upon returning to the town of ——— our friend, the priest, met us in the street. Without delay, he began to make out the legal papers, giving us title to the property. Within three hours' time the

papers were signed and turned over to us and the record of change of ownership was in the town's register.

While questioning this most unusual happening—a Catholic priest showing intimate friendship with Protestants—he said that he had told non-Protestants that the Protestants teach a much higher moral standard than the Catholics. If that be the case, he had said, why then should he not help them?

Please pray that *Padre* ——— shall come into the full light of salvation through the grace of God; and that soon we shall be able to build a church on the lot given so freely by this good Catholic friend.

REVIVAL IN DOMINICAN REPUBLIC

A recent letter from our missionary, Verne Warner, states:

"Adele Flower and Ida Sutherland are here in Sunday School and C. A. rallies. We just closed the first one in the capital section; it was greatly blessed of the Lord, and very well attended. Our sisters are now in the town of Baní in their second rally. Revival fires continue to burn in these places.

"Recently I went to Baní personally expecting to find an ordinary service in progress. Instead I found 3,000 people in the ball park listening to the Word of God. And a letter from our pastor in El Seybo tells of a meeting he recently closed in his town where 3,000 turned out nightly, including officials, and witnessed many marvelous healings.

"Towns are opening to the gospel here as never before. One local pastor is going to baptize fifty new converts the last Sunday of this month; and many other pastors are preparing for baptismal services at later dates.

"The city of La Romana has just closed a revival similar to those in the above-mentioned towns. People of God, now is the time of God's visitation in the land commonly known as 'The land of tomorrow.' Please continue to pray for your brothers and sisters in the Dominican Republic."

CONTRIBUTIONS

Alabama	\$ 1,431.34	North Dakota ..	1,641.61
Appalachian	617.72	Northwest	16,489.32
Arizona	1,398.10	Ohio	11,421.78
Arkansas	2,506.01	Oklahoma	6,350.56
Eastern	11,655.98	Oregon	7,465.43
Georgia	1,795.55	Polish Br.	100.00
German Br.	474.84	Potomac	9,088.13
Greek Br.	69.58	Rocky Mtn.	6,572.56
Hungarian Br. ..	251.67	So. Calif.	25,537.25
Illinois	9,507.27	South Carolina ..	276.58
Indiana	7,458.44	South Dakota ..	2,409.38
Italian Br.	200.00	South Florida ..	4,919.64
Jugoslavian Br. ..	17.55	South Idaho	940.86
Kansas	5,037.30	South Missouri ..	8,445.56
Kentucky	634.44	South Texas	8,504.64
Lat. Amer. Br. ..	525.26	Tennessee	979.87
Louisiana	1,119.07	Texas	8,190.49
Michigan	11,352.58	Ukrainian Br. ...	165.00
Minnesota	6,532.98	West Central ..	3,902.08
Mississippi	844.69	West Florida	2,102.23
Montana	2,084.78	West Texas	3,204.56
Nebraska	3,555.96	Wisc.-N. Mich. ..	4,754.31
New England	3,131.25	Wyoming	483.77
New Jersey	4,095.01	Alaska	194.28
New Mexico	947.35	Canada	194.00
New York	8,802.96	Foreign	59.60
N. Calif.-Nev. ...	12,877.63	Miscellaneous ..	663.88
North Carolina ..	991.60	Legacies	1,000.60
Total Amount Reported	\$235,973.22		
District Funds	\$12,216.72		
National Home Missions	2,644.86		
Expense	3,536.24		
Literature	33.20		
Given Direct	47,164.94	65,595.96	
Received for Council Foreign Missions	\$170,377.26		
Received for Non-Council Foreign Missions	2,163.45		
Missionary Offerings Not Allocated to			
Any State	28,576.36		
Total Receipts for Foreign Missions	\$201,117.07		

DISBURSEMENTS

Basutoland	\$ 474.17	Colombia	627.26
Belgian Congo ..	3,720.31	Guiana, British ..	208.77
Gold Coast	12,053.72	Paraguay	421.01
Liberia	7,684.81	Peru	3,765.28
Nigeria	8,548.31	Uruguay	1,466.80
Nyasaland	1,929.33	Venezuela	3,508.93
Sierra Leone	1,239.65	Egypt	4,372.04
Tanganyika	490.54	Greece	354.50
Togo-Dahomey ..	8,287.11	Hash. Jordan	
U. of S. Af.	5,443.70	Kingdom	450.22
Europe	8,134.42	Iran	200.00
China	3,536.64	Israel	1,989.25
Fiji	510.71	Lebanon	130.00
Formosa	1,877.47	Syria	55.00
Hawaii	2,527.52	Burma	425.69
Indonesia	2,810.56	Ceylon	3,574.90
Japan	8,649.87	India	36,321.27
Korea	11,714.26	West Indies	12,906.70
Malaya	3,576.74	Children's	
Philippines	11,105.86	Educ. in U.S. ..	4,326.72
Samoa, Amer.	707.83	Deputational	
Can. Amer.	9,265.41	Exp.	784.86
Lat. Amer.		Fld. Secretaries ..	1,860.00
Work in U.S.	504.42	Literature	627.16
Mexico	1,805.13	N. Y. Office	
Argentina	780.00	Shipping Dept ..	1,200.00
Bolivia	3,716.25	Refunds &	
Brazil	2,579.28	Trans. to Other	
Chile	1,869.00	Dept.	2,209.25
Total Distr. to Council Foreign Missions	211,870.62		
Non-Council Missionaries	1,858.59		
Total Disbursements	213,729.21		
Charged to Hold Accounts	12,612.14		
Total Receipts	\$201,117.07		

*"No service in itself is small;
None great though earth it fill;
But that is small that seeks its own
And great that seeks God's will."*

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WITH
NOEL PERKIN



FOREIGN MISSIONS EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

FUND TURNED RED

Come into my office, friend, and have a chair. It is a little cooler in here, although I notice that the thermometer reads 91 degrees.

Yes, we have been facing a difficult time with a serious lack of funds. With the increasing opportunities for ministry on our mission fields it is hard to keep saying "no" when our missionaries write for financial help.

Our general missions fund turned red toward the end of 1953, and it is still red. Now we are trying desperately to find a way to bring it into the black again.

Your heart would be touched to learn of the sacrifices many of our dear missionaries are making to help meet this general crisis. One missionary family from South America has asked us to take \$25.00 per month from their quite meager budget and apply it to the deficit. This missionary stated, "I do not have to use my car so much, and therefore will be able to give that amount." Other missionaries have actually asked us to reduce their monthly allowances.

At the spring seminar held in Springfield, the missionaries on furlough stated that they would spend one month soliciting funds from the churches, the entire proceeds of their work to go toward bringing the general fund back to normal.

You know, it is remarkable how facts get twisted when we do not have an opportunity to speak face to face. For instance, a dear woman (who is a faithful contributor to missions) wrote us recently, stating it had been reported that we were taking foreign missions money and using it for REVIVALTIME. Now it did not take us long to write a letter informing the dear sister that there was no truth in this. Quite possibly someone heard that offerings sent in designated for REVIVALTIME receive missionary credit and this gave rise to the misunderstanding. Then perhaps there are offerings that formerly would have been given direct to foreign missions but now are being diverted to REVIVALTIME by the donors.

Now we are 100 per cent in favor of our splendid REVIVALTIME program that God has given us. Through the voice of

REGIONAL BIBLE SCHOOL IN LIMA

P. Henry Hall

DURING THE SUMMER WE HELD A TWO-week regional Bible school in Lima for the training of lay workers. While we have had several of these schools in the provinces of Peru, this is the first time we have held one in the capital city. We anticipated only about fifty students but to our surprise 163 came the first night and from then on we averaged 200 each night.

The classes were held from 7:30 until 10:00 each night except Sunday; and the interest ran high. Many believers who worked in factories and stores came directly from their work; some ran all the way in order to get to school on time. Many students made sacrifices in order to receive the teaching that would make them more profitable workers in God's vineyard.

It is needless to say that we were thrilled at the good attendance; God greatly blessed our efforts. Our plan is to hold a two-week institute at least once each year in this great city of Lima where opportunities for Christian workers are unlimited. On the closing day of school we gave certificates to 169 students.

Pray that God will use these lay workers for the salvation of many souls in Peru.

our radio speaker, C. M. Ward, millions of people are being reached with the gospel message; and we want to see that program financed. However, our Radio Department has tried to make it plain that REVIVALTIME is not asking people to give of their regular missionary contributions for radio purposes. Our Missions Department certainly does not use any foreign missions money for Revivaltime, unless it is so designated.

Support REVIVALTIME! But don't forget your 738 missionaries working in the far-flung corners of the world! They need your help regularly!

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A few days ago a message came from our good friends, George Upton, Missions Secretary of the Pentecostal Assemblies of Canada. He had just arrived home from Argentina where he surveyed the results of the wonderful revival that had taken place there. The revival started very largely through the ministry of Evangelist Tommy Hicks with the cooperation of our missionaries and members of the Argentina Assemblies of God.

FIRST ANNUAL S. S. CONFERENCE HELD IN URUGUAY

THE FIRST ANNUAL SUNDAY SCHOOL Conference to be held in Uruguay took place in the city of Paysandu, where Paul Pugh is the missionary pastor. Having little time for preparation we felt a measure of uncertainty at the prospect, but God was with us throughout. Some of our church people traveled as far as 400 kilometers (300 miles) on a truck, so eager were they to attend the conference.

Four main speakers took part in the sessions: Lindolfo Calvino, Raymond DeVito, Helen Dunbar, and Neva Pugh.

After the messages there was a display of materials that Mrs. Pugh had prepared for the workers. The enthusiasm shown by the congregation was greatly appreciated by the leaders. So successful was this event that we are already making plans for next year's conference to include a Sunday School business session.

—Raymond DeVito, S. S. Director.

Raymond DeVito and C.A.'s with 10,000 tracts



Argentina saw one of the most amazing moves upon the general public ever known. Day after day tens of thousands of people thronged the huge stadium to hear the gospel of Jesus Christ.

Brother Upton's cable asked if we would share with the Canadian Assemblies the responsibility of raising \$76,000 for a building which, as a result of this revival, is desperately needed to house the growing church. This money would provide a church, Bible school and facilities, as well as residences for the missionaries.

Now what can we do when such appeals come and there is no money on hand? We can only ask God, and appeal to you, our Assemblies of God friends; and if it is His will the money will surely be forthcoming. . . .

Well, I must straighten up my desk. It is getting late. Tomorrow is another day and another opportunity to work for God. I am hoping to visit with our EVANGEL readers quite regularly, so write us if you have any questions you would like us to talk over with you. God bless you.

SUNDAY'S LESSON

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

THE BIBLE WHICH JESUS USED

Lesson for October 3

Luke 4:14-22

During the present Sunday School quarter, special emphasis is given to the Scriptures as the inspired Word of God. In this lesson Jesus is presented as the living Word and the Scriptures as the spoken Word. Someone has said, "The fact that Jesus accepted and believed the Old Testament is strong proof of its divine inspiration. Christ believed the Old Testament, honored it in His ministry, and fulfilled its prophecies in His life and redemptive work."

Jesus and the apostles quoted largely from what is called the Septuagint Version. This was a translation of the Old Testament into Greek, made especially so that the Jews who lived where the Greek language was spoken might have the Scriptures. Many of them had lost the use of the Hebrew language. It is partly because the New Testament writers quote from the Septuagint that we have the difference that is apparent when Old Testament Scriptures are quoted in the New Testament.

1. THE SON OF GOD

a. *Growth of the Son.* Luke tells us, "And the child grew, and waxed strong in spirit, filled with wisdom: and the grace of God was upon him" (ch. 2:40). By means of the Spirit and through the experiences of life Jesus developed from infancy to maturity, physically, mentally, and spiritually (Luke 2:52). "Though he were a Son, yet learned he obedience by the things which he suffered" (Heb. 5:8). With each new earthly experience, Jesus' humanity developed further; and because of His constant communion with the Father, new unfoldings of His divine nature appeared.

b. *Temptation of the Son.* At the River Jordan Jesus was baptized. He there dedicated Himself to the ministry which lay before Him, and there He was endued with power from on high. But before He could begin His ministry He, as the last Adam (1 Cor. 15:45), must overcome the adversary by whom the first Adam had been defeated. Unless He could overcome for Himself, He could not overcome for others and thus become the Saviour and Deliverer of mankind. He must therefore be led of the Spirit into the wilderness, there to be tempted by the devil. Jesus was "in all points tempted like as we are" (Heb. 4:15)—that is, He was tempted through "the

lust of the flesh, and the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life" (1 John 2:16). Jesus was subject to all kinds of human temptation, yet He was triumphant.

c. *Triumph of the Son.* Having been victorious over Satan in the temptation, Jesus returned to Galilee "in the power of the Spirit." He began His Galilean ministry in the synagogue at Nazareth, where He opened the Scripture and read, "The Spirit of the Lord is upon me..." And He announced to the people, "This day is this scripture fulfilled in your ears" (Luke 4:21).

d. *The Ministry of the Son.* Not only did the Law make provision for a weekly Sabbath and a sabbatical year, but each fiftieth year was also set aside as a time of special blessing. In this "Jubilee" year all debts were remitted, land went back to its original owners, and all the slaves regained their freedom. Jesus seized upon this glorious occasion and likened Himself to one of the priests, who with trumpet of silver proclaims "the acceptable year of the Lord." This Jubilee was a type of the atonement which Christ came to provide for the souls of men. God the Father had anointed Him "to heal the broken-hearted, to preach deliverance to the captives, ... to set at liberty them that are bruised, to preach the acceptable year of the Lord."

2. THE BOOK OF GOD

a. *Jesus Fulfilled the Old Testament.* Moses had said, "The Lord thy God will raise up unto thee a Prophet... like unto me; unto him ye shall hearken" (Deut. 18:15). Jesus fulfilled this prophecy of Moses (Acts 3:22; 7:37) for the earthly ministry of Jesus was particularly that of a prophet. A prophet is one who has God's message. Because Jesus had God's message He could say, "Heaven and earth shall pass away, but my words shall not pass away" (Matt. 24:35). "The word that I have spoken, the same shall judge him in the last day" (John 12:48).

Jesus did not come to destroy either the Law or the Prophets, but to fulfill them (Matt. 5:17). After His resurrection, when He walked to Emmaus with two disciples, "beginning at Moses and all the prophets, he expounded unto them in all the scriptures the things concerning himself" (Luke 24:27). He thus put His approval on all the Old Testament writings as the Word of God. At a later time, when all

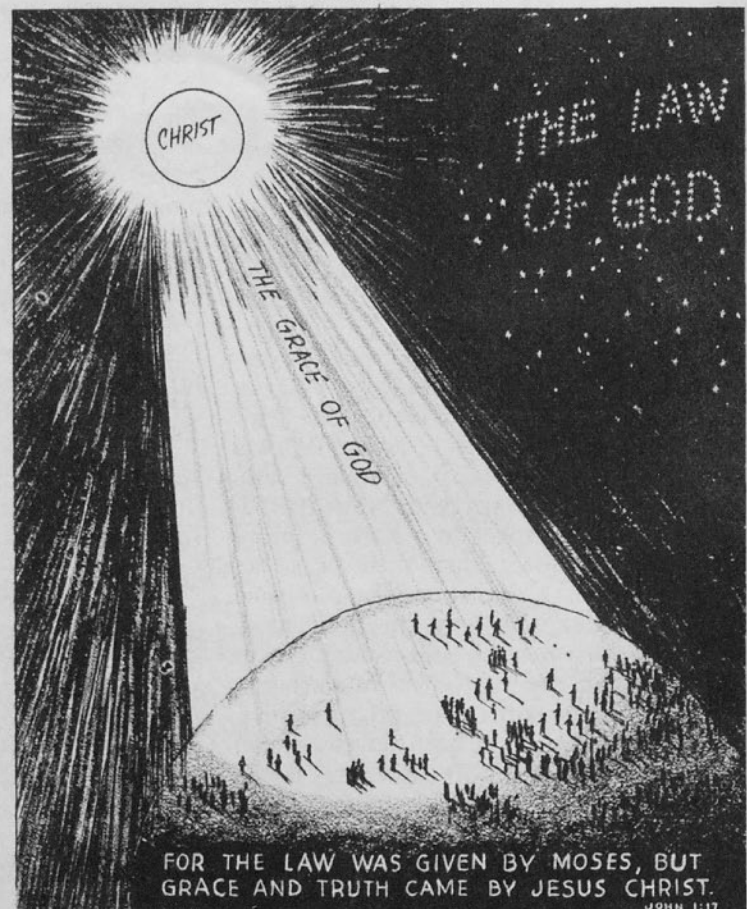
the disciples were together, He again testified to the inspiration of the law of Moses, the prophets, and the Psalms, declaring that they spoke of Him (Luke 24:44).

b. *Jesus Used the Old Testament.* When Christ was tempted of the devil, He answered every suggestion of Satan with, "It is written..." (Luke 4:4, 8, 12). With the Scripture Jesus was able to defeat even the most cunning assaults of the tempter. This shows the value of having the Word hidden in our hearts. Often there is no time to search for a scripture to meet temptation—it is important then for the Christian to be fully armed, with the sword in hand.

When faced by human accusers, Jesus' word to them was, "Search the scriptures; for in them ye think ye have eternal life: and they are they which testify of me" (John 5:39). At another time He declared, "The scripture cannot be broken" (John 10:35). The Word is a unit. It is a united whole. Although the Bible is the work of many authors, it is one Book because it is all inspired of God.

c. *Early Believers Used the Old Testament.* The apostle Paul put his approval on the inspiration of the Old Testament when he wrote, "All scripture is given by inspiration of God." So rich did he regard its content that he declared it "profitable for doctrine [teaching], for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness." The Christian who is filled with the truths of the Bible and lives by those truths is "perfect, thoroughly furnished [prepared] unto all good works" (2 Tim.

THE GREATER LIGHT



3:16). When Paul wrote to Timothy he reminded him, "From a child thou hast known the holy scriptures, which are able to make thee wise unto salvation" (2 Tim. 3:15). Peter also approved the Old Testament as inspired: "The prophecy came not in old time by the will of man: but holy men of God spake as they were moved by the Holy Ghost" (2 Peter 1:21). The early Church preached Jesus from the Old Testament, showing that in Him its prophecies and promises were fulfilled (Acts 13:14-43).

THIS WEEK'S LESSON

Joshua's Final Challenge (lesson for Sunday, September 26). Lesson text: Joshua 24:14-25.

Convention To Be at Springfield, Missouri Next Month

Assemblies of God Ministers and Members Urged to Attend

The seventh annual convention of the Pentecostal Fellowship of North America will convene October 26 to 28 in the city of Springfield, Missouri.

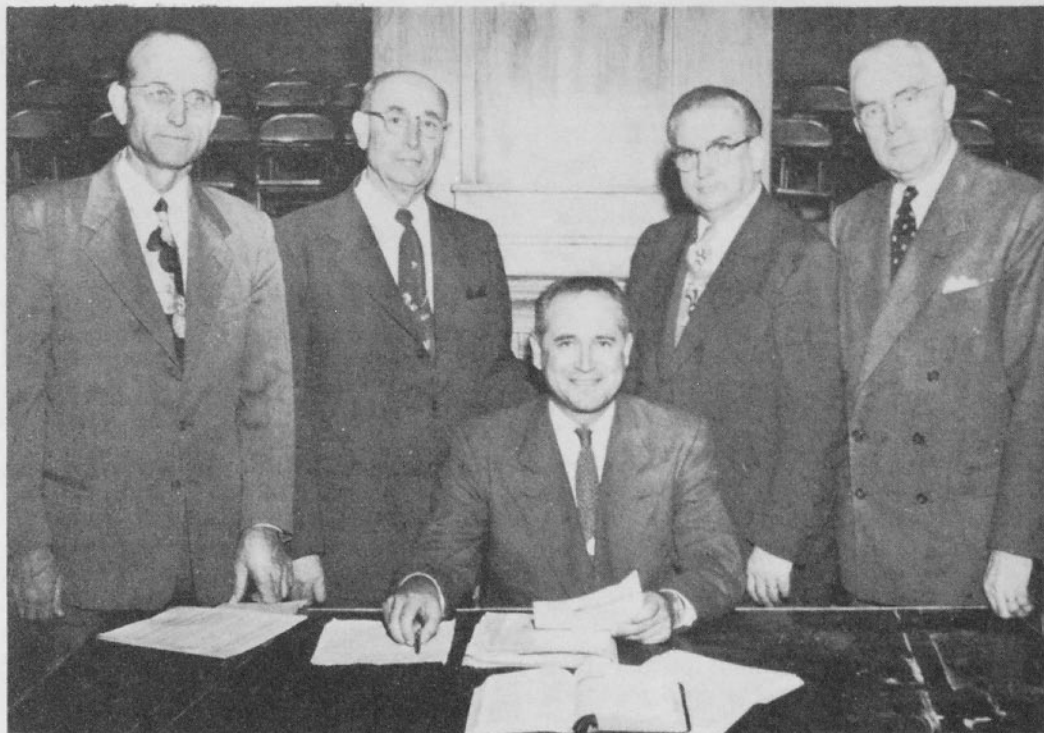
There are ten Pentecostal denominations affiliated with this Fellowship: Assemblies of God, Church of God, Church of God Mountain Assembly, International Church of the Foursquare Gospel, International Pentecostal Assemblies, Open Bible Standard Churches, Pentecostal Assemblies of Canada, Pentecostal Church of Christ, Pentecostal Holiness Church, and Zion Evangelistic Fellowship.

The Board of Administration will meet on October 25 and 26. Items of special interest on Tuesday will include a youth seminar and a missions forum, concluding with a great youth rally in the evening.

The 9:15 morning services as well as the 2:00 afternoon services will be held at Central Assembly, located at Campbell and Calhoun streets. All the evening services will be held in the Shrine Mosque which seats upwards of 4,000 people.

Allen Hamilton (Foursquare) will be speaking at the youth rally on the opening night. Joseph A. Synan (Pentecostal Holiness) will preach on Wednesday evening. On Thursday night C. Morse Ward, our REVIVALTIME speaker, will bring the final address of the convention. Robert Lichty and Harry M. Strachan will be speaking in the afternoon sessions.

Even a greater crowd is expected this year than was present last year when the convention was held in Charlotte, North Carolina. All are invited and urged to attend these heart-warming days of Pentecostal fellowship.



Officers of the Pentecostal Fellowship of North America, which will meet for the seventh annual convention at Springfield, Missouri, October 26 to 28. SEATED: Howard P. Courtney, Chairman (International Church of the Foursquare Gospel). STANDING, left to right: H. L. Chesser, Treasurer (Church of God); E. J. Fulton, First Vice-Chairman (Open Bible Standard Churches); Gayle F. Lewis, Second Vice-Chairman (Assemblies of God); C. M. Wortman, Secretary (Pentecostal Assemblies of Canada).

This Is Your Home!

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mediates gather. These are times for sharing burdens, testimonies, and questions. Before breakfast each morning, family worship is held for all age groups together.

Twice on Sunday the whole family boards the Home's big yellow bus for Hot Springs' First Assembly. Many of the boys and girls had never been in Sunday School before coming to our Home and knew little or nothing about the Bible. Most of them testify now to a definite experience of salvation, and exhibit gratifying evidence that real Christian character is being built on a foundation of good Bible training.

Whether children are in the Home ten years or only a few weeks, they are influenced for good. Their hearts are directed toward God. Characters have been salvaged and reshaped because you cared enough—for this is your home.

At present our tiny dormitory rooms are filled to capacity. It is only possible for us to take in a child now and then, as we are able to release some now in our care. It is necessary to turn many children away every month because of lack of facilities. We feel that the time has come to enlarge our borders in order to make room for at least forty more homeless children. And since this is your home, we knew you would not want to miss this opportunity of ministering to

children in need. Thousands are looking for a home. We can have as many of these as we can provide for—we can have them to train in a Pentecostal home, not for just one hour a week, but for twenty-four hours a day—for months and even years.

If you wish to have a part in this good work you may send offerings designated for either the "National Children's Home Expansion Program" or the "National Children's Home Fund" to the DEPARTMENT OF BENEVOLENCES, 434 West Pacific Street, Springfield 1, Missouri.—by Ruth Nourse

WATCH!

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christ is manifest the world over; God is being forgotten and denied—all this, while Christ is waiting for us to watch with Him!

In these dark, solemn, and tragic days there comes again the words from His sacred lips, "Watch and pray." Shall we disappoint Him as did His disciples of old? Shall we sleep instead of praying? No, a thousand times no. We must hearken to His blessed words, and with thousands all over our land who have been awakened to a ministry of prayer and intercession we will shut the door and lift up holy hands in prayer. We will continue in this blessed ministry until the powers of darkness have been vanquished and Jesus Christ reigns supreme.

Special Committee Appointed to Study Home Missions Program



FIFTEEN MINISTERS APPOINTED TO A special Home Missions Commission will meet in Springfield, Missouri, November 9 to 11.

According to Gayle F. Lewis, Executive Director of Home Missions for the Assemblies of God, the purpose of the Commission is to give further study to the new Home Missions program which has been given the name "Mission U.S.A."

This new Home Missions program was presented last month at a conference attended by 49 District Superintendents and Home Missions Representatives from the various districts of the Fellowship. The men met in nine committees all day Friday, August 27. On Friday evening and Saturday the committee chairmen presented their reports to the entire body. The reports were accepted and a recommendation was made to appoint a special commission to make the final draft of "Mission U.S.A." It is hoped that the new program will be ready to present to the constituency around the first of next year.

Committee members were as follows (chairman's name is first):

CHURCH EXTENSION—Roy Wead, L. W. Dickinson, Ernest Pruett, J. F. Ballard, G. L.



District representatives attending Home Missions Conference. Left to right, 1st Row—Curtis Ringness, Kenneth Haystead, G. Raymond Carlson, G. F. Lewis, Victor Trimmer, Mrs. Victor Trimmer, Lester W. Dickinson; 2nd Row—T. H. Spence, Wiley Davis, V. G. Greisen, G. W. Hardcastle, John Grace, Richard J. Bergstrom, Herbert Bruhn; 3rd Row—H. S. Bush, J. K. Gressett, R. L. Brandt, Wilfred A. Brown, J. C. Kofahl, T. E. Hartshorn, Mrs. G. F. Lewis, Mrs. J. O. Savell, Eileen Kuepfer; 4th Row—J. A. Thomas, M. B. Netzel, Hugh M. Cadwalder, C. W. Hahn, Ernest P. Pruett, Chas. H. Jackson, R. J. Carlson; 5th Row—J. F. Ballard, E. L. Mason, C. A. Slaughter, H. E. Waddle, C. C. Hidle, Russell G. Fulford; 6th Row—T. B. Pierce, W. Glenn West, Andrew Stirling, W. R. Williamson, Atwood Foster, Grady L. Fannin, Silas S. Rexroat; 7th Row—W. G. Hinecker, A. Newton Chase, Roy H. Wead, Robert Spencer, Thos. F. Zimmerman, Bartlett Peterson, Paul R. Buchwalter, Noel Perkin.

Fannin, Andrew Stirling, R. L. Brandt, H. M. Cadwalder, G. H. Blair, J. A. Thomas, J. C. Kofahl.

DEAF—Kenneth Haystead, V. L. Hertweck, T. E. Gannon, W. T. Davis.

INDIAN—Paul Holdridge, J. K. Gressett, Silas Rexcoat, Robert Spencer, R. G. McAllister, H. S. Bush.

ALASKA—Atwood Foster, C. H. Jackson, C. A. Slaughter, Dwight McLaughlin.

JEWISH—W. R. Williamson, A. B. Pierce, Curtis Ringness, M. B. Netzel.

FOREIGN LANGUAGE GROUPS—R. J. Bergstrom, A. N. Chase, R. G. Fulford, E. L. Mason.

INDUSTRIAL CHAPLAINS—G. R. Carlson, Glenn West, L. C. Ashbrook, John Grace, W. G. Dixon, Paul Buchwalter.

PRISON—R. J. Carlson, V. G. Greisen, C. C. Hidle, W. G. Hinecker, H. E. Waddle.

FINANCE—G. W. Hardcastle, Robert E. Goggin, David Hastic, T. H. Spence.

Main emphasis during the conference was on church extension. The other mission phases (Deaf, Indian, Prison, Alaska, Foreign Language Groups, Industrial Chaplaincy, and Jewish) were discussed and basic policies suggested.

A new plan of church extension was drawn up by the committee. It is called the "Big Brother Plan." We quote from the report: "This is a plan whereby a local congregation assists in opening a new work by purchasing property, making gifts, loans, and gives every possible spiritual and financial assistance including a nucleus of members from the local church when practical. HOWEVER,



LEFT: Officials of the National Home Missions Department confer. Seated is Gayle F. Lewis, Executive Director. Standing, left to right, are: Herbert Bruhn, Field Representative; Victor Trimmer, National Secretary; and Arvid Ohnell, National Prison Chaplain.



RIGHT: Chairman of various committees confer at breakfast prior to the August conference. Left to right: Richard Bergstrom, G. Raymond Carlson, Herbert Bruhn, H. Paul Holdridge, Arvid Ohnell, Gayle F. Lewis, Victor Trimmer, Atwood Foster, Roy H. Wead, W. R. Williamson, G. W. Hardcastle.

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THE OBJECTIVE IS TO MAKE THE NEW CHURCH SELF-SUPPORTING AND INDEPENDENT OF THE BIG BROTHER CHURCH FROM ITS BEGINNING."

A definition of the "Mother Church Plan" was given as follows: "Under this plan a local church assumes the entire initiative responsibility in establishing a new work. (1) The new church is promoted, financed and governed by the Mother Church and its officials as a vital, integral and dependent assembly until such time as it is financially and numerically able to maintain its own affairs. (2) The objective of all such churches should be to grow, develop, and become an independent sovereign assembly within two years, if possible."

In one other plan, "The Adoption Plan," the initiative is taken by a group of local churches. "This is a plan in which a number of churches take the initiative and responsibility of opening a new work." The Adoption Plan could be an adaptation of either the Mother Church Plan or the Big Brother Plan.

Four plans were presented in which the initiative for opening a new church comes from a source other than a local church. They are the Sectional, District, Inter-District and National Plans. The Section, District, and National office sponsor the opening of the new church in these plans. The Inter-District Plan is comparatively new, but is already functioning to the advantage of many less evangelized districts. According to this plan, "stronger districts co-operate by financing churches and workers in less evangelized districts."

Probably one of the best-known plans for opening new churches in the Assemblies of God is the "Pioneer Worker Plan." On this basis, "A pioneer worker who has a burden for a specific place, goes in on his own (with district approval) and with the help of God through much labor and sacrifice establishes a church."

Attention was called to the fact that we have no Rural Area Plan, in spite of the fact that 90%, or 113,273 towns, of the total 122,217 towns and cities in the United States are under 1,000 in population. The committee recommended that local church groups be encouraged to organize branch Sunday Schools and hold afternoon services in these areas until a definite plan can be developed.

At the close of two days of intensive conference there was a supper meeting

in the Bethany Room at Central Bible Institute. At the supper the new Home Missions monthly periodical, "Mission U.S.A.," was presented to the group.

Ralph M. Riggs, General Superintendent, brought impromptu greeting to the group. Members of the National Home Missions Board were introduced by Brother Lewis, the conference chairman. The members are as follows: Gayle F. Lewis, Victor Trimmer, Bartlett Peterson, W. A. Brown, J. O. Savell, and T. F. Zimmerman.

A gracious moving of the Holy Spirit climaxed the evening message, which was delivered by Victor Trimmer, National Home Missions Secretary.

AMONG THE ASSEMBLIES

DOTHAN, ALA.—A goodly number were saved during the meeting with Evangelist Don Carroll. Several were filled with the Holy Spirit, and the entire congregation was drawn closer to the Lord.—Max McNab, Pastor, First Assembly of God.

EDENWOLD, TENN.—We enjoyed a ten-day meeting with Evangelist H. E. Darnell of Kilgore, Tex. The church was stirred under his able ministry. Several received bodily healing. The Sunday School had a good increase in attendance.—C. C. Cook, Pastor.

HOPE, ARK.—We had a profitable meeting with Evangelist and Mrs. Bob McCutchen of Austin, Tex. The old-time preaching of God's Word resulted in souls being saved, believers baptized with the Holy Spirit, and sick bodies healed by the power of God.—C. S. Walker, Pastor.

GARLAND, TEX.—We have just closed a three-week meeting at the Bethany Assembly of God with Evangelist Quentin D. Edwards. Souls were saved, some were filled with the Spirit, and sick bodies were healed. The attendance was good each evening. The church was blessed and inspired to do more for God.—W. A. Edwards, Pastor.

ENTERPRISE, ALA.—Evangelist Robert Rogers of Talladega, Ala. was with us for 23 nights. The presence of the Lord was real in each service. Many nights we were unable to seat all the people. Many were saved, healed, or baptized with the Holy Ghost. The entire church was refreshed and encouraged.

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The revival continues in our regular meetings. We expect many to be saved as we continue to seek the anointing of God in our services.—Howard P. Trawick, 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.

EWING, VA.—Sept. 15—; Evangelist A. L. Todd, Joplin, Mo. (Guy E. Stone is Pastor.)

PRESCOTT, ARIZ.—Sept. 26—Oct. 10: Evangelist and Mrs. Leland R. Evans. (D. M. Graf is Pastor.)

VIRDEN, ILL.—Assembly of God, Oct. 5—17; Evangelist John C. Potcet, Fullerton, Calif.—by Robert B. Byers, Pastor.

SPOKANE, WASH.—Glad Tidings Assembly, Sept. 28—Oct. 17; Evangelist and Mrs. Watson Argue Jr.—by W. H. Boyles, Pastor.

EAGLE BEND, MINN.—Assembly of God, Sept. 28—; Evangelist Donald R. Patz, Grand Forks, N. Dak. (Loyal A. Miller is Pastor.)

JEANNETTE, PA.—Sept. 26—Oct. 6; V. G. Greisen, Kansas District Superintendent.—by A. A. Amerine, Pastor.

LINDSAY, CALIF.—Sept. 26—; Evangelist and Mrs. Louis Roggow, North Platte, Nebr.—by M. L. Woods, Pastor.

NEOSHO, MO.—Assembly of God, Sept. 26—Oct. 10; Evangelist and Mrs. Hollis E. Petersen of Texas.—by Don Cole, Pastor.

LINDSAY, ONT., CANADA—Calvary Temple, Oct. 3—17; Evangelist Allen Mallory, Ft. Lauderdale, Fla.—by Melvin W. Holmes, Pastor.

DALLAS, TEX.—Grace Assembly of God, 2421 Exeter St., Sept. 22—Oct. 3 or longer; Evangelist W. M. Dunn, Houston, Tex.—by Fred Davis, Pastor.

RICHLAND CENTER, WIS.—Assembly of God, Sept. 29—Oct. 17; Evangelists Joel and Esther Palmer, Lake Wales, Fla. (W. C. Anderson is Pastor.)



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NEWPORT, PA.—Assembly of God, Sept. 21—Oct. 10; Evangelists Gladys Buchwalter and Dorothy Brosey, Lancaster, Pa.—by Lloyd Kipp, Pastor.

INDIANAPOLIS, IND.—North Side Assembly of God, 519 E. 23rd St., month of September, Eskelin Musical Family.—by Ted Vibbert, Pastor.

WINDSOR, ONT., CANADA—Bethel Pentecostal Church, London at Bruce, Oct. 5—, for three weeks; Eskelin Family, Detroit, Mich. (William Fitch is Pastor.)

BIG RAPIDS, MICH.—Sept. 19—; Evangelist and Mrs. Robert J. Salter, Hillsboro, Tex. (F. G. Speet is Pastor.)

NASHVILLE, TENN.—First Assembly of God, 401 S. 11th St., Sept. 26—; Evangelist Carl Perry, Winter Haven, Fla.—by C. C. Crace, Pastor.

EL CAJON, CALIF.—Evangelistic Tabernacle, Oct. 3—; Evangelist B. D. Bennett, Rosemead, Calif.—by Earl L. Ayres, Pastor.

WESTMORELAND, CALIF.—Assembly of God, Oct. 3—; Evangelist R. L. Kinslow, Calimesa, Calif. (Ralph Harrison is Pastor.)

NORTH KANSAS CITY, MO.—First Assembly of God, Sept. 21—Oct. 3; Evangelist Stanley C. Cooke.—by R. A. McClure, Pastor.

ROCK FALLS, ILL.—Assembly of God, Sept. 28—Oct. 17; Evangelist Al Silvera, Fresno, Calif.—by Harry W. Lutz, Pastor.

RYLIE, TEX.—Bethel Hill Assembly of God, Sept. 12—; Evangelist Paul R. McGeachie, Dumas, Tex. (C. J. Hurley is Pastor.)

BROWNSVILLE, TEX.—Sept. 19—Oct. 3; Evangelist George Hayes, Houston, Tex.—by Alfred Roever, Pastor.

BAZINE, KANS.—Assembly of God, Oct. 3—17; Evangelist and Mrs. James Colburn, Houston, Tex. (T. Giannopoulos is Pastor.)

NEWARK, N. J.—Bethel Pentecostal Church, 4th and Dickerson Sts., Sept. 26—Oct. 10; Evangelist and Mrs. Robert Watters.—by F. D. Eide, Pastor.

GRAND JUNCTION, COLO.—First Assembly of God, 4th and Grand, Sept. 14—Oct. 3; Evangelist L. B. Lewis of California.—by Kenneth R. Schmidt, Pastor.

TRAFFORD, PA.—All day meeting commemorating 23rd anniversary of Trafford Gospel Tabernacle, Sept. 26. Special speakers and singers.—by H. A. Christopher, Pastor.

NEW BROCKTON, ALA.—El Bethel Assembly of God, Sept. 22—; for two weeks or longer; Evangelist and Mrs. R. T. Havener, Meridian, Miss.—W. C. and M. L. Buchanan, Pastors.

WASHINGTON, D. C.—Full Gospel Tabernacle, 915 Mass. Ave. N. W., Oct. 3—17; Evangelist Ivan O. Miller, Minneapolis, Minn.—by Lloyd Christiansen, Pastor.

WATERTOWN, S. DAK.—Assemblies of God Church, Sept. 27—29 (three nights only); Evangelist C. B. Roberts, St. Joseph, Mo. Fellowship meeting on the 27th, three services.—by Richard W. Dortch, Pastor.

WILLMAR, MINN.—Dedication services and 20th Anniversary Homecoming, Sept. 24—26. Guest speakers, E. Elsworth Krogstad, G. Raymond Carlson, District Superintendent, and O. E. Carter.—by Ralph W. Hillegas, Pastor.

PEARL RIVER, N. Y.—Faith Assembly of God will hold opening service at American Legion Hall, Sept. 26, 3:30 p.m. H. R. Jackson, Sectional Presbyter, speaker. Neighboring Assemblies co-operating.—by Joseph Campana, Pastor.

SEATTLE, WASH.—Twentieth Anniversary of the Northwest Bible College, Oct. 1, 8 p.m. at Calvary Temple, E. 69th and 8th Ave. N.E. Service sponsored by NBC Alumni Association. All Alumni and friends urged to attend.—by C. Ralland Bixler, Secretary, Alumni Association.

ST. HELENS, OREG.—Assembly of God, Sept. 26—Oct. 10; Evangelist and Mrs. Philip A. Megna, San Jose, Calif. (Carl Allquist is Pastor.)

ELMER, MO.—Assembly of God, 19th annual Fall Fellowship Meeting, Oct. 5—7; A. A. Wilson, Kansas City, Mo., morning and evening speaker. Other speakers: Henry Hoar, St. Louis, Mo.; Charles Parker, Columbia, Mo.; and Hilton Griswold, District C. A. President.—by Abraham Solomon, Pastor.

WACO, TEX.—Tent meeting, 30th St. and Memorial Dr. (across from Baylor University Stadium), Sept. 23—Oct. 14; Evangelist W. V. Grant and Party. Sponsored by four Waco Assemblies of God. Nearby churches co-operating. For further information write A. C. Lane, 909 Reynolds St., Waco, Tex.

PLAINVIEW, TEX.—City Auditorium, Oct. 3—24; Velmer Gardner Evangelistic Party, Springfield, Mo. Neighboring churches invited to attend.—by Louie Shultz, Pastor, First Assembly of God.

LOS ANGELES, CALIF.—Full Gospel Assembly, 6330 S. Figueroa, Sept. 29—Oct. 10; Evangelist and Mrs. Christian Hild, Fargo, N. Dak.—by Warren L. Hill, Pastor.

ALBANY, GA.—Sixth Anniversary of First Assembly of God, Oct. 3. Wiley T. Davis, Superintendent of West Florida District, speaker. Three services; dinner on the grounds.—by Mrs. J. S. LaGrone, Pastor.

FORT WORTH, TEX.—Homecoming and Anniversary service, Fostepco Heights Assembly of God, 3401 N. Harding, Oct. 10. J. O. Savell, Assistant General Superintendent, speaker. Services at 11 a.m., 2 and 7:45 p.m.—by P. C. Loftin, Pastor.

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LEWISTON, N. C.—Oct. 3—17; Evangelist and Mrs. James H. Anderson.—by W. E. and Mrs. Beam, Pastors.

HARTFORD, ILL.—Assembly of God, Oct. 3—; Evangelist A. L. Todd, Joplin, Mo. (W. C. Myers is Pastor.)

NAPANEE, ONT., CANADA—Glad Tidings Tabernacle, Oct. 10—24 or longer; Evangelist and Mrs. W. W. Wright, Houston, Tex. (E. L. Ripley is Pastor.)

MARSHALL, TEX.—Sept. 14—; Evangelists Leslie C. and Oleta Eldridge, Santa Barbara, Calif. (F. E. Kennedy is Pastor.)

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ANNUAL CONVENTION, Pentecostal Fellowship of North America, October 26—28, at Springfield, Missouri. Night meetings at Shrine Mosque; morning and afternoon meetings at Central Assembly.

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CLARKSBURG, W. VA.—Oct. 5—17; Evangelist and Mrs. A. E. Shuttlesworth, Tabewell, Va.—by Russell W. Harvey, Pastor.

ALVARADO, TEX.—Sept. 26—; Evangelist and Mrs. Leo Walker, Fort Worth, Tex. (G. C. McGlothlin is Pastor.)

FORT MADISON, IOWA.—Oct. 3—; Evangelist and Mrs. Neale Sheneman of Nebraska.—by Fred R. Gottwald, Pastor.

DETROIT LAKES, MINN.—Assembly of God, Sept. 28—; Evangelist J. F. Pepper. (Kenneth M. Freiheit is Pastor.)

LOUISVILLE, KY.—Calvary Assembly of God, 2735 S. 4th St., Sept. 12—; Evangelist and Mrs. Floyd R. Hoole, Sacramento, Calif.—by W. Howard Roberson, Pastor.

MONTANA S. S. TOUR—D. V. Hurst, National S. S. Representative, speaker. Butte, Sept. 29; Hamilton, Sept. 30; Kalispell, Oct. 1; Roman, Oct. 3; Libby, Oct. 4; Cut Bank, Oct. 5; Fairfield, Oct. 6; Malta, Oct. 7; Wolf Point, Oct. 8; Sidney, Oct. 10; Glendive, Oct. 11; Laurel, Oct. 12; Bozeman, Oct. 13; Helena, Oct. 14.—by Paul W. Fenton, District S. S. Director.

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