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EVANGELIZE

EVANGELISTS' FELLOWSHIP ORGANIZED

Read the story of the First National Evangelism Convention — page four

If you are sick, this message from Harvey McAlister is for you

The Faith That Brings Healing

TWO BLIND MEN HAD THIS KIND OF faith (Matt. 9:29-30). As they approached Jesus, seeking healing, He asked them, "Believe ye that I am able to do this?" Satisfied with their response, Jesus touched their eyes, saying, "According to your faith be it unto you." I believe Jesus meant: "If your faith is limited, so will be your recovery; but if your faith is boundless you may have perfect sight." Theirs was an unlimited faith. It knew no bounds. The record reads, "And their eyes were opened."

FAITH IN CHRIST'S WILLINGNESS TO HEAL

The woman with the issue of blood is a picture of helplessness and hopeless despair (Mark 5:25-34). In ill health for twelve years, she had spent all her money and was no better. Her strength was gradually giving out.

Then she heard of Jesus, and she determined to get to Him. Finally she found Him. Multitudes were crowding about, but she pressed her way in. Suddenly Jesus asked, "Who touched my garment?" Certainly in the multitude many were touching Him. But they touched Him with no object in view, while she believed that if she touched His clothing she would be healed!

There was no question in her mind, and no doubt in her heart. She did not doubt His power, and still less His willingness. Sooner would she doubt her right to avail herself of the heat of the sun's rays in winter, or to quench her thirst by a drink from a pure and cool mountain stream in summer, than to have in her heart any doubts about her right to His healing virtue. She came in the crowd behind Him and touched His garment. Hers was an instantaneous healing, and Jesus said to her, "Daughter, thy faith hath made thee whole."

FAITH DEMONSTRATED BY HUMILITY

The reasonings of the natural man sometimes run counter to the Lord's ways. How true this was in Naaman's life, as he sought Elisha to be healed. He had figured out just how God's prophet should proceed. "I thought," said Naaman, "He will surely come out to me, and stand, and call on the name of the Lord his God, and strike his hand over the place, and recover the leper."

A messenger from Elisha had told him, "Go and wash in Jordan seven times, and thy flesh shall come again to thee, and thou shalt be clean." Naaman was

pleased with the promise, but certainly not with the condition attached to it. "Are not Abana and Pharpar, rivers of Damascus, better than all the waters of Israel?" he protested. (I have stood on the banks of Jordan, and I have stood on the banks of the Abana and Pharpar. Jordan's waters are muddy and meager, as compared with the clearness and abundance of the waters of the two rivers that flow through Damascus.) "May I not wash in them, and be clean?"

Naaman turned and went away in a rage; and if his servants had not pointed out to him the folly of his natural reasonings, he would have missed the blessing. Naaman must be made to understand that the words of the messenger were not spoken that he might reason as to the comparative values of the rivers; they were addressed to faith—they were something for him to believe to the extent of acting in obedience. "Then went he down, and dipped himself seven times in Jordan, according to the saying of the man of God: and his flesh came again like unto the flesh of a little child, and he was clean" (2 Kings 5:14).

Seeker for healing, natural reasonings will get you nowhere; but bowing in submission to the Word, humbly claiming its promises, honestly meeting its conditions, will make possible the working

of the Spirit's power within your body in healing.

FAITH DEMONSTRATED BY OBEDIENCE

As Jesus entered into a certain village on His way to Jerusalem, He met ten lepers. They stood off at considerable distance, crying, "Jesus, Master, have mercy on us." Jesus spoke to them words which would require great faith and quick obedience: "Go show yourselves unto the priests."

The priests in those times would be equivalent to the health officers of our day. They alone could officially decide whether these lepers were fit for privileges of citizenship, which were taken away from lepers. To tell them to show themselves to the priests could mean but one thing: they were qualified to pass the required examinations. This command implied instant cleansing. Their acts of obedience, which were acts of faith, synchronized with the fact of their healing—"As they went, they were cleansed" (Luke 17:14).

One of their number, realizing that he was cured, turned around and thanked God at the top of his voice. He then fell on his face at the feet of Jesus and thanked Him. Jesus remarked, "Were there not ten cleansed? but where are the nine?" How important thanksgiving and obedience are to healing!

The Word of God preached becomes the Word of faith. It produces a wonderful inspiration for men to believe. What is the need in your life? Is it forgiveness? Healing? Power for service? You need faith! Faith is the hand that reaches up to receive that which the pierced hand of the Man of Calvary, in wondrous grace, is reaching down to bestow.

FAITH IN GOD'S PRECIOUS PROMISES

Do you feel that you do not have faith, or that your faith is weak? Hear the Word of God preached, and faith will come! Receive into your heart a divine promise suitable to cover your particular need. Do not be haphazard in choosing. Approach the matter with intelligence, for there is a promise somewhere in the Bible that will exactly fit your case. Let your soul feed upon the precious promises. Hold them in your heart! Meditate on them! Get alone with God, so that you can read, pray, and praise! Sometimes you must just listen! Then He will

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Evangelist Harvey McAlister



The congregation on Thursday night, December 16, during the First National Evangelism Convention

*A Sketch from History

The Lame Man Walked

by G. D. Krummacher

Those who preach and practice faith in God for Divine Healing in our day will find interest in this experience related by G. D. Krummacher, one of the great preachers in Germany 150 years ago. It illustrates the truth that certain men of God in all seasons of church history have exalted Christ as the Great Physician who heals both body and soul.

IN MY CONGREGATION AT ELBERFELD, Germany, there was a dear, pious brother who had for many years been in a diseased condition. He was, in the full sense of the word, "sick with palsy."

His limbs were so lame that he could neither walk nor stand. He had often cried unto the Lord for the healing of his disease; but it seemed it was the will of the Lord that he, through suffering, might be perfected, and the Lord's name glorified. He enjoyed sweet peace in his soul, and was perfectly resigned to the will of God. His pains were also eased through prayer, but the disease remained.

On a certain Sabbath morning I preached the Gospel from Matthew 9:1-8: "Christ healing one sick with the palsy." I was permitted to speak with great joy, and earnestly exhorted my congregation to take Christ as their Great

Physician for both body and soul.

I had scarcely returned home from the service when a messenger came, requesting me to come at once to the home of this sick brother. Upon arriving there, to my great astonishment, I found him up, sitting in a chair, in perfect health. As soon as he saw me he quickly arose and came toward me saying, "Praise the Lord, for he hath made me whole." Upon inquiring how this came about, he said:

"I lay this morning as usual upon my bed of suffering. My pains were great, and I was as helpless as ever. Then I thought to myself that if I was now well I could attend the services, and be edified in the communion with the saints. At the same time I remembered that today the theme of the sermon would be 'Christ healing one sick with the palsy.'

"I began praying earnestly, and said: 'O Lord Jesus, I have now suffered for many years upon this bed of sickness, and am in misery and pain; but if Thou wilt, Thou canst heal me. When upon earth Thou didst heal many various diseases,

and even those sick with the palsy. Thou art the same yesterday, today, and forever, and that which Thou didst do then Thou canst also do today. I believe, dear Lord, that Thou canst and wilt, and dost heal me now, according to Thy holy will. Amen.'

"I had scarcely finished this prayer when a peculiar feeling came over my diseased body. It seemed as if new life was pulsating through me. I next felt severe pain, which was followed by a sort of electric shock, making me senseless for a few moments. When I came to myself again, I was made whole; I could arise and walk."

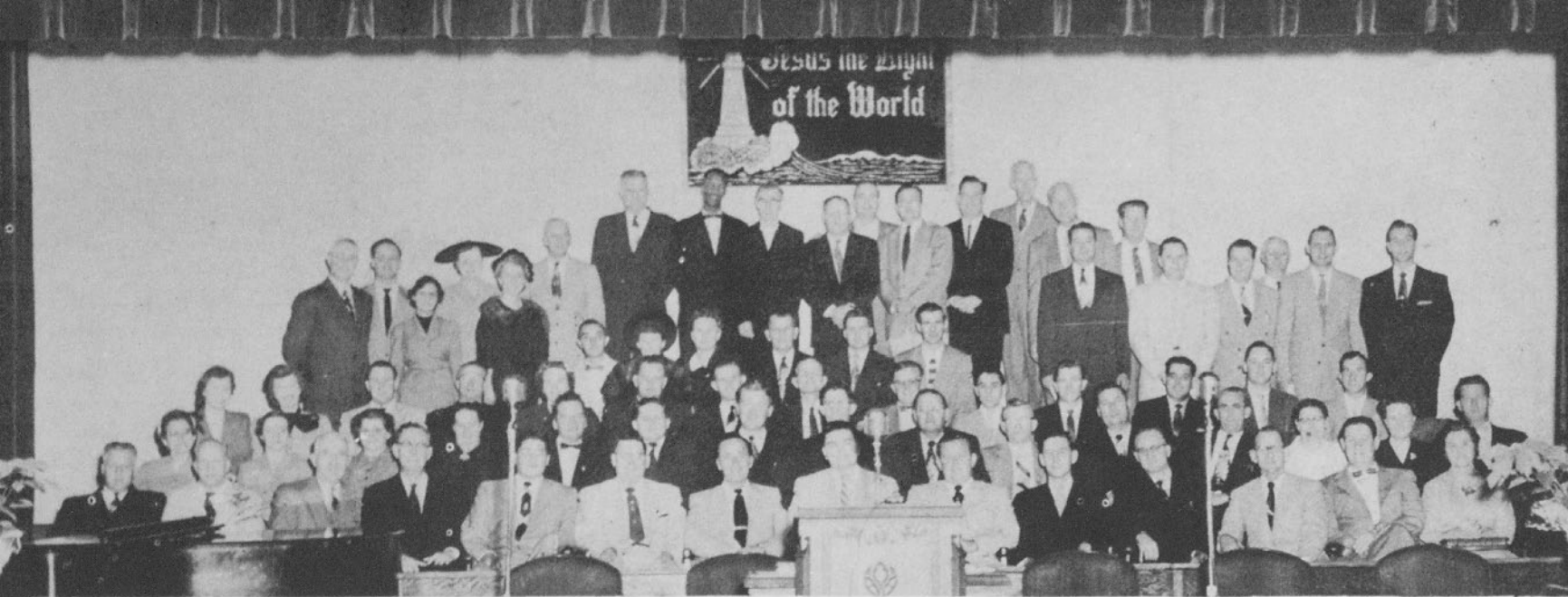
This was the report he gave of his healing. While he was yet speaking, his physician came. He was amazed to find his patient on his feet, and seemingly in perfect health. A careful and thorough examination was held in the presence of several other most skillful physicians, and their verdict was that "the man was healed, and that, as there were no remedies used at the time of his healing, neither internal nor external, the healing had been brought by a direct miracle of the Almighty God."

The fact of this healing by divine interposition was too well attested by the most trustworthy witnesses to admit of any doubts in the case. The "healed one" remained in perfect health, and for many years he walked the streets of Elberfeld, a living witness of the power of believing prayer and of the willingness of God to heal, even now, the diseased of the body.

This healing took place about the year 1820.

—Courtesy "Herald of Pentecost"

*This excerpt is from a volume of personal testimonies entitled "God's Treasure House Unlocked," by C. G. Schuh. It was printed in 1887. Now out of print, it can be obtained only at used book stores.



Some of the evangelists who attended the First National Evangelism Convention

Evangelists' Fellowship Formed at Evangelism Convention

Great Forward Move in Soul Winning Expected in Wake of First National Convention

"WE MUST EVANGELIZE OR FOSSILIZE," said one of the speakers at the First National Evangelism Convention of the Assemblies of God, held in Kansas City, Mo., December 15-17.

Another speaker emphasized the fact that the business of the Church is primarily to win souls for Christ and to nurse them to spiritual maturity.

A third reminded the convention of the solemn words of God written in Ezekiel 3:18—"When I say unto the wicked, Thou shalt surely die; and thou givest him not warning, nor speakest to warn the wicked from his wicked way, to save his life; the same wicked man shall die in his iniquity; but his blood will I require at thine hand."

Thus the importance of evangelism was emphasized again and again in the seven convention sessions; and the Spirit of the Lord was mightily present to drive the truth home to the hearts of all. Surely the future will reflect great benefits from this gathering of God's people in the winning of countless souls for Christ and His kingdom.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT

The convention opened on Wednesday night with a large crowd at the First Assembly of God, Kansas City. Bert Webb, Executive Director of the Department of Evangelism, called on J. Robert Ashcroft to lead the singing and asked Evangelist Warren Litzman to lead in prayer. Host pastor A. A. Wilson welcomed the convention to his church. The response of the convention was voiced by the General Superintendent, R. M. Riggs.

Evangelist George Hayes preached from the story of Hagar and her child (Genesis 21). He said that many of the Lord's children are about to die of thirst, as was Hagar's child, but God has opened a well of water (the Baptism of the Holy Spirit) to refresh their souls if only they will arise and drink. The service ended with a great altar call.

A further service was held for those who wished to remain in the church for a time of worship and prayer. It lasted until 2 a.m.

THURSDAY MORNING

At 10 a.m. there was a period of worship in song and prayer, followed by a keynote message from Brother Webb. His subject was, "Bible Emphasis on

Evangelism." He told how God works in a miraculous way, both in drawing souls to Himself and in supplying the needs of His workers, when we are faithful to point men and women to the Cross.

A panel of speakers then dealt with the theme, "Evangelism, Whither Bound?" C. M. Ward spoke on the past; Richard Vinyard spoke on the present; and Gene Martin talked about the future. Each speaker had significant and valuable things to say about the evangelistic program of the Assemblies of God.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON

About 150 ministers had lunch together and soon after 2 p.m. the afternoon service got under way. Three speakers were given the subject of "Pioneer Evangelism

ACTION TAKEN ON TWO IMPORTANT MATTERS

An Evangelists' Fellowship was formed during the convention in Kansas City. A large group of Assemblies of God evangelists met one morning to lay plans for some means whereby they might be represented at the national headquarters, and decided to organize an Evangelists' Fellowship which will function in close co-operation with the National Department of Evangelism. The evangelists who were present cast ballots to nominate a number of members for the Executive Committee of the Evangelists' Fellowship. The members of the Committee will be chosen by the Executive Presbyters and announced very soon.

The other important matter upon which action was taken was a Code of Ethics for Ministers of the Assemblies of God. A committee worked at length on this proposed Code and the convention devoted considerable time to a general discussion of the matter. As a result, seven simple statements were drawn up, expressing the responsibilities of pastors, evangelists, and other ministers toward the Lord and toward mankind in general, but especially toward one another. Further information will be mailed to all Assemblies of God ministers. Final action on a Code of Ethics probably will be taken at the next General Council meeting.



Here are some of the six hundred ministers who participated in the First National Evangelism Convention.

1. Evangelist George Hayes, who preached the opening night.
2. Speakers on the "Promotion and Publicity" Panel—Harry M. Myers, O. E. Carter, and Lin Springer.
3. James D. Menzie listens while Dwight H. McLaughlin tells him about his laymen's class in Personal Evangelism.
4. Members of the committee appointed to submit a proposed Code of Ethics for Ministers. Left to right: Clifton Erickson,

Richard Vinyard, H. E. Hardt, J. R. Flower, Gayle Jackson, Jewell Tucker, James D. Menzie, and Stanley Cooke. (The chairman, Leroy Sanders, had to leave the city before this picture was taken.)

5. Pastors in Kansas City area.
6. Evangelist Jay B. Oaks, who preached the closing night.
7. Nicholas Bhengu conversing with Ted E. Ness.
8. Speakers on the "Before and After the Revival Campaign" panel: John H. Bostrom and C. C. Crace.

and Church Extension." Victor Trimmer spoke on "The Need." Roy Wead spoke on "Seeing the Need." Richard Bergstrom spoke on "Meeting the Need." It became evident that if all our Assemblies will go to work, the Lord working with them, the goal of opening a thousand new Assemblies of God churches in 1955 will be reached. The experiences related by these speakers are proof of this.

M. B. Netzel, Superintendent of the Texas District, gave a most heart-searching talk on the motives of evangelism. After this talk some fifty laymen retired to a separate room where Dwight H. McLaughlin led them in a study of Personal Evangelism. The remainder of the people heard a report from the Committee which had been appointed to submit a Code of Ethics for Assemblies of God ministers. A number of suggestions for the proposed Code were made from the floor of the convention.

THURSDAY NIGHT

The church was packed for the night meeting and there was great liberty in singing, praying, and praising the Lord. The speaker was Arthur Arnold, pastor of the Christian Assembly of God at Deer Park, Ohio. At the conclusion of his sermon on the Baptism of the Holy Spirit, dozens of people streamed down the aisles with both hands upraised, praising the Lord, and knelt at the altar to receive this wonderful Baptism. "If we don't

possess this Baptism, and if we don't preach it, and if we don't have an altar in our church where people may receive it, we have no right to call ourselves Pentecostal," said Brother Arnold.

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FRIDAY MORNING

Most of the evangelists attending the convention had a breakfast meeting, at which time they organized an Evangelists' Fellowship. At 10 a.m. the morning service opened with the singing of some choruses, and prayer, after which there was a visual demonstration, "Mobilizing for Evangelism." As Brother Webb read a script reviewing the various avenues of evangelism, seven men came out one by one, each holding a colored placard depicting some department of our national organization. At a given moment all the placards were turned over and they now spelled out the word EVANGELIZE. This demonstration illustrated the ways in which various departments of the Assemblies of God are working at the important job of soul winning.

Nicholas Bhengu told the thrilling story of how he and his helpers "took a city for God" in South Africa. There were many shouts of joy and loud praises to God as he told how thousands of his fellow-Africans have been swept into the Kingdom and baptized with the Holy Ghost in the present revival.

Evangelist Harvey McAlister was asked to speak on the vital subject of "Giving Altar Calls." He illustrated his remarks with some inspiring stories of how God has poured out the Spirit upon congregations of various denominations in foreign

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Daily DEVOTIONS

BIBLE READINGS BASED ON NEXT WEEK'S SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

...they searched the Scriptures daily

MONDAY, January 10

JESUS IS TEMPTED—Luke 4:1-13

"And the devil said unto him, If thou be the Son of God..." (v. 3). Such is the audacity of the devil. As if the voice from heaven and the descent of the Holy Ghost upon Him were not sufficient, he requires of the Lord further proof of deity. He knew full well that Christ was the Son of God, but he was pressing his relentless attack against the Word of God. This can be expected of Satan. Thank God, he was not successful against the Lord Jesus, but he may be more effective against you and me if we are not careful.

It is a sign of weakness in faith when we demand proof of the Lord's authority. Proving His sonship should not be the basis for our requirement of a sign or a miracle. But rather let it be that because He is the Son of God we are able to ask these things. He does have all power. He does love us. Therefore we can ask what we will, in faith believing, and it will be given us. Let's keep the "if's" out of our praying and say, "Thou Son of God, hear me."

—RICHARD C. FULMER

TUESDAY, January 11

PREPARATION FOR TEMPTATION—Luke 3:21, 22

"...A voice came from heaven, which said, Thou art my beloved Son; in thee I am well pleased" (v. 22).

Here stands God's perfect Man, our example in the fulfillment of all righteousness. The Spirit rests upon Him; the Father voices His approval of Him. Resolutely Jesus faces the wilderness, there to meet and overcome the most fierce and subtle temptations of the devil. He then marches forth victoriously, asserting His authority over every power of the enemy, proclaiming liberty to the captives and the opening of the prison to them that are bound.

From whence came this power? Not from His essential deity, for when the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, "in all things it behoved him to be made like unto his brethren." From the manger to the Cross, Jesus lived as the "Son of man," completely dependent upon the Spirit, who rested upon Him and who is available to us.

Jesus demonstrated the possibilities of a Spirit-filled life. And the same God who "anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Ghost and with power" has promised that same anointing to every believer. As Jesus overcame temptation, so may we. We too may share in His authority over the powers of evil, for He has said, "I give unto you power... over all the power of the enemy: and nothing shall by any means hurt you."

—DONALD G. FOOTE

WEDNESDAY, January 12

A DAY OF SALVATION—Luke 4:14-21

"This day is this scripture fulfilled in your ears" (v. 21). Never before could this have been said; for Christ had not

come. But that day the Christ of whom Isaiah prophesied was present in the synagogue at Nazareth and therefore this prophetic scripture was fulfilled.

Today likewise is a day of salvation. Christ is present and powerful. He is with us. Regardless of time, place, person, or conditions—Christ is available, God is accessible, the Holy Spirit is able. Think of it. Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and TODAY!

Christ is in the church. Look at the words of Luke 4:18. They are words of action: "He hath anointed me to preach the gospel... to heal the brokenhearted... to preach deliverance to the captives, and recovering of sight to the blind, to set at liberty them that are bruised, to preach the acceptable year of the Lord." What a day to be in the church. What a day to be alive. This day there is healing, deliverance, salvation through Christ.

Christ is in the home. Zacchaeus heard words similar to those which were spoken by Jesus in the synagogue at Nazareth. They were these: "To day I must abide at thy house"; and "This day is salvation come to this house." The gospel is immediate and efficient. Christ is a very present help. His presence in the home brings patience, peace, and power.

Best of all, Christ is in the heart of the believer. Paul declared, "I live; yet not I, ... Christ liveth in me." With Christ the Redeemer, Healer, Deliverer, abiding in one's heart there need be no lack of any good thing. No test too severe, no temptation too great, when Christ is in us. His power is our power. His presence is the guarantee that this day the promises of God will be fulfilled in our lives.

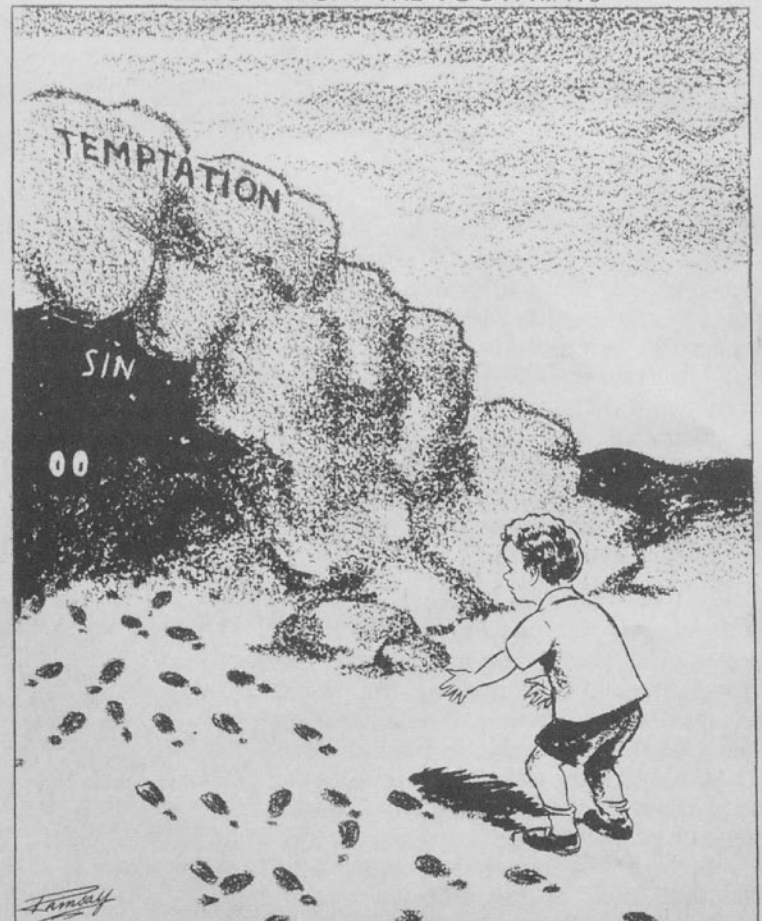
—J. ROBERT ASHCROFT

THURSDAY, January 13

PERFECTED THROUGH SUFFERING—Heb. 2:9-18

Jesus suffered and died to "deliver them who through fear of death were all their lifetime subject to bondage" (v. 15).

A LESSON FROM THE FOOTPRINTS



John says that "fear hath torment" (1 John 4:18). What a terrible thing it is to live in fear of death. One may try to drown this fear in strong drink or reckless abandon to "pleasure," but at times he is haunted by the certain knowledge that someday death will catch up with him. "It is appointed unto men once to die, but after this the judgment" (Heb. 9:27).

God takes this spirit of fear from His blood-washed children. "For ye have not received the spirit of bondage again to fear; but ye have received the Spirit of adoption, whereby we cry, Abba, Father" (Rom. 8:15).

While death is surely no experience to be coveted by any of us, yet with God's grace we can face it calmly. "So when this corruptible shall have put on incorruption, and this mortal shall have put on immortality, then shall be brought to pass the saying that is written, Death is swallowed up in victory. O death, where is thy sting? O grave, where is thy victory? The sting of death is sin; and the strength of sin is the law. But thanks be to God, which giveth us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ" (1 Cor. 15:54-57).

"Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff they comfort me" (Psa. 23:4). "Let not your heart be troubled" (John 14:1).

—H. C. BALL

FRIDAY, January 14

SYMPATHETIC SUFFERING—Hebrews 4:14 to 5:9

"Seeing then that we have a great high priest, that is passed into the heavens, Jesus the Son of God, let us hold fast our profession. For we have not an high priest which cannot be touched with the feeling of our infirmities" (vv. 14, 15).

The Scriptures often exhort us to steadfastness. We are instructed in 1 Cor. 15:58, "Be ye steadfast, unmovable. . . ." We can accomplish much for God when we are strong and unwavering. Wavering is indicative of weakness. How pitiful to see a Christian making great profession and yet lacking stability. When we lose sight of the purpose of God we become weak and wavering.

God does not require us to be strong in ourselves—instead, He graciously provides the enablement. The reason for our steadfastness is that "we have a great high priest," a compassionate Saviour who understands our limitations and strengthens us by His Spirit. The trusting Christian will gain great encouragement from this fact. If we constantly look to circumstances we shall soon become dismayed. If we look only to ourselves we shall quickly sink into deep despair. But when we look unto our great High Priest

we receive constant strength for the battle.

Jesus knows full well our fears and frustrations. He longs to transform us by His power from cringing cowards to courageous warriors. "Let us hold fast the profession of our faith."

—D. A. HASTIE

SATURDAY, January 15

TESTED BY SUFFERING—1 Peter 1:3-9

"The trial of your faith . . . [is] much more precious than of gold that perisheth" (v. 7).

Difficulties are an integral part of life. The way we react to them determines our destiny. The Mohammedan calls them "kismet" or fate. He shrugs them off, and resigns himself to them. The Hindu calls them "kapal" or "forehead." He says they come by the will of the gods, and that it is useless for him to strive against them. But the discerning Christian sees a purpose in the storms which beat against his bark. He sees them as sent by an omniscient Father to test the cut of his sails, to teach him the intricacies of seamanship, to develop resourcefulness and stamina. Any novice can be a fair-weather sailor. But the sailor who can conquer the storm and steer his ship into harbor is the one who has become accustomed to buffetings, who has been schooled in hardships.

It would be most pleasant each day to enjoy radiant health, an overflowing cup of blessing, the sunshine of Christ's love. But when we pray, let us not ask for these blessings—but rather for those experiences which will strengthen our faith, which will tone and harden our spiritual muscles, which will develop us into hardy, self-reliant soldiers of the Cross.

—MAYNARD L. KETCHAM

EVANGELISTS' FELLOWSHIP FORMED

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lands, and of how denominational ministers have started praying for the sick with miraculous results.

Bird Campbell was assigned the subject of "Conducting Altar Services." The description he gave of the disappointment of seekers when they find they have been left to pray alone at the altar—deserted by other Christians—will not soon be forgotten.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON

The first speaker in the afternoon service was our General Superintendent, R. M. Riggs. He spoke on "Loyalties to Our Fellowship," emphasizing (1) Loyalty to our doctrine, (2) loyalty to our Fellowship, and (3) loyalty to each other as pastors and evangelists.

A panel of speakers had the subject, "Evangelism Publicity." Two of the announced speakers were Lin Springer and

ATTENTION WMC'S

Your pastor has the packet of suggested program material which the WMC Department has prepared for your special observance of NATIONAL WMC DAY, February 13. Ask him for it, and begin early to plan for a great WMC Day service. Order the new WMC badges from the National Office of the Women's Missionary Council, 434 W. Pacific, Springfield 1, Missouri. Include cash with each order—10c for ten.

Harry Myers; but in order to conserve time on the program these speakers mimeographed their material and presented it to the people in written form. The third member of the panel was Pastor O. E. Carter of Quincy, Illinois, who told some of the ways in which he fills his church on Sunday nights.

The last panel on the convention program featured two speakers. C. C. Crace gave a wealth of information as to how plans and preparations should be made for a revival campaign. After this, John Bostrom presented a masterly dissertation on the need of caring for the converts following a revival campaign. "Don't just evangelize—stabilize," he said.

The remainder of the afternoon was spent by the ministers in discussing a Code of Ethics, while the laymen studied Personal Evangelism.

FRIDAY NIGHT

The final service was packed out, with hundreds of visitors present in addition to members of the First Assembly. The power of the Lord was present to heal and to bless the people as they opened their hearts to Him. Evangelist Jay B. Oaks preached on "The Power of the Anointed Word." He said it was Jesus, the Word of God, anointed by the Holy Spirit, who healed the people nineteen hundred years ago, and he emphasized that the Anointed Word still brings healing to the sick today. At the conclusion of the sermon he asked all the ministers to come forward to pray for the sick. They formed a deep line across the front of the church and God answered their cries as they prayed for scores of sick folk.

It was estimated that about 600 ministers and an even larger number of laymen were present at various sessions of the convention. Considering the fact that this was the first convention of its kind, the attendance was considered excellent indeed; and, best of all, there was a high spiritual tide in the meetings. A general desire for an annual convention of this kind was expressed. In view of these factors, it was decided that arrangements should be made for another evangelism convention next December. Neither the exact date nor the location has yet been decided.

PROGRESS IN LATIN AMERICAN FIELDS!



BRAZIL

RIO DE JANEIRO (above). This is one of the twelve baptismal services conducted in 1953, when 505 people were baptized in this church. Brother Nels Nelson is pastor. This church has



a large membership and is organized to operate efficiently and effectively over a wide area in Rio. The above photo shows a short-term Bible School group.



CUBA

MANACAS (above left). The student body and faculty of the Cuban Bible Institute during the girls term of 1954. Above right: student body and faculty, boys' term.



BUENOS AIRES (below left). Mr. and Mrs. Louie Stokes with Evangelist Tommy Hicks at Atlanta Stadium during the great revival. Below right: some of the converts baptized in October.



ARGENTINA



A Step Forward In Buenos Aires

Melvin L. Hodges

Field Secretary for Latin America

It has been my privilege to spend more than two weeks in the Republic of Argentina. This has given me the opportunity to see firsthand the results of the recent revival in Buenos Aires and to appraise the progress of our work.

I found that the great revival came about largely through the vision and planning of our Assemblies of God brethren in Argentina. Our own missionaries, in co-operation with the Canadian Assemblies of God missionaries and the Argentina Assemblies of God officials, largely planned the campaign and carried the main responsibility for its management. Permission for holding the meetings was secured from the government in the name of our organization, and the Superintendent of the Argentina Assemblies of God served as chairman of the campaign committee. The evangelist we had been expecting was unable to come; but God sent Tommy Hicks to Argentina at the opportune time, and he proved to be God's man for the campaign.

Many other churches joined in the campaign and have consequently enjoyed growth and blessing. At least two pastors of other denominations have received the baptism in the Holy Spirit as a result of the campaign and are now praying for the sick in their own churches. Since the campaign the Assemblies of God movement in Argentina is experiencing a rapid growth. At least five new churches have been started in the Buenos Aires district; during my stay I was able to visit many of these new works.

The spirit of revival in the churches is something wonderful to behold. In almost every place testimonies were given by people who had been healed during

or since the campaign. The enthusiastic response to the Word of God made it a joy to preach. Souls came to Christ in nearly every service; and on more than one occasion a dozen adults surrendered to Christ simultaneously.

Since the revival a goodly number have received the baptism in the Holy Spirit. Young converts are receiving the call to preach the Word of God, and new workers are going out into the whitened harvest fields. In so many places where we visited, the churches were crowded to capacity. A downtown service in a rented hall saw some five hundred in attendance—most of these people were saved during the last six months.

The missionaries in Argentina are concerned about conserving the results of the meeting, and building a permanent work while the enthusiasm and interest is high. To do this, they are taking a step of faith to secure a building which will serve as an evangelistic center and a rallying point for the thousands of interested people who received a real spiritual touch during the campaign but who have not been identified with any local church.

Some weeks ago mention was made in these columns of the possibility of securing a large building that would serve the dual purpose of evangelistic center and Bible School. Lack of funds hindered our missionaries from securing this building, and now it has been sold to other persons.

While I was in Buenos Aires the executive brethren of the Assemblies of God in Argentina decided to launch out in faith and secure another building which is being offered at a much lower price. This building is in the residential district of the city and is accessible from all sections. It was formerly used as a shoe factory. It will hold between eight hundred and one thousand people. There are rooms that may be used for our district office, a book room, etc. The Bible

School will have to be housed in other quarters. The brethren feel that if we at home can raise sufficient funds for a down payment—approximately one-half of the entire purchase price—the Argentinian brethren themselves will be able to do the necessary remodeling. Furthermore they would take a major part of the responsibility of paying off the remaining indebtedness which must be met within a second three-year period. Informed sources tell us that the land, excluding any building on the property, is worth the amount being asked for the entire property. A substantial amount for the down payment is now on hand and it will be necessary to raise the remainder of approximately \$4,000 at once in order to secure the property.

Of special significance is the fact that the government has granted our brethren license to hold another campaign before Christmas. A large stadium has already been secured, and the evangelist has promised to come. I am sure that our people here at home must realize how important it is that our missionaries have a church building to which they can direct the new converts at the close of this coming campaign.

Surely this is the day of special opportunity for Buenos Aires. Other evangelical groups have given wide publicity to the recent revival and are making plans to capitalize on the present surge of interest in the Gospel. Since our missionaries have made such a large contribution to this campaign which showed such wonderful results it would seem that we would be failing God if we did not provide them with the means of reaping the harvest which has finally come.

Due to our present financial crisis, our Foreign Missions Department can assume no responsibility for the securing of this evangelistic center, other than to place it before our friends in the homeland and pray that God will move upon their hearts. This is a venture of faith on the part of our own missionaries and the Canadian and Argentina Assemblies of God brethren. In order to secure this excellent property and make use of the opportunity which God has given us, offerings are needed NOW. Please send your offerings to the Foreign Missions Department, 434 West Pacific Street, Springfield 1, Mo., designating them for "Buenos Aires Evangelistic Center."

NEWS NOTES

Mr. and Mrs. Riley Kaufman and family sailed for Manila, Philippines on December 6.

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Recently the T. R. Schultz family returned to Dahomey, French West Africa, and a cable has just been received telling of their safe arrival.

URGENT NEED!

Brother Woodworth writes that there is an urgent need at the Cuban Bible Institute for a Speed-the-Light bus. The photos on the opposite page (center section) show the faculty and student body of the institution which the bus will be serving. Anyone wishing to contribute, please send gifts to the Foreign Missions Department, 434 West Pacific Street, Springfield 1, Missouri.

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The Problem of Delayed Answer to Prayer

Louis H. Hauff, San Bernardino, Calif.

WE ARE THANKFUL FOR THE MEN GOD has raised up to encourage us to believe Him for healing. We are also grateful for the ones who have found instant healing in these meetings. Yet, as a pastor, I have found many who did not receive the healing touch they needed. After the healing campaign had ended, they were left perplexed and discouraged. I have had to encourage them to continue to believe God for their needs.

I feel that a study of the delayed answers to prayer recorded in God's Word would help these despondent folk to have faith in God for their healing. We must recognize that not all our prayers are answered instantly. Then what should one do if he is not healed when prayed for the first time? The widow of Luke 18:1-8 did not receive the answer to her need until she had fervently, persistently, and insistently sought for it. If she had become discouraged in not receiving from the unjust judge at her first request she would never have been granted her desire. But she would not be denied, and she kept her faith high! If an unjust judge would help a poor widow because of her persistence, certainly we can expect our loving Heavenly Father to help us if we "cry day and night unto him." Here is the Lord's message to His people in this parable: "Men ought always to pray, and not to faint . . .," even though the answer be long delayed.

Ten lepers in Luke 17 cried to Jesus for help, but found no healing at first. They had probably heard of the healing of the leper in Mark 1:41. In that case Jesus had compassion on the leper and "put forth his hand, and touched him." Instantly the leprosy had departed and he was cleansed. But Jesus dealt differently with the ten lepers. They did not receive healing immediately. Jesus did not lay His hand on them. He did not even tell them He would heal them. He just said, "Go shew yourselves unto the priests." The ten did not complain because Jesus had not touched them, nor hesitate because He failed to say He would heal them. They went their way to the priests in faith and obedience. "And it came to pass, that, as they went, they were cleansed."

Several years ago a man in my church was saved in a large healing meeting. He was physically disabled and had not worked in several years. He believed he would be healed when the evangelist

laid hands on him and prayed for him. The day after he was prayed for, he told me he had received a blessing when he was prayed for, but that he was not healed. I urged him to attend all the services and to keep expecting the answer from God. That was Wednesday. Sunday morning he came to me and said, "I received my healing last night. When the evangelist asked all who were sick to stand up and raise their hands to receive healing, I did so. The Lord touched me and completely healed me." If this man had become discouraged and had lost his faith before Saturday, he would not have been healed. Today that man is doing heavy construction work and still has a wonderful testimony of healing, although it was delayed for four days.

Consider the woman of Canaan who came in behalf of her daughter (Matt. 15:22). Though she came directly to the Lord, her prayer was not answered immediately. Her delay could have been most discouraging, but she kept her faith. At first the Lord "answered her not a word." Then the disciples came to Jesus with the request, "Send her away; for she crieth after us." When Jesus did speak, He told her that healing was reserved for Israel and could not be given to the Gentile "dogs." The woman was willing to accept the rebuke and humble herself to the position of a dog. When she kept her faith through all the delay and discouragement, her prayer was answered as the Lord said, "O woman, great is thy faith: be it unto thee even as thou wilt."

Jairus came to Jesus and made request for the healing of his daughter. On the way to his house, Jesus was delayed by a great throng of people. Among them was a woman who had had an issue of blood for twelve years. She reached out in faith and touched the hem of Jesus' garment

and was made whole. Though she received an instantaneous healing, this all caused a delay in the healing of Jairus' daughter.

Word was brought to Jairus that the girl had died. This did not hinder the Lord in raising the girl from the dead. The delay but made the miracle greater, as in the case of Lazarus. Nor did the delay cause Jairus to complain and become bitter. Today, we have many who are not happy unless they can be first in the healing line. They want all the attention and time of the evangelist. This selfish spirit may hinder many in receiving their healing. The Lord is not limited in His healing power. He can heal those who are last in line as well as those who are first, and even those not in line. Our faith must always be in Jesus the Great Physician and not in mere man.

Some people are critical because the sick are not completely healed after one prayer. They say, "When the Lord heals He does it completely, and not halfway." Many have lost their faith because of such an attitude. The blind man who came to Jesus (Mark 8:22) received only half a healing when Jesus first touched him. He had a blurred vision, and said, "I see men as trees walking." Then Jesus put His hand on him again, and he was restored completely. This is an unusual case. He may have received a small healing because his faith was small. The partial healing then may have given him faith for a complete healing.

We make a mistake when we look at what has not been done. We need to give thanks for every touch we receive from the Lord and then ask Him to increase our faith until we have a complete answer. If Jesus had to pray for this man twice, then let us not be discouraged if we are not healed when we are first prayed for.

YOUR CHURCH SHOULD HAVE A MAIL BOX



Ever stop to think that there are thousands of interesting things going on in your national headquarters in Springfield, Missouri, that you should know? But, for lack of a mail box you may never know.

Of the more than 7,000 Assemblies of God Churches in the U. S., only approximately 75 per cent have mail boxes. It's good to have a permanent box and address at your church so letters and supplies will always arrive safe and sound.

The message of the Lord for the discouraged remains: "Men ought always to pray, and not to faint." In Hebrews 10:35 we read this timely message, "Cast not away therefore your confidence, which hath great recompence of reward. For ye have need of patience, that, after ye have done the will of God, ye might receive the promise." If you have not received an answer to your prayer, keep believing—God will surely answer.

THE FAITH THAT BRINGS HEALING

(Continued from page two)

...speak by His Spirit, by a still small voice, and your heart will cease to be troubled. This is the Scriptural way to obtain faith.

Once I watched and listened to a brother in the Lord trying hard to get faith in another way, but he seemed to be getting nowhere. He was kneeling by a bench in the prayer room of a church, pounding it with his fist. Every time he would hit that seat a blow with his clenched fist he would cry aloud, "Lord, I believe!" But he was not really believing—he was merely trying to overcome a monster of unbelief. I knew it, and he knew it, too. He was trying to convince himself that he believed, when all the while the very opposite was true. That's not the way to get faith. "Faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the Word of God." Believe God's promises—act upon them—and you will be healed.

WMC'S TO HEAR "NILE MOTHER"

The Assiut Orphanage (with more than eight hundred Egyptian children) and its beloved "Mamma" will be the special feature at the WMC conference at Houston, Texas, January 20, in connection with the Southcentral Regional Convention.

Complete schedule of Women's Missionary Council activities will be as follows:

Tuesday, 9:00 a.m., WMC leadership conference for all district and sectional officers, at Central Assembly, 503 Quitman Street.

Wednesday, 7:45 a.m., WMC fellowship breakfast (table service) at L. and C. Cafeteria, 820 Main Street. Mrs. Stephen Vandermerwe, missionary to Africa, special speaker. Write for reservation (till January 17) to Mrs. W. E. Berry, P. O. Box 9714, Houston, Texas. Enclose 85c and pick up tickets at WMC booth in convention display hall.

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Church of God Minister

Kentucky

Dear Brother Ward:

I'm a Church of God minister. I always hurry home after the service to get your wonderful program. Brother, I feel indebted to you for the inspiration I receive from your preaching. God is really blessing your work. I'm praying that God will help you to bring light to this dark world that we live in. God bless you.

Denominational Minister

New York

As a preacher of another denomination, I would like to say that your program is the best and the most effective on the radio. I listen each Sunday evening with much interest.

Church of the Nazarene

Washington

The message given by Brother Ward on "Conscience" was the most stirring message I've ever heard. Could I have a copy of the same? Thank you very much. May God bless you in this fine broadcast, and give you a rich harvest.

Baptist Minister

Washington

Beloved Brother Ward:

I have just finished my dessert as I do every Sunday night. That dessert is REVIVALTIME at 10:30 p.m. Today I have preached at five different services. By the way, I preached a C. M. Ward message that you gave a couple of weeks ago, "Occupy." We had one profession of faith and 27 rededications. Praise the Lord! I have never had such freedom with the Holy Spirit and never have my people been so attentive. So many came and said it was such a wonderful message. I told them to thank God for Brother Ward. Be assured that our prayers are following you every Sunday, that God will give you thousands of souls each week.

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Oregon

We listen to your program and enjoy it very much. We have enclosed a small gift toward the work of your fine and spiritually enriching program.

Presbyterian Pastor

Pennsylvania

I want to write you this letter of appreciation for your radio messages which are my favorite Sunday night listening entertainment and inspiration at the close of the Lord's day. I am a regular listener. In my opinion the Assemblies are doing a wonderful work in this radio enterprise. We are under appointment to go to Brazil next summer as missionaries. I have considered you as one of America's top-notch radio evangelists and would be pleased to have a chance to visit with you.



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A Church Is Born



The abandoned house of worship at Elk River, Minn., where a new Assembly has been established. The co-operating pastors P. M. Cardiff and N. L. Hall, are shown in front.

One Sunday afternoon Pastor P. M. Cardiff, two deacons, and Evangelist H. L. Moody went prospecting for the Lord. Their hearts were burdened for Elk River, Minnesota—a few miles from their church in Anoka.

They were unable to find any place in Elk River in which to begin a church. But the Lord led them through the countryside north of the small town, and there they discovered a little abandoned church building. Eagerly the men made their way through the tall brush, weeds and poison ivy to the building. Pushing open the door they found a church ready to begin services. It had lovely pews, a pulpit, piano, an old organ, songbooks and even a communion set!

The next thing to do was to find the owners of the building. After inquiring at two farm houses Brother Cardiff and his friends were directed to the right party. How overjoyed they were to find the owners of the church gathered together having a "family reunion." They learned from the owners that the church had been closed for five years. Joyful consent was given for services to be started again—and no rent was charged!

Immediately plans were made to launch a crusade for Christ in this needy area of Elk River. The next day after the consent was gained from the Anoka Assembly, men and women cleaned the church and yard, painted signs, and evicted the occupants—mice and bats. A revival meeting began in the church on Wednesday that same week, led by Evangelist H. L. Moody.

Elk River, Minnesota, is located half way between two Assemblies of God churches, Monticello and Anoka. Both of these churches for years had wanted a church in Elk River, and the pastors and people all co-operated in the new effort.

Within two weeks the revival meeting attendance grew to 70. After the evangelist left, the sponsoring pastors alternated as speakers. Then a student of North Central Bible Institute began to pastor the new church, under the supervision of the two sponsoring churches. Three other students helped with the services.

The Elk River Sunday School was organized by using teachers from the two established churches. Regular Sunday worship services are now held at 2:30 p.m. At two months of age, this new Assembly's average attendance is nearly 40.

By co-operating enthusiastically to open this new church, the Monticello and

Anoka churches were able to accomplish in three months what one person, carrying the entire load himself, might have been unable to accomplish in a year. In an Adoption Plan* effort such as this, no one suffers undue hardship; yet the work is started rapidly and on a solid standing, with established churches standing by ready to give a hand any time the need might arise. We are now planning on doing the same thing in other communities where it has been almost impossible for one person alone to establish a church. This missionary work is a great blessing to the sponsoring churches themselves. Not only that, it is fulfilling the Lord's command to get the good news out into new communities before Jesus comes, thus "redeeming the time."

There are hundreds of "Elk Rivers" in the United States. Perhaps they have no neighboring churches to help them. You can help these communities to hear the Full Gospel by sending your gifts to the "Less Evangelized District Fund."

Send all gifts for the purpose of opening new churches to the National Home Missions Department, 434 West Pacific Street, Springfield 1, Missouri.

*Under the "Adoption Plan," two or more established churches co-operate in opening and establishing another church. This and other plans are outlined in the new MISSION U.S.A. "Policy Book," which can be obtained on request from the Assemblies of God National Home Missions Department, 434 West Pacific Street, Springfield, Missouri, U.S.A.

AMONG THE ASSEMBLIES

VAN, TEX.—We closed a two-week meeting on November 14 with Evangelist and Mrs. John R. Broxson of Florida. Five were saved, and the saints were blessed and refreshed.—Frank M. Jones, Pastor.

LORDSBURG, N. MEX.—We had a three-week meeting with Evangelist W. O. Harrell of West Texas. Several were filled with the Holy Spirit and many were saved. The Christians were stirred to consecrate their lives more fully to God.—G. W. Dunagan, Pastor.

ELMA, WASH.—Evangelist Cornelius Eylander of Everett, Wash. was with us for two weeks in November. The Lord gave us a good meeting. Many received the baptism of the Holy Spirit, and several came back to God.—Tom Hepworth, Pastor, Full Gospel Assembly.

GAGE, OKLA.—On November 1 we began a three-week meeting with Evangelist Donnal Martin of Arlington, Tex. Several were saved, some received the baptism of the Holy Ghost, and a large number received healing for their bodies. The entire church was benefited by the inspiring messages of Brother Martin.—Bob Goodwin, Pastor, Assembly of God.

DALLAS, TEX.—Calvary Tabernacle Assembly of God just closed a three-week meeting with Evangelist Clarence G. Mitchell of Fort Worth, Tex. Four were saved and one was filled with the Holy Spirit. Several were healed by the power of God. The entire church was drawn closer to the Lord.—H. D. Hobbs, Pastor.

MILAN, MO.—Recently Evangelist and Mrs. Moses Copeland were with us for a two-week meeting. Two were saved and four were filled with the Holy Spirit. Brother Copeland's messages to the saints were beneficial, and the Bible pictures and sermons by Sister Copeland were enjoyed by everyone. A new Sunday School record was set the last Sunday of the meeting.

The next week the Musical Biblers were with us. New people were reached with the gospel. Sunday School enthusiasm increased among the people and we broke the Sunday School record again.—Jeremiah Wilcox, Pastor.

JEANNETTE, PA.—Forty years of history were climaxed in a glorious revival and Homecoming Week here. Evangelist G. L. Johnson of Fort Worth, Tex. preached under a mighty anointing of the Spirit. We rejoiced to see over 40 kneel at the altar for salvation.

Homecoming Week followed the revival. The Pentecostal message was first preached in Jeannette in 1914 by the late Benjamin E. Mahan, founder of this Assembly. From the beginning of the work, God has signally blessed the church. Forty-one men and women have gone out into the ministry from this Assembly. We are looking to God for His blessing in the future.—A. A. Amerine, Pastor.

EVANSVILLE, IND.—Recently Brother Arthur Arnold, who is now pastoring the Deer Park Assembly in Cincinnati, Ohio, was with us for seven days. A mighty anointing rested upon Brother Arnold each night as he brought the message from the Word. Our people were stirred to n. closer to the Lord.

A few weeks later the Eskelin Family were with us for three weeks. The church was packed, and several nights people sat in the prayer room. Souls were saved and a number received the Holy Spirit Baptism. We broke the Sunday School attendance record and raised several thousand dollars on our new building which is under construction.—Hansel P. Vibbert, Pastor, Calvary Assembly of God.

OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLA.—Evangelist and Mrs. Bob McCutchen of Austin, Tex. were with us for a meeting. Night after night the blessing of the Lord was manifested in souls saved, believers filled with the Holy Ghost, and sick bodies healed. One Sunday night the Christ's Ambassadors began their service at 6 p.m. The glory of the Lord came down and continued on into the main service. Thirteen were filled with the Holy Spirit and five were gloriously saved. During the entire meeting, 21 were filled with the Spirit, 12 were saved, and many were reclaimed. This was one of the best meetings we have had since we have been here. We have asked the McCutchens to return for another meeting.—Paul E. Riggs, Pastor, Southside Faith Tabernacle.

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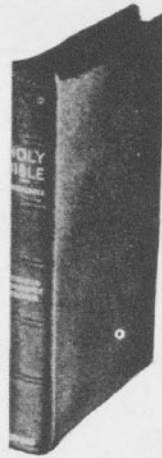
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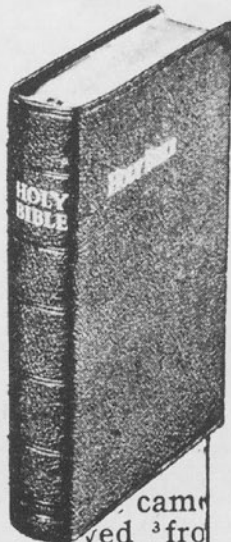
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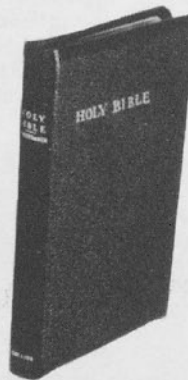
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COMING MEETINGS

Notices should reach us three weeks in advance, due to the fact that the Evangel is made up 19 days before the date which appears upon it.

BAZINE, KANS.—Assembly of God, Jan. 9—23 or longer; Evangelist and Mrs. Lloyd B. Wise, Anaheim, Calif.—by T. A. Gianopoulos, Pastor.

PLAINVIEW, NEBR.—Revival Tabernacle, Jan. 16—30; Evangelist and Mrs. Phil Palser, Big Springs, Nebr.—by Virgil L. Conger, Pastor.

HENRYETTA, OKLA.—First Assembly of God, Jan. 2—; Evangelist William L. Stephens from Oregon.—by H. A. Strange, Pastor.

HOLLISTER, CALIF.—Assembly of God, Jan. 9—23; Evangelist M. L. Woods, Lindsay, Calif.—by J. C. Merwin, Pastor.

PERHI, ONT., CANADA—Glad Tidings Tabernacle, Lewis St., Jan. 18—30; Evangelist J. B. Woolums, Carlisle, Pa. (S. S. O'Brien is Pastor.)

FAYETTEVILLE, N. C.—Calvary Assembly of God, 2005 Bragg Rd., Jan. 2—; Evangelist A. A. Amerine, Jeannette, Pa.—by J. W. Kelly, Pastor.

RICHLANDS, VA.—Assembly of God, Jan. 4—, for two weeks or longer; Evangelists Merrill and Ruby Rayner, Lonaconing, Md. (J. E. Winstead is Pastor.)

HETTINGER, N. DAK.—Assembly of God, Dec. 31—; Evangelist and Mrs. Donald R. Patz, Grand Forks, N. Dak. (Edward D. Kidroske is Pastor.)

COLUMBUS, MISS.—First Assembly of God, 716 Water Works Rd., Jan. 21—30; Evangelist R. A. Sherrill.—by Carl A. Arnold, Pastor.

CHEYENNE, WYO.—First Assembly of God, 23rd St. and Pioneer Ave., Jan. 18—; Evangelist J. F. Pepper.—by O. Cope Budge, Pastor.

TROUP, TEX.—Wright City Assembly of God, Jan. 16—30 or longer; Evangelist Lois Ann Cockerell, Fort Worth, Texas.—by Donald Davis, Pastor.

COLUSA, CALIF.—Assembly of God, Jan. 2—16; Evangelist and Mrs. Carl W. Oney, Pleasant Hill, Mo. (R. A. Wilson Jr. is Pastor.)

SEDALIA, MO.—First Assembly of God, Jan. 9—23; Evangelist and Mrs. A. A. Vanderploeg, Toledo, Ohio.—by Floyd Buntentbach, Pastor.

GLENDAL, CALIF.—Bethel Assembly of God, 130 S. Chevy Chase Dr., Jan. 25—; Evangelists Ross and Iverna Lamb.—by Arthur Slater, Pastor.

HOBBS, N. MEX.—Glad Tidings Assembly, Jan. 16—30; Evangelist N. B. Rayburn. First week Workers' Training Course.—by Roy F. George, Pastor.

DELANO, CALIF.—Assembly of God, Jan. 2—; Evangelist and Mrs. Oran Duncan, Delta, Colo.—by Lloyd J. Cagle, Pastor.

FRESNO, CALIF.—Calvary Tabernacle, First and Nevada Sts., Dec. 31—; Evangelist David Nunn, Dallas, Tex.—by Claude Weaver, Pastor.

SAN JACINTO, CALIF.—Assembly of God, Jan. 2—16 or longer; Evangelist Douglas Brown, Grover City, Calif.—by Lee Trowbridge, Pastor.

McALESTER, OKLA.—Jan. 2—; Evangelist and Mrs. Loyd H. Evans, San Antonio, Tex. (L. H. Arnold is Pastor.)

LAS ANIMAS, COLO.—Assembly of God, Jan. 9—23 or longer; Musical Biblers.—by Everett L. Schoneman, Pastor.

SPRINGFIELD, MO.—Faith Assembly of God, Jan. 18—30; Anspaugh Chord Makers, Naponce, Nebr. (C. L. Parsons is Pastor.)

MOUNTAIN LAKE, MINN.—Assembly of God, Jan. 11—23; Evangelist and Mrs. Henry Rose, Harrison, Mich. (D. L. Nultemeier is Pastor.)

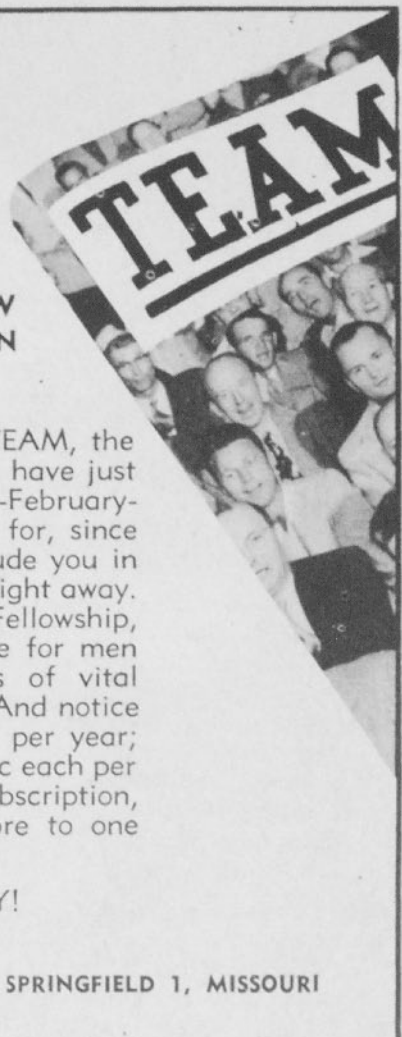
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TUCSON, ARIZ.—First Assembly of God, 1749 E. Broadway, Jan. 5—, for two weeks; Evangelist Stanley P. MacPherson. (L. G. Gilmore is Pastor.)

TAMPA, FLA.—Oak Park Assembly of God, Jan. 9—18; Evangelist and Mrs. Ronald D. Loy.—by George Ross, Pastor.

KENTON, OHIO—Assembly of God, Leighton and Columbus Sts., Jan. 10—14; Earl E. Hart, Lima, Ohio.—by Monte May, Pastor.

SISSETON, S. DAK.—Assemblies of God Tabernacle, Dec. 31—Jan. 16; Evangelist Oliver Johnson, Powers Lake, N. Dak.—by B. C. Heinze, Pastor.

TORONTO, ONT., CANADA—Evangel Temple, until Jan. 16; Busse Evangelistic Team of New York City. (W. G. McPherson is Pastor.)

BAYTOWN, TEX.—San Jacinto Sectional Fellowship meeting, Monday night, Jan. 10. E. M. Yeats, Houston, Tex., speaker.—by Lester P. Sumner, Presbyterian.

MIAMI, FLA.—Evangel Temple, 7th and 36th Sts., Jan. 16—; Eskelin Family, Detroit, Mich. Opening revival in newly remodeled auditorium. (J. Billy McIntosh is Pastor.)

CHICAGO, ILL.—Pentecostal Young People's Fellowship of Chicago, 18th annual installation of officers banquet, Jan. 15, 6:30 p.m. at Medinah Temple, 600 N. Wabash Ave. C. M. Ward of REVIVALTIME, speaker. For information write Walter R. Gebhart Jr., 2016 N. Kedzie Ave., Chicago, Ill.

"SEVEN DISTRICTS" PRAYER AND BIBLE CONFERENCE—First Assembly of God, 1120 N. 2nd St., Albuquerque, N. Mex. Beginning Monday night, Jan. 10; ending noon, Jan. 13. For information write host pastor, Paul W. Harrington, 1120 2nd St. N. W., Albuquerque, N. Mex. or E. R. Foster, 800 N. Pierce St., Amarillo, Tex.

NEW ADDRESSES

Orrin Kingsriter, Route 1, Paynesville, Minn. "Have re-entered evangelistic field."
Pastor V. F. Love, Slaton, Tex.

Walter E. Whitaker, Box 1, Ocracoke, N. C. "Pastoring Assembly of God."

Evangelist James Nicholson, Route 11, Box 2050, Springfield, Mo.

Pastor and Mrs. J. R. Bower, 605 Newark Ave., Elizabeth, N. J. "Pastoring new work in Kenilworth, N. J."

Stanley V. Michael, % National Sunday School Department, 434 W. Pacific St., Springfield 1, Mo. "Resigned church in Donna, Tex. to work in S. S. Department."

Thomas R. Brubaker Jr., 314 Church St., Hackettstown, N. J. "Pastoring Hackettstown Assembly of God."

James M. Bryan, Box 255, Philo, Ohio. "Pastoring Stone Station Assembly of God."

Evangelist Bennie R. Harris, Box 191, Bennett, Colo.

Pastor Oscar McWhirt, 910 Hobson St., Box 367, Napoleon, Ohio.

Dave and Ida Mae Peters, 21st and "W" Sts., Sacramento, Calif. "Assistant Pastor and Minister of Music at Bethel Temple."

Evangelist William E. Teter, % C. E. Teter, Route 1, Meridian, Idaho.

Evangelist Robert V. McIntosh, 244 W. Fairview St., Piedmont, W. Va. "Resigned church at Shrewsbury, Pa. to re-enter evangelistic field."

Hazelle E. Reed, 801 Logan St., Denver, Colo. I am director of a home for Christian girls called the "Heart of Denver."

Pastor O. L. Bost, Box 172, De Queen, Ark.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Garrett, Harrisburg, Ark. "Resigned church in Richland, Mo. to enter Sunday School evangelistic rallies and meetings."

L. G. Flowers, 1109 Delaware, Beaumont, Tex. "Pastoring Magnolia Park Assembly of God."

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Coleman-Fowler Evangelistic Party (R. C. Coleman and E. C. Fowler), 3451 W. Walsh, Denver 19, Colo.

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NEWS BRIEFS FROM THE CHRISTIAN PERSPECTIVE

The Bible in Latin America

There is a great hunger for the Scriptures in Central and South America. Last year the Bible Society distributed more than three million volumes of the Scriptures in Latin America, and plans are being made to establish a training school for colporters somewhere in Latin America to increase the number of full-time distributors of the printed Word of God.

New Publishing Plant Opened

The Church of God recently opened a new \$750,000 publishing and administration building at its national headquarters in Cleveland, Tennessee. The new structure provides 42,000 feet of working space, enough to permit this growing Pentecostal organization to continue to expand its publication and administrative ministry.

Evangelical Editors to Meet

Scores of editors and writers in the field of evangelical journalism will meet in Chicago, Ill. this month for two annual events. The first is the annual meeting of the Evangelical Press Association, which represents about a hundred Christian periodicals. The meeting will be at the Midland Hotel, January 25 and 26. The second event will be a Christian Writers Conference, sponsored by *Christian Life Magazine*, to be held January 27 to 29.

Bargain Sales on Sunday

Senator A. S. Monroney (Oklahoma Democrat) has criticized Washington business houses which hold bargain sales on Sunday. In a Senate speech he displayed four full-page advertisements from Washington newspapers announcing the Sunday sales, and told his colleagues that he fears Washington will be "turned into a Baghdad on the Potomac."

He said that if the practice is not curbed voluntarily by merchants he will consider introducing legislation to halt it.

He charged that the bargain days are being promoted by merchants who "want to get the jump on other business houses that choose to observe the nation's religious habit of honoring Sunday as a day of rest."

10,000 Phonographs for Pakistan

During the coming year the American Bible Society plans to provide 10,000 hand-wound phonographs for Pakistan, complete with phonograph records of selected Scripture passages in three languages. This means of distributing God's Word among people who cannot read is a new experiment for the Bible Society. If successful in Pakistan it will be tried in other lands.

The phonograph plan is one of several foreign projects for 1955. Another project will be to provide a large amount of paper to Japan for the printing of Japanese Bibles. A third project will be to send hundreds of tons of paper beyond the Iron Curtain into Hungary and Eastern Germany for the printing of Scriptures.

A budget of \$3,544,000 was adopted for the vast program of the Bible Society in 1955, which includes the printing of nearly fourteen million copies of the Scriptures. It is a most commendable work.

Pakistan Rejects Communism

"Pakistan has definitely repudiated Communism," said U. S. Ambassador to Pakistan, Horace A. Hildreth. The Ambassador added, "Pakistan is a firm friend of the United States . . . [and] is dedicated to the same principles for which the U. S. is working throughout the world."

New Church-Building Record

Construction started on \$59,000,000 worth of new churches in November, setting a new monthly record. According to the Departments of Labor and Commerce, church construction for the first eleven months of 1954 amounted to \$531,000,000 which is \$100,000,000 more than the total for the entire year of 1953.

Harsh Facts on Juvenile Delinquency

The United States has some nineteen million boys and girls between the ages of ten and eighteen, and more than a million of them are in some sort of trouble with the police each year. About 435,000 were actually brought to court last year.

What is worse, the number of delinquents has increased each year since 1948. The number of juveniles brought to court has doubled in thirteen years. Unless we are able to reverse the present trend, by 1960 more than a million and a half youngsters will be in trouble with the law each year—partially due to the 40 per cent increase in juvenile population expected by that time.

These harsh facts were reported by Richard Clendenen, executive director of the Senate Subcommittee on Juvenile Delinquency. He said, moreover, that one-half of the adult criminals begin their careers in crime as juvenile delinquents. A large percentage of seriously delinquent boys have had no real father figure in their lives. Only a small portion of delinquent children need institutional care. Most delinquents do not regularly attend church or belong to "character-building" organizations such as the Boy Scouts.

Mr. Clendenen further stated that the majority of boys and girls who come into court for delinquency are between fifteen and seventeen years of age. However, nine-tenths of these children were having marked difficulty adjusting to normal social life before they were eleven years old, and almost half were giving noticeable signs of becoming delinquent at eight or younger.

It appears that juvenile delinquency presents a challenge to Christian workers in every age group of the Sunday School to reach the children with the life-transforming gospel of the Saviour's grace. The longer we delay and the older the children become, the harder it is to win them for Christ.

Methodists Give Church to Lutheran Congregation

A Methodist church in St. Charles, Illinois, has done an unheard-of thing. It has presented its former church building to a neighboring Lutheran congregation as an outright gift, in view of the fact that a local philanthropist had built a new million-and-a-quarter-dollar Methodist church as a memorial to his parents.

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