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

The Pentecostal FIVE CENTS NUMBER 2150 JULY 24, 1955 Assemblijes of God Weekly Voice of the "POWER BELONGETH UNTO GOD," cried the Psalmist (Psalm 62:11). "AMEN!" echoes the Christian who views the mighty Niagara. This photo by Corson-Devaney shows only the American side of the river. The cataract on the Canadian side is even greater.

## PASSING and PERMANENT

NEWS BRIEFS FROM THE CHRISTIAN PERSPECTIVE

#### Churches Get \$1,000 Gifts

A number of churches in Jackson, Michigan, received gifts of \$1,000 each from an anonymous donor. An unidentified old gentleman walked in, handed over an envelope containing ten \$100 bills, and asked that the money be used where it would do the most good.

#### 24,000 Negro Homes in Mississippi Receive Bibles

A state-wide program of Bible distribution is under way in Mississippi, under the direction of the Negro work department of the Mississippi Baptist Convention. The goal is to put a Bible in 100,-000 homes that do not own one. Some 24,000 Bibles have been distributed since last October when the program began.

#### **Temptation Money**

The London Recorder says that Australian dockers are now demanding what they call "Temptation Money." If they unload something particularly desirable that they might be tempted to steal, they demand to be fortified against the temptation by extra payment. Imagine asking a bribe for the keeping of the Ten Commandments!

#### **Opposed to Sunday Shopping**

It is good to learn that church and civic groups in various cities are crusading for community observance of the Lord's Day. Car stickers are appearing in Phoenix, Arizona, bearing the legend, "I'm not a Sunday Shopper." The stickers are part of a local campaign to close retail stores on Sunday. The campaign is supported by civic clubs, the Used Car Dealers Association, and the Retail Grocers Association of Arizona, besides religious groups.

If all church members would boycott the stores on Sunday they might not be open.

#### Akron Newspaper Now Reprinting The Old Testament

The Beacon Journal of Akron, Ohio, has completed the publication of the entire New Testament in serial form, and has started on the Old Testament. It took nearly three years to print the New Testament in 1,069 daily installments and it will take twelve years to finish the Old.

No other newspaper has ever run the entire text of the Bible in its columns. The publishers explain their purpose is to encourage more people to read their Bibles and also to increase church attendance.

#### Admits Reds Are Atheists

In a surprisingly inept public statement at the Bandung Conference, Chou Enlai, premier of Communist China, declared: "Freedom of religious belief is a principle recognized by all modern nations. We Communists are atheists.... We hope those with religious beliefs will respect those without."

#### "La Marechale" Called Home

Mrs. Catherine Booth-Clibborn, eldest daughter and last surviving child of General William Booth, founder of the Salvation Army, died in England at the age of 96. She was only 22 when she established the work of the Salvation Army in France and received the title of "La Marechale."

#### Liquor Outlets Outnumber Grocery Stores and Filling Stations

Outlets for the sale of alcoholic beverages now outnumber grocery stores in the United States, and are more than twice as numerous as gasoline filling stations.

According to the latest Federal licensing figures, there are 273,454 establishments holding retail liquor liscenses and 159,282 more that hold retail malt licenses for selling beer and ale, making a total of 432,736 liquor outlets, compared to 358,000 grocery stores and 201,-000 gasoline filling stations.

Woe be unto the families of America when there are more merchants selling liquor than there are selling milk!

#### 500,000 Calls in 16 Weeks

Half a million telephone calls answered in sixteen weeks! That's the record of "Inspiration," the automatic telephone service which gives the people of Baltimore, Maryland, an inspirational thought for the day. Seven days a week, at any hour of the day or night, a citizen can dial MULberry 5-3510 and receive a 28-second message gleaned from the Scriptures or from secular writings—or both.

The service was inaugurated on February 22, and at 1:40 p.m. on June 7 the 500,000th caller was intercepted. It happened to be a telephone operator for a business concern. In her case, the message for the day was given "live." Here is the message she heard:

"Hello—we're glad you called. The more you grow in the love of people, the less likelihood there is that you will hurt anyone. Love is patient, is kind, does not envy, is not pretentious, is not puffed up, ambitious or self-seeking. Your Y.M.C.A. urges you to search your Scriptures. Thank you."

Three things are urged upon the folk who dial for "Inspiration" from day to day: Bible reading, church attendance, and family worship. Other cities have become interested in the idea. The most recent to install the telephone service is Paterson, N. J.

#### Pastor's Affidavits Accepted by Income Tax Officials

The pastor of a suburban church at Houston, Texas, has prevailed upon the U. S. Internal Revenue Service to accept his affidavit regarding contributions by members to his church.

Houston internal revenue officials said the refusal to accept the exemptions had been a mistake of an employee in the department, and from now on pastors' affidavits will be honored.

#### District Sunday School Conventions Being Planned for 1956

Instead of sponsoring a National Sunday School Convention or Regional Sunday School Conventions in 1956, the Assemblies of God will offer District Sunday School Conventions all across the country. Out of 43 Assemblies of God districts in the U. S., 23 have already announced definite plans to conduct such a convention in 1956. Announcements from other districts are expected soon.

Specialists from the National Sunday School Department will assist District leaders in making these conventions as helpful, practical, and inspirational as possible to all of the local Sunday School workers.

#### 23rd Psalm—Scoffers' Version

A Lutheran youth leader derided the modern emphasis upon materialism by "quoting" the 23rd Psalm in what he called the "Scoffers' Version," as follows:

"Science is my shepherd, I shall not want; it makes me to lie down on foam rubber mattresses; it leads me on fourlane highways; it leadeth me into the psychiatrist's office for my ego's sake. Yea, though I walk through the valley of the hydrogen bomb, I will not fear; the jets and atomic bombs they comfort me. Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of the world's billion hungry people; thou anointest my head with home permanents; my alcoholic cup runneth over. Surely pensions and social security shall follow me all the days of my life, and I shall dwell in the old folk's home forever."

Is science YOUR shepherd—or are you trusting in the Lord instead? There's a lot more comfort in David's version of the 23rd Psalm than in this Scoffers' Version.

## a DEMON and an EMPTY HOUSE

#### EMIL A. BALLIET

DEMONISM AND DEMON POSSESSION ARE distinguishing marks of this present age. For years the dark tides of demon spirits have worked their havoc in heathen lands where Christ's name and power are not known. Now the unbelief, compromise, and wickedness in so-called Christian lands have opened the gates to the powers of darkness, and the evil hosts have poured in.

Psychology and psychiatry have flourished in our times as men have sought to bring a mental answer to this spiritual problem. But the true and final answer lies in Christ, by His Word, through His Spirit. Instead of lying on a couch and baring their souls to a psychiatrist, tormented, oppressed souls need to fall on their faces before God in complete surrender to Him who alone can speak the word of deliverance.

DEMONS SEEK A DWELLING

Let us listen to a parable of the Lord Jesus, as He gives us many of the facts concerning demon possession. He said: "When the unclean spirit is gone out of a man, he walketh through dry places, seeking rest; and finding none, he saith, I will return unto my house whence I came out. And when he cometh, he findeth it swept and garnished. Then goeth he, and taketh to him seven other spirits more wicked than himself; and they enter in, and dwell there: and the last state of that man is worse than the first."

Note, first of all, the description of the individual. His life is likened to a house, a home which will most certainly be occupied-either by Christ or by the devil. The house is a three-story structure, the third story being the spirit, the second floor the soul, and the ground level the body. God never intended that all of our interest should center in life on the ground level. There is more to one's life than the kitchen, the bedroom, the living room, and the rumpus room! There is more than the second story of the esthetic, too. There is a third-story communion chamber in which you may meet and commune with God. It is a chapel for worship; it is an observatory from

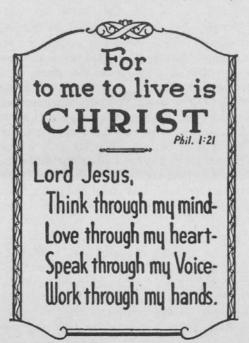
which faith and hope may take the long look toward the "Delectable Mountains" and see the glory of the Lord for here and hereafter.

OUR LIFE IS LIKE A HOUSE

This three-storied building is actually a palace, built by the King for His own dwelling. Everywhere His signet and seal are to be seen. But strange things have happened to this palace. A traitor named Flesh opened the door, and wicked spirits and fellow travelers such as pride, selfishness, and worldliness have made it their dwelling.

Notice what Christ has to say about the wicked tenant who took up residence in the palace. He says that he is an unclean spirit. And the word uncleanness means more than mere wickedness. It bears the connotation of lewdness, lasciviousness. Just as water seeks and finds its level, so this unclean spirit seeks and finds a kindred feeling in the thoughts and desires of the flesh. His entrance into the palace was not contested or resisted, but rather invited. He and the flesh found their thrills in gratifying the base instincts of the carnal nature. The unclean spirit quickly polluted all that allowed him entrance. Mind, imagination, and affections were poisoned by this wicked intruder.

When you understand this, then you



also understand the source of the everincreasing tide of filthy, lewd literature. A noted critic recently said, "American literature has just ripened." It is my opinion that it is in the stage beyond ripening! This rottenness has so infected the minds of the readers that millions of people actually prefer books that major in seduction, unfaithfulness, rape, adultery, and murder.

#### RESTLESSNESS-A DANGER SIGN

Behind all of this mental and spiritual poison is the working of the unclean spirit. Christ pointed out that a characteristic of this unclean spirit is restlessness. He ceaselessly seeks rest and finds none. And whomever this spirit indwells is made restless, too. The restlessness and unhappiness of this generation indicates the extent to which it has been affected by unclean, restless spirits.

But now let us come to the important point at which Christ begins His parable: the departure of the evil spirit from the dwelling he occupied. He was not "bound," as Christ suggested an evil spirit must be if his evil work is to be destroyed (Matt. 12:29). Nor was he cast out. He simply departed. The Goodspeed translation quotes the demon as saying, "I will go back to my house that I left." The restlessness that caused his departure well may have prompted his return.

When the demon returned, he found his dwelling "swept," which undoubtedly means that during the absence of the demon his former companion had decided to clean up his life. What produced this desire for cleansing we are not told; however, that conviction was obeyed with a great display of energy. The dust flew! The house became as clean as self-reform could make it.

Sweeping and cleaning did not bring the satisfaction hoped for. More than getting rid of the filth and the dirt which despoiled the house, it was felt that something new must be added. The house must be "garnished." It must be beautified with the outward adornments that speak of cleanness—religion, morality, fraternity. So this poor, beleagured soul became a "joiner," and went about hoping by identification with reputable causes to establish his own righteousness.

#### LET CHRIST FILL ALL YOUR LIFE

The fatal flaw in this soul's attempt at self-salvation is found in the word "empty!" The house was improved but not occupied. It was not wrong that the house was "swept," nor that it was "garnished." The fault was in its remaining "empty"—that fact became the root cause of more serious problems.

Let us now gather up several of the important lessons Christ sought to teach through this parable. First of all, the

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Saviour points out the weakness of selfreformation! This swept, garnished life was "empty." And its weakness lay in the fact that it could not keep the demons out! When the unclean spirit returned, it easily regained its old mastery and tenancy. No one dwelt in the empty house sufficiently strong to challenge his re-entrance.

The Saviour also sought to point out the impossibility of being neutral concerning His salvation. A man is either clean or unclean; possessed either by Christ or by evil. Pilate's question of long ago applies today-"What shall I do with Jesus?" You must do something! You cannot be neutral. What you do with Him determines what He must do with you! Without Him there is no cleansing. Every effort is vain, unless Christ comes and takes residence in your life.

Without a doubt, in this parable Christ

also sought to underscore the danger of delay m opening one's life to God. An empty house does not remain so for long! There is a spiritual housing shortage! Competition for vacancies is keen. As air rushes to fill a vacuum, so spiritual forces rush to fill an empty life. An empty heart, an empty mind, an empty life is an enticement to the powers of darkness.

Unsaved friend, you are in danger! Backslider, your state is perilous! Christian, you need to be filled with the Spirit!

The Saviour stands outside, saying, "Behold, I stand at the door, and knock: if any man hear my voice, and open the door, I will come in to him, and will sup with him, and he with me." Let us open our heart's door wide to Jesus. Let us fill our lives with love for Him. While He lives within, no unclean spirit may enter.

## "NOT TONIGHT"

#### A Terrifying Incident From Real Life

MAY I TELL YOU THE SADDEST STORY of my young manhood?

The earnest, faithful preacher-genuine to the depths of his heart, sincere as the sunlight, true as truth itselfspoke to the boys in the school, and groups of them made their decision for Christ. The next to the last night of the meeting had come, and I was sitting beside my deskmate. He had not given his heart to Christ. I could no longer be silent, so I said, "Jim, you go. All is at stake. You make your surrender. I don't know how to talk to you; only I want you to go."

He looked earnestly into my face and said, "Let me off tonight, George, and I promise you that if I feel like this tomorrow night I will certainly go. Let me off tonight."

I said, "Jim, your issue is not with me, nor with that preacher. Your issue is with Christ who died for you. He has spoken to you. He has made you serious. He calls you. Make your surrender to Him, and make it now while you can."

He put his face down in his hands and was moved with deep emotion, and I bent over him again, and made a second effort. I said, "Jim, if you will make your surrender tonight to Christ, I will walk with you. I will take your arm, if you like, or you may take mine. Won't you do it tonight?"

And then resolutely he looked into my face and said, "Not tonight. If I feel like this tomorrow night I will go. But I will not go tonight."

I wish I could leave the rest of the story untold, but the story would not be complete. When the next night came, Jim was not at the meeting. Nobody knew why. And the third day he was not around-nobody knew why. When the fourth day came I decided to go to his home and find out why he was absent.

His mother met me at the door, and said, "Why, didn't you know? He came home from the meeting the other night, and before daybreak he was stricken with dreadful pneumonia. Oh, he is sick; too sick to see you. He cannot see anybody but the doctor and the nurse and his father and mother.'

I went around the fifth day, and he was worse. I went back the sixth day, and the mother's eyes were red from weeping. She said, "We have little hope." I went back the seventh day, and I said, "Let me stay. Maybe I have not done my duty. I have been a Christian only a few weeks myself. Maybe I have not done my duty. Let me stay with him. Maybe he will know me. Let me be near him. Maybe he will be conscious and know me."

She let me stay; the doctors, the nurse, and the parents stayed; and I prayed. Oh, that long-drawn-out and never-to-beforgotten night! Midnight came and he stirred uneasily in his bed, and pulled nervously at the coverings that wrapped his bed. Then he began to talk, and we

all bent our ears to catch what he said. He was staring wildly and he spoke in hoarse whispers; this is what he said: "Not tonight, George. Let me off tonight. I promise that if you will let me off tonight I will settle it tomorrow night. I am not going tonight, and you needn't talk further; I am not going tonight.'

In another hour or two the spirit took its flight. Oh, the tragedy, the tragedy of a man's dying like that. I tell you, men ought not to die like that.

-by the late George W. Truett

## "I'm Sorry"

THREE OF THE HARDEST WORDS TO PROnounce in all the English language are these: "I am sorry!" Yet, there are scarcely three words in the human vocabulary that can remove more tensions, misunderstandings, and obstacles to happiness. This is a miraculous formula. It will open doors that have long been closed; it will restore to many lives a radiance that has long been lost.

Life is at its best when we carry the load for which we were created. Indeed, character deteriorates when we carry less than our share of the world's burdens of labor and responsibility. But there is one burden which even the strongest can not bear successfully, and that is the burden of unconfessed, unforgiven sin. If the burden is to be removed, sin must be confessed.

Since every conceivable sin is primarily a sin against God, the first confession should be made to God. This is the supreme application of the formula, "I

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am sorry!" To confess one's sins freely to God is one of the supreme virtues of man. To confess to others against whom one has sinned is no less imperative. And to withhold such confession is certainly one of the world's most devastating sins. Under its blight, the prayer life withers, the favor of God departs, and the personality reflects the fact that something precious has been lost. Beyond all this, there actually develops a hatred toward the person whom one has wronged. Thus unwillingness to confess may lead to the further sin of unwillingness to forgive.

A certain household was in trouble. The pastor had exhausted every means of reconciling the husband and wife and keeping the home intact. All was in vain. The husband insisted that the wife apologize to him and his people; she insisted that she never would. Both were at fault. But three words would have saved the home—"I am sorry!" That particular home had withstood the ravages of previous sins far more grave in outward appearance, but it went down under the sin of unwillingness to confess.

"Be ye not as the horse, or as the mule" (Psalm 32:9), which will not be led except by force. Let not stubborn eyes remain unseeing till washed by tears of remorse, when it is too late to say, "I am sorry!" Rather, let heed be given to those gentle promptings of the Holy Spirit by which He seeks to lead the soul to confession, restitution, and reconciliation. God is always ready to pardon the penitent. He will give the joy of salvation to all who are willing to sincerely, solemnly utter the simple formula, "I am sorry."

-by Charles W. Koller

## Following Christ to His Vineyard

"THE SONG OF SONGS, WHICH IS SOLOmon's," is a song of love. It is replete with heavenly language. It is a beautiful analogy—an earthly love story, portraying the Bride, which is the Church, and the Groom, which is Christ.

The bride spends most of her time in her secret place and longs for the continuous presence of her groom. She pours forth her heart in words of adoration and praise for him. She uses all the beautiful descriptive phrases she can think of to tell of her lovely bridegroom, and then she weeps because he is not at her side.

The groom is a shepherd, a vinedresser, a gardener. He spends much of his time out in his fields and with his flocks. He is too busy to stay with her in the secret place all the time. Often he draws near and speaks comfortingly to her; and then he is gone again.

The story goes like this: At one of his visits she asked him where he fed his flocks; or in other words, where he spent his time. And he told her that if she would follow the footsteps of the flocks she would find him. She was not interested in the flocks: she wanted only to know where he rested at noon, so that she might be with him. And while she was pouring out to him her soul of love, to her amazement he was gone again. He did not go far, it seems, for a little later he appeared at her window and called, "Rise up, my love, my fair one, and come away," and he was gone again. He had told her to follow the flocks, and no doubt he wondered why she tarried in the secret place.

She was amazed that he left her again;

and, thinking perhaps he had a secret place in the rocks, she arose to go out and search for him. Evidently she forgot the instructions he had given her, for she went into the city to look for him there. Probably she went among the crowds in the pleasure centers and market places, but she did not find him. She ventured on out of the city, and there he met her.

Now her happiness was complete, and together they went to her place of waiting. How she enjoyed his presence! How she loved him! The flocks and vineyards had no place in her heart-she only wanted her lover. He tried to get her interested in his work by telling her beautiful things and making comparisons which he thought would awaken her. He told her that her hair was like a flock of goats, her teeth like a flock of sheep, her words like honey and milk. He named all the fruits of his garden and vineyard, saying she was like them. He wanted her to love his garden and flocks as he loved them-and as he loved her-but she wanted him only and so he slipped away again.

She felt she could no longer bear it; she must have him with her all the time. So once more she went out to seek for him. Again forgetting the instructions he had given her, she went to the city. She made such a demonstration of her grief and love for her bridegroom that the watchmen of the city chided her and persecuted her. However, the maidens who heard her were enchanted with her testimony of love and her description of her wonderful lover, and they desired to join her in the search. "Whither is



thy beloved gone, O thou fairest among women?" they asked her. "Whither is thy beloved turned aside? that we may seek him with thee." Then she remembered: "My beloved is gone down into his garden...."

And while she spoke he came to her and was at her side. This was what he wanted. Now she had caught the vision of the fields, and now she had awakened to what he had tried to tell her. She was ready to enter into his interests. She knew then that she could go with him to the fields and be with him all the time. She said to him, "Come, my beloved, let us go forth into the field."

Now she had caught the vision, and was eager to go, content even to make that her home. She was willing to forsake the streets of the city, and to stay out there and work and watch the flocks. And her eagerness grew. She said, "Let us get up *early* to the vineyards."

Oh, how changed was the outlook of this young lady! Now her longings were satisified. She had mourned and wept and waited in her secret place for so long, trying to find him. What a joy she had now, knowing that she could be with him all the time, as she went with him to his work.

So they went forth, she leaning on his breast and his right arm embracing her. He sang to her as they went along, and these were the words of the song of songs, which is Solomon's: "Many waters cannot quench love, neither can the floods drown it. Love is strong as death."

They reached the fields and the vineyards. She was so surprised—she did not know that the gardens were so great; she had not known that he had such flocks.

At last she had learned that her groom "dwelt in the gardens." If she would enjoy his constant presence she must walk with him there. Our Lord has not changed. He still has upon His heart the gardens, the harvest fields. Deepest fellowship with Christ .awaits those who share this burden, witnessing for Jesus every time they get a chance, always seeking to win souls to Him.

-by Lila Ginter

## Are We Meeting the Challenge of a Dying World?

#### WITH APPROXIMATELY ONE HALF OF the world's population unevangelized, and an estimated one billion souls yet to receive an adequate presentation of the gospel of Jesus Christ, it would be presumptuous for any individual or group of individuals to pretend that they are actually meeting the present challenge of world evangelism.

The Assemblies of God in the U.S. is but one section of God's army. To our efforts must be added those of sister organizations in the United States and neighboring lands as well as the efforts of Christians in far-off lands including some with whom we have no contact. Certain countries of the world are behind the Iron Curtain and therefore inaccessible to us as a missionary group, but they are not necessarily inaccessible to the ministry of some chosen vessels who may be carrying on God's work alone, under the guidance of the Holy Spirit. Even so, the need of a dying world is so tremendous we dare not say that the Church of Jesus Christ as a whole is abreast of the opportunities and meeting the challenge of evangelizing this generation. It would, perhaps, be clearer and more to the point to ask: "Are we carrying our share of the responsibility? Are we going about our task in the right way?"

For a just appraisal of our missionary effort, let us examine our goals in missions and the means we are using; let us consider the spiritual dynamics of our program.

#### EQUIPPING OUR MISSIONARIES

It has been pointed out that in these days of jet-speed and modern advances we should not leave our missionaries without the proper equipment. They should not be expected to continue their advance at the pace of the oxcart. To answer this, our Assemblies of God youth, the Christ's Ambassadors, have set the goal of providing necessary equipment for our missionaries to hasten their work of evangelism. Station wagons, jeeps, boats, airplanes, public address systems, etc., have been provided for our missionaries in ever-increasing volume. It is safe to state that our missionaries are supplied with

#### -by Melvin L. Hodges Field Secretary for Latin America

equipment second to none. We are endeavoring to give our missionaries the "tools" they need to do the work in the shortest possible time.

NATIVE EVANCELISM AND LEADERSHIP

Some friends have only recently seen the advantage of using the national Christian as an evangelist to reach his own people. However, this is not a new idea for the Assemblies of God. The concept of evangelism by the nationals was included as a basic principle when the bylaws governing the Foreign Missions Department of the General Council were drawn up. The establishment of a strong national church with native evangelists and pastors has long been a basic principle in our missionary labors. No better proof could be given of this than the fact that there are nearly 5,000 national evangelists and pastors working with our mission outside of the United States. Today emphasis is being given by our missionaries, as never before, to the development of a strong indigenous church; leadership and government is passing rapidly into the hands of national workers. It is not, as some would think, a question of development by the missionary or the national separately, but rather development by the missionary plus the national. Without the missionary to plant a church and train the national Christians there could be no native evangelists.

#### TRAINING THE NATIONALS

As a means of developing evangelists and pastors to carry out the program of native evangelism and to give leadership to the indigenous church, the Assemblies of God Missions Department has been a strong advocate of Bible schools in foreign lands. Perhaps no missionary organization surpasses the Assemblies of God in this respect. Our Bible schools in

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foreign countries number fifty-two (52). The purpose of this Bible school training is to give basic preparation in the Word of God and emphasize Pentecostal truths. There is no quicker way of preparing nationals to meet the need of their own people than through this type of Bible training. The purpose of our schools is not primarily to encourage academic excellence, but to afford students the basic knowledge of the Word of God necessary to carry on the work of evangelism and pastoring among their own people.

#### RADIO MINISTRY

Another means which is being used effectively is the radio ministry. Our missionaries have become increasingly aware of the possibilities that this channel presents to them. Of course, radio has serious limitations in that language barriers make the radio ministry ineffective in some areas. Then there is the undeveloped culture of uncivilized peoples, which automatically places the radio beyond the reach of many. Nevertheless, this medium is being increasingly used and thousands who may never enter a church to hear the gospel message are hearing it by this means.

#### LITERATURE

The ministry of the printed page may be an even greater medium of blessing than the radio. The radio message is heard once and perhaps forgotten, while the printed gospel message can be read, studied, re-read, memorized, and passed on to others. Perhaps this is one of the least developed phases in our Assemblies of God missionary program. Certainly we should give it greater consideration. Our missionaries have not been unmindful of this need: nor have they failed to make an effort to provide reading material. This is a program that requires special preparation and considerable financial backing. Even so, wonders are being accomplished:

The Brazilian Publishing House and the Spanish Literature Department at the Gospel Publishing House have both made remarkable strides in meeting the need for Latin America.

Our missionaries operate printing plants in Nigeria, South Africa, and Europe, some of them producing gospel literature in as many as five languages.

In other sections, literature committees work on translations and operate bookstores and distribution offices for colportage evangelism.

The National Sunday School Depart-ment, through its Boys' and Girls' Missionary Crusade, is helping speed the printed message into far-off lands by providing thousands of dollars annually for foreign language literature.

THE SPIRITUAL IMPACT

Most of our readers in the homeland



Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Horst and son returned to Manila, Philippine Islands, on June 16.

Ellen Esler sailed recently for India on the M.S. Hoegh Trader.

Mr. and Mrs. Harland A. Park left Los Angeles, Calif. on June 10 on the SS. Laura Maersk for Hong Kong. \*

The following missionaries have recently returned to the States: Arthur B. Chesnut from Korea Adele Flower from Venezuela, S. A. H. E. Headrick from Hawaii R. Stanley Shaw from North India Annie Bailie from Hong Kong. \* \*

A cable has been received telling of the safe arrival of P. E. Brown and family in Buenos Aires, Argentina.

Rosalyn T. Devin arrived at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Morris Devin on May 28 in Minahasa, Indonesia.

R. D. Morelock and family returned to Mexico for another term of service.



Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Horst Philippines



Ellen Esler India

would be interested to know whether there is an evidence of the supernatural in the ministry of Assemblies of God workers on the foreign field. Are miracles in evidence? Are signs and wonders wrought? The answer is "Yes." Our missionaries are Spirit-filled ministers who believe in the supernatural and teach the supernatural moving of the Holy Spirit. They teach the national evangelists and Bible school students that they ought to expect supernatural results in their ministry. Consequently, we hear testimonies of marvelous healings from the nationals themselves. Demons are cast cut, the insane are restored to their right mind, paralytics are healed, blind eyes are opened; and the writer personally has heard the testimonies of those who de-

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Hugh and Gertrude Jeter write from Tangier, Morocco, N. Africa:

"On April 1st, with the co-operation of two other Spanish-speaking congregations in Tangier, we held the opening services of our new church. This is a rented hall with full basement, centrally located in a very good section of town. We had the hall painted cream with imitation walnut trim. We made our own benches.

"The following week we had a series of special meetings; several new people took a definite stand for the Lord....

"Besides our Spanish-language Sunday School and services on Sundays and Thursdays, we have begun English services on Sunday mornings and Wednesday evenings. This, together with our two Spanish radio broadcasts each week, keeps us busy . . . but that's the way we like it!" \* \* \*

Quentin Shortes and family returned to Guatemala, Central America, on June 18.

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Mr. and Mrs. John F. Gottschalk wish to announce to their friends a change of address. They are now located at Samanala 3, Glenfall Path, Nuwara Eliya, Ceylon.

Kathleen Belknap recently returned to the U. S. for a visit, after several years of effective ministry in Cuba.



Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Park Hong Kong

### MONTHLY REPORT

**Foreign Missions Department** 

#### May 1955 CONTRIBUTIONS

Alabama\$ 2,570.64	Northwest 21,588.55
Appalachian 457.26	Ohio
Arizona 1,530.43	Oklahoma 9,355.80
Arkansas	Oregon 10,798.27
Eastern	Polish Br 171.00
Georgia	Potomac
German Br 1,581.12	Rocky Mtn 5,858,15
Greek Br 138.20	S. Calif
Hungarian Br. 139.22	South Carolina 323.62
Illinois	South Dakota 1,507.16
Indiana	South Florida 4,257.69
Italian Br 205.00	South Idaho 1,494.06
	S. Missouri 7,442.89
	South Texas
	Tennessee 2,954.17
	Texas
Louisiana 1,615.30	Ukrainian Br. 25.20
Michigan 10,007.63	West Central 4,052.26
Minnesota 6,277.46	West Florida 2,501.13
Mississippi 747.24	West Texas 4,330.48
Montana 2,420.95	WiscN. Mich. 5.056.99
Nebraska	Wyoming 597.69
New England 3,307.32	Alaska 163.20
New Jersey 5,538.26	Canada 164.25
New Mexico 1,643.57	Ha,waii 178.98
New York 11,923.98	Foreign 12.13
N. CalifNev. 14,622.55	Miscellaneous 328.85
North Carolina 759.51	Legacies 1.65
North Dakota 2,059.10	
Total Amount Reported	\$252,590.65
District Funds	\$12,669.27
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Received for Council Foreign Missions ......\$191,194.73 Received for Non-Council Foreign Missions \$6851.60 Missionary Offerings not Allocated to any State 32,858,74

#### \$230,905.07

#### DISBURSEMENTS

Basutoland	273.16	Brit. Guiana	198.50
Belgian Congo	6,155.41	Paraguay	616.84
Gold Coast	6,800.92	Peru	3,228.32
Liberia	7,466.12	Uruguay	1,102.32
Nigeria	8,701.01	Venezuela	6,602.86
Nyasaland	1,435.26	Egypt	7,216.35
Sierre Leone	625.00	Greece	544.00
Tanganyika	993.00	Hash. Jordan	
Togo Dahomey	9,426.14	Kingdom	331.65
U. of S. Africa	6,751.04	Iran	205.00
Upper Volta	4,578.79	Israel	960.89
Europe	10,562.97	Lebanon	130.00
China	1,292.65	Syria	40.00
Fiji	750.59	Burma	2,064.18
Formosa	2,524.00	Ceylon	3,552.08
Hawaii	4,633.05	India	37,698.32
Hong Kong	3,258.23		13,994.80
Indonesia	3,594.50	Children's Educ.	
Japan	14,823.83	in U.S	1,275.24
Korea		Deputational	
Malaya	4,836.28	Expenses	2,152.18
Philippines	16,044.17	Fld. Secretaries	420.00
Samoa, Amer.	809.00	Literature,	
Cen. America	16,278.22	Bibles	3.42
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Work in U.S.	433.31	Shipping	1,200.00
Mexico	2,185.08	N. Y. Office,	
Argentina	1,003.84	Public Rela-	
Bolivia	2,298.74	tions	860.00
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Total	Receipts	\$2	30,905.07



#### MONDAY July 25

#### GOD'S PROMISE TO DAVID-2 Samuel 7:4-16

How delightful to receive a promise of something good! But just what evokes such a promise from God? Is it not inspired by its recipient? Has God ever given a promise which was entirely disassociated from some righteous deed, holy purpose, or noble character? In David's case the Lord said, "Whereas it was in thine heart..." (1 Kings 8:18).

Possibly the reason so few of God's people receive special promises is that we do not demonstrate the kind of devotedness to Him which inspires such promises. To those whose sole purpose in life is the advancement of His kingdom, ALL things are added. When our conduct is such that our hearts do not condemn us, we can expect to receive whatever we may ask of Him.

The extent of the promise to David was quite beyond David's request for a house for God. He was assured of a permanent national home (v. 10), an abiding posterity (v. 11), and a permanent kingdom (v. 16). So God will do for us "exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think" if we delight ourselves in Him.

-J. J. MUELLER

#### TUESDAY, July 26

#### DAVID'S PRAYER-2 Samuel 7:18-29

"Then went king David in, and sat before the Lord, and he said, Who am I, O Lord God?" (v. 18).

This entire passage is a beautiful portrayal of worship and prayer. Note how David quieted himself alone before God. It is well for us to consider this in a time when life is geared to such a rapid pace. It is altogether too easy to become ensnared in the mad rush of the times with resultant leanness in the soul.

David assumed a position and attitude of humility before the Lord, and reflected upon the goodness of God. He realized his own insignificance and utter unworthiness (v. 18). This brought a recognition of the marvelous faithfulness of God's Word (v. 21) and of the greatness of His love. From these realizations spring true worship.

This worship manifested itself in adoration to God (v. 22). A resultant consideration of others (vv. 23, 24), and a fresh surrender of his life (vv. 25-27) were accomplished. Waiting before God will work in us to bring obedience and faith which is most pleasing to Him.

-G. RAYMOND CARLSON

#### WEDNESDAY, July 27

#### GOD'S FAITHFULNESS-Psalm 89:19-37

"My covenant will I not break, nor alter the thing that is gone out of my lips" (v. 34). When we doubt God's Word we attempt to impute to God the reputation of dishonesty. "In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God" (John 1:1). For God to alter or to dispose of His Word would be to alter or dispose of Himself. "I change not," He has assured us (Mal. 3:6).

Of Joseph it is written, "The word of the Lord tried him" (Psa. 105:19). God engages His children in a great three-act drama: Act 1, Promise; Act 2, Trial of our Faith; Act 3, Fulfillment of Promise. In Act 2 the child of God must prove himself to God with patience, obedience, and a will to survive the test. "For ye have need of patience, that, after ye have done the will of God, ye might receive the promise" (Heb. 10:36). Our Lord has spoken, and He will make good His Word!

-MRS. MARJORIE LOOMIS

#### THURSDAY, July 28

#### GOD'S LARGER PLAN-Genesis 22:9-19

"By myself have I sworn, saith the Lord" (v. 16).

In Hebrews 6:17 we have the Holy Spirit's commentary on the angel's word to Abraham. We read that God was "willing more abundantly to shew unto the heirs of promise the immutability of his counsel" by thus confirming it with an oath. Imagine the condescension of God to us mortal men!

God promised again and again throughout the centuries that He would provide a Saviour to redeem sinful men. Those promises were sure. It was impossible that God's Word should ever fail! The eternal God could not lie! His simple promise to men could never be annulled or forgotten. God's promise of a coming Redeemer through whom all the nations of the earth should be blessed was positively sure.

SHADOW OF THINGS TO COME



### New College To Be Dedicated on September 8

There will be an Open House and a Grounds Dedication at Evangel College on Thursday, September 8, to which the public is cordially invited.

On the same day, Klaude Kendrick will be inaugurated as president of the



College, and there will be a morning convocation to present the faculty and staff of the new school.

This new Assemblies of God liberal arts college is located on 581/2 acres of beautifully landscaped property which was received as a gift

Klaude Kendrick

from the United States Government after O'Reilly Hospital was closed. Some 70 buildings stand on the former hospital site; however, only 18 of the buildings will be activated for use by the college in 1955-56.

All of the services on September 8

But God was pleased with Abraham's obedience of faith. Therefore God did an extraordinary thing. He said in effect, "Stand by, Abraham, Isaac, and all you future generations of men, and be my witnesses." And God took an oath of faithfulness, swearing by Himself (for there is none greater) that He would fulfill His everlasting covenant through Abraham's greater son, even our Lord Jesus Christ.

-ATWOOD FOSTER

#### FRIDAY, July 29

#### A SPIRITUAL HOUSE-1 Peter 2:1-10

"Ye also, as lively [living] stones, are built up a spiritual house" (v. 5).

Many similes are used for the Church. It is a family, a house, a temple, a priesthood. In likening the Church to a house Peter no doubt used the comparison of a building quite advisedly. Just as a master builder begins with the foundation and carefully fits one stone upon another, so Christ, by whom all things were made, is at the business of constructing a spiritual house. "I will build my church," He told Peter (Matt. 16: 18).

Christ is not only the Master Builder, but is Himself the Foundation and Chief Cornerstone, giving life to every stone in the house. "Christ [is] a son over his own house; whose house are we, if we hold fast the confidence and the rejoicing of the hope firm unto the end" (Heb. 3:6).

Paul wrote to Timothy, instructing him "... how thou oughtest to behave thyself in the house of God, which is the will be on the campus at 1111 North Glenstone Avenue, Springfield, Missouri. The program will open at 10 a.m. with a convocation on the grounds. The inauguration service will begin at 2:45 p.m., to be followed by the Open House. The grounds dedication service will begin at 7:30 p.m. with officials of the Assemblies of God participating in the ceremonies.

Workmen have been busy for several months getting the buildings and grounds ready for the opening of the college in September. Books are arriving for the library and furniture has been ordered for classrooms, dormitories, and offices.

Freshman students are scheduled to arrive on Thursday, September 1, for two days of orientation prior to registration on Labor Day, September 5. A large number of students have applied for information as to the courses of study, and some 150 are expected to register for the first year of classes. Only freshman

church of the living God, the pillar and ground of the truth." Peter tells us we should behave ourselves as a part of the house of God so that we shall "glorify God in the day of visitation."

-U. S. GRANT

#### SATURDAY, July 30

CHRIST THE FOUNDATION—1 Corinthians 3:1-17

"For other foundation can no man lay than that is laid, which is Jesus Christ" (v. 11).

No one can successfully find fault with the Foundation. He is perfect in every respect. There is no true religion apart from Jesus Christ. This divine Foundation has stood every test and will continue steadfast through eternity.

Christ is the Foundation, but every child of God is challenged to have a part in the superstructure. This has a manifold significance to us: (1) It means that God attaches a dignity to work. Work and piety are not foes; they are to be companions. (2) God makes allowance for individuality in workmen and work. We may build not only with "gold," but also with "silver" and "precious stones." (3) We are building upon Christ; hence, we must be conscientious and responsible.

May our materials, methods, and motives be such that they will pass the test of fire. Then our reward will be great and we will have an *abundant* entrance into His kingdom.

#### -LLOYD CHRISTIANSEN

Sunday School lesson for July 31, 1955-"God's Promise to David" (2 Samuel 7:4-16). subjects will be offered during the first year.

A catalog has been printed giving full information on the curriculum, facilities, and costs of attending the new liberal arts college. A beautiful brochure has been prepared for those interested in the financial needs of the school.

All pastors and parents are requested to remember the new college in prayer and to encourage young people to attend. Copies of either the catalog or the brochure may be obtained by writing to the Education Department, 434 West Pacific Street, Springfield 1, Missouri.

## Are We Meeting the Challenge?

#### (Continued from page seven)

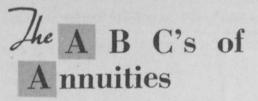
clare that they were raised from the dead by God's power.

Not all of these miracles occur in a spectacular manner. Sometimes they take place in the privacy of a humble home as a national Christian prays for the sick. These supernatural occurrences are so common in some of our fields that they have come to be taken as a matter of course. At times, miracles take place in such a manner that a whole community is stirred by the manifestation of the power of God. Of course, these manifestations differ on the mission field according to the faith of each missionary or pastor, just as the results may differ in the homeland. But the supernatural working of God is a definite recognized part of our missionary program and it is widely in evidence.

#### MASS EVANGELISM

Of late years, great mass evangelistic meetings have become increasingly common throughout the mission fields. Sometimes God has used a visiting evangelist; at other times it has been the missionary. Not a few times it has been a sincere national preacher whom God has raised up with a special ministry of salvation and healing, with the result that hundreds and thousands have flocked to hear his message of deliverance. Several of our Assemblies of God missionaries are now devoting their time in an increasing measure to this overseas evangelistic ministry. There can be no doubt that great blessing has resulted. This is one of the great avenues of missionary service.

However, it should be remembered that this is not the only ministry needed on the mission field. Mass evangelism must be balanced by a teaching and pastoral ministry in order that the true results of a great meeting may be reaped. Recently, as a result of a series of a fiveweek evangelistic-healing meeting in El Salvador, some six (6) new churches were



The term "annuity" refers to the income from an annuity contract or agreement. The agreement itself is sometimes called an annuity.

The simplest explanation would be an example, using an Assemblies of God Annuity Agreement, with you as the "annuitant."

You give the Assemblies of God a sum of money. In return, the Assemblies of God agree to pay you, as long as you live, a fixed sum every year. That's all there is to it.

You ask what the advantage of an annuity agreement is. The advantage to you is a higher interest rate than usual on your investment. (The actual rate is in proportion to your age—the older you are, the higher the return. Annuity agreements definitely favor the older investor.) The advantage to the Assemblies of God is that any funds remaining in the annuity at the time of your death can then be used directly by the Assemblies in some avenue of gospel ministry.

Let's sum up this primer on annuity agreements with a question session:

- Q. How much money must I have for an annuity agreement?
- A. Assemblies of God Annuity Agreements are drawn on as little as \$100.00.
- Q. Is this a safe investment?
- A. It is. Handling of funds is in keeping with strictest business practice, and an adequate reserve is always maintained to assure you of prompt payment.
- Q. What else do I have to do?
- A. Unlike other investments you never have to bother about your Assemblies of God Annuity Agreement again. You simply cash the annual checks!
- Q. Can I will some of these funds to my family?
- A. No. The funds that might be left in the Annuity Agreement go directly into the work of the Lord. But you can have Assemblies of God Annuity Agreements made in the name of a loved one or friend. They will receive a return based upon their own age, as long as they live.

Why don't you write for the booklet Today and Forever—it will give you other interesting facts about Assemblies of God Annuity Agreements. Just write to

Today and Forever 434 West Pacific Street Springfield 1, Missouri started in a needy district. This would not have been possible had there not been national workers trained to step in and take over the work. Our missionaries believe in mass evangelism in missionary work when it is carried on in a way that permits them to reap permanent results for God from the effort.

ARE WE MEETING THE CHALLENGE?

Certainly we would not dare say that we are fully meeting the challenge of present-day opportunities. On the other hand, we believe that we are moving in the right direction. We do not need a change of program but an increased effort. We need more missionaries to train more nationals, to hold more evangelistic services, and to found more churches. Certainly we must not be satisfied with our progress. We ought to be grateful for what has been accomplished, but this is no time for self-congratulation. Every foreign missionary feels weighted down with the burden of unreached souls. New sections must be entered; new regions must be evangelized! We believe that God has shown us how to do this work, but we must do it on an everincreasing scale.

#### FINANCES NEEDED

One of the great hindrances to the advancement of any missionary enterprize is the lack of finance. The Missions Department has applications on file from young couples willing and eager to go to the foreign fields; couples who are filled with the Holy Spirit and waiting to give their all in sacrifice. And there are sections of the world waiting their ministry. The weak link in the chain is finance. It is costing an ever-increasing amount to send one missionary to the field and equip him properly for the work. Transportation costs have increased, as well as the cost of housing, travel and general maintenance. Seemingly, we have more consecrated men than consecrated money. We could easily increase our missionary staff by several score within a few months if the finances were available.

Reader, your missionary dollar will do its best work and reap its greatest harvest if you invest it in the Assemblies of God missionary program. Our objective is to bring the whole gospel to the whole world in the power of the Spirit in the shortest possible time. This can only be accomplished with sufficient finances.

#### PRAYER ESSENTIAL

We close by stating that beyond the need for material help is the pressing need for a spiritual offensive in prayer. This is the paramount need both at home and abroad. The inspiration of the Holy Spirit is needed to impel men to answer the call and give up everything for the Cross of Christ. The power of the Spirit is also needed to bring into action the supernatural factor in the missionary's and national worker's ministry. The Spirit of God moves in response to a praying, pleading, interceding church. Our machines, methods and men are nothing but clay until the Holy Spirit breathes upon them. It is the Spirit that quickeneth! The challenge to prayer is by far the greatest challenge of all when considering the matter of our progress in Foreign Missions. Therefore, pray!

### Special Accommodations For Council Visitors

Many friends desiring reasonable accommodations at Oklahoma City during the General Council of the Assemblies of God will be happy to learn that two large 4-H Club buildings are available, capable of housing a total of 3,600 visitors, or 1,800 each. These afford the same type of accommodations that are found at camp meetings; that is, the buildings are furnished with bunk-type beds, showers, electricity, etc., and visitors will have to provide their own linen.

The cost will be only ONE DOLLAR A NIGHT, per person.

One building is for men, the other is for women. The buildings are located on the Fair Grounds where the evangelistic rally will be held on Sunday evening. They are approximately two and a half miles from the Municipal Auditorium where most of the General Council sessions will be held.

Thomas F. Zimmerman, chairman of the arrangements committee, reports that the buildings have excellent accommodations. Each house has an exhaust fan to assist in cooling. Abundant free parking space is available around the buildings.

In view of the reasonable rate of one dollar a night, there is likely to be a great demand for reservations. If you wish to reserve space in these large buildings, write immediately to: Douglas Friesen, Co-chairman of Housing Committee, Box 4, Bethany, Oklahoma. Be sure to enclose a self-addressed, stamped envelope for a reply and indicate the number of beds you wish to reserve either in the men's building or in the women's building. Also enclose a dollar reservation fee for each bed desired. The dollar will apply as a down payment on your total bill.

Brother Friesen and his Committee can arrange other types of accommodations, including hotel rooms, motel, etc., at higher rates.

The General Council will open on Thursday night, September 1. Groups wishing to attend for the Labor Day week-end will find it very convenient to reserve space in these large buildings.



## Indian Missions in South Dakota

#### -by Herbert Bruhn, Field Representative

THE SOUTH DAKOTA DISTRICT FOR many years has had a challenging but untouched mission field at its very door. The total population of the State is 652,740 (1950 census). There are approximately 60,000 Indians of the Sioux tribe living in South Dakota. This represents nearly one-tenth of the total population and is perhaps the greatest percentage of Indian population in any State. South Dakota has forty-five Assemblies of God churches but not one established congregation or church building for the Indians.

Just a year ago the District took definite steps to co-ordinate the work that was being done among these needy people. A Director of Indian Missions was appointed. Some very fine missionaries have taken the Pentecostal message to a number of Indian reservations while other

THREE PICTURES OF INDIAN LIFE IN SOUTH DAKOTA. Left: Three little Indian girls who need the Lord Jesus. Top right: A Peyote church where Indians practice their weired religion. Lower

reservations await the coming of the Full Gospel workers. It is evident that we are merely touching the real potential for Indian Missions in South Dakota.

On my recent tour of the District I was not only challenged but shocked. For the first time I came in contact with the Peyote religion. Because of a ritual of this religion many Indians are bound by the stupefying peyote drug. The Indians partake of this drug in a religious ceremony similar to our Lord's supper. The drug is made from a certain root imported from Old Mexico. Each person attending a peyote service brings a container in which to vomit for he knows he will become very sick. Some have even died under its influence.

The condition resulting from partaking of the peyote drug is termed, "The Promise of the Father." Is it not one of the devil's counterfeits? There is power in the blood of Christ, however, to break the chains that bind these people. A former Peyote priest and his wife who are now living for Christ sang beautifully in the services we attended in Wagner. She is filled with the Holy Spirit and he is earnestly seeking.

In Rosebud an open-air service had been arranged. Because of rain, we were offered the use of the American Legion Hall. At the close of this service the possibility of using a tent for services on the reservations was discussed. A rancher told of his covenant with God about a tent. His pasture land was drying up due to lack of rain. He had asked God to send rain before Sunday, promising that if the needed rain came he would purchase a new tent for Indian missions. Torrential rains came, bringing new life to the parched pasture land. "Now," he said, "I'm ready to buy that tent."

Two Indian camp meetings are being arranged in South Dakota. One will convene at Lake Andeas and another at Sisseton. Marles Moore, an Indian evangelist and native of South Dakota, will speak at the camp meetings.

The tent season in South Dakota is very short; nevertheless a number of tents 24 x 48 are being erected as tem-

right: A Peyote cemetery; only those who adhere to the Peyote religion are buried in this cemetery. Many Indians are bound by the stupefying peyote drug because of this religion.



### JULY IS HOME MISSIONS EMPHASIS MONTH

porary places of worship. Indians hungry for the Bread of Life will brave the discomforts of a cold tent better than most white people. An Indian chapel is under construction in Rapid City. District plans call for the purchase of vacated country schools or unused government buildings which will be converted into Indian chapels.

Our work among the Indians can only progress as we prayerfully support our missionaries. God can break every binding force of the Peyote religion among them. There must also be a response financially for this work to advance. I seriously doubt if you could go anywhere in the world and find people more in need of the gospel than the Indians in South Dakota.

Won't you take them upon your heart and earnestly pray for them? Ask God what He would have you do to take the Light of Life to them, in order that the bonds of spiritual darkness might be broken. Designate your gift for "Indian Missions."

National Home Missions Department 434 West Pacific Street Springfield 1, Missouri

## New Building Taking Shape at C.B.I.

SPRINGFIELD, MO., June 30—In spite of blasting problems and frequent rains, work on the construction of W. I. Evans Hall at Central Bible Institute is proceeding rapidly. The accompanying picture shows the progress up to the date of this writing.

It is expected that the new building, named after the late dean who served with such great distinction for more than twenty-five years, will be completed by Christmas. It will provide adequate rooms for the various classes which have been meeting in temporary barracks-type buildings, and for the school library which has been confined to a basement, besides offices for the teachers and officials of the school.

Alumni and friends who realize the

urgent need of the new building will give thanks to God for the way it is taking shape. It was only six weeks ago that the roar of heavy caterpillar tractors broke the serenity of C.B.I.'s oak-studded campus. The sight of stately old trees crashing to the ground to make room for the new structure brought a certain sense of sadness, at first; but the pangs were assuaged by the realization that an expanded training program will result in more soul winners for the kingdom of God and more souls won for Christ.

As the contractors proceeded with the excavating work, they found their blasting problems much greater than they had anticipated. Their big tractors and shovels stood helpless before a formidable shelf of rock. Scores of dynamite charges had



to be used to blast down to the required depth. Consequently, W. I. Evans Hall will rest on solid rock—an appropriate foundation for a school that is built on the solid rock of Christ and the eternal Word of God.

The new building, 170 by 58 feet in size and three stories high, will be both serviceable and beautiful. Its outer walls will be of pink brick, aluminum, steel and glass. There will be a basement beneath the western half of it.

Passing through the main entrance at ground level, the visitor will find on his left all the administrative offices, and a faculty lounge. Here the leadership of Central Bible Institute will work to carry on the important mission of training Pentecostal youth for gospel service in the homeland and abroad.

The remainder of the first floor, and all of the second floor, will be divided into modern, commodious and comfortable classrooms, with faculty offices adjoining all of them.

The eastern half of the third floor will also be used for classroom instruction. The western half will become the new home of the Myer Pearlman Memorial Library with a capacity for 30,000 volumes.

Without doubt, this new building will greatly increase the efficiency of Central Bible Institute and its teaching staff for the glory of our Lord. It will also permit a further enlargement of the student body. Last year 710 students enrolled at C.B.I. in the two semesters. Advance enrollment for 1955-56 gives promise of another banner year.

Central Bible Institue needs the help of all its friends in this period of material expansion. Approximately \$145,000 has been contributed for the building program, counting both cash and pledges. The faculty and staff have given or pledged \$25,000; the student body better than \$21,000; alumni and other friends have made up the balance. But many thousands of dollars more are needed to complete this building. Contributions should be addressed to: Central Bible Institute, 3000 North Grant Avenue, Springfield, Missouri.

The Executive Presbyters of the General Council, who serve as the Board of Directors for Central Bible Institute, authorized the floating of a \$250,000 41/2 per cent bond issue to supplement the contributions. Those Christians who want their money to work for the Lord and at the same time earn them a dividend, may obtain further information about the bonds by writing for a copy of the 12-page Prospectus. Requests should be addressed to the General Treasurer of the Assemblies of God, Wilfred A. Brown, 434 West Pacific Street, Springfield 1, Missouri.



As the teeming millions come and go, seeking relaxation on vacations and refuge from the summer heat, REVIV-ALTIME continues to send out its stirring gospel message that can save souls from sin and keep them from going to hell.

A listener in Minnesota wrote recently: "I had arthritis so bad I couldn't get my hands behind me. One Sunday night you said to raise our right hand. I did, and the Lord SAVED me and healed me also. Praise God." Yes, REVIVALTIME is doing its part in winning souls.

**REVIVALTIME** has launched a SUM-MER "CRUSADE FOR SOULS" in an effort to reach many thousands of unsaved people during the summer months, C. M.

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#### NEW KIND OF SEMINAR INTRODUCED IN CALIFORNIA

On the 16th of May, 42 ministers and Chris-tian workers from all parts of Southern California gathered at North Hollywood Assembly in an all-day meeting to discuss the work of Ministers of Music, Youth and Educational Directors, etc. Pastor E. A. Balliet was principal speaker. Joseph Prettyman was in charge of the Seminar. It was observed that 25 Assemblies of the Southern California District now have workers assisting the pastors in one or a combination of

assisting the pastors in one or a combination of these positions.

The Seminar is to be an annual affair. A threeman committee was elected to draw up a constitution and formulate plans for a permanent organization (Joseph Prettyman, Bakersfield; Paul Johnson, Inglewood; Wesley Meng, Visalia).

The primary objective of the organization at the present time is to acquaint pastors with the potentialities of these lines of ministry, and to encourage and find openings for those who are qualified for such work. Brother Prettyman has been working toward this goal for more than two years

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#### AMONG THE ASSEMBLIES

OVERLAND, MO .- We are rejoicing over the OVERLAND, MO.—We are rejoicing over the wonderful meeting the Lord gave us with Evan-gelist John C. Poteet of Anaheim, Calif. Twenty were saved or reclaimed, eight received the bap-tism of the Holy Ghost, and many were refilled. Night after night people were healed by the power of God. It seemed that everyone who at-tended the meeting received something from God —especially the young people.—Glenn Gilder, Pastor, Faith Assembly of God.

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HOUSTON, TEX .- We have just closed a

Backsliders were reclaimed and sick bodies healed. —H. C. Robinson, Pastor.

BORING, OREG.—We had a three-week meet-ing with Evangelist Johnny Hoskins from Prine-ville, Oreg. Two received the baptism of the Holy Spirit and some received definite healing. The Sunday School reached a high of 78. Every department of the church was helped during this meeting.—Floyd J. Huntley, Pastor.

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51. FRANCIS, KANS.—We are thankful for the four-week meeting with Evangelist and Mrs. David S. Sandall and family of Augusta, Kans. Eleven were saved, eight reclaimed, 20 received the baptism of the Holy Spirit, and a number were refilled. We baptized 15 in water. A number testified to definite healing. Waves of glory deconded night after night and the rifts of the

descended night after night, and the gifts of the Spirit were in evidence. Many nights people con-tinued to pray around the altar until after mid-night. The church has been greatly stirred.—James

Richard, Pastor.

KUSHLA, ALA.—We had a wonderful meeting with Evangelist Lucile Killingsworth of West Florida District. Five were saved and some re-ceived definite healing. The church was drawn closer to the Lord as we listened to the full gospel preached under the anointing.—O. C. Hatcher, Pastor.

DRAKESBURG, OHIO—We had a successful meeting with Evangelist and Mrs. Don R. Tanner. Their ministry was a blessing to our many new converts. Nine were saved in this meeting and one was filled with the Holy Spirit. The at-tendance was good in spite of an outbreak of measles and whooping cough.—Clark E. Grable, Pastor Pastor.

SPEARMAN, TEX.—Evangelist Glen H. Lester of Waxahachie, Tex. was with us for a meeting in May. One man was saved, several backsliders came back to God, four received the baptism of the Holy Ghost, and many were refilled. Some testified to healing. We are grateful for the sincere, anointed ministry of Brother Lester.— W. V. and Aloha Bentley, Pastors.

HAMILTON, ONT., CANADA-Evangelist Levi L. Storms of Sherburne, N. Y. was with us for over four weeks. God used Brother Storms to bring a spiritual quickening to the church. The crowds were exceptionally good each night. The prayer room was filled with earnest men, women, and young people seeking the Lord. Several were filled with the Holy Spirit and others were saved.—V. R. Morrison, Associate Pastor, Central Gospel Tabernacle. (J. H. Blair is Pastor.)

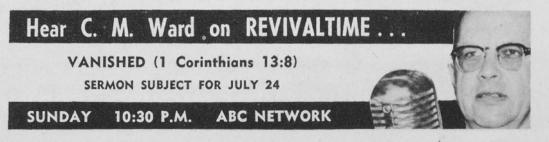
NEW CASTLE, PA .-... He which hath begun a good work in you will perform it until the day of Jesus Christ" (Phil. 1:16). It is our hearts' cry that God will continue the great work He has begun among us here at the First Pentecostal Church. An old-time Holy Ghost revival began under the ministry of Evangelist Morris Cerullo. Many came for prayer, some were saved, and a number healed. Since this meeting the Christians are seeking God as never before. Some are being refilled and others are hungry for the baptism of the Holy Spirit. One man was filled with the Spirit in our prayer meeting.—S. W. Brewer, Pastor.

ALPENA, MICH.—The three-week meeting with Evangelist William A. Caldwell left an indel-ible impact upon our city. God confirmed the Word by saving souls and healing the sick. Brother Caldwell constantly encouraged those who came for prayer to expect the pain and disease to leave immediately, and again and again that is exactly what happened.

A ten-year-old girl, who had been blind in one A ten-year-old girl, who had been blind in one eye for six years because of an accident, was able to see after Brother Caldwell prayed for her. She walked off the platform unaided, holding her hand over the other eye. A middle-aged lady, hand over the other eye. A middle-aged lady, blind in one eye because of a serious diabetic condition, joyfully shouted, "I can see the people! I can see the people!" Another lady blind in one eye since birth was able to distinguish the people in the balcony.

People testified to being healed of heart trouble, anemia, hernia, scalp and skin disease, and nervous disorders. Without exception, all who were hard of hearing or deaf in one or both ears received deliverance immediately and were able to hear a whisper.

We greatly appreciate the faithful co-operation we greatly appreciate the rathritic co-operation from the Atlanta Assembly where Arthur Austin is pastor, and also from Ralph Severance and his congregation at Rogers City. God wonderfully helped us in financing this meeting. The need was supplied without any undue pressure.—G. R. Kars, Pastor, Gospel Tabernacle.



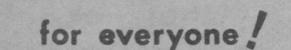
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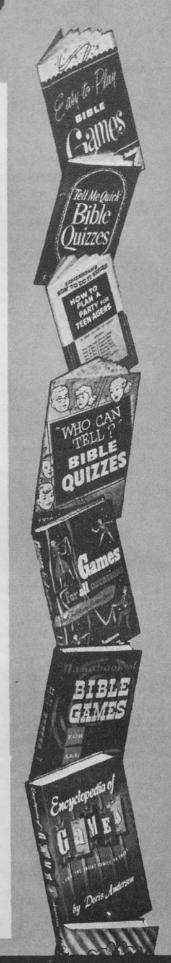
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#### COMING MEETINGS

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MACOMB, ILL .- First Assembly of God, July 31-Aug. 14; Evangelist and Mrs. Stephen Vander-merwe, South Africa.-by F. H. Toliver, Pastor.

PETOSKEY, MICH.—Union Revival at Fair-grounds, began July 7; Evangelist William A. Caldwell, Conyngham, Pa. (J. H. Evans is Pastor.)

MOUNDS, ILL.—Assembly of God, July 17— Aug. 7; Sherratt Evangelistic Party, Oakland, Calif. (E. H. Edwards is Pastor.)

SOUTH HOUSTON, TEX.—Assembly of God, York and El Paso, July 24—Aug. 7; Evangelist W. M. Stevens, Denver, Colo. (C. C. Swaim is Pastor.)

ST. PETER, MINN.—Assembly of God, July 26—31; Evangelist and Mrs. Christian Hild.—by Charles W. Lamson, Pastor.

OAKLAND', CALIF.—Oakland Revival Taber-nacle, July 27—Aug. 15; Evangelist E. T. Quana-bush.—by Cecil J. Lowry, Pastor.

MARINETTE, WIS.—Assembly of God, begins July 20; Musical VanderPloegs, Toledo, Ohio.— by James T. Hamann, Pastor.

KANDY, CEYLON—Assembly of God Mission, July 21—30; Evangelist Frank Lummer, Ocean-side, Calif. (W. F. Farrand is Pastor.)

LOS ALAMOS, N. MEX.—Assembly of God, July 17—31; Evangelist H. Paul Holdridge, Al-buquerque, N. Mex.—by J. G. Crittenden, Pastor.

CHICKASHA, OKLA.—Assembly of God, be-gins July 24; George Evangelistic Team (Mr. and Mrs. Ken George and Don George). (David A. Roper is Pastor.)

LA GRANCE, GA.—First Assembly of God, begins Aug. 1; Evangelists Joel and Esther Palmer, Lake Wales, Fla.—by M. G. Barfield, Pastor.

AZTEC, N. MEX.—Assembly of God, July 17—31; Evangelist Paul W. Harrington, Albu-querque, N. Mex.—by Oscar Elliott, Pastor.

ONEONTA, N. Y.—Tent meeting, route 7 and Country Club Rd., July 24—Aug. 21; Evan-gelist Ed Menaldino.—by Morris S. Williams, Pastor, Assembly of God Revival Center.

MODESTO, CALIF.—Assembly of God Taber-nacle, 6th and G Sts., begins July 24; Evangelist and Mrs. Benny Sapp, Santa Ana, Calif.—by J. S. McMullen, Pastor.

BARCLAY, MD.—Full Gospel Church, camp meeting on church grounds, July 31—Aug. 14; Evangelist Katherine Leonard, Annapolis, Md.— by G. Jack Provard, Pastor.

SEATTLE, WASH.—Broadway Tabernacle, Aug. 2—14; Children's revival with Evangelists Virgil and Edythe Warens. (Vernon Griggs is Pastor.)

COATESVILLE, PA.—Tent meeting on Valley Rd., Route 372 (W. Coatesville), began July 10; Evangelist H. E. Hardt, York, Pa.—by C. E. Strauser, Pastor, Full Gospel Church.

QUADEVILLE, ONT., CANADA—Tent meet-ing, Aug. 1—14; Evangelist and Mrs. W. F. Voodre, Durant, Fla. Neighboring churches co-operating. (J. J. Shannon is Pastor.)

RUSH SPRINGS, OKLA.—Homecoming re-vival, July 24—Aug. 7; Evangelist W. C. Drain, Oklahoma City, Okla. Basket dinner, July 31. All former pastors and friends invited.—Fred James, Pastor.

#### **NEW ADDRESSES**

Everett Burns, 600 S. E. 8th St., Mineral Wells, Tex. "Pastoring First Assembly of God."

- Mr. and Mrs. Wesley J. Lange, 1107 Cimarron St., El Paso, Tex. "Pastoring Valley Assembly of God."
- J. Milton Tucker, 409 Yonkers, Plainview, Tex. "Have resigned my pastorate in Illinois to enter evangelistic work."
- L. Clifford Sloan, Box 1027, Cody, Wyo. "Re-signed as pastor of First Assembly in Laramie, Wyo. to re-enter evangelistic work."

- Fulton W. Buntain, 1421 25th Ave., Oakland 1, Calif. "Pastoring Bethel Tabernacle."
- Charles and Erna Weston, 1265 Guerrero St., San Francisco 10, Calif.
- K. Gressett, 2345 W. Bethany Home Rd., Phoenix, Ariz.
- . J. Brown, Box 37, Keyes, Calif. "Pastoring Assembly of God."
- H. C. Noah, 919 Morrell Ave., Dallas, Tex. "After 18 months on evangelistic field, have returned to pastor Oak Cliff Assembly of God."
- H. J. Keener, 324 S. Meridian, Jasonville, Ind. "Pastoring First Assembly of God."
- A. J. Wells, 210 Dement Ave., Dixon, Ill. "Re-signed pastorate in Fairfax, Okla. to enter evangelistic field."
- Donald F. Lehmann, 1451 Ellis St., San Francisco 15, Calif. "Pastoring Glad Tidings Temple."
- Fred and Kathryn McDonald, Route 3, Stamping Ground, Ky. "Pastoring Assembly of God."
- James P. Williams, 420 Park, Visalia, Calif.
- Egon Kirschman, 702 E. Clay St., O'Neill, Nebr. "Pastoring Assemblies of God church."
- Pastor and Mrs. Robert Oakes, Gen. Del., Fort Apache, Ariz. "Pastoring an Indian church in Canyon Day, Ariz."
- A. Doyle Smith, P. O. Box 5, Fort Yukon, Alaska. "Pastoring Assemblies of God mission."
- Robert S. and Elmina A. Bubb, 1201 E. Yosem-ite Ave., Madera, Calif. "Resigned church in Deming, N. M. Now pastoring Yosemite Ave. Assembly."
- Elmer L. Cover, 5035 Curtis Clark Dr., Corpus Christi, Tex. "Pastoring Gardendale Assembly Christi, Tex. of God."

#### WITH CHRIST

JOHN B. WHARTON, 63, Andrews, Tex. went to his heavenly reward June 10, 1955. Brother Wharton was ordained in 1937. Although he had been in ill health for several years, he was busy to the very end. He was praying for the sick at the conclusion of the service on Friday night, June 10, when he was suddenly stricken and collapsed there at the altar. He had pastored the church in Andrews for six years.

CHARLES KERNER, 64, Arcata, Calif. went to be with the Lord May 14, 1955 following a heart attack. Brother Kerner was ordained in 1925, and held a number of pastorates in California

HERSCHEL MURPHY, 52, of Lubbock, Tex. died as the result of a heart attack June 21, 1955. Brother Murphy was ordained in 1931 with the Church of the Nazarene and came into the Assemblies of God a few years ago. He was active in evangelistic work until the time of his death.

ROBERT Q. HANKINS, 54, Corsicana, Tex. went home to be with Jesus June 23, 1955. Brother Hankins was ordained in 1938. He was Presbyter of the Waco Section of the Texas District for several years.

JOHN J. BARGER, 31, Tacoma, Wash., went to be with the Lord June 23, 1955. Brother Barger was ordained in 1950. He was a graduate of Northwest Bible College.

OTTO J. KLINK, 67, of Redlands, Calif. passed on to be with Christ on June 30, 1955, follow-ing a stroke. Brother Klink became an ordained minister of the Assemblies of God in 1923 while pastoring a church in Des Moines, Iowa, but spent most of the intervening years in evangelistic ministry. He was one of the most widely known evangelists in the Fellowship until a few years ago when ill health began to limit his activities.

#### MISCELLANEOUS

NOTICE—Mrs. Essie M. Haigwood, worker among the Deaf in Los Angeles. Calif, states that after July 24, her Deaf group will meet in the Greek Apostolic Church, 7316 S. Hoover St., Los Angeles, Calif., where M. Frangos is pastor.

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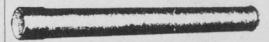
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Students came from as far west as California; as far east as new York; as far south as South Texas; and as far north as Canada. They included Pastors, Sunday School Superintendents, Christian Education Directors, V.B.S. Workers, Sectional S. S. Representatives, Workers Training Instructors, Child Evangelism Workers and Sunday School Evangelists.

The pictures on this page provide a quick glimpse at some of the activities of the 1955 Advanced Christian Training School.

1. Bert Webb, C. W. Denton, and D. V. Hurst welcome E. B. Adamson (Minnesota District S. S. Director) to the A. C. T. S.

2. Paul Trulin explains floor plans of a new church in his Church Building class.

3. Crafts class is taught by Edith Denton.

4. Nicholas Nikoloff teaches principles of planning a church library.

5. J. R. Ashcroft teaches a class in Pupil Psychology.

6. Judson Cornwall, pastor from Yakima, Wash., receives diploma at Commencement.

7. Graduating Class of 1955 A.C.T.S.

