

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

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These photos were taken during the dedication of the new Central Assembly at Springfield, Missouri. Above is shown the pastor, James W. Van Meter. At the left (top) is R. M. Riggs, the dedicatory speaker. In the middle photo some of the distinguished guests can be seen. The lower view shows part of the congregation. (For further information please turn to page 5.)

New Central Assembly Dedicated at Springfield

Wheat Among the Weeds

There are two ways of looking at a field of grain. The pessimist says, "Look at all the weeds among the wheat." The optimist says, "Look at all the wheat among the weeds." There are two ways of looking at society, too. We can focus our attention on sinners and see only the evil of our day, or we can look at the brighter side and see the spiritual awakening that is beginning to dawn across the land.

The 1958 Yearbook of American Churches says that 103 million Americans are now affiliated with some church or synagogue—an unprecedented percentage of the population. *Presbyterian Life* goes further and says that, if all the children are included, the total is 129 million which means that three out of every four Americans are connected with some religious faith. Whether you interpret these statistics as a sign of religious revival, or merely as a social trend of our times, the fact remains that there is a remarkable surge of interest in religious things. It is a day of golden opportunity for Bible preaching.

There certainly is a rising tide of evangelism in our generation. Thousands are being saved in our assemblies from coast to coast. Lives are being transformed. Sick folk are being healed and Christian believers are being filled with the Holy Spirit. Millions are hearing the Full Gospel either in our meetings or by radio and television. It appears that the revival for which our fathers prayed is beginning to break.

At the same time, the increase in revival and soul winning is accompanied by an increase in sin and wickedness. The Lord Jesus warned that it would be so. He said there would be weeds among the wheat. In fact, in the parable that is recorded by Matthew in chapter 13, verses 24 to 30, He said the righteous and the wicked would be mingled so closely together that it would be difficult and dangerous to try to separate them lest the good be uprooted with the bad.

According to the parable, an enemy came to the newly planted field while the owner was asleep, and sowed tares among the wheat. When the mingled crop sprang up, some of the servants were furious. They couldn't get their eyes off those tares. They said, "Let's get rid of them." But the owner's eye was on the wheat. He said, "No, let's wait awhile. If we pull up the weeds we may pull up the wheat too. Let both grow together until the reaping season; then we shall be able to separate them without losing any of the good grain."

If the Lord has patience with the weeds, why should we be troubled? It is undoubtedly true that some people go to church for social purposes rather than to worship God in spirit and in truth. Many have joined a church without being genuinely converted. There are those who profess to believe in Christ but live as though He never existed. They claim to be religious but act as though they never heard of the Ten Commandments. Even in the ranks of Spirit-filled believers there may be some "weeds," whose daily lives are not consistent with their testimony. Rather than focus our attention on the "weeds" and lose our faith, we need to look at all the "wheat" and be encouraged. Don't be stumbled by the hypocrites. The Lord will deal with them at harvest time. The wheat shall be gathered into His barn, but the weeds shall be burned.

Let's thank God for the wheat and do all we can to keep the revival spreading. Keep praying. Preach and teach the Word. Prayer has brought this revival and continued prayer will sustain it. Pray that deep and lasting results may be seen through the Spirit and the Word.

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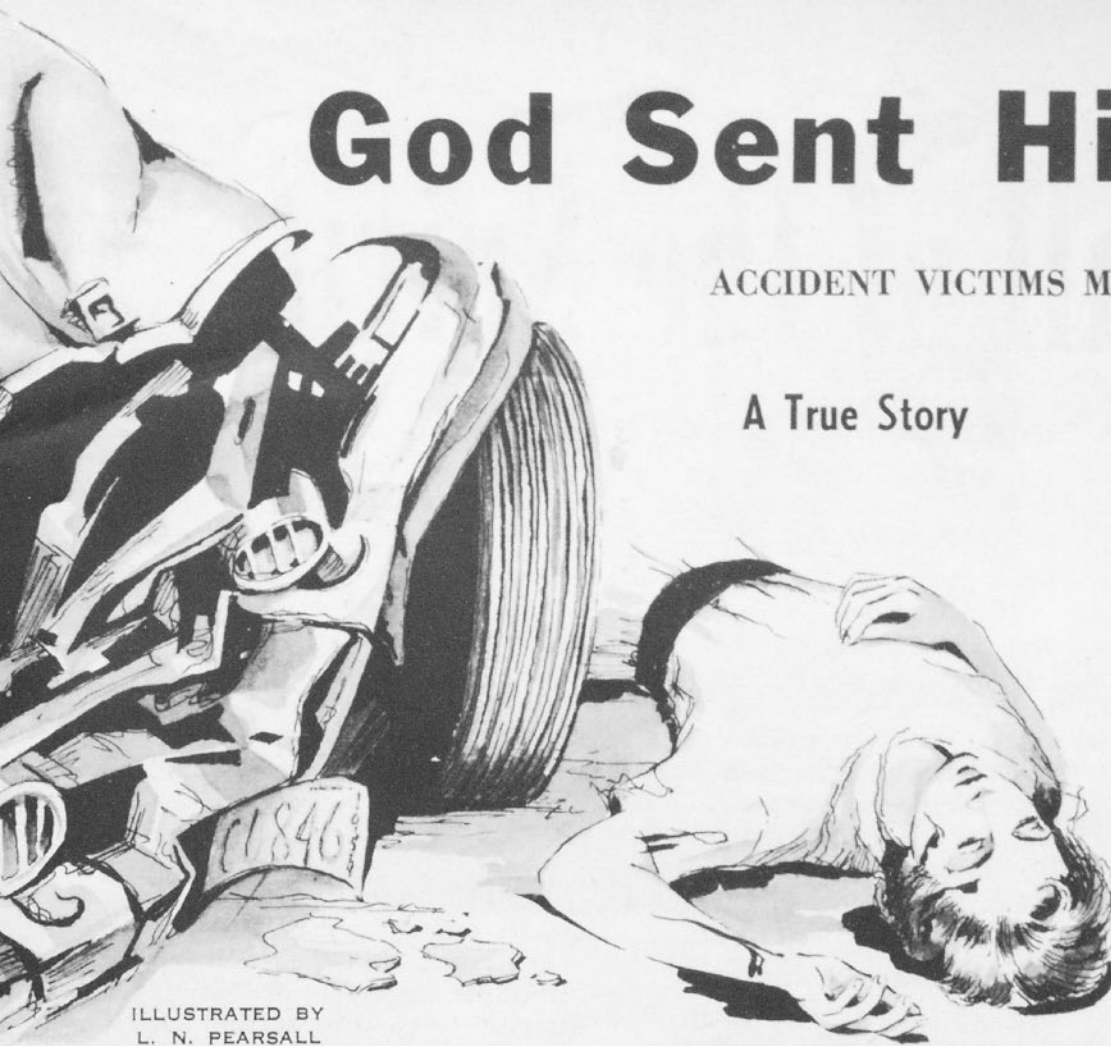
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God Sent His Angel

ACCIDENT VICTIMS MIRACULOUSLY SPARED

A True Story



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IT IS WRITTEN, "THE ANGEL OF THE Lord encampeth round about them that fear Him, and delivereth them" (Psalm 34:7). That is as true today as when Daniel was cast in the den of lions and the Lord sent His angel to shut the lions' mouths.

The Earnest family found it true last summer. One Sunday morning they were driving along a country road in the vicinity of Turlock, California, after attending church, when their car was struck broadside by another car. The impact was so great that their car rolled over several times.

Evangeline Earnest, the mother, was pinned beneath the car. Her husband Albert lay close by, critically injured. The two older children were thrown out of the car. Stephen, age 2, was found about thirty feet from the wrecked car—unhurt.

The family was taken to the emergency ward of the hospital. Mrs. Earnest was found to be the most seriously injured. She had nine broken ribs, a punctured lung, a broken arm, injured back, and a basal concussion. A sharp object had pierced her chin, ripped through the oral cavity, and pierced the right ear, breaking her jaw in at least five places.

Mr. Earnest was suffering with broken or crushed vertebrae, and a con-

cusssion. Robert, 10, had a broken arm and bruised pelvis, severe lacerations in his right arm, and concussion. Rachel, 8, had several lacerations of the face and concussion.

In an emergency like this it means a great deal to have loved ones and friends who know how to pray. The hospital notified the family's pastor, Robert Carrington, of the accident. He immediately called the praying people of Bethel Temple (Turlock, Calif.) together to intercede for the sufferers.

Mr. and Mrs. John Sondeno, parents of Mrs. Earnest, were also notified immediately. They have ten children, all of them born-again Pentecostal believers, who went to prayer as soon as they learned of the condition of their sister and her family. Fredolf, a missionary, was in Japan at the time of the accident; Gunnar, another son, was in Norway in evangelistic meetings; Milton was also in Japan helping in missionary activities. The rest of the children were all in different Assemblies of God churches throughout the land, and they each called members of their respective congregations to prayer without delay.

Mrs. Earnest hovered between life and death for many days. The doctors who cared for her were Christians who believed in prayer. At one of her

greatest crises, when her life hung in the balance, one of the doctors knelt by her bed and prayed for her and for the operation which was to follow soon. Many of the nurses, too, were Christians at Emmanuel Hospital.

Two days after the accident, she was in a most critical condition. Around 8 p.m. the nurse on duty noticed that she was in a dying condition and sinking fast. In great haste she summoned other nurses, and all were convinced that the doctor should be called immediately. One of the nurses thought of calling Bethel Temple. The church went to their knees immediately and prayed to God. Before the doctor arrived there suddenly came a marked change for the better. The nurse exclaimed, "This is an act of God." When the doctor came she apologized for calling him, and explained what had happened.

Later another nurse inquired whether someone in particular had been praying for Mrs. Earnest when she passed the crisis. She was told that the church had been engaged in definite prayer and she said, "Praise the Lord—God hears the prayers of His people."

All during the time of emergency the family had been warned that they should be prepared for "the worst," but God brought Mrs. Earnest through. Today she is well and active; her husband is working again; and the children have completely recovered from their injuries.

Recently they gave their testimonies over the Bethel Temple radio service. An unsaved businessman, after hearing their testimonies about God's wonderful deliverance from death and their song about His wonderful salvation, broke down and wept.

Yes, God sent His angel to protect the family from death in the accident, and He performed another miracle in restoring them all to health and strength. In the Norwegian translation of Isaiah 63:9 we read: "In all their trials or afflictions, there were no afflictions and/or because the Angel of His presence saved them." How true it is that our trials become so small—they vanish like the dew—when Christ reveals Himself. ◀◀

The Call of the Spirit

A GENERAL COUNCIL SERMON BY
JAMES W. VAN METER

FOR THIS SUNDAY NIGHT SERVICE of our great General Council I would like to call your attention to some verses in the thirteenth chapter of the Book of Acts: "As they ministered to the Lord, and fasted, the Holy Ghost said, Separate me Barnabas and Saul for the work whereunto I have called them. And when they had fasted and prayed, and laid their hands on them, they sent them away. So they, being sent forth by the Holy Ghost, departed."

There is an abyss of spiritual emptiness and chaos which, like a vast medieval moat, surrounds human lives at the present time. No forward spiritual movement can take place until this terrible abyss is illumined and bridged. Within this void are religions and philosophies, nations and institutions, laws and customs in full process of disintegration; and here we stand as a great body of Pentecostal believers destined to flash the light of the gospel into this void, to interpret to men their predicament, and to concentrate their gaze upon Jesus, who is able to meet the yearnings and solve the frustrations of every human heart.

We are here by an act of God, and because of this all of us should have a sense of destiny. Our church is on the frontier of human anguish and despair. This is an embattled frontier where passions flame. It is not just the frontier between democracy and communism. It is a frontier which crosses every other frontier in our time—a blazing frontier where fire of the flesh (that is, a consuming passion for the purely human and temporal) meets the fire of the spirit, an equally consuming passion, divine and eternal.

It is upon this frontier that the Assemblies of God must take its stand. Our generation cannot be reached with anything short of a faith that is set aflame by a divine passion. There is no time for a mere cold, conventional acceptance of inherited beliefs. It is

no tepid good will toward God and man. It must be a passionate commitment of life to the cause. We must meet God anew and pray for tongues of fire again to sit upon us, creating fervor and zeal. Our passion must be to grasp and express both in doctrine and life the inmost meaning of discipleship. Our Scripture reading points out the Spirit's call to a segment of the Early Church for a specific ministry. This is true of us also.

THE CALL TO WORSHIP

"God is a Spirit," said Jesus, "and they that worship him must worship him in spirit and in truth." Our church



W. E. Scott, Minister of Education; James W. Van Meter, Pastor; and Max Eleiott, Minister of Music, standing in front of the baptistry at the new Central Assembly, Springfield.

came into being at a time when traditional Christianity was reverting to the symbolisms of Rome. Ritual was taking the place of reality, but we were called to a spiritual worship. First Corinthians 14:25 speaks of those who came within the sanctuary of a Pentecostal meeting and reported, "God is in you of a truth."

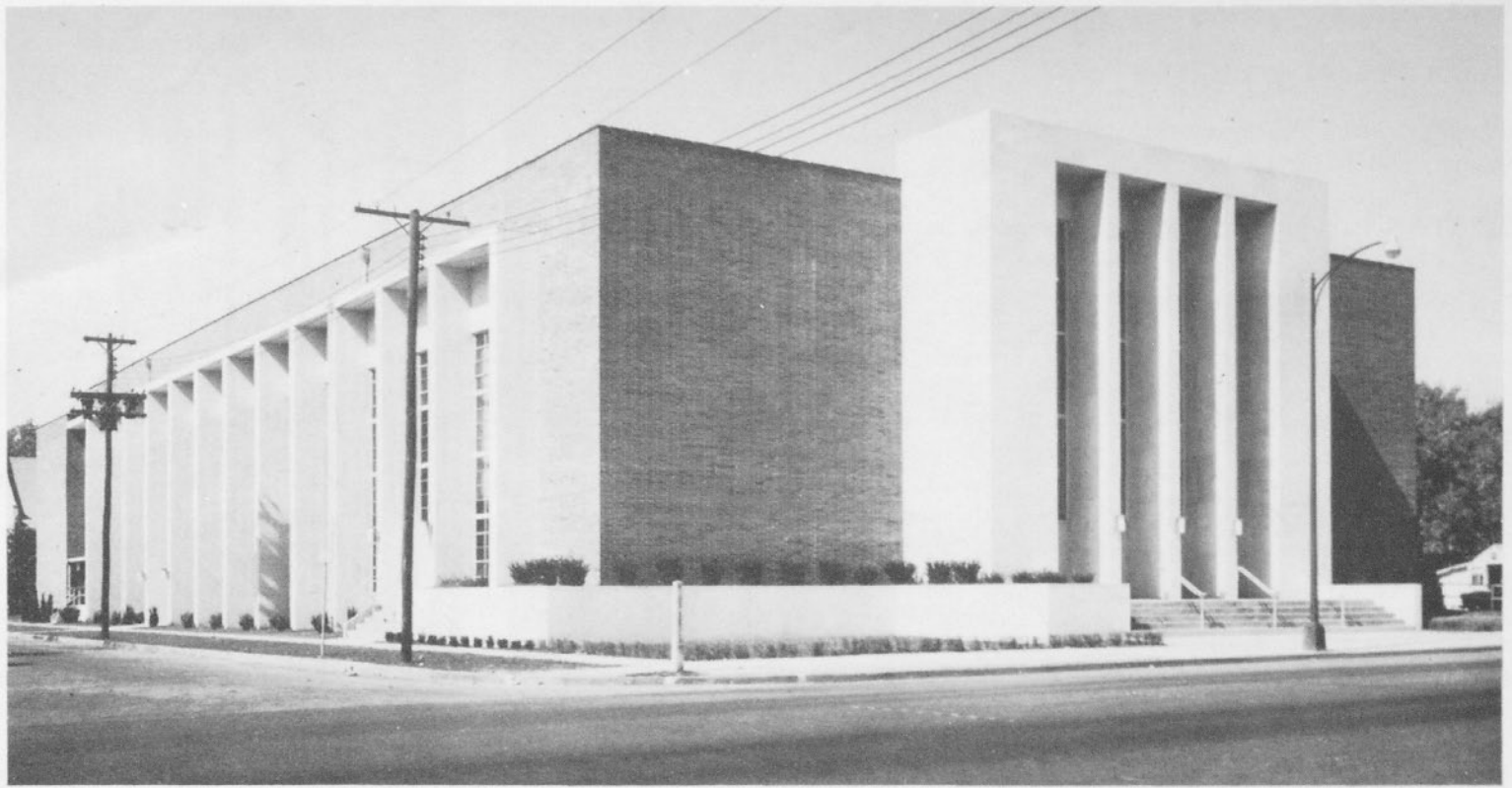
Thus, the call of the Spirit was to bring about a worship that would have as its center the manifest presence of God, rather than the symbolic or the ritualistic suggestions of God. It transformed every part of the worship—from ceremonial to spiritual, from ritual to reality. The apostle wrote in 1 Corinthians 14, "I will pray with the spirit . . . I will sing with the spirit." No wonder people talk about the attractive singing of the Assemblies of God churches and the praying of Pentecostal people, for we have answered the call to worship. Therefore, God is not afar off. He is in the midst of His people.

Our church is not to be a monument to the memory of God. It is rather to reveal God. Forms of worship are essential. Some symbolisms are necessary. The sacrament of communion symbolizes the blessed atonement and the hope of the return of Christ, and water baptism symbolizes the death of the old nature and the resurrected "newness of life." But we must go much further than the symbols. We must know God.

Job cried out, "I have heard of thee by the hearing of the ear: but now mine eye seeth thee." Many of us have responded to the call of the Spirit to worship and we know something of the reality of Job's experience, for we have beheld Him in some of the glory of His majesty and the demonstrations of His wonderful power.

In order for the longing within the human heart for reality to be satisfied, worship is essential, for man is es-

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Springfield's New Central Assembly

THE IMPOSING NEW HOME OF CENTRAL ASSEMBLY IN Springfield, Missouri, is shown above. It is located on Boonville Avenue, a main thoroughfare of the city, at the corner of Calhoun Street. James W. Van Meter is the Pastor. William E. Scott is Minister of Education and Max E. Eleiott is Minister of Music.

The handsome edifice was dedicated to the service of the Lord on Sunday afternoon, September 15. Several former pastors were present for the happy occasion, including R. M. Riggs, Bert Webb, T. F. Zimmerman, and David A. Hastie. Other distinguished guests included Edward V. Long, Lieutenant Governor, State of Missouri; Charles Brown, Member of the U. S. House of Representatives; Bart Avery, City Manager; and a number of national leaders of the Assemblies of God.

The service marked the beginning of a unique dedication crusade in which a number of outstanding gospel preachers and musicians were heard. Charles Blair, Mervin Rosell, Howard P. Courtney, C. M. Ward, W. A. Criswell, Ira Stanphill, Bob Daniels, the Harmony Makers, and Phil Kerr all ministered for about three days each. The series, extending over a seven-week period, was scheduled to climax with a Missionary Rally and Homecoming with Emil A. Balliet, former pastor, as guest speaker.

During the crusade, a Revivaltime broadcast, heard from coast to coast and around the world, was released direct from the platform of the new church.

One Saturday night Central Assembly's weekly television program "Songs in the Night" also originated in the new sanctuary.

Functional design and modern architectural techniques have been combined with a delightful simplicity and excellent taste to make the new building an ideal house of prayer. The

atmosphere in the auditorium is conducive to worship. The amethyst, gold, and green colors of the tall stained glass windows blend with the rich green upholstery of the chairs, gold platform carpet, and blonde woodwork to create a most pleasing effect.

The church, which seats 2300, is completely air-conditioned. A hi-fi sound system distributes the sound evenly throughout the auditorium by a network of loud speakers concealed in the forty-foot ceiling.

The exterior is of brick with huge pillars separating the tall windows at the front and sides. W. E. DeWitt, Jr., one of the deacons, was the contractor. Richard P. Stahl of Springfield was the architect.

The new building has a three-story section at the rear, housing thirty-five Sunday School class rooms and four departmental assembly rooms besides a chapel, youth auditorium, pastor's study, Sunday School office, and other church offices. Each Sunday School room has its own electric air conditioner which provides refrigerated air in summer and heat in winter. The new building adjoins the old where the Nursery Department and several large Sunday School classes are located.

Evangel readers passing through Springfield are urged to visit Central Assembly and the other thriving Assemblies of God churches that are located throughout the city. The same warm fellowship and spiritual blessing that are found among Spirit-filled believers everywhere will be found at Springfield. The presence of God is in the midst of the people at Central Assembly. The altar rail in the new building is already stained with the tears of many sinners who have wept their way to pardon through Christ, and the altar area has been thoroughly initiated to the Pentecostal praises of those who have been filled with the Holy Spirit.

Call of the Spirit

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entially spirit. Whenever the spiritual side of man has been ignored, disaster has followed.

THE CALL TO EVANGELIZE

Immediately following the Pentecostal experience the gospel burned within the hearts of the apostles so that they *could not* be silent about what they had seen and heard, and when they spoke it was with flaming unction and passionate intensity. Some have called it "apostolic madness."

The Church needs to break out of its monastic tendencies, its isolation, its sophisticated society, its cliquishness. We need to reach the world. That is our calling. It should be the conscious destiny of every believer.

The battle of the ages is on. Let me recite a few lines from the *Communist International*: "Arise ye prisoners of starvation; arise ye wretched of the earth, for justice thunders condemnation; a better world's in birth. No more tradition's chains shall bind you; arise, ye slaves. No more enthralled, the world shall rise on new foundations. You have been naught; you shall be all." This suggests the drive of this new anti-God, anti-Christ movement which is sweeping the world. Its devotees have abandoned every personal desire in order to propagate their diabolical philosophy and ultimately conquer the world. Already over eight hundred million people have been brought within the orbit of their in-

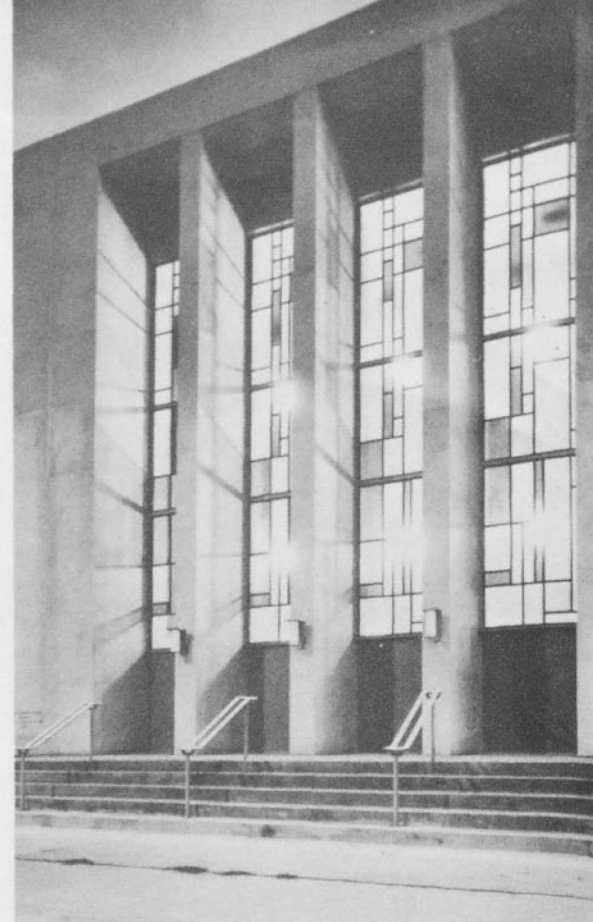
fluence, while the church continues to slumber and concern itself with the same sixes and sevens. Heaven must wonder at our apathy and indifference.

When Charles Simeon was carrying on his great ministry at Cambridge University, making an impact on college youth such as has never been surpassed in any center of learning, a new bell with this inscription upon it was cast for the belfry tower of a neighboring church: "Glory to the church and damnation to enthusiasm."

This sentiment is still expressive of many churches, and I wonder if there are not some signs of its invading our ranks. There are those who demand that everything religious shall be kept at all times within the bounds or proprieties sanctioned by moderation and good taste.

President Mackay of Princeton Seminary has this to say on the subject: "In such circles people 'enjoy' religion, and their enjoyment is all the more exquisite when they can feel that in supporting the church they are, in a subtle way, Christ's patrons and not His servants. In the meantime they hurl 'damnation' at Pentecostals and such like fanatics and even at those who take a new life movement too seriously. They forget that there is more hope for uncouth life than for aesthetic death."

Jeremiah 2:5 in Moffatt's translation reads, "Your fathers... went after empty idols and became empty themselves." We must guard against erecting idols in our time. The drive for success and the perversion for greatness can, within themselves, become

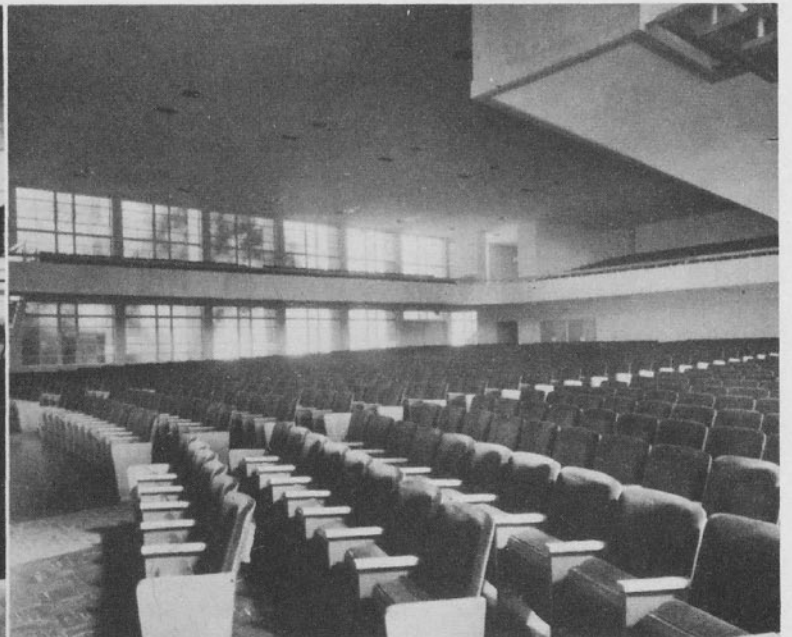


Doors are set between majestic pillars.

idols, but the great idolatry of our time is materialism. Let me raise my voice at this Council meeting to shout to our entire constituency, "Beware of materialism lest we fall prey to this, the subtleness of all idolatry, and ultimately find we have been emptied of God." The danger that we face is not the danger of failure, but the dangers inherent in success.

The call of the Spirit did not come for the purpose of establishing a religious fraternity or a society of

These views from the southwest and southeast corners of the main auditorium show the general seating plan at the new Central Assembly, including self-supporting balcony with suspended stairways. Absence of posts permits unobstructed vision.



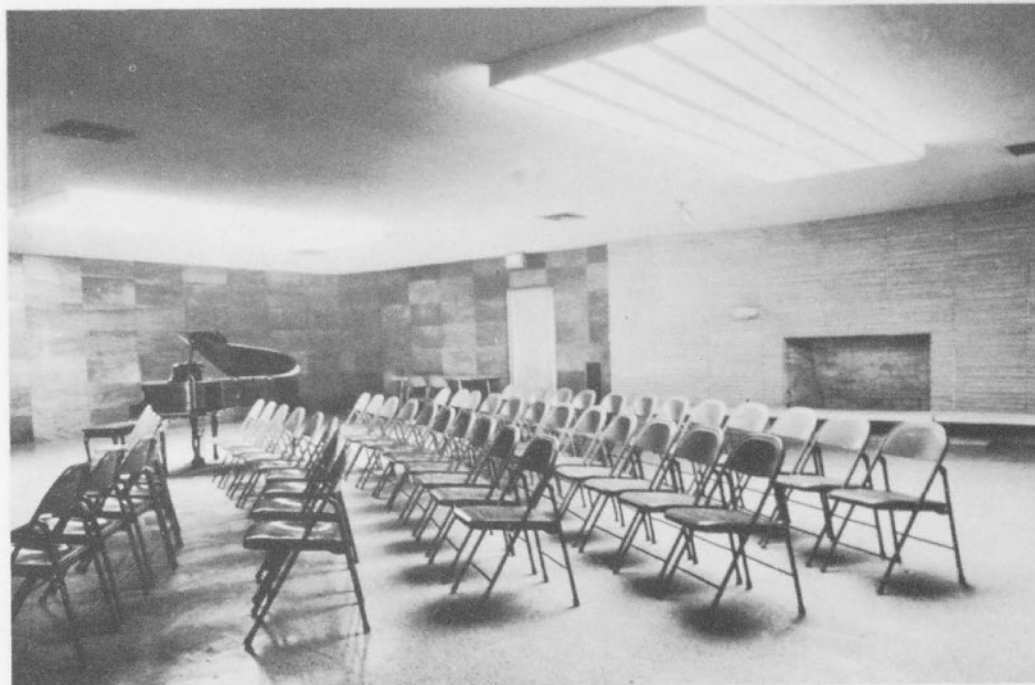
separatists; but, like the prophet Ezekiel, we have been called to "sit where they sat," weep through their tears, suffer through their wounds, and then to put arms of love about them and draw them to the redeeming place of Calvary.

We need a revelation of the tragic condition of Calvary. Men and women are lost. The world is rushing with tremendous speed toward the abyss of eternal wrath and judgment. There is a need for us to recapture some of the religious zeal and fervor manifested by our fathers.

Think of William Lloyd Garrison, who put his stamp upon history's events by standing almost alone against the evil institution of slavery. He said on one occasion, "I trust in God that I might be His humble instrument of breaking at least one chain." His biographer declares, "The continuousness of Garrison is appalling and fatigues even the retrospective imagination of posterity. He is like something let loose. I dread the din of him. I cover my head and fix my mind on other things, but it's Garrison hammering away till he catches my eye and forces me to heed him. If Garrison can do this to me, who am protected from dread of him by many years of intervening time, think how his lash must have fallen upon the thin skin of our ancestors."

The source of Garrison's power, declares his biographer, was the Bible. He read it constantly. It was with this fire that he started his conflagration. If this man possessed this faith and fervor, which resulted in the removal of the mountain that was before him, what could Pentecostal believers do if this same zeal would possess us! In a great world effort we could bring our generation to the knowledge of Christ!

We must not permit tradition to stymie us in our outreach for souls. What were the accusations most often hurled at Jesus? Were they not that He violated the traditions and the customs of Israel—by eating and drinking with sinners, disregarding the customs of the Sabbath and of ceremonial cleansing? These were all hurled at Him with violence, but He, with His sense of destiny, reiterated again and again, "I am not come to call the righteous, but sinners to repentance." We must get back this sense of destiny. Our mission is to win the lost to Christ and prepare the people for His return.



The youth auditorium has a huge fireplace and walls paneled in Philippine mahogany. It is named the Richard Hogan Memorial Room after one of the C.A.'s (son of J. Philip Hogan, and grandson of Gayle F. Lewis) who was killed in an automobile accident last year.

THE CALL TO TRIUMPHANT LIVING

"More than conquerors through him that loved us"—that is to be the experience of Spirit-called, Spirit-filled believers. We are to be no pawn in the hand of the enemy, for power has been released within whereby we may overcome the enemy. "Greater is he that is in you, than he that is in the world." And we are promised, "When the enemy shall come in like a flood, the Spirit of the Lord shall lift up a standard against him." "For the weapons of our warfare are not carnal, but mighty through God to the pulling down of strongholds."

No longer is our joy to be tied to mere circumstances. We are not to rise and fall like the waves of the sea. "The joy of the Lord" is to be our strength, regardless of the circumstances.

Stephen demonstrated it to us in the dark midnight of his life, being stoned to death for his radiant testimony; and suddenly this joy deep down within his heart burst forth on his countenance until those who stood by confessed that his face shone like the face of an angel. He was not immune to pain; he felt the loneliness of the hour; the pains of the stones were as real to him as to any; but he had the "joy of the Lord" for his strength.

Think of Paul and Silas, bound and bleeding, bruised and broken in a prison house. Instead of demanding their rights or feeling sorry for themselves

in their plight, they were still triumphant, "and at midnight Paul and Silas prayed, and sang praises unto God."

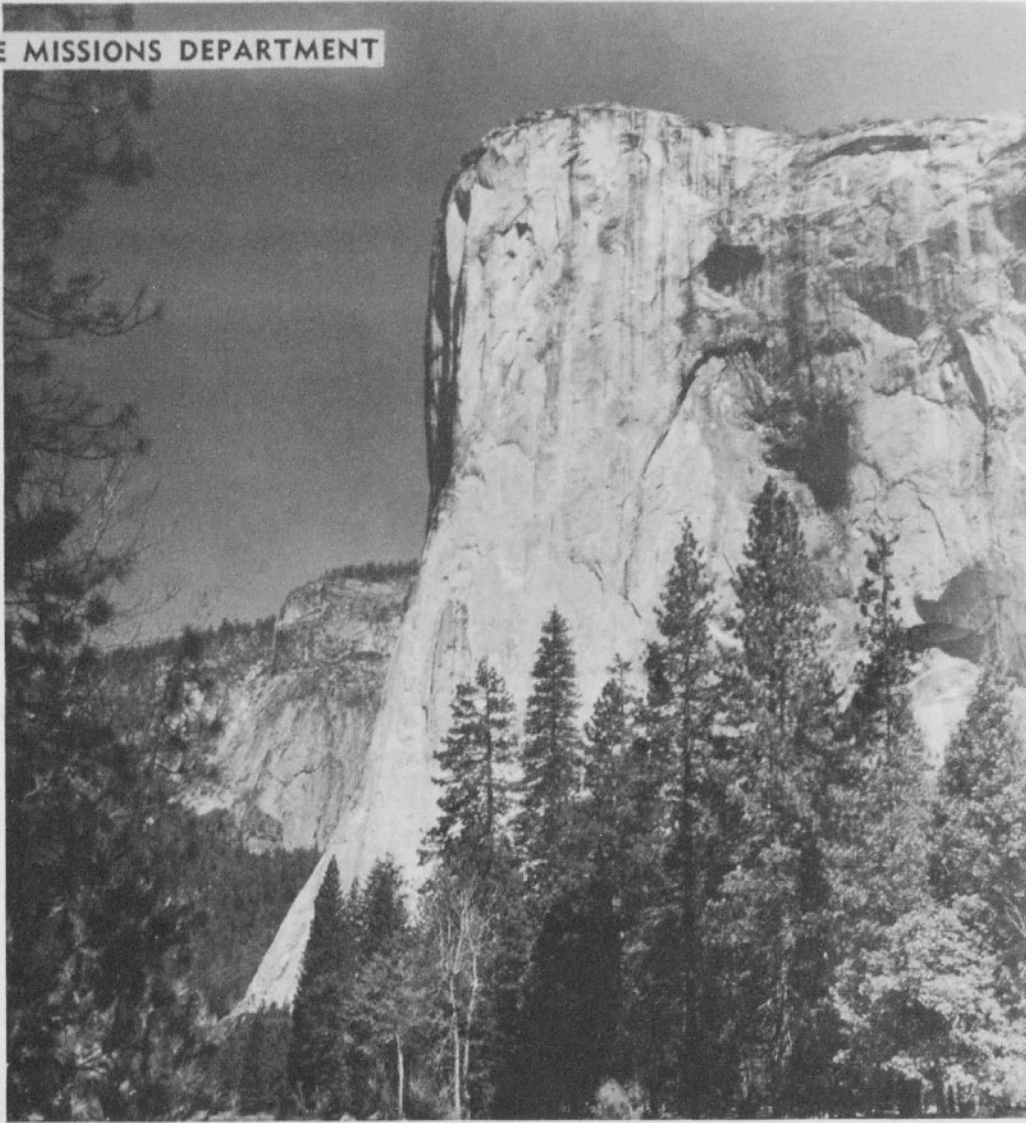
Consider Paul, betrayed by countrymen, forsaken by friends, imprisoned by enemies as he lifted his voice with confidence to cry in triumph, "Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword?... Nay, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him that loved us."

No wonder Pentecostals are different. We have answered the call of the Spirit to a triumphant life. "For whatsoever is born of God overcometh the world: and this is the victory that overcometh the world, even our faith."

Power is the keynote of the triumphant life. The early disciples did not go around registering the current pessimisms. They changed the conditions. They didn't go around saying, "Look at the problems," but "Look at the Saviour." As E. Stanley Jones has said, "Their emphasis was not on *sin abounding* but on *grace much more abounding*; and they spoke with transforming force, for the acts of the apostles were the acts of the Holy Spirit working through the apostles." And what they began we can continue.

The triumphant life includes a walk of holiness before the Lord. "Ye are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, an holy nation, a peculiar people; that ye should shew forth the praises

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“Lead Me to the Rock”

BY ELVA JOHNSON

IN A RECENT ARTICLE ON THE “Paradox of Prisons” in LIFE magazine, Earnest Havemann said of James Bennett, head of our federal prisons, that he “knows, and so do all competent penologists, that prison is an evil place. It is doubtless necessary to society, but it is evil nonetheless.”

Havemann continued by saying, “When Bennett visits the Atlanta penitentiary he is always impressed by the paths worn into its corridors. These floors are made of Georgia granite, but they have been deeply eroded by the unhappy footsteps of generation after generation of lost souls. Bennett runs his prisons as best he can and hopes for the best, but he knows that the

feet will keep marching. The prison has not solved the crime problem. It merely stands as a sorry monument to mankind’s frailty. The conscientious prisonkeeper can only hope that future generations, armed with more scientific knowledge of what makes men commit crime and how criminals can be redeemed, will invent something better.”

Admittedly, our generation is no nearer to solving the crime problem and its attendant evils than was the generation before us. For sin is the basic reason that the “unhappy footsteps” of generations of lost souls continue to echo through the corridors of our penal institutions, and Calvary is the only answer to sin.

How do these lost souls feel about their condition? Do they want help—do they want an answer to their problems?

David once voiced this prayer, “From the end of the earth will I cry unto thee, when my heart is overwhelmed: lead me to the rock that is higher than I . . .”

In one way or another, thousands of men and women whose feet keep marching in the wrong direction are crying out with this same longing—“Lead me to the Rock.”

Sometimes it’s a hoarse sob that bursts from the sinful heart of a lost man who lies sleepless on a prison bunk, trying to think his way out. Or it may be a faltering whispered prayer in a prison chapel. Or it may come in a letter to someone who seems to care. The National Home Missions Department prison files are full of these cries for help. National Prison Representative Arvid Ohnell counsels with thousands of prisoners each year who are asking only that he “lead them to the Rock.”

Letters like those from which the following excerpts were taken, express the heartfelt longing of men whose feet still tread the corridors of our penal institutions:

“Please help me to find the true way . . .”

“Just continue to believe in me, and some day I hope to make you proud of me . . .”

“In my cell a year ago I read my Bible through from cover to cover and I realized my sinful, lost condition. I began to pray about it, and I spent many days of reading and praying before I was saved. We have a group of Christians here . . . If we get prayers from outside it will help to save those inside of prisons. So please, we ask of you and your fellow Christians, our brothers in Christ, to pray for a great awakening in prison . . .”

“There must be a better way to live than the way I have been. All I want is the opportunity, so continue to pray for me and wish me luck . . .”

“I was talking to a friend of mine who is taking one of your Bible Courses and he tells me I can find the truth about God. Well, I don’t know a lot about God and His ways, but I want to know all I can. I have never read the New Testament till now, but I am going to read it and then after I find out the Truth, I can know how to accept the right way . . .”

“When I get out I know the Lord

Visiting Behind the Bars

To hundreds of prisoners across the land, no visitor is more welcome than THE PENTECOSTAL EVANGEL. A great and growing number of inmates read it regularly and they are most profuse in their thanks to the friends whose liberality has made the magazine available to them.

The Home Missions Department, through our National Prison Representative, Arvid Ohnell, is in contact with the chaplains at the various prisons and

finds that they are pleased to hand the EVANGEL to all the inmates who wish to read it.

There is a dearth of good reading material in the prisons, and the chaplains are eager to obtain gospel literature that is attractive and interesting. Do you have a pile of back-dated EVANGELS that are not torn or soiled? We suggest you write to "The Protestant Chaplain" at your state prison and ask if he wants them. (If you do not know the prison address, write to the Home Missions Department, 434 West Pacific Street, Springfield 1, Missouri, for information; but please do not mail any EVANGELS to the Home Missions Department address.)

One chaplain answered an inquiry by saying: "Indeed we can use religious materials for distribution here and it will be greatly appreciated. Our list is quite extensive and the only means we have of meeting the needs of the inmate here is through contributions of various individuals and organizations who send the literature."

He added: "A prison regulation requires that the material be clean, although it does not have to be new. . . ."

will lead me in the right way. I led a life of sin till I met Jesus. I had gone out to the end of the rope before I gave myself to Him. One day last year I found a Gideon Bible. I started to read it. I found a verse in Galatians 2:20, which reads: 'I am crucified with Christ: nevertheless I live; yet not I, but Christ liveth in me: and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by the faith of the Son of God, who loved me, and gave himself for me.'

"There's where I stopped and read it again. It was then that I confessed my sins. Since then I have kept on studying His Word. I have started taking your Bible Courses. . . ."

"The Bible Study Course has helped me a great deal. It has brought me a little closer to God. I find myself wanting to live for Him as Paul did. I'm praying I'll be man enough not to turn back. . . ."

All these and many hundreds more men behind prison bars are crying out in their own way, "Lead me to the Rock—won't somebody, somewhere, lead me to the Rock!"

The National Home Missions Department has sought for nearly ten years to place God-centered, Christ-revealing Bible Study Courses into the hands of these men who seek a better

way. They have been led in the paths of temptation and sin. Somebody must now lead them to the Rock, Christ Jesus. Of course not every prisoner wants to be led to the Rock. But shall we turn a deaf ear to those who do?

Today, November 10, is NATIONAL PRISON SUNDAY. Hundreds of Assemblies of God churches across the nation will take evangelism into the city or county jail on that day.

Will your church join in this effort to reach the lost men and women in your own local city or county jails? Or will the day go by without any concern on your part for these who wait for someone to lead them to the Rock, Christ Jesus?

If you cannot minister in the local jail, will you at least join in prayer that God will by His Holy Spirit bless

Home Missions Reminder—

Today, Nov. 10,
is
National Prison Sunday
Conduct a jail service!

There are about 3200 men confined to this institution so you may use your own discretion as to the numbers of magazines, Bibles, or other books you wish to send."

Here are the addresses of two chaplains who will welcome the magazines:

Department of Corrections
E. P. Weaver, Protestant Chaplain
Jefferson City, Missouri
Chaplain Thomas E. Pollard
4000 Cooper Street
Jackson, Michigan

Prisoners in city and county jails also are looking for something to read. Why not put a gospel magazine in their hands and pray that it may be the means of leading them to Christ. ◀◀

those who go in the name of Jesus to lead the lost to Christ?

Through his short basic-type Bible Study Courses, National Prison Representative Arvid Ohnell has made contact with many prisoners and led them to the Rock. Already over 8,000 courses have been distributed, and the results have been most gratifying.

Your support of this great work is urgently needed at this time when the fourth course is now being written and made ready for those who have lost their way.

Please use the coupon below to send your offerings for PRISON BIBLE STUDY COURSES. This can be your answer to the heart-cry of these unhappy men whose feet keep marching down the corridors of confinement while they seek the way to the Rock.

HOME MISSIONS DEPARTMENT
434 WEST PACIFIC STREET Springfield 1, Missouri

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THIS PRESENT WORLD

EVANGELISM

Many Added to New Jersey Assemblies Through Oral Roberts Campaign

Many new members have been added to the Assemblies of God churches in New Jersey as a result of the meetings conducted by Evangelist Oral Roberts in Trenton, N. J., June 7 to 16. The total attendance was 148,500. Crowds of up to 20,000 nightly attended the meetings which were sponsored by thirty-seven Assemblies.

Richard G. Bergstrom, Superintendent of the New Jersey District, made a survey ten weeks after the campaign ended. He visited churches throughout the Trenton area and concluded that more people were added to the Assemblies of God churches in New Jer-

sey as a result of this campaign than through all the local church campaigns in the past three years combined.

"This meeting elevated our standing state-wide," Brother Bergstrom says. "Through the influence of the evangelist, many notable contacts were made, including denominational church leaders and leading physicians. Some of these who attended the meetings and met with Brother Roberts for a luncheon expressed their desire to become a part of the meeting if the Roberts party should return to this area.

"We do not know of a church that sponsored the meeting that did not receive some good. Some had many added to the church, others few, but all testify to a new enthusiasm and spiritual move toward the salvation of souls among their people.

"Several of our pioneer churches in the Trenton vicinity have begun building projects since the meeting, encouraged by the new attendants and increased finances. The caliber of the converts was especially noticeable. Many business people not only went forward but are now part of our Assemblies of God churches here in New Jersey.

"An offering of approximately \$3,400 was received for the sponsoring pastors. The follow-up program is continuing, with hundreds of folk taking the correspondence course and pastors ministering to hundreds of people in need of spiritual help."

Dallas Churches to Co-operate in Evangelism Crusade

More than 300 Protestant churches of ten denominations have agreed to co-operate in a simultaneous evangelism crusade in Dallas, Texas, next March 23 to 28. Each church will have a meeting in its own church each evening during the crusade, with its own minister or a visiting preacher speaking. Denominations participating in the effort will be Southern Baptist, Assemblies of God, Congregational, Disciples of Christ, Episcopal, Evangelical and Reformed, Lutheran, Free Methodist, Church of the Nazarene, and Southern Presbyterian. The crusade will be preceded by a city-wide census to determine the denominational preference of nonchurchgoers.

AT A GLANCE ...

Yugoslav Food Production Down. Communist Yugoslavia once was a heavy exporter of food. Now she cannot raise enough to feed her own people. Last year's agricultural output dropped 12 per cent. The country was forced to import 1,400,000 metric tons of wheat and large quantities of onions.

The Reward of 'Loyalty.' "Newsweek" reports that according to diplomatic sources, the Kadar regime in Hungary has a cruel new weapon. A polio epidemic is stalking Hungary this year. Polio vaccine is available, but only children of "loyal" Communist families are eligible to receive immunization.

New Dollar Bills Have National Motto. The words, "In God We Trust," adopted last year by Congress as our national motto, now appear on some 25 million one-dollar bills put into circulation by the U. S. Treasury Department on October 1. They are the first American paper currency to bear the motto, although it has appeared on coins since 1864.

Bills of higher denominations bearing the motto will be printed as additional presses of a new type are installed. The new bills are printed by an entirely new process called "dry printing" which is four times as fast as the old one and involves less spoilage. It will be several years before the new currency is in full circulation.

National Motto in Post Office. A bronze plaque bearing the inscription, "In God We Trust," has been unveiled at the post office at Ossining, New York. It was donated by an inter-faith women's committee. The plaque is the first installed in a New York post office and the second in the country since Congress adopted the motto last year. The first was erected at Durant, Oklahoma, a few months ago.

Baptist Starts Modern 'City of Refuge.' A Baptist clergyman has founded a community on an 80-acre tract near Austin, Texas, where people can forget the past and make a new start. He calls it The City of Refuge, taking the name from the six cities of refuge which God commanded Joshua to build in Jordan and Canaan. The community is still in the building stage, but the minister says it is getting more applications than it can handle. Apparently many people are trying to forget.

More Gains Than Losses, Jews Report. According to the official yearbook of the Israeli government, Judaism gained more converts in Israel than it lost during the year. None of the figures are very impressive, however. The government reported that six Jews were converted to Islam and ten Jews became Christians during 1956. In the same period, fourteen Christians and four Moslems became Jews.

SPECIAL DAYS

Prison Population at New High

As we observe National Prison Sunday at this time we cannot help being appalled at the great increase in the U. S. jail population. There were more people in prison in this country at the end of last year than ever before, the government recently reported.

A report by James V. Bennett, Director of the Federal Prisons Bureau, said the ratio of state and federal prisoners to civilian population was 114.2 per 100,000 as of December 31, 1956. A year before that date the ratio stood at 114 even.

There were 188,730 persons in penal institutions at the end of 1956, including 20,134 in federal custody. A gain in commitments to state prisons during 1956, Mr. Bennett reported, was offset by a drop in the number of criminals sentenced by federal courts. Most of this drop, he said, resulted from a "fall-off in violations of the immigration law" and a reduced use of imprisonment for dealing with immigration offenders.

The increased number of men and women in our jails challenges the members of every assembly to an increased concern for the salvation and spiritual welfare of these unfortunate victims of sin.

MISCELLANEOUS

Magazine Survey Ups Church Membership by 26 Million

Actual church membership in the U.S. is 26,000,000 higher than the total reported by the 1958 *Yearbook of American Churches*, according to a survey made by *Presbyterian Life*, official organ of the Presbyterian Church in the U.S.A. The *Yearbook* places the membership total at 103 million, based on figures supplied by the various denominations. The magazine says the total should be 129 million.

The results of the survey, published in the October 5 issue of the magazine, reveal that the discrepancy is due to the different methods used in determining membership. Most Protestant bodies include as members only those who are over 13 years of age, whereas the Roman Catholic Church, the Protestant Episcopal Church, and Lutheran bodies report all baptized members, including small children.

The magazine's survey included all baptized Protestants, even if they are very young and not counted as "official" members. This placed the total Protestant constituency at 86,250,000, instead of the 60,148,980 reported in the 1958 *Yearbook of American Churches*. Figures for the Roman Catholic, Jewish, and other faiths remained the same in the survey as in the *Yearbook*: 34,563,000 Roman Catholics; 5,500,000 Jews; and 2,598,000 Eastern Orthodox.

"Under the mixed standards of measuring membership, the impression has been given that almost half of the country's population is unchurched. Statistically this is untrue," the magazine said. "Only one-fourth of the men, women, and children in the U. S. are unaffiliated with some church."

Study Ethical Practices of Public Officials in Minnesota

Five religious leaders are among twelve persons appointed by Minnesota Governor Orville Freeman to study the ethical and moral standards in Minnesota's state government. The governor said he would ask the committee—first of its kind in the country, according to one political scientist—to come up with recommendations to foster greater integrity in public office and better service to the people's interest.

U. N. Urged to Make a Statement on Religious Liberty

The United Nations has been asked by *Protestants and Other Americans United for the Separation of Church and State* to make a strong statement on religious liberty. Dr. Glenn L. Archer, executive secretary of the POAU, made the request in a letter in which he stated that religious discrimination against minorities exists in nearly every country that has an established state religion. He asked the

U.N. to issue a strong statement against governmental interference in religion. He particularly cited recent instances of violence in Colombia and warned that religious persecution will spread unless the U.N. acts to condemn it.

Methodists Launch "Sunday School by Mail" Program

A "Sunday School by mail" program was launched on October 1 by the General Board of Education of The Methodist Church. The program is called "Church School at Home," and Methodist Sunday School literature is being sent free to families who enroll in it. The program is directed especially to isolated families in all parts of the U.S.

Dr. Edward D. Staples, supervisor of the new program, pointed out that "attending church school by mail won't compare with classroom instruction, but it should be a lot better than nothing." The lessons are mailed out on a quarterly basis.



KOREAN SERVICEMEN'S RETREAT—Chaplain James Woods (extreme left, standing) and the group of servicemen and missionaries who participated in a special Servicemen's Retreat near Seoul, Korea.

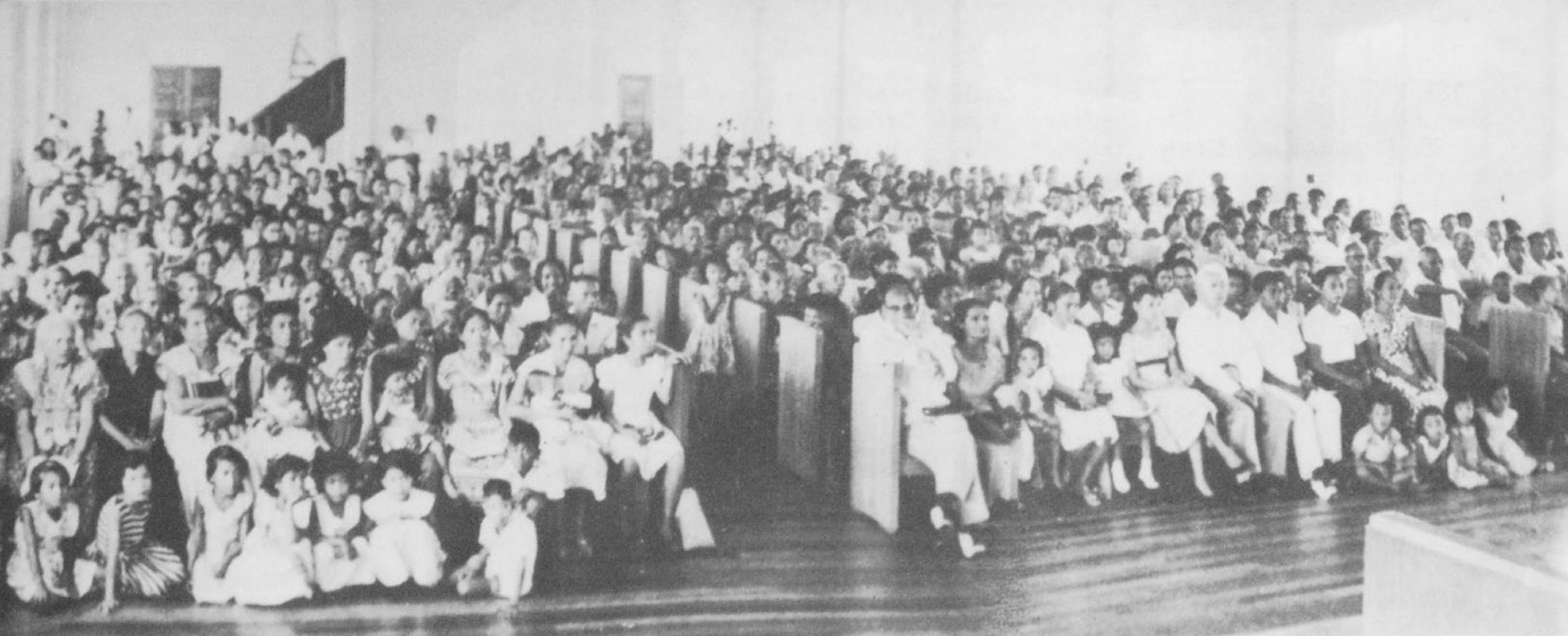
CHAPLAIN WOODS CONDUCTS RETREAT IN KOREA

Chaplain (Major) James H. Woods, an Assemblies of God chaplain stationed in Korea, recently conducted a Servicemen's Retreat for service personnel in that country. The retreat was held in facilities of the Assemblies of God Mission Compound in Yong Dong Po, near Seoul, capital of Korea.

Hosts for the retreat were Assemblies of God missionaries from the U.S., the John Stets and the Richard Johnsons. The Ivan Olsens, missionaries from Norway, participated in the retreat, and Evangelist Harold Herman from Los Angeles was a speaker.

Chaplain Woods planned the event to help meet the spiritual needs of Pentecostal servicemen stationed in Korea. The spiritual benefits of the retreat were great—but there was also something else which made quite an impression on the servicemen. Chaplain Woods summed up this added attraction by saying: "The food was home-cooked—just what we all needed."

Chaplain Woods states that additional retreats are being planned for the future. Full information regarding such activities can be secured by writing: Servicemen's Division, Assemblies of God, 434 West Pacific Street, Springfield 1, Missouri.



Crowd at the last Sunday morning service at the Harold Herman campaign in Iloilo City on Panay Island

Miracles in the Philippines

A JOINT REPORT BY MELVIN STEWARD, *Panay Island*, AND CALVIN ZEISSLER, *Negros Island*

"Christ the Saviour and Healer" was the theme of Evangelist Harold Herman's three-week revival campaign here in Iloilo City on Panay Island in the Central Philippines. Large numbers attended the meetings, and many accepted Christ for the salvation of their souls. More than 2,000 signed decision cards were received in this meeting alone. Hundreds were set free from the bondage of sin and ignorance. Many witnessed the miraculous power of the Lord Jesus Christ to heal the sick.

Throughout the open-air campaign all seats were filled and a great many had to sit on the ground. The meetings impressed this city as it has not been by any Protestant group in fifty years. Throngs came from neighboring towns. There was a good response to the altar call each night. Healing lines grew until they reached in a great ring around a large section of the park hedges. Evangelist Herman prayed around the healing circle on one side, and Melvin Steward prayed on the opposite side.

The Lord wrought deliverance for a great many who personally experienced the miracle touch of Jesus Christ.

As faith rose God opened deaf ears and blind eyes; healed T.B., rheumatism, paralysis, appendicitis, and heart trouble; and delivered deaf mutes. One lady who had been totally blind for ten years instantly received her sight. She has a strong testimony and joyfully attends the Assemblies of God church, along with a throng of other new people attracted during the cam-



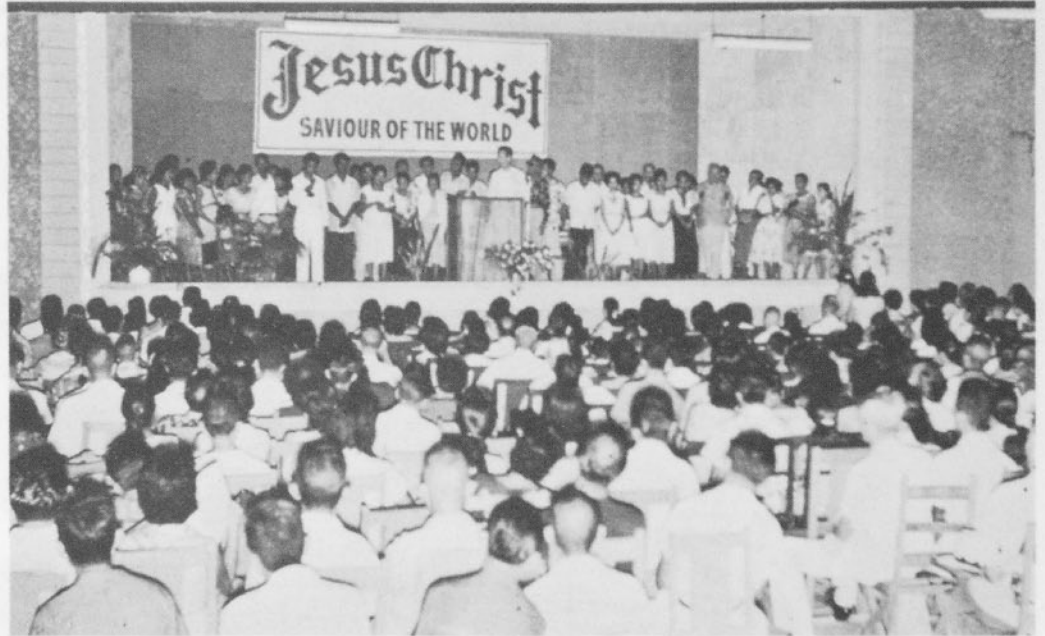
Large crowds attended the outdoor meetings in Iloilo City. Hundreds were saved and healed.



Many knelt in the grass to accept Christ as their Saviour in the outdoor meeting at Bacolod City.



Missionary Melvin Steward and lady who was instantly healed of blindness.



After the campaign in Bacolod City, the church was too small to hold the people so a larger place was rented. Multitudes testified of healing and salvation.

paign. The last Sunday of the meetings the new church could no longer house all the people.

Missionary Calvin Zeissler visited the Iloilo City meetings and invited Evangelist Herman for a campaign in Bacolod City on nearby Negros Island. Brother Herman accepted the invitation, and after the Iloilo City campaign he began meetings in Bacolod City.

Again, on Negros Island, God opened the way for thousands of souls to be reached with the gospel message. Officials of this Roman Catholic city graciously granted use of the Athletic Stadium for the campaign. People came from all over the island and rejoiced as they saw miracles of healing done by a real, living Christ who was shown to be the supreme High Priest and only Saviour of souls.

As many as three hundred in a single night knelt in the grass and dirt before the platform to confess their sins and accept Jesus Christ as their personal Saviour.

"I have never seen such a great response to the plain message of God's Word," is the way Missionary Zeissler expressed it. "To be exact, we have on file 3,288 names of those who indicated their decisions for Christ."

Thronges of sick and afflicted were delivered instantly through the name of Jesus. The greatest miracles were among those who were born deaf mutes and were instantly delivered by the Lord so that they could both hear and speak. There was no one happier than a girl named Gloria Hervias, age 18, who had been bedfast for ten years with a severe

case of rheumatic heart. Jesus raised her up, healed her body, saved her soul, and saved her family. Together with other new converts Gloria loyally attends the meetings.

When the campaign ended, the church was too small to hold the crowds. The "City Teachers' Center Building" was rented temporarily until the completion of the new church that is being erected on a fine lot in the heart of the city. Pray that all the funds will come in to complete the structure.

Just before coming to Iloilo City and Bacolod City, Brother Herman held a three-week campaign with Missionary E. J. Blount in Cebu City where God gave similarly fruitful results. ◀ ◀

Philippines Gift Packages

We have been advised by our missionaries in the Philippines that gift packages can now be sent to all missionaries in that country duty-free, provided the packages are properly labeled. The same provision applies to all goods being sent to missionaries by freight or being taken into the Philippines. The goods should be directed to the Assemblies of God Mission in care of the individual missionary. Also the label should clearly state that the parcel is a gift for missionary use and is not for resale or redistribution.

Missionary Needed

WANTED—For work in South Africa, an Assemblies of God man experienced in printing, capable of supervising print shop, and able to repair machines. He should also have had experience in the ministry. Applicants should write to the Foreign Missions Department, 434 West Pacific Street, Springfield, Missouri, giving information concerning qualifications and experience in ministry and printing.

CHRISTMAS OFFERING

Again we remind you of the Christmas Offering for our missionaries scattered throughout the world. This is a tremendous undertaking but one that can be easily handled if you all do your share. It means so much to our missionaries to receive this extra amount at Christmastime. Please remember them and send your offering to "Christmas Missionary Offering, c/o Foreign Missions Dept., 434 W. Pacific St., Springfield 1, Mo. Do it right away! Time is short!

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NOEL PERKIN, SECRETARY
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 434 W. Pacific St., Springfield 1, Mo.



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The Right Way

BY W. H. MOODY, ESSEX, ONTARIO, CANADA

IN THE BOOK OF ECCLESIASTES WE are given the picture of a traveller on his way to a city, perhaps Jerusalem or some other place. He tries to find his way without asking which route to take, and without looking for the sign posts. He tries one road, and then another, only to be disappointed. Finally, exhausted, he throws himself down in despair as the shades of night are falling, and cries, "It is no use . . . I cannot make it . . . I cannot find the city." Eccl. 10:15—"The labour of the foolish wearith every one of them, because he knoweth not how to go to the city."

This text brings to mind the glorious city mentioned in Revelation 21: the New Jerusalem, heaven. This is the city that Abraham was looking for, and has found by faith in God. "He looked for a city which hath foundations, whose builder and maker is God."

How sad it would be for anyone to miss their way to this eternal city by their foolish refusal to find out the right direction to take! Yet many people are lost and on the wrong road as far as this important city is concerned. So many do not realize their lost condition, and have only a false sense of direction! They are even indignant when asked if they are saved and on the right road to heaven! How could they be wrong?

I heard of an Indian who was actu-

ally lost in the bush, and a trapper took the occasion to tease him, saying, "Indian really lost, eh?" The proud Redskin drew himself up to his full height, and answered, "Who, me? Me big Indian chief, not lost, wigwam lost!" The foolish attitude of lost souls who will not be guided by the Word of God is just like that!

How tragic to see the unsaved wandering in sin and self-satisfaction on life's short road, and then falling hopelessly into the darkness of eternity's night, not having found the way to the City of God!

My dear friend, it is not enough for you to say, "I hope to enter heaven. . . . I guess I'll make it if anybody

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There's a wideness in God's mercy
Like the wideness of the sea;
There's a kindness in His justice
Which is more than liberty.

There is welcome for the sinner,
And more graces for the good;
There is mercy with the Saviour;
There is healing in His blood.

For the love of God is broader
Than the measure of man's mind;
And the heart of the Eternal
Is most wonderfully kind.

Frederick W. Faber

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will. . . . Surely God will not turn me away, for I have lived a good life!" Instead of depending on what God's Word declares, you are depending merely on your own ideas. You think that "everything will come out all right in the end." You have accepted the vain philosophy that "all roads will eventually lead to heaven." Honestly, now, you are just fooling yourself, aren't you? You know that in this life there is such a thing as the wrong train, the wrong boat, the wrong road. So in the more vital eternal things, "There is a way which seemeth right unto a man, but the end thereof are the ways of death" (Prov. 14:12).

Let us be wise enough to hear God's voice of direction through His Word. "Thine ears shall hear a word behind thee, saying, This is the way, walk ye in it (Isa. 30:21).

When Thomas asked the question, "Lord, how can we know the way?" Jesus answered, "I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by Me" (John 14:5-6).

The right way and the only way to the heavenly city at the end of life's road is through Christ, who says to humble believers, "In my Father's house are many mansions . . . I go to prepare a place for you" (John 14:2).

Are you on the right way to heaven?

Sunday's Lesson

"RIGHTLY DIVIDING THE WORD OF TRUTH"



ANDREW—THE SOUL WINNER

Sunday School Lesson for November 17, 1957

JOHN 1:35-42; 6:8-14

We do not hear much about Andrew in the Gospels, but on three of those few occasions we find him bringing someone to Jesus. First, it is his own brother, Peter, (John 1:41); next, it is the lad with the loaves and fishes (John 6:8, 9); and finally, he brings a group of interested Greeks (John 12:20-22). Was Andrew indeed an unimportant Bible character? What might be the outcome if all of us gave ourselves with equal zeal and diligence to bringing men to Christ today? From the lesson text let us observe the following suggestive truths:

Andrew first met Christ for himself (John 1:35-49). "Behold the Lamb of God!" said John the Baptist of Jesus. And so successful was John in pointing others to Christ that two of his own disciples, John and Andrew, left him at once in order to acquaint themselves with Jesus! That same day they had a sacred interview with Jesus and came away having accepted Him as their Messiah! What a tragedy that so many who profess Christianity today have never really met Christ. And how much worse so many seek to engage in Christian service who know nothing themselves of the cleansing power of the blood of Christ and the regenerating power of the Holy Spirit.

Having found the Christ, Andrew was zealous for souls though only a new convert. "He first findeth his own brother Simon, and saith unto him, We have found the Messiah, which is, being interpreted, the Christ. And he brought him to Jesus." And what is more fitting, more natural, more beautiful than that one who is himself a new recipient of Christ's redeeming love should at once share that love with others, especially those who are nearest and dearest to him? Let every new convert follow Andrew's example! And let every older convert beware lest he lose that passionate personal longing to win others to Christ!

Andrew was an ordinary Christian, yet he figured greatly in the furthering of God's kingdom. Andrew was not brilliant. He did not, as far as we can determine, become a great preacher or leader in the Early Church. But since it was he who was responsible for the conversion of Peter, who can estimate the extent of his spiritual influence? Most of us, like Andrew, are ordinary Christians, and we dare not make the mistake of wrapping our one talent in a napkin! If we have but one talent, that is all the more reason to employ it diligently, remembering that "little is much when God is in it." Ezra Kimball was just an ordinary teacher of a Sunday School class, but through his faithfulness he won to Christ D. L. Moody!

Andrew realized that opportunities for service were close at hand. There is a tendency on the part of some

Christians to heave sentimental sighs of concern for the lost heathen abroad and do nothing to win their own loved ones and neighbors at home. Such is a false piety. Again, there are those who always feel they could do a great deal for the Lord if they stood in someone else's shoes, while they overlook the fact that the God who has arranged their circumstances wants to use them right where they are! Andrew won his own brother to Christ, and then Christ called him to further fields of service!

Andrew realized the worth of a single soul. His first task upon finding Christ was to concentrate every effort upon winning *one* man—his own brother. Later on, he was used of God among larger groups, but he began with one! In these days when mass evangelism is once again prominent, let us not minimize the profound importance of winning men and women through the personal touch. No church in any age has made such progress as the early apostolic Church. And the secret of its success was *not* mass evangelism, but *every-member evangelism!*

The writer has never forgotten the personal testimony of the conversion and early Christian life of one of America's great Christian industrialists. This man was converted after watching the life of a business associate who at the time of his conversion made the statement, "John, salvation is free. But in order to keep it you must give it away." The new convert never forgot the statement. And within a year he had won to Christ at least a dozen other business associates! Love for Christ expressed in just such consecrated living and action will do more to bring revival to America than any other method one can dream of!

—J. Bashford Bishop

A SOUL WINNER'S FIRST DUTY





—Philip Gendreau Photo

Autumn Leaves

—BY DOROTHY C. HASKIN

unfulfilled hope. Some of us take the disappointment bitterly; our leaves dry, crackle and fall off. For others, faith makes the autumn a time of cheerful acceptance of blazing glory.

The trees are what they are: pine, maple, oak, they have no choice. God destined some to lose their leaves in a dull gray; for others, he destined the last burst of color.

But to you and me, He has given choice. How will you color the autumn of your life?

Laura came from a devout Christian family. Her parents belong to a church of one of the smaller, strict denominations. She married outside her own circle, not sensing that a man could be completely selfish and egotistical. When her little Sharon was six, her husband left her. The grief and disappointment

seemed too much to bear. Friends blamed her for marrying outside her own denomination. She had not been trained to earn a living. She had to become a practical nurse in order to support herself and Sharon.

At night when she went to bed, she used to weep. Lines crept around her eyes. One night as she lay in bed, sobbing, into her mind flashed a verse she must have memorized or heard as a child. Over and over went the refrain, "... Rachel weeping for her children, refused to be comforted..."

Gradually Laura realized that it was the Lord trying to talk to her. She got up and searched through her Bible for the verse, finding it in Jeremiah 31:15. Her eyes dropped to the next verse, which read, "Thus saith the Lord; Refrain thy voice from weeping, and

WITH THE FIRST NIP OF COLD IN the air, the leaves lose their greenness and begin to fall. Some dry up and blow away... others turn into flaming red or golden yellow, falling in a blaze of glory, making beauty for every passer by.

So it is with us, to whom the autumns of life come. We all face the cold nip of disappointment, the tragedy of

FOR THE JUNIOR READERS

How Missionary Children Study in Foreign Lands

Do you like school? Be honest, now. You may not like all of the activities at school but you do have some good times there, don't you? You meet other boys and girls, and you have fun. Best of all, you learn many interesting things.

In fact, if you didn't have school you probably wouldn't know how to spend all your time. One of a person's greatest pleasures while growing up is to learn new lessons and to prepare for a successful life. Sure, school's okay. We need it.

But how about the boys and girls whose parents are foreign missionaries? Did you ever wonder how they get an education? They live in foreign lands where there are no schools using the English language, and yet when you talk to them you find they are very

well educated. The reason is that they study at home. Their mother is the teacher.

For example, Sherrill Ann Wiles lives in Kumasi in the land of Ghana, West Africa. Sherrill Ann's parents are Assemblies of God missionaries. Her school, which she has never seen, is the Calvert School located in the United States. Sherrill Ann gets her lessons by mail.

At the beginning of each year Sherrill Ann receives a big parcel of books and papers. This contains all the textbooks and materials she will need for a year's study, including notebooks, paper, even pencils and erasers. There is a lesson guide that divides the year into 160 daily lessons in each subject. Her mother uses this guide in super-

vising Sherrill Ann's daily work.

Once a month she prepares a special assignment and mails it to the Calvert School in Baltimore, Maryland. An instructor there reviews it thoroughly, grades it, and sends it back with detailed suggestions and criticisms. The instructor's letters are very friendly, and Sherrill Ann probably feels as close to her as you feel to any of your school teachers.

Over in Japan the children of another Assemblies of God missionary, Paul Berg, are studying the same lessons. Their names are Paul and Marie. Their mother teaches them. Paul is younger than his sister, so his lessons are simpler than hers, of course.

Even though Paul and Marie are a long way from America, they are getting a good American education.

Some children are always traveling because their father is an evangelist (or perhaps he is a businessman, or a government agent) and he doesn't remain in one city long enough for the children to attend a regular school.

thine eyes from tears; for thy work shall be rewarded."

Laura straightened her shoulders, and said, "Amen." She wept no more. She devoted herself to making a full life for herself and her daughter. What if she had made a tragic marriage? She had the future to face!

The time came when Sharon was grown. She fell in love with and became engaged to a young man who went off to Korea, where he was killed. She grieved quietly for a few days, then she made an effort to brighten up. Her mother said, "I'm glad you feel better."

"I don't feel better," Sharon replied, "but I'm going to act as if I did, like you always have. I am trying to remember the verse, 'Wherefore seeing we also are compassed about with so great a cloud of witnesses, let us lay aside every weight, and the sin which doth so easily beset us, and let us run with patience the race that is set before us' (Hebrews 12:1)."

Laura folded her daughter in her arms, thankful that she had set the right example. Her work had been rewarded. She had seen that attitudes are not taught but caught.

What a solemn thing it is to help to mould a child. How quickly the wax turns into marble!

They can still get a good education by studying the lessons at home with their mothers' help.

In places where there are ten or more pupils taking the Calvert courses, they have a teacher and meet together at regular hours more like your school.

The Calvert courses include all the elementary grades, from kindergarten through the ninth grade. The courses are approved and accredited by Maryland's State Department of Education, so a student can keep up with other children in all his studies and enter high school with those of his own age.

You wouldn't like to do all your school work at home, would you? It is much better to have a school where you mingle with other boys and girls, and learn to keep certain rules. It's good to have a little bit of friendly rivalry with the other children in the classes, too, isn't it? But it's nice to know that when boys and girls can't go to a regular school they can still get a good education by studying the lessons at home.



Monday, November 11

Read: Romans 8:18, 24-39

Learn: "He that spared not his own Son, but delivered him up for us all, how shall he not with him also freely give us all things" (Romans 8:32).

For the Parent: This passage reveals: (1) future glories will far outshine present persecutions, v. 18; (2) it is important to have the Holy Spirit in us, to pray through us, v. 26; (3) all things will work for our good if we love and serve God, vv. 28-32; (4) nothing can separate us from the love of God which is in Christ, vv. 35-39.

Question Time: What is the comparison between our present sufferings and future glory? (v. 18) Explain and learn vv. 38, 39.

Tuesday, November 12

Read: Romans 12:1-8

Learn: "We, being many, are one body in Christ, and every one members one of another" (Romans 12:5).

For the Parent: Emphasize that (1) we must present ourselves completely to God; (2) we are not to be conformed to the world; (3) we are to be transformed by the "renewing of our minds"; (4) as members of the body of Christ, each of us has a different place to fill; let us fill it faithfully.

Question Time: How should we sacrifice our lives to God? (v. 1) What kind of service is such a sacrifice? (v. 1) What figure of speech is used here to describe our relationship to Christ and to one another? (v. 5)

Wednesday, November 13

Read: Romans 12:9-21

Learn: "Be not overcome of evil, but overcome evil with good" (Romans 12:21).

For the Parent: These verses contain a number of practical commandments regarding our relationships with other Christians and with unsaved persons. As time permits, deal with each of these, emphasizing that love should govern our actions in all things. Explain how we can "overcome evil with good" by "heaping coals of fire" (v. 20) on those who mistreat us. "Heaping coals of fire" means doing good to someone who has done evil to us.

Question Time: What does it mean to "heap coals of fire" on someone's head? (See above)

Thursday, November 14

Read: John 1:35-42; 6:8-14

Learn: "He that winneth souls is wise" (Proverbs 11:32).

For the Parent: (Additional material on "Andrew—the Soul-Winner" will be found on Sunday's Lesson page.) From this lesson point out (1) how Andrew came to know Christ, John 1:35-40; (2) how Andrew shared his newfound joy by bringing his brother to Christ, John 1:41, 42; (3) Andrew's continued faithfulness in serving the Lord, John 6:9-14. Every Christian should be faithfully serving Christ and winning souls for Him.

Question Time: How did Andrew come to know Christ? (John 1:35-40) What did he do immediately after this? (John 1:41, 42)

Friday, November 15

Read: Jeremiah 18:1-8; 2 Kings 24:11-16; 25:1-6 (Sunday's Lesson for Juniors)

Learn: "I am the Lord; I will speak, and the word that I shall speak shall come to pass" (Ezekiel 12:25).

For the Parent: One of the great evidences that the Bible is God's Word is the fulfillment of prophecy in it. Explain that prophecy is the predicting of events before they happen. From the scriptures above, point out the prophecy of Jeremiah and its fulfillment a short time later. The prophetic books of the Bible are Isaiah through Malachi, and Revelation.

Question Time: What is prophecy, and what are the prophetic books of the Bible? (See above)

Saturday, November 16

Read: 1 Samuel 22:1, 2; 23:15-29 (Sunday's Lesson for Primaries)

Learn: "He shall call upon me, and I will answer him: I will be with him in trouble" (Psalm 91:15).

For the Parent: Because of Saul's jealousy and his threat to kill him (see 1 Samuel 18:5-12), David had to flee from Saul, wandering to various places. The Scripture readings for today show how followers gathered to help David, and relate one instance of how God delivered him from Saul. God protects those who trust in Him.

Question Time: Why did David have to flee from Saul? (See above) How many men gathered to help David? (1 Samuel 22:2)

The First Judgment

BY ERNEST S. WILLIAMS

THERE WERE TWO ASPECTS OF THE first judgment: First, it was a woeful judgment on self; and second, it included a merciful provision for the redemption of fallen man.

When Adam and Eve had eaten of the fruit of the forbidden tree "the eyes of them both were opened, and they knew that they were naked; and they sewed fig leaves together, and made themselves aprons" (Genesis 3: 7). They sought to patch up their wrongdoings, but in vain. Transgression had taken place; remorse had come. Nothing that they might do could restore them to that simplicity they had enjoyed before they fell. How monstrous is sin. With what beauty it can be made to appear; but when tasted, how dark is the soul. No anguish of regret can atone for the wrong that has been done.

There was consciousness of moral evil; there was also the consciousness that communion with God had been broken. Guilty fear seized upon them, and they would hide from the presence of the Lord. But hide from Him they could not, neither could they hide their shame by garments which they could make. Their awakened conscience cried within them their guilt, and with it came the fear of judgment. They knew they had broken the commandment of God. They knew that the fellowship which they had enjoyed with the Most High was gone. Guilt took its place; they would get away from God; they would hide from His presence—but they could not.

Then they heard the voice of God as He walked in the Garden. They had heard that voice before, but never as it was heard now. Formerly it had been a joyful sound, a voice calling to fellowship and love. The voice no doubt was still the same. God had come down to

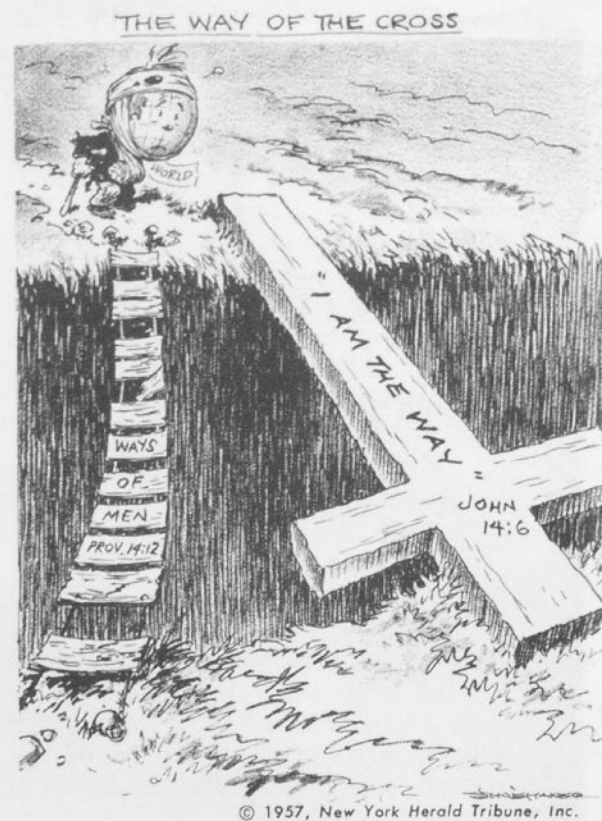
commune with them. But to their distressed minds, convicted conscience, and troubled hearts, it carried terror. What had they done? How could it be that they had lost the consciousness of peace and built up such darkness of remorse in so short a time? They had done only one evil deed, an evil which had seemed so little to them before they indulged but so awful when they yielded to it.

The account lets us know that God is in hot pursuit of those who go against His will. He pursued Jonah when he would run away, sending a great wind as His means of bringing about his awakening. When David had done that which was wrong, God followed him by means of His faithful prophet. He follows us and lets all know for certain, "Be sure your sin will find you out."

Soon after I was converted I was in an office building. There I saw a young man and spoke to him concerning his soul. The answer I received was, "I am going out on the desert where I will not have to hear about religion."

I told him, "You may go where you will, seeking to run away from God, but remember, God will hold you responsible for the opportunities you now enjoy. You can never run away from God."

In my younger days I was speaking in a mission hall at Vancouver, British Columbia. I had chosen for my Scripture reading Psalm 139:7-9, "Whither shall I go from thy spirit? or whither shall I flee from thy presence?" The thought expressed was the impossibility of fleeing to a place where God could not pursue and overtake us. At the close of the meeting a young man of Scottish birth gave his heart to God. He then testified that he had left Scot-



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land to get away from conviction; and now, having crossed the whole of Canada, he dropped into a mission hall to learn that wherever he went he could not get away from God.

How different was the first judgment from that occasion to which we refer as "the last judgment." When once sentence will have been passed at the last judgment, time will be no more, and opportunities will have forever ceased. No wonder the apostle said, "Knowing therefore the terror of the Lord, we persuade men." Who wishes to stand before the judgment of Him who is almighty, and hear Him say, "Depart from me, ye that work iniquity"? Who wants to be damned forever?

None need be lost. In the judgment passed upon the erring pair, who had sacrificed paradise for sin, there was hope. God had followed them to secure their conviction. His desire was that they might convict themselves and through repentance and faith obtain pardon. This, the record says, they decided to do. The questions which God put to them were straight and searching. God does not toy with sin; neither does He seek to make the sinner comfortable in his sin. He asked Adam and Eve: "Where art thou?" "Who told thee that thou wast naked? Hast thou eaten of the tree, whereof I commanded thee that thou shouldest not eat?" God would see how they would answer.

Like most of us they began by seeking to make excuses. Adam would blame Eve; Eve would blame the serpent. This was true, but it was no excuse for what they had done. "What is this that thou hast done?"—that is, "Adam, your wife may have exercised her influence, but what have *you* done? Eve, the serpent may have exercised his influence, but what have *you* done?" Man may know that he has yielded to influences which are wrong, but God in dealing with him wishes to know what *he* has done. It is as natural today as in the long ago to make excuses (Luke 14:18). But as long as we hide behind a curtain of excuses we will always have the terrors of the judgment hanging over our heads. It is the one who "confesseth and forsaketh" his sins who will obtain mercy; and it is mercy which God wishes to bestow.

God knew what Adam and Eve had done. Their first need was honest confession of their wrong. When this was made there was mercy and salvation. The curse has fallen upon all men, but it is not the *curse* with which we are dealing at this time. The first judgment was a judgment of *mercy*. However, mercy could not come as long as the offenders continued in their self-justification, charging others with blame which was their own.

God would not leave man, who was created in His image and for His fellowship, without the means of peace and reconciliation. He provided garments of skins in the place of the fig leaves. He promised a Redeemer, who would proceed from woman, who would bruise the head of the serpent. The devil's power would be broken. The promised Redeemer is with us today.

"Let the wicked forsake his way, and the unrighteous man this thoughts: and let him return unto the Lord, and he will have mercy upon him; and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon."

Christ is the promised Redeemer, but redemption cannot come until sin is confessed and forgiveness sought. "He that covereth his sins shall not prosper: but whoso confesseth and forsaketh them shall have mercy."

Come and Take

*We do not need at Mercy's gate
To knock and weep and watch and wait,
For Mercy's gifts are offered free,
And she has waited long for thee.*



Your Questions

ANSWERED BY ERNEST S. WILLIAMS

Please explain Ecclesiastes 11:1—"Cast thy bread upon the waters: for thou shalt find it after many days."

Faithful service will have its reward, even though it may not come immediately. Therefore we should do good without expecting a present reward.

What constitutes being "poor in spirit"? (Matthew 5:3)

One good explanation is that this verse is an encouragement to those who feel their insufficiency, who feel their lack of ability or of spiritual worth. These humble souls are to take comfort and encouragement, knowing that Jesus loves them and appreciates their value. They will be among His chosen ones who are to inherit the Kingdom.

Does Hebrews 12:1 mean that our loved ones are looking on as we run the race of life?

I believe this verse should be interpreted figuratively. The writer likens the Old Testament worthies to spectators who are assembled to watch a race. It does no harm for us to think our loved ones are watching our progress, having an interest in our success. Yet we must realize that when their spirits were parted from their bodies, they entered an entirely different realm, entirely free from that which is material. Of one thing we may be sure: our loved ones are not trying to have communication with us. Any such claim may be classified as spiritism, which is condemned by the Bible.

Is there a difference between a justified life and a sanctified life? What does Paul mean when he writes, "The very God of peace sanctify you wholly" (1 Thessalonians 5:23)? What place has the Holy Spirit in this sanctification?

A person is justified instantly the moment he is saved. He is then judged not guilty and receives a perfect standing before the Lord.

Sanctification is a development of Christian character. I like to think of it as entire consecration—putting the entire life at the disposal of God, so

that the person henceforth can live with the thought ever in view, "Not my will, but thine, be done." Sanctification includes a dedication to holiness and a separation from "all filthiness of the flesh and spirit." The objective is to "perfect holiness in the fear of God" (2 Corinthians 7:1). Instead of living for selfish interests, the sanctified Christian has given himself to live for God.

This phase of sanctification may take place instantly, when the person is ready to present his body "a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God" (Romans 12:1).

But there is also a development in the sanctified life. Out of this dedication there will come many fresh sanctifications as the person meets new situations in life.

The Holy Spirit has a most important place in any sanctified life. It is only by His enablement that one may so live, overcoming the world and glorifying God.

It seems that when I pray or speak of Jesus I cry. Can you explain why?

Thank the Lord that you can cry. You have nothing to fear concerning this manifestation of the Spirit. It shows that you have a spirit of tenderness, devotion, and appreciation for Christ.

My husband's life and conduct are such that I have lost all love for him. Can I be a Christian and feel this way?

A person might conduct himself in such a way that we would lose all "natural affection" for him; nevertheless a divine love should continue to abide in our hearts. His conduct might become repulsive, yet we would be glad to see him saved and would not wish to hurt him.

If you wish Brother Williams to answer a question, send it to "Your Questions," The Pentecostal Evangel, 434 W. Pacific St., Springfield 1, Mo. He will answer either in this column or by personal letter (if you send a stamped self-addressed envelope).

Healing Testimonies

FROM "EVANGEL" READERS

"I AM THE LORD THAT HEALETH THEE" EX. 15:26.

Brain Tumor Removed

For about four years I had severe headaches, and during this time I consulted many doctors, but with no results. As time passed I began to stagger so much that I could hardly walk. Finally it became impossible for me to keep my eyes focused. In August 1956 an optometrist and a doctor told me I was losing my sight rapidly and would be blind soon.

In September 1956 I was sent to Orlando, Florida, to the Orange Memorial Hospital. After tapping my spine and giving me a medical examination, two doctors said I had only a year at the most to live. Death could come at almost any time, unless the tumor on my brain was removed by surgery. However, they could not give me any hope that I would survive such an operation.

Praise the name of the Lord Jesus—it is through His healing power I am still alive. Our pastor and evangelist prayed for me, and the Lord answered prayer. I am still improving every day and gaining weight. I packed citrus fruit all season. I am able to drive my car and do all my work. I am enjoying life in the service of my precious Saviour and Healer, the Lord Jesus Christ.—Mrs. Aquilla Stephens, Rt. 2, Leesburg, Fla.

(Endorsed by O. B. Harris, Pastor, Lisbon Assembly, Rt. 2, Leesburg, Fla.)

Death Averted

One rainy morning in April my brother-in-law drove carefully down the Indiana Turnpike, his wife and three children chatting in the back of the car. I sat up front with the driver and my mother, taking in the scenery. We were on our way to a surprise visit with my brother, Dan Spina, an Assemblies of God minister in Ripon, Wisconsin. We were thinking of the joy that would overwhelm Dan at seeing his family again, especially during the Easter season when families like to be together.

Suddenly my thoughts were broken

by a cry as my mother called upon the name of the Lord. Our car had begun to skid on the rain-drenched pavement. Immediately our hearts cried out in prayer for help. The car then spun around and ultimately turned upside down, landing on its roof. The vehicle was completely demolished, but we seven Christians experienced a great example of God's protection upon His own, and walked away from the car without a single scratch on our bodies. Surely "the angel of the Lord encampeth round about them that fear him, and delivereth them" (Psalm 34:7).—John Spina, Jackson Heights, N. Y.

(Endorsed by R. Stanley Berg, Secretary, Glad Tidings Tabernacle, New York, N. Y.)

Heart Made Well

In 1955 I had three severe heart attacks as well as several minor ones, and they were all very painful. I spent most of the next two years in bed. I needed to relax to ward off another attack, and my heart constantly hurt me. I had no energy to do my work; besides, if I dared do any of it I always paid the consequences.

I continually took several kinds of pills. If I went without my medications for just half a day I would have another heart attack.

But victory came on May 1, 1957, a Wednesday night, at Klamath Falls, Oregon. My pastors, Mr. and Mrs. William Turnbull, took me to the meeting conducted in the church by Evangelist Don Gossett, so that I could be prayed for.

In his message Brother Gossett often quoted Isaiah 53:5, "With his stripes we are healed." That phrase sank into my mind and heart, and I was really encouraged to claim that verse for my healing.

Later on when I stood in the prayer line the evangelist asked if I really believed that with His stripes I was healed, and I answered "Yes!" He laid hands on me and rebuked the devil, who had dared put this affliction on my body, then led me to the edge of the

platform and told me to run down the aisle praising God.

Well, I never could run without having pain in my heart, even as a child, but I did it. Then he told me to run back down the aisle to the front. So with both my hands raised, still praising God, I ran back down to the front.

Then he asked me if the pain was gone, and it was! I wasn't weak or faint from all that running, and my arms weren't tired from keeping them raised for such a long time. To my surprise I had no bad effects at all from the exertion.

From that night until now I have had no more heart attacks, and the Lord has restored my strength. I'm playing my accordion again, which I had had to lay aside because of my heart condition. And I can do all my housework and just everything I've wanted to do, without difficulty.

I feel brand new! Words can't explain the release I feel in my body from the awful bondage I'd been in for two terrible, long years. I have so much to thank God for.—Mrs. Harry Belau, P. O. Box 678, Jacksonville, Oreg.

(Endorsed by William D. Turnbull, Jacksonville, Oreg.)

Cured of Sin and Sickness

Three years ago I married and now have children. Previously I taught school and lived what I thought was a Christian life. But after that I became bad-tempered and used bad language to my children. I became upset easily, and was full of fear.

My husband became troubled about his soul and told me he was going to attend the Full Gospel Church. I told him if he did I would take the children and leave him.

Still I was unhappy and knew I needed to be saved. In January 1957 I went to live with my mother-in-law. Finally, I consented to attend a prayer meeting with her. My husband and I went together, and we enjoyed it so much that we kept going back.

One Wednesday night, after everyone except the pastor had left the church I slumped to my knees at the altar and gave my heart to God. Since then there has been a great change in my life. I am so happy now. I am living in the light for the first time;

all my darkness and gloom is taken away.

Since then I have also been healed. Three years ago I consulted a doctor, who said it was a goiter. I found it years before that; it was so bad I had to sleep with a high pillow. I used to cry, thinking it was a cancer, and no one could convince me that it was not.

My pastor prayed for my healing. I was not healed immediately, but kept on praying because I knew the time was coming when I would be healed. One day I said I *must* be healed. Thank God, He took the goiter away, and I can now sleep comfortably with a low pillow.

How can I ever praise the Lord enough for what He has done for me—saving my soul and healing my throat? I mean to follow on with Jesus from day to day.—Mrs. Charles Hynes, Sop's Arm, White Bay, Newfoundland.

(Endorsed by Leander W. Noble, Pastor, The Pentecostal Assembly, Sop's Arm, White Bay, Newfoundland.)



“SUCH AS I HAVE”

Acts 3:6

At the Beautiful Gate the lame man sat,
Asking for alms as the throng passed by
At the hour of prayer. And the lame man
sighed,
For he little dreamed of the blessing nigh.

But two who passed with the throng that day
Bade the lame man “Look!” Their thoughts
turned then
To a skull-like mound where a cross had held
One who bore the griefs of these sons of
men.

“Not silver or gold have I,” one said;
But “such as he had” he gave him there;
And the man who had sat by the Beautiful gate
Arose and walked at the hour of prayer.

There are lame ones still who “look on us,”
For they know not the pow'r of the Man
divine;
Will such as *we* have, give their “ankle bones”
The strength to rise? Will yours? Will
mine?

If we trust not self, but the Living One—
His faith impart, His Word extol;
Then, beholding *Him*, the lame will walk,
For such as *He* has can make them whole.

—Clara M. Brooks



Thought-provoking lessons from the life of

Robert Murray McCheyne

HIS BIOGRAPHER SAYS OF HIM THAT he went about his work with awful reverence. He tells of an unsaved listener, who went to his church to hear him, and who declared, “Before he opened his lips, as he came along the passage, there was something about him that sorely affected me.” And so he impressed his people. It was not the words he spake so much, but the holy manner in which he spake that was the chief means of arresting souls.

His appeals were always on the back of some great truth, as, “Beware, therefore” (Acts 13:40). “Therefore we ought to give the more earnest heed...” (Heb. 2:1).

There may be pride in our anxiety to preach. There were two consuming passions with Robert Murray McCheyne: holiness and the glory of Christ in the salvation of souls. He would pray, “Oh, for gales of the Spirit! Oh, for breathing gales of spiritual life!”

His Message to Ministers

Holiness and happiness are like light and heat.

We must not only speak faithfully to our people in our sermons, but *live* faithfully for them, too.

The Lord teaches His people to expect and pray for what He means soon to work.

It is not saying hard things that pierces the consciences of our people; it is the voice of divine love amid the thunder.

How prone the under shepherd is to feel somewhat pleased with the sinful partiality of his people, and to be uplifted by his success.

Remember, it is God and not man who must have the glory. It is not much speaking but much faith that is needed.

If I could hear Christ praying for

me in the next room, I would not fear a million enemies. Yet the distance makes no difference. He *is* praying for me.

Use your health while you have it. Do not cast away peculiar opportunities that may never come again. You know not when your last Sabbath with your people may come. Speak for eternity.

Above all things, cultivate your own spirit. A holy minister is an awful weapon in the hand of God. A word spoken by you when your conscience is clear and your heart full of God's Spirit, is worth ten thousand words spoken in unbelief and sin.

Two keys are committed to us by Christ: the one, the key of doctrine; the other, the key of discipline by which we open or shut the way to the sealing ordinances of the faith.

Whatever is said in the pulpit men will not much regard, though they may feel it at the time, if the minister does not say the same in private with his people face to face. It must be in our moments of most familiar intercourse with them that we are thus to put the seal to all we say in public.

An awakened soul told him that once he was brought under concern for salvation, and that the many sermons which he had heard from him before, and had completely forgotten, had all been brought back to mind. This shows, says McCheyne, what hell will awaken in the souls of hearers of the gospel: those who come to church but fight against truth; those who run away when the Bible is read; those who throw away a tract if the name of God is in it; those who go quietly to sleep after spending the Sabbath in pleasure in order to drown the fear of dropping into hell.—F. H. Rossiter in *Alliance Weekly*.

REVIVALTIME

Ministers in Europe

EUROPE, IN A SENSE, HAS NEVER been considered a mission field. However, statistics will show that the countries of Europe are in great need of a spiritual revival. Although the great Reformation started in Europe, two great wars, which have reached around the world, have also started within its boundaries. Also, we can see the tremendous influence of the Roman Catholic Church, whose headquarters are in a European nation. This religion has so dominated some of the countries that it has been almost impossible to preach the gospel of salvation as we know it.

Europe has needed the message of the Cross and salvation through the Blood. With the sweep of communism from her eastern boundaries, which has already engulfed some of her territory, it is past time to give them the gospel. Jesus has commanded that we go into all the world and preach the gospel, and REVIVALTIME has gone into these countries preaching Christ crucified.

Many have asked, "How can an

English broadcast do any good in these countries when they speak a different language?" It has been reported to REVIVALTIME by those who have been in these areas, that although a great number cannot speak English, most of them can understand English because of British and American soldiers who have been across their soils. Those who cannot understand English usually know someone in their neighborhood who can. Thank God, REVIVALTIME can be heard and understood in this land that needs Christ so badly.

KATWIJK on the Rhine, HOLLAND: "Several times I have tuned into your REVIVALTIME services. In fact I am beginning to look forward to those broadcasts. Humanity surely needs to hear such powerful warnings about sin and its terrible consequences. The Lord grant that there will be a very great number of genuine conversions everywhere. This letter will testify to you that also in Holland is a regular appreciative listener to your REVIVALTIME around-the-world services."

THE HAGUE, HOLLAND: "I wish to thank you most cordially for the divine messages for which our Heavenly Father makes use of you and consequently for which many should be brought to the foot of Calvary's cross. Many, many thanks for the help and strength your words bring to the thirsting hearts of His children all over the world and also in Holland."

HOOGEZAND, HOLLAND: "We listen to you every Tuesday evening. My 81-year-old mother and I go to the home of my brother, who owns a radio, and listen to the powerful preaching and the beautiful songs as sung by your workers. We enjoy it very, very much. We are always blessed. My

brother translates what is spoken and the very beautiful songs that are sung."

THE HAGUE, HOLLAND: "I think I now have about 20 of your sermons translated into Dutch. Would you allow me to look for an editor to publish them in Holland? My principal idea is that it would be fine to have your sermons in Dutch for the constructive influence they would have upon readers."

JEKABPILS, LATVIA: "I hope that my letter will reach you before your next prayer meeting. Please put the names of our dear loved ones on your prayer list. Also please pray for me that I may be a living testimony of God."

BRUSSELS, BELGIUM: "I heard with great interest your announcement on the subject of the brochure on Suez in relation to the return of our Lord to take His church before the great tribulation which will soon come upon the world. I am a member of the Belgian Gospel Mission, where I accepted the Lord as my personal Saviour. Will you excuse me for addressing my request to you in French? I understand English very well but I do not know the language sufficiently to express myself correctly in writing."

Will you have a part in REVIVALTIME's world-wide ministry? Your prayers and letters are needed to keep REVIVALTIME's message going to the far corners of the globe. Help REVIVALTIME this week continue to reach the peoples of Europe, and let its message bring souls in these countries to a saving knowledge of our Christ.

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The Call of the Spirit

(Continued from page seven)

of him who hath called you out of darkness into his marvelous light." This is the experience to bring us into the presence of God, for without holiness "no man shall see the Lord." This is life at its best—not long-faced sobriety but abundant, complete, satisfying, radiant living. This is our calling. No wonder the world looks upon us with amazement.

THE UNIVERSAL CALL

"The Spirit and the bride say, Come. And let him that heareth say, Come. And let him that is athirst come. And whosoever will, let him take the water of life freely." In what more fitting way could the great prophetic revelation given to John have ended than by this call of the Spirit to those yet unprepared? For here in this last Book of the Bible we see the great portrayal of cataclysmic judgment—the final and complete overthrow of the enemy, the ultimate victory of the saints, the revelation of the new heaven and new earth wherein dwelleth righteousness, and the beautiful scene of righteousness covering the earth as the waters cover the sea.

Against this black background of impending disaster, like a diamond on a

velvet scarf, is the appeal, "The Spirit and the bride say, Come."

This call of the Spirit is not confined to a small segment, to a favored few, to a bigoted clique, to a sophisticated society; but it is to "Whosoever will, let him take the water of life freely." And that includes all of us.

"MY GRACE IS SUFFICIENT FOR THEE"

"The other evening I was riding home after a heavy day's work; I felt very wearied, and sore depressed, when swiftly, and suddenly as a lightning flash, that text came to me: 'My grace is sufficient for thee.'

"I reached home and looked it up in the original, and at last it came to me in this way, 'My grace is sufficient for thee,' and I said, 'I should think it is, Lord,' and burst out laughing. I never fully understood what the holy laughter of Abraham was until then. It seemed to make unbelief so absurd. It was as though some little fish, being very thirsty, was troubled about drinking the river dry, and Father Thames said, 'Drink away, little fish, my stream is sufficient for thee.' Or, it seemed like a little mouse in the granaries of Egypt, after the seven years of plenty, fearing it might die of famine; Joseph might say, 'Cheer up, little mouse, my granaries are sufficient for thee.'

"Again, I imagined a man away up yonder, in a lofty mountain, saying to himself, 'I breathe so many cubic feet of air every year, I fear I shall exhaust the oxygen in the atmosphere,' but the earth might say, 'Breathe away, O man, and fill the lungs ever, my atmosphere is sufficient for thee.'

"O brethren, be great believers! Little faith will bring your souls to heaven, but great faith will bring heaven to your souls."

—C. H. Spurgeon

food for thought



Jesus told of a widow who would not be forgotten. She stubbornly brought her petition to the judge. Even though he had a reputation for being a hard man, he could not forget the lonely widow's plea because she kept it always before him, and finally he granted her petition "lest by her continual coming she weary me."

One of the purposes of the Department of Benevolences is to make sure that the needs of our aged ministers and widows are not forgotten.

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Phil Hogan Says—

'My Eyes Were Opened'



J. Philip Hogan is one of the men who attended the Women's Missionary Council breakfast at Cleveland during the recent General Council, and participated in the program. Always an enthusiast for the WMC, he—well, let him tell it in his own words.

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OFF-HAND I CANNOT REMEMBER A time when I was not sold on the Women's Missionary Council. I guess my appreciation started when I was still serving as a missionary in the Far East. My colleague was an Oregon missionary, and as soon as his district WMC's heard we were together they adopted my family too, although I had never been in the state of Oregon in my life.

In more recent years I have enjoyed the WMC meetings across this nation, both as a participant and a bystander. I watched enraptured during their convention in Oklahoma while they tried, convicted, and sentenced a skeptical pastor who was afraid to organize the women of his church. I might add that both the judge and the jury were WMC's. In Nebraska they asked me to try to heft wash tubs full of money, all collected on WMC Day at the camp, for home missions extension work in their district. I have seen them outfit missionaries by the dozens and missionary children by the scores. I have visited their linen and towel supply depots that reminded me of Macy's on white-sale day. I have helped judge their floats and preach for their conventions, but somehow I never thought of them as being anything but a domestic organization, strictly for home consumption.

However, at the WMC breakfast at the General Council this year my eyes were opened. Incidentally, that breakfast

was one of the cleverest and most informative bits of programing I have attended in a long time. From my vantage point at the speakers' table on a raised dais, I could not help being impressed by several things, but especially the hats. Such an emporium of felt, feather, fabric, and fur, I had never seen before! However, I always say that any folk that will do the work they are doing are entitled to be a little ridiculous on one or two minor points.

When the roving microphone operator got through interviewing the various missionary guests that were present, I found myself rushing away to the business sessions of the Council so carried away that I was talking to myself. Here is what I heard myself say: *"This business has gone international! WMC's are now world-wide! They have spanned oceans as easily as the Asiatic flu, and now wherever you find missionaries you will find local WMC groups in operation."*

As the "Around the World in Thirty

Minutes with the WMC" sequence developed it became quite easy to trace the same pattern in every country. First and always there is a real spiritual experience which brings about a desire to SERVE. At about this time the Lord always raises up a leader with a vision who can rally the forces, and then there always follows the sacrifice. SACRIFICE and SERVICE—these are the dominant chords in the whole WMC symphony. Sometimes the sources seem insignificant and the people very poor, but they work together in faith and the results have been truly amazing.

You can begin to get what I mean when I tell you about Miriam Haydus and the work in Guatemala. They have had a real revival in this tiny little country in Central America, and the work has grown from 32 churches to over 100 in five years. Almost entirely indigenous in nature, yet the work offered opportunities for expansion everywhere, but very little money to do



Edwina Trimmer interviews missionary Mrs. Busby and Indonesian Christian Ong Soe Pauw.

or build with. A lot in a new subdivision of Guatemala City where a new church was desperately needed was offered for sale, but who could afford the \$75.00 asked for it? Under direct compulsion of the Holy Spirit, Sister Haydus placed this challenge before her fledgling WMC group and to her amazement they were able to raise not only \$75.00 but \$137.00 in one month. This represented a veritable king's ransom, as the living standard is very low. Today a thriving congregation worships in a new church building on that WMC-purchased lot. The WMC work in Guatemala is not only organized locally, but also nationally, and conventions of upwards to 800 women have been held. In fact, WMC in Guatemala is so well organized and so strong that recently they brought a guest speaker all the way from America!

In Japan a missionary's wife seized upon her knowledge of how to prepare mashed potatoes and used it to interest Japanese women in organizing WMC work. You see, in Japan (and, for that matter, everywhere else in the Orient where rice is a staple diet) plain old American spuds are considered food for only the poorest. For this reason no one has ever tried to be very resourceful in preparing them. Janet Hymes taught the women different ways of cooking and serving potatoes, and branched off from this to other methods of cooking and housekeeping, all in an attempt to get them together so they could have Bible studies and plan on how they could better serve God as women. From these culinary art sessions grew sick-room visitation and other spiritual exercises which greatly

helped the work in this far-northern city of Japan.

We learn from Mrs. Norman Webster that Hawaii not only connotes moonlight, palm trees, ukuleles and surf, but it also stands for one of the most mixed-up population groups in all the world, each nationality having its own particular customs and background. In the more than fourteen organized WMC groups in these Pacific Islands are brought together Chinese, Filipinos, Japanese, Puerto Ricans, and every shade and mixture of each, all united under the service banner of the Women's Missionary Council. Most of their churches are buildings purchased from the armed forces on the surplus market. They have had to be moved and remodeled, and the WMC's have had their hand in painting and fixing up these churches. One of their specialties is working with the Daily Vacation Bible Schools.

However, with all of this activity the Hawaiian women still took time for prayer and Bible study and found that this time of devotion worked out many spiritual problems in their home life. Indicative of the heterogeneous nature of the work in the Islands is the fact that the president herself is of Chinese-Hawaiian and Filipino extraction. Evidently women's problems and opportunities are essentially the same the world around, and WMC's can minister in any language and in any culture.

Mrs. Busby, a veteran missionary to Indonesia, spoke and introduced a native Indonesian woman who is a co-leader of the WMC's over there. Saved at the age of five this young lady is

almost like the firstfruits of a unique WMC ministry. I am referring to the practice of sending Christmas cards overseas to be used as attendance awards and other promotional aids. Years ago Mrs. Busby started this work, and this brilliant young Indonesian woman, who accompanied her and spoke with such interest, testified that it was Christmas cards that brought her back again and again to Sunday School until finally she was converted.

And so the saga unfolds. If you had the time to follow this trail it would lead you to Central India where Mrs. John Lewis has been the leader to help the women there to help themselves and their neighbors. Sewing classes, blessing boxes, and prayer chains—these are the channels through which God pours the service of these devoted women.

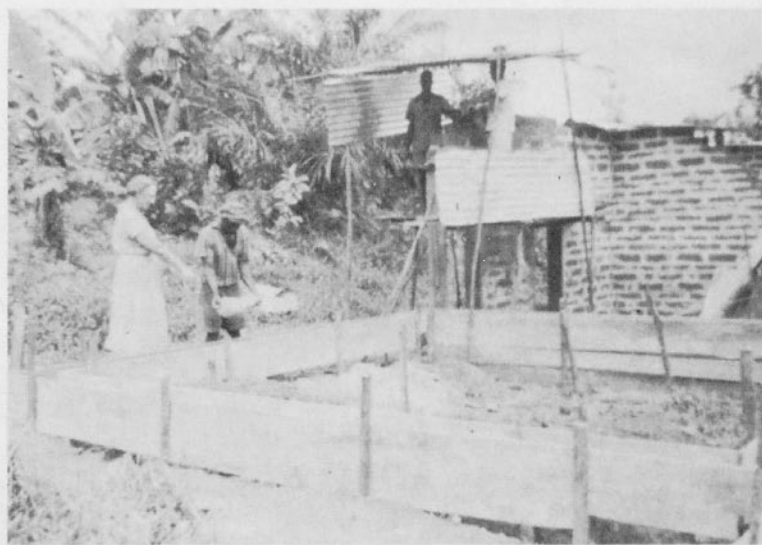
In British Guiana it is buying shoes for the poorest of national workers, while down Cuba way it is helping pioneer preachers and their families. Up in Alaska it is a free Sunday meal for the many thousands of servicemen.

In Chile, where the consumption of alcohol is the second highest in the world, the WMC's, of course, stress abstinence and teach it in the home. In Liberia it is WMC's in the leper colony, of all places, taking offerings to help start another leper colony!

"Around the World in Thirty Minutes" is not adequate to tell about the WMC work in Nigeria, or East Pakistan, or the Philippines, or other places. Thank the Lord for this service corps that has been raised up with a heart for the world and a hand to the needy everywhere. ◀◀



WMC class in child care at Guatemala City, Central America



Florence Steidel directs building operations at the leper colony



Fagots From the Torch of Evangelism

Compiled by the Department of Evangelism, 434 West Pacific St., Springfield, Mo.

► EL PASO, TEX.—The six nights of revival with the Eskelin Family in the First Assembly here were an outstanding success. Ten were converted and several reclaimed. The congregation praises God for the timely ministry of this consecrated family.
—Wm. F. Hageman, Pastor

► CLIFTON, COLO.—A five-week tent revival was conducted here by Evangelist Wilbur Ogilvie and party. Many were healed and some miracles took place. Best of all, souls were saved and several believers received the Baptism of the Holy Spirit.
—J. E. Austell, Pastor

► WEST MONROE, LA.—A number of churches here in the North Central section of Louisiana sponsored a very successful camp meeting in this city with Evangelist Hilton Sutton and party. For four weeks the glory of the Lord filled the big gospel tent, and there were mighty manifestations of the Holy Spirit. Night after night the tent was filled, and God met the needs of the people. Brother Sutton was graciously anointed by the Holy Spirit and was used in many ways to bring deliverance to the lost, the sick, and the bound. During the meetings some 300 made their way down the aisle to meet Christ. Many were filled with the Holy Ghost, and miracles of healing were in evidence. A child who could not see three feet in front of her without glasses was healed completely while standing in the prayer line. A cancer dropped off the side of a woman's neck a few days after prayer. Growths vanished, and many were delivered from nervous disorders on the night that Brother Sutton preached on "Nervousness, Its Cause and Cure." There is still a moving of the Spirit among the churches, and all are praising God for what was accomplished.
—K. C. Piker, Presbyter

► KILLEEN, TEX.—The First Assembly of God here just concluded a very successful revival with Youth Evangelist Ernest Maxwell, of Corpus Christi, Tex. Each night God marvelously blessed the anointed preaching. The house was filled to capacity the closing night, and a goodly number were present for the first time. A number came to Christ for salvation.
—R. J. Miller, Pastor

► ORANGEVALE, CALIF.—During the past few months, seventeen have been saved in this pioneer church—and the Sunday School attendance has jumped from 55 to 122 in the past year. This is a defense area in the vicinity of Sacramento, and the population has grown from 3,000 to 10,000 in the past two years.
—M. L. Woods, Pastor

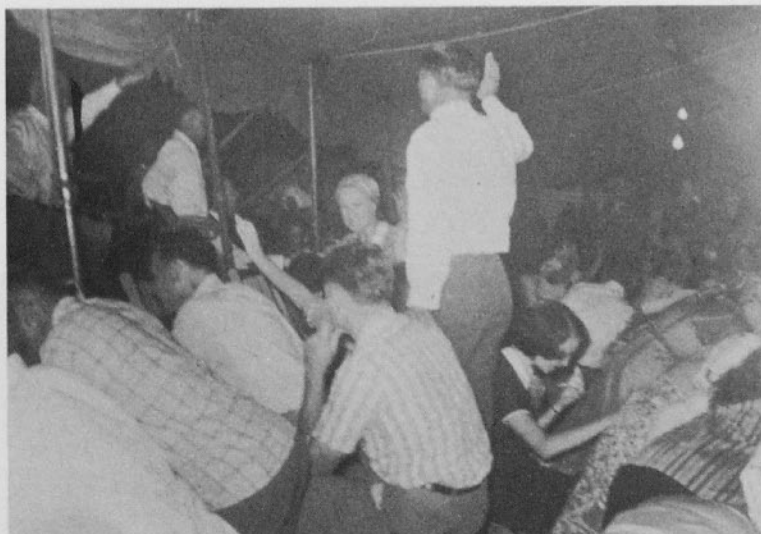
► SANTA PAULA, CALIF.—Evangelist Paul B. Franklin, of Pasadena, Calif., had a two-week revival here. The congregation witnessed the power of God in the meetings from night to night. Souls were saved, many wonderful healings were wrought, and believers were filled with the precious Holy Spirit. The ministry of Brother Franklin was Spirit-anointed and the word he brought was strengthening to the church. The Sunday School had good attendance, although it was summer.
—Paul Wells, Pastor

► PLEASANTON, KANS.—God wonderfully poured out His Spirit and confirmed His Word with signs following during the recent revival meetings conducted here by Evangelist Max Francis, of Bentonville, Ark. Ten were saved, and many felt the healing power of God. The Sunday School attendance record was broken every Sunday during the meetings.
—Daniel Goddard, Pastor

► GENEVA, ALA.—The Assembly here recently enjoyed the second evangelistic campaign to be held in this city by Evangelist Marvin L. Smith, of Coral Gables, Fla. Many souls were blessed, sick bodies were healed, and the unadulterated Word of God went forth in the old-fashioned way in the power and demonstration of the Holy Spirit. Brother Smith's logical and spiritual method of presenting the deeper things of God's Word proved a real blessing to this congregation.
—Shelburn Roberts, Pastor

► RICHMOND, IND.—First Assembly of God just concluded three weeks of revival services with the Musical Vanns from Toledo, Ohio. Twenty-five or more came to the altar seeking salvation, and all the congregation were encouraged to press the battle for souls. Many visitors came to the church for the first time. In spite of the severe summer heat, Brother and Sister VanderPloeg did not spare themselves in singing and preaching the Word of God. God honored that Word and saved souls and healed sick bodies.
—Wm. Van Winkle, Pastor

► BRISTOL, TENN.—On July 14 a new home missions church, Central Assembly of God, was opened at Seventh and Anderson Streets here in the vacated First Methodist Church. A three-week revival was then conducted by Evangelist Wm. P. MacKenzie, of Kingsport, Tenn. The people who came were greatly blessed by the preaching, singing, and music of the evangelists. The prospects are encouraging for a growing church. A Sunday School, Men's Fellowship, Women's Missionary Council, and Christ's Ambassadors organization are all functioning within a month of the close of the revival.
—W. T. Millsaps, Pastor



Prayer meeting in the tent during the Hilton Sutton meeting in West Monroe, Louisiana



Some of the people who were healed during the meetings of Max Francis in Pleasanton, Kansas

► **BOTHELL, WASH.**—Evangelist Joseph DeGrado and family, of San Diego, Calif., recently conducted a two-week revival here, in which three Assemblies of God co-operated. Fourteen were baptized in the Holy Spirit, scores were healed by the power of God, and unbelievers were saved. The Spirit of God moved in every service through anointed singing and preaching.
—*R. O. Iverson, Pastor*

► **BLOOMINGTON, TEX.** — Evangelist James Martin and family of Gonzales, Tex. just concluded two weeks of revival here. The attendance was good every night, and the meetings were splendid in every way. Several new families attended the church for the first time. The congregation was blessed by the good singing of the evangelists and the solid Bible preaching.
—*Lloyd Evans, Pastor*

► **GROVES, TEX.**—The Assembly here just closed a glorious revival with Evangelist Melvin McKnight. At each meeting the Holy Spirit was present to minister to the needs of the people. Several were saved and filled with the Holy Spirit. During the meetings the Sunday School record of 148 was broken, with 161 in attendance. On the closing Sunday a missionary offering was taken which totaled \$128.15.
—*C. T. Owen, Pastor*

► **ELVINS, MO.**—Davis Crossing Assembly of God recently enjoyed a very profitable revival with Evangelist Robert Sites and wife, of Sullivan, Mo. Souls were saved, and three were filled with the Holy Spirit. Many others were stirred to seek the baptism in the Holy Spirit and a closer walk with God. Each night there was a real outpouring of the Holy Spirit in the altar services. The entire congregation was blessed by these meetings.
—*Vern D. Stoughton, Pastor*

► **VALLEJO, CALIF.**—The annual children's and youth revival of the First Assembly of God was conducted this year by Evangelist Jimmie Mayo Jr., of Atlanta, Georgia. Brother Jimmie thrilled and blessed the children two hours each morning with the gospel displayed by storytelling, chalk-drawing, choruses, ventriloquism, and music. Altogether, 255 boys and girls were enrolled. The night rallies blessed young and old alike. Four adults were saved in the first service, and every rally brought new results.
—*Keetah Jones, Pastor*

► **HOUSTON, TEX.**—The Radio Revival Church just closed four weeks of revival meetings with Evangelist and Mrs. Paul Amos. There were many filled with the Holy Spirit, and quite a number were saved. There were also many outstanding miracles of healing. Two people were delivered from cigarettes after smoking for over 40 years. The church was mightily strengthened through the ministry of the Amoses. Even though the revival is now history, yet in every service the people testify of the blessings they received and are still receiving. A good revival spirit has prevailed during the entire two-year life of the church.
—*Kenneth Berry, Pastor*

► **ROSWELL, N. MEX.**—The First Assembly of God here experienced gracious results under the ministry of 18-year-old Evangelist Bill Newby. Almost every night souls were saved and believers filled. The Lord blessed the fervent effort of the evangelist and the co-operative spirit of the congregation. The revival continues in the regular services.
—*Edgar Newby, Pastor*

► **EAST GARY, IND.**—The entire church here was richly blessed under the ministry of Evangelist and Mrs. Thomas B. Don Carlos of Petaluma, Calif. Even though it was vacation time the attendance was very gratifying. Quite a number were saved and baptized in the Holy Spirit. A special feature of the meetings were the chalk drawings by Sister Don Carlos. A picture was given to the one bringing the greatest number to each service. She also painted the baptismal scene in oil.
—*Denver L. Baker, Pastor*

► **REDROCK, TEX.**—The recent evangelistic meetings in the Taylorsville Assembly here with Evangelist Norman Alexander, of Houston, Tex., lasted only eight nights, but during that time several were saved and several healed. The Sunday School attendance climbed to new heights and most of the members of the church were built up spiritually.
—*Charles H. Miller, Pastor*

NEWS OF EVANGELISTS

DAVID SANDALL (The Singing Sandalls) recently accepted the pastorate in Boulder, Colo.... JERRY FISCHER (Musical Fishers of Men) is now pastor at Sparks, Nev.... Another evangelist left the field when W. V. BENTLEY took the church in Knox City, Tex.... WILLARD C. PEIRCE is now an instructor at Northwest Bible College in Seattle, Wash.

EVANGELISTIC CAMPAIGN CALENDAR

STATE	CITY	ASSEMBLY	DATE	EVANGELIST	PASTOR
Ala.	Clanton	Temple	Nov. 12-24	Calvin Melton	Nelson White
	Vincent	Arkwright	Nov. 13-24	Phillip Jackson	J. R. Carmichael
Ark.	Fayetteville	First	Nov. 4—	D. C. Ogden	Wayne Danner
	Pochahontas	A of G	Nov. 13-24	Bob Swain	Earl Teeter
Calif.	Los Angeles	Full Gospel	Nov. 12-24	Watson Argue	Warren L. Hill
	Stockton	Bethel	Nov. 12-22	Fisher-Cheek	J. R. Adkins
Colo.	Colorado Springs	First	Nov. 17—	Wendell Reed Party	Milton Newman
Fla.	Miami	Hialeah	Nov. 17-Dec. 1	B. R. Minton	Leonard Cutts
Ga.	Columbus	Benning Park	Nov. 11-24	L. G. Gilstrap	T. Delma Whitehead
Idaho	Moscow	A of G	Nov. 12-Dec. 1	Dale Holford	John Stavros
Ill.	Havana	A of G	Oct. 27-Nov. 10	Cox-Brown	T. L. Bonnavar
Ind.	Linton	A of G	Nov. 17—	Billy Wolfe	Harry Vibbert
Iowa	Cedar Rapids	First	Nov. 12—	Donnell-Holler	Lawrence Huffman
	Anthony	A of G	Nov. 10—	William Saunders	David Matweyiw
Kans.	Hutchinson	First	Nov. 17—	R. Alan Davis	J. L. Boulware
	Tribune	A of G	Nov. 10-24	James Call	Dean Nygren
	Nicholasville	First	Nov. 17—	Chas. Hackett & wife	Mary Hudson
La.	Paradis	First	Nov. 12-24	Jimmie Mayo, Jr.	James Seymour
Mo.	Shreveport	Jewella	Nov. 10-24	Jack Pruitt	R. C. Ayers
	Dixon	A of G	Nov. 13—	Charles Ogdon	Donald Nye
	Kansas City	Revival Center	Nov. 12-24	R. W. Hastie & wife	Warner L. Miles
	Malden	A of G	Nov. 17-Dec. 1	R. D. Hastie & wife	Billie Campbell
Neb.	St. Charles	A of G	Nov. 12-24	Carl Oney & wife	V. D. Kelly
	Whitney	First	Nov. 5-17	N. B. Rayburn	E. J. Dewey
N. J.	Trenton	Capitol	Nov. 6-17	John & Nancy Briner	John K. Cairns
N. Dak.	Elgin	A of G	Nov. 5-17	Paul Sandgren & wife	P. J. Hessler
	Stanley	A of G	Nov. 3-17	Paul A. Clark	Marvin Carlson
Ohio	Delphos	First	Nov. 13-24	Tanner Team	Elvin Irwin
Okla.	Ada	First	Nov. 12-24	John Everett & wife	L. E. Stagg, Jr.
	Tulsa	Capitol Hill	Nov. 11-24	J. W. Henegar	M. D. Hartz
	Tulsa	Mingo	Nov. 3-17	E. C. Lagmay & wife	R. B. West
Oreg.	The Dalles	A of G	Nov. 10—	Johnny Hoskins	David Phillips
Pa.	Brookville	First	Nov. 5—	Moses Copeland	Vernon Boyer
	Glassport	A of G	Nov. 17—	Jim Collins	Arthur Davies
	York	Taxville FG	Nov. 8-17	Richard Owens	E. S. Bell, Sr.
S. C.	Columbia	* Auditorium	Nov. 17-Dec. 1	Velmer Gardner	J. C. Hunnicutt, Chm.
Wash.	Granger	A of G	Nov. 12-24	Warren D. Combs	R. J. Gerla
	Olympia	A of G	Nov. 13-24	Joseph E. Johnson	Dave Carlson
W. Va.	Dorothy	A of G	Nov. 3-17	Peiffer-Harden	Ernest Edmonds
	Mt. Hope	A of G	Nov. 17—	Mildred M. Baker	E. E. Templeton
Wisc.	Milwaukee	A of G	Nov. 12-24	Christian Hild	Lloyd Christiansen
Canada	Port Colborne	First Pente.	Nov. 10—	C. S. Tubby	R. C. Eastman
	Toronto, Ont.	Evangel Temple	Nov. 10—	Jimmy Adams Party	W. G. McPherson
	Toronto, Ont.	Stone Church	Nov. 14-24	Watters Gospel Party	Fred Parlee

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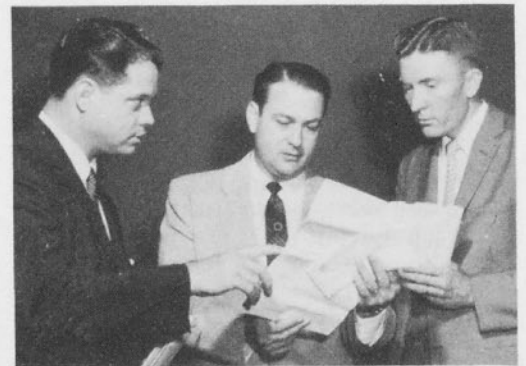
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On September 24, Evangelist Don Gossett of Salem, Oregon, began special revival services on the campus. Not only the students but others residing in Canyonville were benefited. Each night there were definite spiritual results. The altar services lasted until nearly midnight and a number of young people dedicated their lives to full-time gospel service.

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—by Robert Shaffer, Vice-President.

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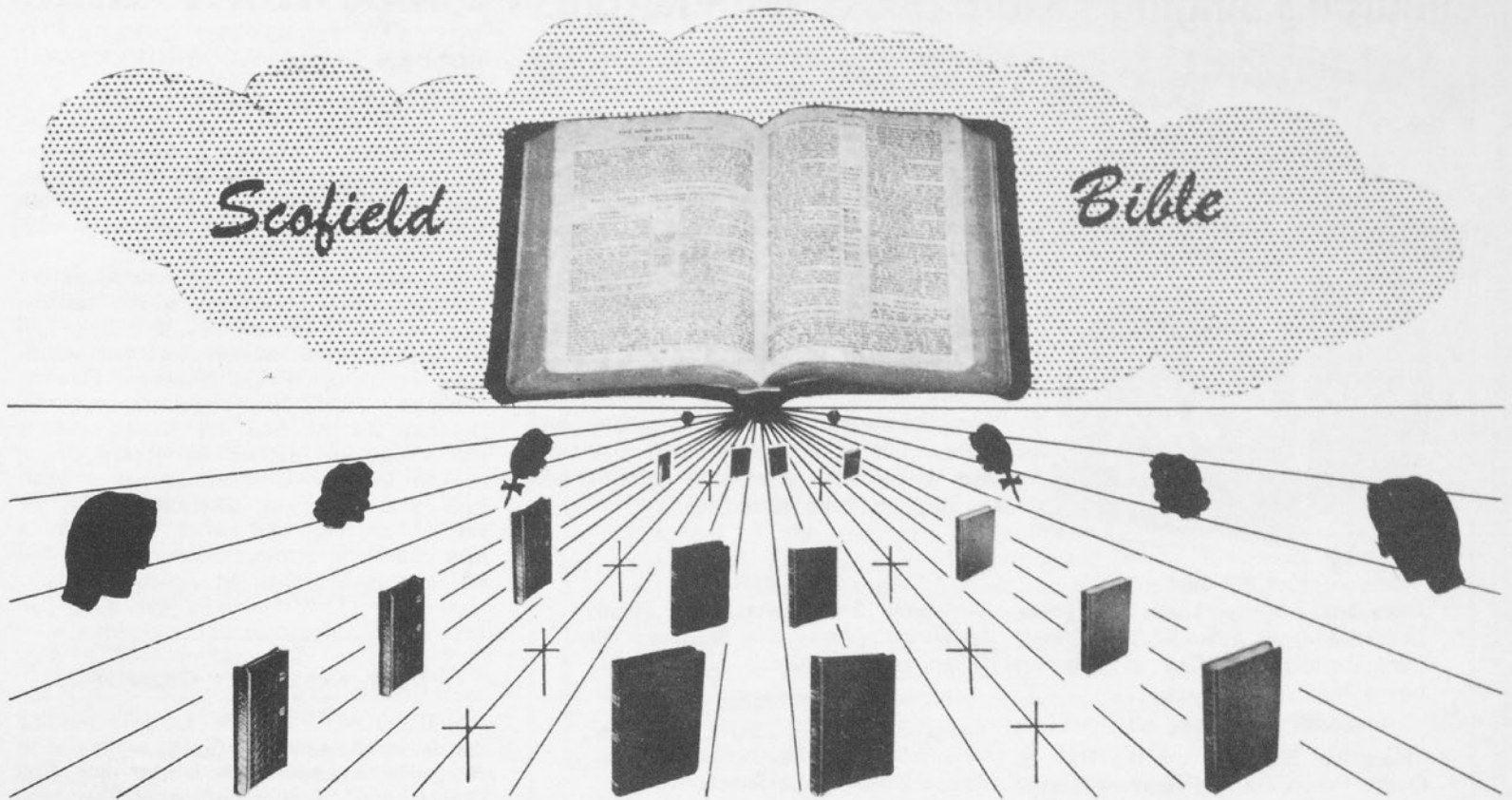
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VETERAN MINISTERS CELEBRATE GOLDEN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

DALHART, Texas—My parents, Rev. and Mrs. John Hart, of Alexico, Calif. were honored at a recent Sunday morning service at the Dalhart Assembly of God on the occasion of their fiftieth wedding anniversary. My husband is pastor of this Assembly.

I thank God for a consecrated father who has been preaching in the Assemblies of God ranks for 35 years and has kept true to the old doctrinal standards, including Divine Healing. He has not had medical help in all these years. He has trusted God for health and is still strong and active. At present he is booked for revival meetings for a year. Five years ago, at the age of 63, he started another new work and built a new church in Atoka, Oklahoma. He has set eleven churches in order.

—by Mrs. Fred Ball

NEW ASSEMBLY GROWING

NORFOLK, VA.—The Lord is blessing the newest Assembly of God here, known as Northside Assembly. It is the only Full Gospel church in this section of town, and is located only a short distance from the Naval Amphibious Base at Little Creek.

Although the work is only a few months old, we have reached a Sunday School attendance around thirty. Recently a Christian Cadets group and a Women's Missionary Council were organized. The Lord is continuing to pour out His Spirit. People are under conviction, and souls are being blessed. We expect great things from God.

—by James L. Allen, Pastor

GREEK BRANCH HOLDS CONVENTION

SAN JOSE, CALIF.—The annual convention of the Greek Branch of the Assemblies of God was held in Oakland, California, June 30 to July 7. The host pastor was George Goomas. The Lord's presence was felt from the very first day of the meeting.

The morning speaker was Emmanuel Deligiannis, who has recently come over from Rumania and Greece. He is just 22 years old and God is blessing his ministry among the Greek churches. His Bible teaching and studies were very profitable and enlightening. Brother Deligiannis was chosen to be the evangelist among the Greek Assemblies. He and two others were ordained during the convention.

The evening speaker was Alexander A. Vazakas, professor of philosophy, philology, and theology in a Bible college in Kansas. Because of his broad education and anointing of the Holy Spirit, the convention was greatly blessed.

Many came to the altar at each service. Three received the Holy Spirit, and testimonies of healing were given. This convention will long linger in our memories, for it has been one of the best.

—by Gust A. Harbas, Branch Secretary

ARKANSAS DISTRICT ELECTS OFFICERS

HOT SPRINGS, ARK.—The 44th annual session of the Arkansas District Council convened at Ozark-Lithia Camp Grounds in Hot Springs on September 23 to 26. C. C. Crace, District Superintendent of Tennessee, was guest speaker.

G. W. Hardcastle was re-elected as District Superintendent; and T. J. Gotcher was re-elected as Assistant Superintendent. The General Presbyters are Fay Hutchinson and Edwin Burris. The Executive Presbyters are H. J. Murray, H. E. Simms, Merle J. Harris, and R. A. Thompson.

The Sunday School officers are Billy R. Bray, Director; and Raymond J. Phillips, Assistant. E. Joe Wilmoth is the District C. A. President, and Charles Northcutt, Vice President.

The Officers of the W.M.C. are Mrs. Paul Wunderlin, President; and Mrs. Fay Hutchinson, Vice President.

—by H. E. Shaw, District Secretary

ANNOUNCEMENTS

MISSIONARY CONVENTION AND 43RD ANNIVERSARY—Nov. 17-19 at Assembly of God, Jeannette, Pa. Speakers: Mrs. Ernest Sorbo, South India; Walter and Mariam Haydus, Guatemala.—by A. A. Amerine, Pastor.

MISSIONARY CONVENTION—Nov. 22-24 at First Assembly of God, Bartlesville, Okla. Speakers: Phil Hogan, Foreign Missions Secretary of Promotions, and John Grace, Oklahoma District Missions Director.—by H. Paul Holdridge, Pastor.

NEW JERSEY DISTRICT MINISTERS' INSTITUTE—Nov. 11 and 12 at First Assembly of God, Trenton, N. J. Speaker, O. L. Harrup. Subject: The Pastor's Part in Evangelism.—by Richard J. Bergstrom, District Superintendent.

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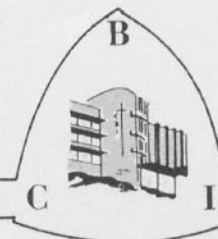
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Light of the World

BY DAVID A. WOMACK

ONE OF MAN'S GREATEST BLESSINGS ON EARTH IS LIGHT. When God created the heavens and the earth, His first interest on the first day was to make light and to divide it from the darkness. On the fourth day He divided this light into sun, moon, and stars so that no matter what the hour of the day, man would have some light to see by. God was so interested in light that out of the six days of creation He spent one-third of His time in its development.

How dependent we are on light in our modern world! We not only work through the day by the light of the sun, but have invented artificial lights to see by in the dark hours. What a beautiful sight is a large city at night with its many colored signs, its rows of street lights, its shaded lights in the windows, and its long beams of searchlights reaching far into the sky!

If light is so important to the world, how much more important is that spiritual Light who came into a world of darkness to shine His rays into the hearts of men. Jesus said, "As long as I am in the world, I am the light of the world" (John 9:5). Into lives that had no hope of sight, there shined a floodlight of God's grace, and eyes that could not see beheld the Son of God in all His glory. John wrote, "In Him was life, and the life was the light of men. And the light shineth in the darkness, and the darkness comprehendeth it not" (John 1:4-5). Or, "the darkness has never overpowered it" (Williams Translation). No matter how auspicious a beginning a man may have in this world, nothing but the light of Jesus Christ can save him after he becomes lost in the darkness of sin.

Life is a series of climactic situations—a string of incidents which require decisions. It is a maze with many blind alleys and dead-end streets. It is like a journey through a metropolis at night, with little sense of direction, and almost no understanding of directing signs. We have no choice in the matter of birth—we just wake up one day, and there we are alive. It is a rather hopeless situation, too, for we begin to wander before we know the way, and are utterly lost before we realize it. The horrible, swirling suction of life reaches out and pulls us into its maddening pace. Then we try to get out of our darkness. We reach out for anything to save us—pleasure, material gain, fame, conquest, and a host of other things that are to be found for the seeking. We stumble on in the utter blackness, hoping to find some small ray of light to show us the way. But none comes—and the darkness gets deeper as we go on.

Then, finally, we stop in complete despair and cry out, "I am lost! I cannot find the way alone! I must have help! Lord, be merciful unto me, a sinner!" It is then that Jesus steps out of the gloom with His face all radiantly aglow, relieves us of all the paraphernalia that we have accumulated in the darkness, and points the way to a street called "Strait" that winds upward out of sight. We are as helpless as Saul of Tarsus in the days of his blindness, but the Lord takes us by the hand, and as we enter the street, the sun suddenly breaks over the horizon, the birds begin to sing, and the world is alive again. The light of Jesus Christ is the only answer to a dark and sinful world. Those who do not see the light, or do not accept it, must go on deeper and deeper into unending darkness.

Light itself cannot have its greatest usefulness unless there be some reflection. In Matthew 5:16 Jesus said, "Ye are the light of the world." Our whole duty to God and to the world is to forever reflect the light of Jesus Christ from our lives. We are not the source of light, but, as the moon takes its light from the sun, so we reflect the glory of Jesus Christ into our neighborhoods and among our friends. The only way to show our gratitude to Christ for taking us from the darkness is to shine His light into the lives of others, that they also might know Him. This is the very essence of the Christian life.

The responsibility of spreading the gospel is ours. We cannot expect that souls will be saved, if we do not plan our efforts and direct the light into unsaved hearts. A haphazard, disinterested testimony never can do the job. It will take every born-again person, dedicated to God and planning to be effective, to spread the light of the gospel of Jesus Christ. Little, scattered lights will accomplish some good, but how much more effective they can be if they all will shine in the same direction. If we will faithfully shine for God together, we will see souls saved.

If we are ever going to shine for God to the unsaved world, we must do it now. The time is soon to come when those that are in darkness will be cast away into eternal oblivion, and those who are in the light will be raptured into eternal life. We will dwell forever in perfect knowledge, without any blinding of our eyes. As John wrote, "And the city had no need of the sun, neither the moon to shine in it: for the glory of God did lighten it, and the Lamb is the light thereof" (Rev. 21:23). In the time that remains, let us shine all of the gospel into all of the world, that sinners may be saved for all eternity.



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