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The Time Is Now!

The time to evangelize the world is *now*. The Lord Jesus said, "This gospel of the kingdom shall be preached in all the world for a witness unto all nations; and then shall the end come." Probably there never has been a more favorable hour for evangelizing the nations than the hour in which we live—and certainly the end must be near.

World statesmen continue to speak of peace but prepare for war. They refuse to ban nuclear tests, due to mutual distrust. Russia is firing a powerful new rocket into the Central Pacific to strike new terror into the hearts of mankind. The U.S. is boasting that the new Polaris-firing atomic submarine can fire missiles on practically any important city in the U.S.S.R. And while the "big feud" goes on between the leading powers, lesser feuds at widely scattered points threaten to touch off a global conflict that will destroy half the earth. Chinese Reds fire on South Korean patrol boats. Communist bullets kill Indian guards along the Tibetan border. Tension mounts between Israel and the Arab states. Nazi swastikas reappear in many lands to warn of the possible revival of anti-Semitism. The looming catastrophe cannot be averted forever. If we are going to evangelize the whole world we must do it *now*—there may not be a tomorrow.

It is a solemn hour and at the same time it is a day of unsurpassed opportunities. God has put every necessary facility at our disposal. He Himself has gone out before us to open the doors. He has shaken the nations free from their old prejudices and heathen beliefs. He has poured out His Spirit in a marvelous way. This is a day when crowds at evangelistic crusades can be numbered in tens of thousands; it is an hour when the radio and printing press are being used by our missionaries to reach people by the millions.

What a great day it is in which to live—a day when the dispensation of Christian grace is almost over and the reign of Christ is about to begin. This is the generation, no doubt, for which all the ages have been waiting: the generation whose high calling it may be to welcome back the King of kings. God has entrusted to us the end-time message, to proclaim the return of Christ and to warn the nations to prepare to meet Him.

There is a job for every Christian believer to do. No one need say, "I am unfit." All we need is the baptism of the Holy Spirit and He will use every one of us mightily in whatever way He sees is best. "The Lord is at hand!" The words will stir our hearts and move us to put everything we have into the work. Before He comes, this gospel must be preached in all the world for a witness to all nations. God is calling us to do it. What a responsibility we have, and what a privilege—to be co-workers with Christ in saving a lost world.

The time is *now!* Let us answer the call and prove that we are worthy of the honor of finishing the work for which Jesus gave His all.

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Bearers of the Light

BY OWEN C. CARR

Youth leader, who visited Africa, describes the devotion of our missionaries

THE BIBLE SAYS, "THERE WAS A man sent from God, whose name was John. The same came for a witness, to bear witness of the Light, that all men through him might believe (John 1:6, 7).

I am reminded of this scripture as I recall a certain Home Missions meeting. The representatives of our various districts were discussing ways and means of opening new churches and one man said, "What we need in *our* district is money!"

An official from another district said, "*We* need some method that will insure the establishing of a church once we begin."

A third representative said, "What *our* district needs is men. When we find God's man for a place he will find ways to raise the money. In our district the great crying need is for men."

I notice the business world places great importance upon the individual. When a company opens a new branch they realize it is not enough to find a good location and good equipment. They lay strong emphasis on finding the right man to head the new venture. They know that success or failure will hinge upon the man.

The same is true in politics. A political party will pin its hopes for success upon a man, even more than upon a platform. And so it is with the kingdom of the Lord. When God has a job to be done He raises up a man. "There was a man sent from God, whose name was John."

It has always been so. When God was ready to populate the earth He made a man. Just one man. We would have made a million but God made one. Centuries later, when God wanted

a particular nation through which His blessings might come to mankind, He chose one man. There were many nations already in existence but He did not choose any of them. He chose one man, Abraham, and said, "I'll make a nation of him."

We would have given Abraham fifty sons, but God gave him one son of promise. To that one son God gave two sons, but He rejected one of them and confirmed the promise to the other son. Just one. Thus throughout three generations, in the building of a nation, God chose one individual each time.

Then, knowing that this chosen nation would need to be preserved in the time of famine that was coming, God sent one man ahead into Egypt. He chose one man, Joseph. Centuries later, when Israel needed to be delivered from Egyptian bondage, God again chose one man—Moses. God called him, empowered him, and used him to effect a great deliverance.

In the fullness of time, God sent forth His Son. It was time to save the world and so God chose one Man—the Man Christ Jesus—to be the Saviour. God places a higher value and importance upon man than we do. Jesus said, "What shall it profit a man, if he shall gain the whole world, and lose his own soul? Or what shall a man give in exchange for his soul?" (Mark 8:36-37). Christ came to redeem *man*.

Among all the great natural resources of our country, the most precious is her young people. God has laid His hand upon thousands of young men and young women—has called them to be His ambassadors—and has given them the task of *speeding the Light* to all the sin-darkened corners of the

earth. What a privilege it is to be a part of this great Christ's Ambassadors organization that has been raised up to help evangelize the world.

John "came for a witness, to bear witness of the Light." That is our calling—to carry the Light to them that sit in darkness. We are "not to be ministered unto, but to minister," and in a very real sense to give our lives a ransom for many through the precious Blood of Christ.

I am thinking of some of the consecrated men in our Fellowship who have gone into various parts of the world as bearers of this Light. For eighteen years Victor G. Greisen was superintendent of the Assemblies of God throughout the Kansas District. Then he went back to his native Denmark for a visit—a land just one-fifth the size of Kansas with a population twice as great (four million people). There he found a few small Full Gospel churches but very little attention was being given to the youth. They had no Sunday schools, no youth groups, no Bible schools. He resigned his office as District Superintendent in Kansas and moved to Denmark to work with the young people of that land.

First, a junior high school and a high school were established where students could be instructed in the basic doctrines of the Bible. Brother Greisen and others worked with these teen-agers and prayed with them until they were saved and filled with the Holy Spirit. Then God laid upon the people's hearts a burden for more trained preachers. They started a Bible school in Denmark and the first class has now graduated.

"I have a burden for 600 million

people," says Brother Greisen—"300 million west of the Iron Curtain and 300 million behind it." Just recently a Bible school was opened in Belgium for all French-speaking people. Heretofore these people had no full gospel school in Europe for French-speaking youth, but now there is opportunity for the training of future leaders. Leadership is vital.

While reading the Bible I was impressed with this fact. I went through the Scriptures and marked every passage that referred directly or indirectly to ministers and other leaders. I was amazed to find that most of the Bible is written to or about leaders. Some of the leaders failed. King David fell into sin and brought reproach upon the entire nation, giving occasion to the enemies of God to blaspheme. Nadab and Abihu, who also failed, were priests of the first order. Their duty was to be a pattern of behavior for their successors, but they disobeyed the Lord and He burned them on the spot without mercy. Their punishment was great because they were leaders.

King Saul was another man who had

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a very responsible position and miserably departed from the will of God. He wrote a fitting epitaph for all leaders who afterward should fail—"I have played the fool." Jesus said, "Whoso shall offend one of these little ones which believe in me, it were better for him that a millstone were hanged about his neck, and that he were drowned in the depth of the sea." What a great

importance Jesus placed upon the faithfulness of leaders.

We are called to bear the Light. God has sent the Light into the world and He is counting on each individual to bear witness of the Light, that all men might believe. I am thinking of Harold Jones, one of our foreign missionaries. He has a son in East Africa, a daugh-

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American Evangelists Tour the West Indies

BY L. C. ULSETH

PAUL OLSON OF MINNEAPOLIS VISITED the West Indies recently and held evangelistic services in the islands of Antigua, Montserrat, and Trinidad. He held a three-week crusade sponsored by the Revivaltime Assembly in San Fernando, Trinidad. During these meetings hundreds came forward to receive Christ as their personal Saviour. Many were filled with the Holy Spirit. Scores were healed by the power of God.

Truly the presence of God was greatly felt in these meetings. Backsliders were restored to Jesus Christ. Young men confessed that they visited the crusade for other reasons, but rejoiced when they found Jesus Christ.

One young man, a Roman Catholic who had hoped to enter the priesthood, was gloriously saved and followed the Lord in water baptism. He later testified that he was surprised to find young men in San Fernando who did not indulge in obscenities and worldliness.

One young lady was overwhelmed—she was saved, healed, and baptized in the Holy Spirit in the space of one week. Another teen-age girl had such a remarkable spiritual experience that her parents were led to receive Christ as their personal Saviour also.

This crusade will long be remembered as a young people's crusade. Scores made decisions to follow the Lord in water baptism. ◀◀



Many hundreds attended the Brother Paul Olson campaign sponsored by the Revivaltime Assembly in San Fernando, Trinidad



CALL TO ACTION

J. Philip Hogan

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF FOREIGN MISSIONS

Christian Books Needed

OUR MANY BIBLE SCHOOLS OVERSEAS are presently developing to the place where they need to enlarge their libraries. Of course, most Christian books are published in English. Strange as it may seem, English is widely spoken in many areas overseas, and even more widely read. In all of the areas colonized by Britain, such as Jamaica, Nigeria, India, and Malaya, there is a tremendous background of education in English. For this reason most English publications can be read by the educated classes.

So many appeals have come to the Foreign Missions Department lately for books in English that we have decided to publicize this need in the hope that many *Evangel* readers will want to donate second-hand books or buy new books for these Bible schools.

Requested books include recognized Bible commentaries of all kinds, Bible concordances, church histories, sermons, and biographical material. Actually any kind of worth-while Christian reading material of sound Biblical doctrine would be welcome. Non-Christian reading material is not needed, except for certain classics which could be used for advanced English students.

If there are individuals or groups who would like to sponsor some overseas library project, the Foreign Missions Department would be glad to act as shipping agent for this material. Books sent to us will be sorted and allocated to the various schools. Be sure you take advantage of the special postal rates on "books."

Shipping costs and any actual money spent for books will be granted missionary credit, if reported. Undoubtedly there are many people who have wanted to do something for missions, particularly for the training of national ministers, who could find some volumes of used Christian books that would be a blessing overseas. ◀◀

Angel Pioneers a Church

BY STERLING STEWART

Missionary to El Salvador

ANGEL RIVAS HAD MANY OBSTACLES to overcome to become a minister. Nevertheless, the call of God was strong on his heart and he came to Bible school. He was unable to pass the first year as he had had very little schooling and the studies were hard for him. However, as soon as school was out he insisted that he wanted to go and preach. It mattered not to him that the people made fun of his being blind in one eye. His heart burned with the compassion of Christ and he felt constrained to do what he could to win souls.

He was placed in a church that had been abandoned by the ex-pastor as well as the people. There was no support and the people had become discouraged. He arrived December 16, 1956, and with only one person present he preached his first sermon. Opposition was not long in coming. His Catholic neighbor, trying to keep the door of the evangelical church closed, paid the priest to give three masses in order that Angel would leave. But Angel would not go. He knew that he served a living God who never would forsake him.

He set himself to prayer for two weeks. There was no change. He and his wife prayed another week. Still there was no evident answer. Had he missed the will of God? He could not keep on much longer. His family was hungry and there was no money for the things they needed. But he was determined and he continued calling on

the Lord for a total of five weeks.

Then God answered. It was during holy week when the people began to come to the services. God was moving. Several were saved and others reclaimed. Before the week was over, revival was on and the little chapel was crowded out.

Satan redoubled his efforts. One of the leading men of the church called Angel to a session and asked him to leave. They said they did not want him for their pastor. That night his heart was heavy when he prayed, "God, if you don't want me here, it is well. I want to be in your will." He prayed three days for guidance and on the third day the same man came to the door with a big bunch of bananas. His spirit was broken so that he could hardly speak but he wanted Angel to forgive him. The Holy Spirit had been faithful to convict him of his sin. They prayed together with their arms around each other and then the man left the bananas for Angel's supper that night.

April 16 was our fifteenth wedding anniversary and we had made other plans, but Angel wrote and said that he was planning on our being there for the service that night. He said he would have supper for us. We accepted his invitation and appreciated the simple meal for we knew he had given us the best he had. We felt guilty in eating their meager rations but they were pleased to have the missionary as their guest.

I asked Angel if the people were supporting him. He said the most he received was forty cents and usually it was only fifteen or twenty, but the people were good to bring in gyp corn and beans to eat and he had no reason to be discouraged. They now have at least thirty in every service and on Sundays the church is full. God had heard his prayer and he is happy. ◀◀



Angel Rivas and family

Evangelizing on the Island of Kyushu



BY EARL TAYLOR
Missionary to Japan



KYUSHU, THIRD IN SIZE OF THE four main islands of Japan, has for centuries been the seat of feudalism and, since the sixteenth century, the center of Catholicism. During the early days of Protestant missionary work only certain port cities were open to non-Catholic missionaries; it was difficult to reach those living in the mountains and valleys of the interior. It is not surprising that when we arrived in Japan we found Saga Prefecture, Kyushu Island, to have less Christian workers—including both national ministers and missionaries—than any other area of Japan.

God led us to locate in Karatsu City where we began to work with a small group of Christians meeting in our home. Much yet remains to be done but we are thankful for what God has accomplished thus far in the hearts of the people in this area.

In addition to the Sunday school in Karatsu City we have "Wednesday school" on a small island in Karatsu Bay. The island is called Takashima (which means High Island) and has a population of about 900. Most of the people are engaged in fishing and

live on a very small income. They are children of the sea," for their livelihood depends most directly upon the sea and the products that can be obtained from the deep. As many as 100 children and always one or two old women listen to the gospel story each week and are learning to become "children of the King." To reach this island we must board a frail ferry boat, which cannot sail unless the sea is calm. Twenty minutes later the boat docks and the children come running. This weekly school is the only gospel effort of any kind among the people of Takashima. We are thankful for this opportunity to leave a witness with these islanders.

Hospital evangelism has long been one of the most effective means of reaching Japan's lost millions. The Japanese people lead a very busy life and seldom will take time to listen to the gospel. However, when they are confined to the hospital with TB and are forced to take long months of rest they have time to think and many of them begin for the first time in their lives to search for something to believe.

Many times it is hard to get into

the hospitals to preach or do personal work, but last March God opened the door to the largest hospital in this area. Not only are we allowed to visit the bedfast patients but the head nurse requested that we have a service during the recreation period in the convalescent wards. Each Friday we take the portable organ to the hospital for a service and personal visitation ministry. God has blessed this work. A number of patients who are allowed to leave the hospital come to our morning worship service at the Karatsu City church.

One young man who has been released from the hospital has a clear testimony of salvation. It has been a real pleasure to watch him grow in the Lord. He often leads our church service and takes the opportunity to tell how God has blessed him. He always chooses songs of consecration. We feel that God may be calling him into full-time service. Pray that God will keep this door of service open and that many more will follow the example of this young man.

Every summer is tent-meeting time. In 1958 we had a tent meeting in Karatsu with good results and in 1959



National workers holding song sheet for "Wednesday school" on Takashima. This school is the only gospel effort among these people.



"Children of the Sea" at a typical Wednesday afternoon Bible class on the island of Takashima, Japan.

PHOTOS BY EARL TAYLOR

we had three—one in Karatsu; one in Kashii, about thirty-five miles east; and one in Kumamoto, the capital city of one of the prefectures (districts) in central Kyushu.

For every group of believers there needs to be a church. Until now our Christians in Karatsu City have been meeting in two rooms of our house, but this place is inadequate. For months we have been asking God to provide a suitable building. A few days ago one of the Christians came to me and said she had located land that would be ideal for a church. I went to see the place and it is excellent. The plot is located at the junction of three main streets, bordered by the river on one side, and in front of the bus stop.

Located on this plot, a church could be seen from the railroad station and would be accessible by rail and bus.

Japan is over-populated and land sells at a premium. This plot will cost approximately \$3,600. This seems a lot of money to invest in church property, but when one considers what a soul-saving station here can do to further God's kingdom, the proper sense of values emerges. To put an adequate church building on this location will cost at least as much as the land, making a total of \$7,200. We are praying that God will enable us to complete this task before we leave on furlough. In the natural it seems an impossible task, but God can do the impossible, and it is in Him that we trust. ◀◀



Earl Taylor in front of church sign, containing time of services, church affiliation, and two Scripture verses.



Progress for God in Yugoslavia

BY GUSTAV KINDERMAN

Secretary for Relief and Rehabilitation

ASSEMBLIES OF GOD ACTIVITIES IN Yugoslavia are growing. It should be borne in mind that prior to World War II the bulk of the population of this country belonged to the Greek Orthodox church. It was the state church and the influence of the Greek Orthodox clergy was far-reaching. Activities of evangelical groups were curtailed. Now, however, under the regime of Marshal Tito, all churches enjoy the same privileges—no one is preferred above the other.

Our Pentecostal brethren, under the leadership of Ludwik Ullen as chairman, obtained full recognition from Yugoslavian authorities and registered the fellowship as *Kristova Pentekostna Crkva* (Christian Pentecostal Church). The membership consists of 1,016 believers, baptized in water, many of whom are Spirit-filled according to Acts 2:4. Their regular Sunday school attendance with children and friends numbers 1,617.

Believers gather in fifty-four places of worship throughout the country; they own twelve regular prayer halls and rent forty-two.

During a visit to Yugoslavia with George B. Derkatch from Canada it

was our privilege to minister in several of our churches throughout Yugoslavia and we were pleased to note the spirit of prayer which prevailed everywhere. Recently there came a letter from Brother Betschel in Salzburg, Austria, who also found the same atmosphere during his recent visit to that country. His letter reads:

"The believers of one Assembly

which I visited have prayed regularly since January; they have not missed one evening. The folk come by foot or bicycle from distances of six to fifteen miles. The prayer meetings last until three o'clock in the morning. As a result, believers are filled with the blessed Holy Spirit and souls are being saved. Another group of twenty believers are praying every second night, from 8 p.m. until 5 a.m., that God may help them find a prayer hall suitable for public meetings. Presently they are gathering in one small room that is not acceptable to the authorities for legal registration."

Your prayers for Yugoslavia will be greatly appreciated. Thirty dollars monthly will support a national worker. Should you like to assist the work in Yugoslavia, send your offering to the Foreign Missions Department, 434 West Pacific Street, Springfield, Mo., designated "For Yugoslavian National Workers."

PHOTO BY GUSTAV KINDERMAN



Pastors serving Assemblies of God churches in Yugoslavia



PHOTO BY A. DEVANEY



Mother Church

THE ARTICLES ON THESE TWO PAGES SHOW WHAT CAN BE ACCOMPLISHED THROUGH THE MOTHER CHURCH PLAN RECOMMENDED BY THE NATIONAL HOME MISSIONS DEPARTMENT. THIS PLAN WILL BE THE MAJOR EMPHASIS OF THE MISSION USA RALLIES TO BE CONDUCTED IN FEBRUARY.

UNDER THE MOTHER CHURCH PLAN, A LOCAL CHURCH,

A Pastor Reminisces

This remarkable story of Central Assembly's outreach shows that the "mother church" plan is as natural as a hen hatching chicks! And it keeps the "mother church" healthy and "scratching"!

BY R. M. RIGGS

IT IS WITH SOME NOSTALGIA THAT I look back on the happy days when I was pastor of Central Assembly in Springfield, Mo. It was from 1931 to 1939. I had been a teacher in Central Bible Institute in this city from the fall of 1929 and had worshiped in this church each Sunday. Having a pastor's heart and vision I would sit there, size up the situation, and figure out what I would do if I were pastor of that church. Certainly I *said* nothing of my thoughts, for that would have been unethical of a visiting minister. It was more of a mental pastime for me, for I had no desire or idea of ever actually becoming pastor.

But in the spring of 1931 the pastorate became vacant. I was asked to fill the pulpit until a pastor could be secured. As far as the conducting of the Sunday morning service was concerned, I immediately put my ideas into practice. Instead of preaching on the announcements until noon and then holding the congregation until 12:45 or 1:00, under which treatment we all had languished, I started my sermon at 11:30 and finished at 12 noon. This immediately made a hit with the congregation. (If there is any value in telling it, I remember well my first sermon. I preached an expository message on Ephesians 2:1-10. Brother

Brother Riggs was reluctant to give this account of his accomplishments as a pastor in Springfield. He wrote the article only after the National Home Missions Department urged him repeatedly to do so.

W. I. Evans followed my thoughts in his Greek Testament and told me afterwards I had adhered faithfully to the original text. This was purely an accident for I am altogether innocent of a knowledge of Greek.)

When school was out in May I noticed that the deacon board was rather deliberate about securing a regular pastor. It occurred to me that I might have time to put in some changes which I had dreamed about before. This was a particularly felicitous thought, since changes are always disturbing and usually create a bad reaction against the one who introduced them. I felt I could effect a complete overhaul of the Sunday school and get the church started on the new basis and escape with my life; then the new man would have an organized, departmental Sunday school already in operation, without having the stigma and resentment for having upset the old routine.

So I plunged in. To my surprise there were few casualties. One dear sister, a pillar in the church, objected rather strenuously when I transferred the teacher of her child and made her superintendent of a department rather than let the good teacher continue to teach her child! But I smilingly persisted and we got over our difficulty. A Sunday school of 188 was cast into a different mold so it could easily expand into the school of 988 which it later became.

The fall came and to my honest surprise (and equally honest delight) I was elected as permanent pastor. The Lord had given to me the made-to-order church which I expected to lay at the feet of the new pastor. I continued to teach my full load at Central Bible Institute for that year and pastor the church too.

Next summer I was ready for my next venture. I had read about Vacation Bible schools. They looked good. Why not have one? But how? Having persuaded my selected staff of about twenty-five workers that it would be good to have one in our church, we arranged with a neighboring Baptist church to attend their training course for teachers and workers. This was a do-or-die venture. We could not afford to fail. Every ounce of energy, every moment of time, every amount of common sense, every degree of knowledge we could acquire, and all the grace God had to spare (and that, of course, was sufficient) was invested in making this, our first V.B.S., a success. And it was, oh, praise the Lord! Succeeding Vacation Bible Schools reached the 600 mark in attendance.

The aggressive work of the church had not yet fully begun. Of course, we had revivals and good ones too. The Sunday school was there to receive the new converts into indoctrination classes and there were classes for all the children of the new families. A radio broadcasting station came to town and our church was on the air from the very first Sunday. The extra \$50 needed for this somehow came in and we never felt it financially. The radio gave us open doors all over the city.

But the Bible said, "Ye have filled Jerusalem with your doctrine." Springfield was our Jerusalem and we must fill it with our doctrine. A map of the city was "blown up" to 8 x 12 feet,

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Plan in Action

USING ITS OWN WORKERS AND FINANCES, ESTABLISHES AN ASSEMBLY IN ANOTHER TOWN OR IN A NEEDY SECTION OF THE SAME CITY. THE NEW CHURCH IS PROMOTED, FINANCED, AND GOVERNED BY THE MOTHER CHURCH. THE NEW CHURCH OPERATES AS A BRANCH ASSEMBLY UNTIL IT IS FINANCIALLY AND NUMERICALLY ABLE TO MANAGE ITS OWN AFFAIRS.



Pastor and Mrs. R. C. Schlupp

THE MOTHER CHURCH PLAN HAS proved to be very effective in the opening of a new church in Palisade, Minn., under the sponsorship of the Aitkin Assembly of God.

Shortly before we became pastors of the Aitkin Assembly in 1955, we had conducted evangelistic services in this church. During this time, we participated in street meetings conducted in Palisade by the Aitkin Assembly. Palisade, which is 23 miles northeast of Aitkin in east central Minnesota has a population of approximately 3,000. After accepting the pastorate at Aitkin, we began to feel impressed that it was time for our church to launch a new church in Palisade. Sunday school teachers and musicians from our home church helped in this effort.

We began looking for a building in which to conduct services. The Odd Fellows Lodge of Palisade had amalgamated with the one at Aitkin and they were renting their building for all purposes. We were granted permission to use it free of charge, except for fuel expenses. July 11, 1958, we had ninety-six in Sunday school at 2 p.m. with members of the Aitkin Assembly attending in full force. (Worship services are now conducted at 3 p.m.) Brochures advertising the services were printed and sent to every family in

the area. In September, we began to see results. People began to find the Lord as Saviour.

In November, 1958, the sectional fellowship meeting convened in Palisade. We conducted a street meeting and three services during the day. A lady from Palisade who had been an alcoholic and had been saved in one of our Assemblies came back to her home town to testify to the saving grace of God at one of the meetings which 200 people attended.

Prayer meetings were started in November with only six people in attendance on Thursday evenings. Now, this number has tripled after one year of operation. I spent a whole day from time to time in the Palisade community making calls from farm to farm, then attending the prayer meeting in the evening.

In December, the lodge officials in-

formed the Aitkin pastor that the Assembly could purchase their building for \$1,000. We were just a small group and didn't know whether we could possibly make it. After talking the matter over with the Aitkin Assembly congregation, we decided to make the down payment of \$200. When the unsaved of the community heard that we were going to buy the building, they decided to offer the lodge more money and get it for a dance hall. But God wonderfully intervened and the lodge voted unanimously to sell it to the church. We were permitted to buy the building on our own terms, so the group decided to pay \$25 a month plus the interest. Finances have been no problem since we began.

A Christmas concert, conducted in Palisade by the mother church, was attended by fifty from the Palisade com-

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Minnesota Assembly Sponsors New Church

BY R. C. SCHLUPP

Aitkin, Minnesota



The "mother church" in Aitkin, Minn.



The pioneer church in Palisade, Minn.



Converts in Palisade ready for water baptism

A Pastor Reminisces

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divided into sections, and put up in the front of the church. A paper was printed carrying our full-gospel message and volunteers delivered that paper to every home in town, like newsboys with their paper routes. This was repeated a number of times. At least one pastor in town objected. We had accidentally (or incidentally) delivered our paper to the homes of his members. This was purely coincidental as far as we were concerned and we just kept on delivering papers.

The softening-up barrage had been laid down. It was time now to "hit the beaches." An old tent was secured (all we could afford, for it was depression years) and we moved in. Summer-long campaigns were conducted year after year in various parts of the

city. The evangelist was the assistant pastor of our church (K. H. Lawson, now District Secretary, Southern Missouri District) and thus was no additional expense! It was a whole-church venture and here we went into all our Jerusalem. Following the tent meeting or during it, we rented a hall or store building in that part of the city and started Sunday school. It was held in the afternoon, for the classes were taught by teachers who had taught in Central Assembly that morning. The Sunday schools grew and soon we began to have preaching services in these branch churches. Decision had to be made as to where these workers would work, for now it was too much to work in both places. It was not hard to decide. These volunteer Sunday school

teachers were free to leave their teaching in Central and give full time to the branch Sunday school and church. Capable laymen from Central Assembly were put in charge of the branches and all our members in those respective neighborhoods were told they would be perfectly free to give their full time to attendance at the young churches.

These new churches grew and grew. They organized with their own memberships. They called and supported their own pastors. Central helped them to buy or build their own church buildings. Four brand-new churches were thus started and continue to this day. Central did not lose numerically or financially, for one never loses in giving to God and His kingdom. "He that findeth his life shall lose it; and he that loseth his life for my sake shall find it." "There is that scattereth, and yet increaseth; and there is that withholdeth more than is meet, but it tendeth to poverty." God challenges pastors and church workers to prove and demonstrate this eternal principle, for it is indeed a law of the Kingdom.

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munity. Coffee and cookies were served by the Aitkin ladies to all in attendance. Boxes of cookies were packed and taken along by our little group as we went caroling to the homes of the aged and the sick.

Brother Jones of Fort Collins, Colo., conducted a few night services in January and preached on the baptism of the Holy Spirit, which excited much interest in the community. Souls were being saved almost every week and the Sunday school was coming up in attendance with nineteen to 23 present. Hungry people were coming out of the modern churches to get their souls fed. One family who had prayed for ten years for a spiritual church to be established in Palisade left their church to join our forces. We only counted people from Palisade on the Sunday school register to encourage them to work for their own people.

Students from North Central Bible College in Minneapolis were faithful in helping us with music and preaching

weekends during the school year.

We decided in February that it was time to remodel. Two Sunday school rooms were added and a small auditorium was remodeled and completely paid for. The well-constructed building with hardwood floor is 32 x 80.

In June, the Arnold Swansons from the Bible College came to conduct child evangelism services. Eight people offered to pick up children in their cars and the attendance reached sixty-six. Eighteen children came forward to confess Christ as Saviour. Released-time classes, begun on Thursday afternoons in October, are well attended. Young people of the community are becoming interested and a number have been saved.

Four people responded to the invitation at a one-night service conducted by Lowell and Connie Lundstrom of Sisseton, S. Dak., in August. Missionaries who have come to Palisade from time to time have conducted very inspiring missionary services. (We have a missionary commitment of \$8 a month which is easily met.)

A September Sunday school picnic created interest. Also, eighteen people were baptized during this month, after one year of services in Palisade. Five complete families have been saved. During Evangelist Lela Haycook's two-

week meeting, seven received the baptism of the Holy Spirit.

The Palisade church took full charge of the services and the evening meal for the November fellowship meeting. Five people have dedicated their talents and instruments to the Lord and play in the orchestra.

Sunday school attendance has now reached fifty-five. The Aitkin Assembly, the Mother Church, is proud of its offspring! By sharing their means and their workers (and their pastor) with the new church, the Aitkin members have established the Pentecostal message in Palisade. They feel fully rewarded for every sacrifice they have made and the new effort has blessed the Aitkin Assembly as well. They have lost nothing, but rather have gained spiritually and numerically. People in Palisade continue to respond to the full gospel. Some await water baptism; others are seeking the Baptism.

It is the responsibility of the Pentecostal people to get this heaven-sent message out to communities still without it. How thankful we are for the day the message came to our town through pioneer pastors who gave all they had. Now, it is our turn to look upon the fields ready for harvest—and to do something about it while there is time. ◀◀

Home Front Highlights

News Briefs From the Home Missions Fields

AMERICAN INDIAN MINISTRY

San Tan, Arizona

Several Indians were saved recently at the new San Tan Indian Church (on the Gila River Reservation) with John McPherson as evangelist. The people of the community enjoyed the meetings and many attended. Edna Griep is the pastor.

Livingston, Texas

Four Indians were baptized in water at Livingston after a revival with Evangelist Ethel Smart. One member of the Mission was healed of tuberculosis. D. G. Surface, who ministers here, is doing an excellent work, although laboring under some difficulties. Brother Surface is in a building program as the Sunday school grows rapidly. The church was not adequate to accommodate the congregation comfortably. Financial support is needed to complete this urgent project.

Winslow, Arizona

Bonnie White and June Pearson, pastors at Winslow, report a very successful revival meeting recently with Evangelist Leslie Sampson, a Pima Indian. The church people brought in many who needed Christ, and souls were saved. They had three fellowship dinners during the ten days—cooking mutton stew outside on the open fire. The Sunday school record was broken and the attendance has continued to stand up. A new church building is an



Indian Christians receive prizes for bringing the most people to the revival meeting at Winslow, Ariz.

urgent need here to accommodate the crowds.

Phoenix, Arizona

Mrs. Alta Washburn, director of the All Tribes Indian Bible School in Phoenix, reports that the Lord is blessing in a very wonderful way in their church and school chapel services. They have twenty-five students in the school this year and a fine staff of teachers. One student received the baptism of the Holy Spirit soon after school began. This school provides Bible training for the Indian people so that they may be able to teach Sunday school classes and better minister in various ways to their own people.



Mrs. Howard Bryant of Whittier, Calif. and her three adopted children

Housewife Takes Active Interest in Evangelizing Indians

Inez (Mrs. Howard E.) Bryant of Whittier, Calif., has performed an invaluable service to our home missionaries for several years by mimeographing their letters for distribution to their friends. In helping the missionaries to keep our Assemblies of God constituency informed concerning the activities of the various home missions fields, she has indirectly contributed to the support of their work. Last year alone she mimeographed almost 21,000 copies.

Besides this ministry, Mrs. Bryant sends boxes of clothing and other useful articles to the reservations for the missionaries to use or to give to their people. Several of the men who work

with her husband bring clothing, household articles, toys, etc., for the Bryants to send or take to the reservations. Their neighbors, the people at church, their relatives, and even some churches bring things to them for the Indians. In fact, their house has become a sort of depot for contributions. The boxes the Bryants are unable to take personally are sent by free freight on the Navajo Truck Line.

Mrs. Bryant also finds time from her duties as wife and mother to do mimeograph work for her church and to do some writing for the Home Missions Department. She has contributed articles from time to time such as, "I Am a Shepherd," which appeared in June 14, 1959 in *The Pentecostal Evangel*.

Espanola, New Mexico

Ira Van Houten, formerly missionary at Auburn, Calif., has started a new mission in Espanola, N. Mex.

LaPush, Washington

The W. E. Andersons' son has been ill since August. Prayer is requested for his complete healing.

Farmington, New Mexico

Faith Tabernacle, Farmington, N. Mex., purchased a much-needed pickup for Decie M. Evans, missionary at Farmington.

Tucson, Arizona

The Virgil Zeiglers, formerly missionaries in South Dakota, are now ministering to the Indians in Tucson, Ariz.

Cibecue, Arizona

The new church building at Cibecue where the Bert Parkers minister will be finished soon. For their evening services, they usually have a full church.

Tocito, New Mexico

Gloria Kinney, missionary at Tocito, on the Navajo Reservation, writes that their building program is near completion. They have added a room to their hogan mission.

Infant-ry

The T. L. Johnsons, Tuba City, Ariz., have a baby boy, Eugene Ted, born October 31, weighing 6 lbs. 2 oz.

JEWISH MINISTRY

Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

Monty Garfield, missionary to the Jewish people, reports that he has located a suitable building in Oxford Circle (a section where almost 100,000 Jews live) for a new mission house. The down payment has already been made. Brother Garfield has been anx-

ious to get into this particular area with the gospel for some time.

Los Angeles, California

Four souls were saved in November under the Meyer Tan-Ditters' able ministry.

Hebrew Evangel Available

Copies of the *Hebrew Evangel* issued quarterly, are available from the Home Missions Department upon request. The Assemblies of God Hebrew Mission supplies most of the copy for this eight-page paper, which is edited and published by the Home Missions Department.

PRISON MINISTRY

Arvid Ohrnell, national prison chaplain of the Assemblies of God, recently received the following letter from R. A. Dunlap D.D., Chaplain of the London Prison Farm, London, Ohio:

"It is indeed a pleasure to write this letter thanking you for the generous supply of Bible courses that arrived this morning in good shape. Thank you very much. We really appreciate the Bible courses and we also appreciate your kindness and interest in helping to keep the men supplied with these courses. May God bless you."

FIELD MINISTRY

G. F. Lewis and R. L. Brandt conducted a seminar at Phoenix, Ariz., December 7, 8 and 9, for missionaries to the American Indians.

R. L. Brandt was a speaker at a Home Missions Rally in the Illinois District December 31.

CHURCH EXTENSION

Alabama

D. H. Browne, National Home Missions representative of the Alabama District, reports that there are at least 200 available places in Alabama where the Pentecostal testimony is not preached. He is asking the people of his district to get behind a church extension effort

that will make an impact for God. Have you looked around your district? Help your district officials to extend the kingdom in your area of the home missions harvest field this year.

DEAF MINISTRY

New Appointee

Lloyd E. Couch has recently been appointed to minister to the Deaf in the St. Louis, Mo., area.

ALASKA MINISTRY

Wainright

Cecilia Piper is now ministering in this village 90 miles southwest of Barrow. The population totals 250.

Angoon

Eva Wright has recently accepted ministry at Angoon, an Indian village of 450 to 500 people. She is replacing Donald VonWald who is leaving Alaska ministry for the present.

FOREIGN LANGUAGE MINISTRY

Ysleta, Texas

Kenzy Savage, superintendent of the Latin American Bible Institute at Ysleta, reports that a wonderful revival spirit is evident in the school this year. More students are registered this year than last and prospects are bright for a good year.

Puerto Rico

R. L. Brandt, national Home Missions secretary, was the speaker at the dedication of the new Puerto Rican Bible Institute January 9. Brother Brandt also attended the Puerto Rican annual conference while there.

Offerings for any of the Special Ministries of the Home Missions Department should be mailed to:
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by

R. L. Brandt, National Home Missions Sec'y

The Spreading Flame

THE CAUSE OF CHRIST IS ALWAYS advanced in proportion to the spiritual life of the local church. Only what a church possesses can it share with others. It is impossible for a church whose spiritual fires have all but died to kindle spiritual fires elsewhere. What the roots are to a tree, and what the foundations are to a building, the spiritual vitality of the local church is to both home and foreign missions.

Jesus taught very clearly on this matter. He pointedly declared that fruitfulness could only result from the proper vine-branch relationship, Himself being represented by the vine and His disciples by the branches. To lose vital contact with the Vine would terminate the fruitfulness of the branch. This is true in each individual believer's life, and it is equally true of the collective body in a local church.

We conclude, then, that the church's potential for extending itself is determined by its spiritual health; but, at the same time we are compelled to admit that a fair indication of a church's spiritual life is its church extension effort.

The starting point, therefore, in world evangelism is the local church. The church, alive, healthy, and aflame with a holy zeal, will naturally broaden its outreach. As a fire must ever seek new material to consume, lest it die, so the church must ever extend its arms toward the perishing souls in surrounding communities to maintain its life.

There are some things we can do to advance the cause of Christ.

1. By concerted effort in prayer and dedication we can strengthen our own local church spiritually.

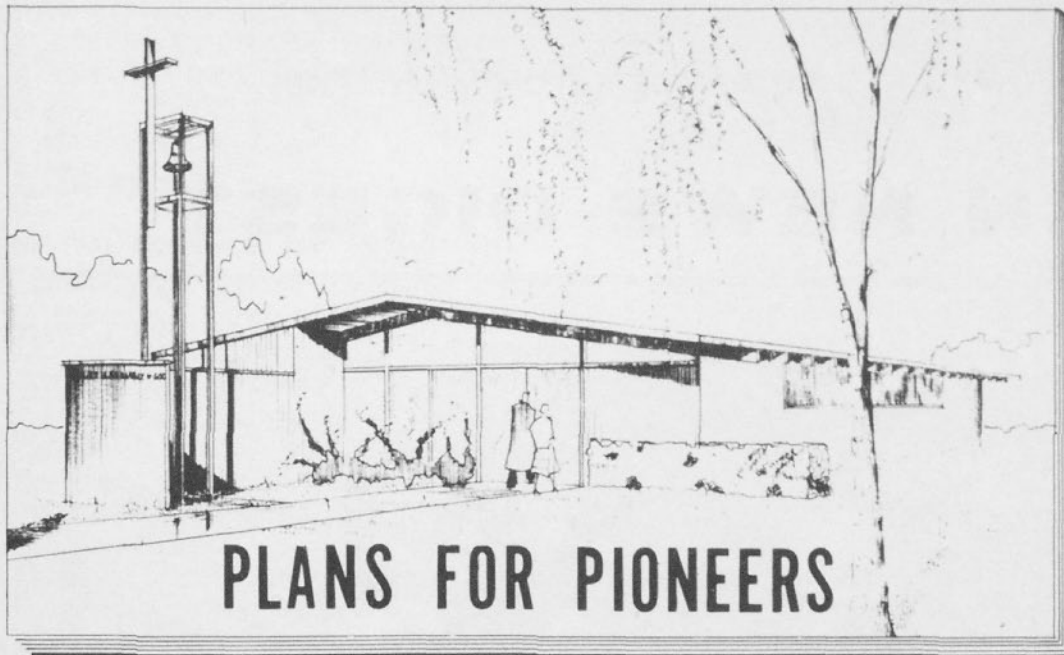
2. By unselfish planning we can "mother" new churches in nearby communities.

3. By "mothering" new churches we can set in motion the necessary forces to evangelize not only our own state and country, but also the whole world. Now is the time for action. ◀ ▶

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Attendance at Rallies - 60,000
Share Plan Offerings - \$60,000

ASSEMBLIES OF GOD HOME MISSIONS DEPARTMENT



Architects Revise Plan Book

BY JOSEPH COLOMBO
Costa Mesa, California



DUE TO CONTINUANCE OF PUBLIC demand and increasing knowledge of varied approaches to pioneer church building programs, the Home Missions Department has authorized its *Church Building and Planning Commission* to adopt six additional plans, supplementing the present "Plans for Pioneers" brochure. The new plans were selected on the basis of:

Adaptability to various programs now utilized by districts and geographic areas; practicality; function; economy of construction and general appearance.

Of the six new plans adopted, two feature the parsonage-chapel combination. This type of structure appears to be widely accepted due to the following facts:

1. Building loans become more readi-

The Church Building and Planning Commission of the Assemblies of God has been of great assistance to pastors engaged in building programs over the nation. Members of the Commission are as follows: Joseph Colombo, chairman; A. V. Gustafson; James Hennix; Gordon Nickell; Earl C. Rodgers; Orie M. Davis; Pleas Hyatt; James Shade; John Wolfe; Eric Sjoberg; William DeWitt.

ly available for buildings not limited to single use.

2. They can be built on a relatively smaller piece of property.

3. Their appearance can be easily altered to fit chapel or residential needs.

One of the parsonage-chapel plans is designed for convertibility into a duplex when the church moves to larger quarters. The other plan can be changed into a larger single-family parsonage.

Another of the six plans is an excellent compact church unit housing approximately 150 in the sanctuary and Sunday school. This 32 by 60 building with basement also has a kitchen, a fellowship hall, facilities, and standard-sized baptistry. This plan is designed to meet the need for slightly larger pioneer churches and for adaptability to narrower church sites.

Also featured and highly recommended for district, sectional, or "Mother Church" sponsored projects is a small, distinctive, worshipful-type chapel seating approximately 75 with Sunday school facilities for the same. Designed in wood frame, this plan should be economical and simple to construct.

To conclude this selection is a plan designed for sites restricted in depth. It features second-story framing for areas where basements are not generally constructed. This plan can be converted into a Sunday school building with overflow facilities for a future church congregation; or, if on commercial property, it can be easily adapted to commercial uses for resale. This plan presents a lovely building with a variety of possibilities.

A brochure entitled "Available Now," which will answer some of your questions concerning "Plans for Pioneers," may be had upon request from the National Home Missions Department.

HARVEST TIME

MUCH WHEAT IS GROWN IN OUR section of France. As harvest time approaches, the stalks almost seem to groan under the weight of the heavy grain. The fields are beautiful to look upon at this time of year.

During the 1959 harvest season Europe was suffering from a severe drought. Fire became a real threat and whole fields of the grain white already to harvest were completely wiped out by fires started through carelessness. Had the owners only harvested a little earlier, the grain would have been saved. How many souls in the Master's harvest are lost because the harvesters came too late?

Looking upon the fields of grain, I was reminded of Jesus' words to His disciples, "The harvest truly is great, but the laborers are few: pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest that he would send forth laborers into his harvest."

How long has it been since you had a real burden for lost souls? How long since you searched the Scriptures with a definite purpose in mind? How long since revival fires have burned brightly in your own heart? It is good to remember the things God has wrought, but God wants us to seek Him for greater things now.

"Say not ye, There are yet four months, and then cometh harvest? Behold, I say unto you, Lift up your eyes, and look on the fields: for they are white already to harvest" (John 4:35). "He that goeth forth and weepeth, bearing precious seed, shall doubtless come again with rejoicing, bringing his sheaves with him" (Psalm 126:6).

—Mrs. Lexie B. Oakes, Jr.



FOREIGN NEWS DIGEST

Argentina

MANY CONVERTS AT TEMPLO EVANGELICO

Louis Stokes, missionary in charge of the Assemblies of God evangelistic center in Buenos Aires, reports, "Attendance is better than ever. The auditorium is about full on Sunday night with people in the balcony. We have a fine choir of about twenty-five young people. Last Sunday night some thirty people went forward to be saved. Last week eleven received the Pentecostal Baptism."

Ghana

NATIVES IMPRISONED FOR BEATING MISSIONARY

Twenty-one of the natives who participated in the beating of missionary Charlese Spencer ("Missionary Beaten by Kwansi Cultists," November 29, *Pentecostal Evangel*) have been given prison sentences and fines for their part in the beating. The government took immediate and firm action in defending the rights of the missionary and Christian nationals whose democratic rights had been violated.

Miss Spencer says she is delighted over the stand the national Christians have taken. "Our work has not been hurt so far. On the contrary, we have seen revival spirit in Nakpanduri. Brother and Sister Murray Brown, missionaries in Togo, were here with us for one week of special services. We had been sensing a special move of the Spirit and felt we should call someone for a few nights. The Sunday following the week of meetings, ten people testified that they had been filled or refilled with the Holy Spirit during the meetings. I personally have never seen such a moving of the Spirit before in Africa. We praise God for this needed blessing.

"We need your prayers. The end of this situation is not yet, so we hope you will continue holding the Christians before the Lord for protection. Fetish worshipers have offered a large sum of money for a witch doctor who



PHOTO BY LOUIE W. STOKES

Evangelistic Center in Buenos Aires, Argentina, which houses the Templo Evangelico, bookstore, and offices.

can make successful 'medicine' against the girl we rescued. They still desire to kill her."

A letter just received from Ghana contains the good news that the two heathen men who protected Miss Spencer have both been saved. These men probably saved her life by taking many of the blows that were aimed at the missionary.

El Salvador

NATIONAL WORKER IMPRISONED

Missionary Sterling Stewart reports that a riot resulted in Santa Ana, El Salvador, recently when one of our national workers accepted the challenge of a Catholic priest to discuss the Bible in public.

"The priest challenged anyone present at a Catholic campaign to discuss the Scriptures with him. One of our young members was there and he asked for the privilege of comparing his Bible with the Catholic Bible. The priest did not have a Bible so told the young man to go ahead and make his claims.

"The young man began to read out of Deuteronomy 5, and when he got

to the verse, 'Thou shalt not make any graven image or any likeness of anything that is in the heaven above...' the priest grabbed the Bible away from the boy. Then the people grabbed the young man, hit him, dragged him out of the church, and beat him almost to unconsciousness. They then called the authorities of the city and told them that the young man was causing a riot, so they put him in jail.

"The young man was later released and went home, but the mayor of the town found out about the disturbance. He ordered the boy arrested and fined for allegedly causing a drunken brawl. The truth is that the young Christian has never taken a drink in his life, but the papers stated far and wide that one of our Christians had endangered the life of a poor defenseless priest.

"Later one of the opposing group rode his horse into our church and tried to shoot the pastor. His pistol would not fire. When he pointed it to the roof the pistol fired three times, but when it was pointed back toward the pastor it would not shoot. The intruder rode out of doors and fired the other three bullets into the air. Our

people began to pray and to seek God and before the service was over ten of them had been filled with the Holy Spirit."

Liberia

REVIVAL COMES TO NEW HOPE TOWN

Following President Tubman's visit to the colony earlier this year ("The Day the President Came," December 27, *Pentecostal Evangel*) a revival swept through New Hope Town, the Assemblies of God leper colony. The evangelist was Samuel Julius, one of our national workers.

Reports Miss Ellen McCormack, "Brother Julius spoke for three weeks in special services and closed only because he had to return to Pleebo to teach in the Bible school. The Lord revived the Christians at the colony and many confessions were made. One of the men came to me and said, 'I can't have this thing on my heart; I have to finish it one time. I had something in my heart against the missionary and have had to confess.' Many were saved and others were filled with the Holy Spirit.

"The Sunday morning attendance had dropped below 300 and has now gone above the 500 mark, averaging over 400 weekly. We are now averaging 325 at our midweek prayer services. We are thankful to the Lord for this wonderful visitation of His Spirit under the ministry of a native evangelist. Brother Julius is a young man who is all out for God in seeking His divine will for his life."

Philippine Islands

OPPOSITION MET IN STREET SERVICES

Students at Immanuel Bible Institute have encountered opposition during their street services in Cebu City. Missionary Calvin Zeissler says: "A few Sundays ago one of the groups ran into opposition by the Catholic priest and Catholic Defenders. Each week the Catholics created a greater disturbance. Last Sunday the priest was there again trying to disrupt the street service. Our students showed the right spirit and the crowd began to take notice. The priest, after seeing that the noise of his P. A. system did not disturb the students, sat down and listened to the preaching of the Word. He seemed convicted and after some time he left. Because of this incident the people have become more attentive."

EVANGEL DEADLINE

LATE NEWS AT PRESS TIME

ANOTHER ASSEMBLIES OF GOD PRESS HAS BEEN ERECTED. Located in Limbe, Nyasaland, the press will publish gospel literature in many languages spoken in East Africa.

THE FIRST EVANGELICAL CHURCH TO BE BUILT IN CALCUTTA in more than 100 years has just been dedicated. It is the Evangelistic Center of the Assemblies of God, located in the heart of this Indian city of seven million people.

THREE "APOSTLES" WERE SAVED RECENTLY in Santa Ana, El Salvador. They were men who carried big candles during the Holy Week processions of the Catholic Church. The revival, which followed a series of Saturday all-night prayer meetings, recorded a total of thirty decisions for Christ.

THE GHANA GOVERNMENT HAS RESTORED TO CHURCH MISSIONS the control of schools established by them in the Volta region, formerly British Togoland. The government had taken over the schools last year, charging that they were being used by teachers for political activity to oppose the territory's integration with Ghana.

1,261 DECISIONS FOR CHRIST were recorded during the recent Greater Tokyo Evangelistic Crusade under the ministry of Evangelist Hal Herman.

WORD FROM HONG KONG, listening post for Free China, indicates that of Shanghai's six Russian Orthodox cathedrals only one still functions as a church. Worshipers number less than a hundred. The Chinese Reds have turned one cathedral into a public library.

POPE JOHN reportedly is taking steps to establish in Rome an institute for the study of Protestantism. Opening date of the school, to be operated by Jesuits, has not been announced. The Italian press says that courses will last three years. Purpose of the institute will be to train Roman Catholic priests who will work in Protestant countries.

IPOH, MALAYA, HAS A NEW ASSEMBLIES OF GOD CHURCH. Christians from Kuala Lumpur, 142 miles away, assisted in opening it. Services are conducted in English and Cantonese.

"INVASION" WEEKEND SERVICES are being held in various areas of the Betongwe territory, Belgian Congo. Two different areas are "invaded" each weekend. Several thousand Congolese have been reached with the gospel through literature, gospel films, personal witnessing, and meetings in this special evangelistic thrust, and many have been won for Christ.

A REVIVAL WHICH BEGAN IN THE RURAL BIBLE INSTITUTE, Callaray, Peru, has spread to the churches of Central Peru and is continuing.

NEXT WEEK the Evangel will bring you a number of articles on the Spirit-filled life including "Christian Culture," the first of three good articles by E. S. Williams. Other well-known authors to be featured in next week's big 32-page issue will be Donald Gee, Christine K. Peirce, Leonard Ravenhill, Violet Schoonmaker, and Anne Sandberg. Don't miss it!



Mildred Smuland Succeeds Edith Whipple as National WMC Secretary

BY GAYLE F. LEWIS

Executive Director, WMC Department



Edith Whipple (right) outlines the work to Mildred Smuland, the new National WMC Secretary

AFTER EIGHT YEARS OF FAITHFUL and efficient service as National Secretary of the Women's Missionary Council, Mrs. Edith Whipple has resigned. We have accepted her resignation with reluctance, for Sister Whipple's work as national leader of the W.M.C. has been deeply appreciated.

Mrs. Whipple has served on the headquarters office staff of the Assemblies of God for nearly twenty-five years. Prior to 1951 she was attached to the staffs of the Foreign Missions Department and the Home Missions Department. When the national W.M.C. office was authorized by the General Council which met in Atlanta in 1951, Sister Whipple was asked to take the responsibility of launching the project, and the work has developed with remarkable success under her leadership. The efforts of over 62,000 W.M.C.'s have been co-ordinated to lighten the load of our home and foreign missionaries.

Four years ago the Missionette program was launched as a teen-age auxiliary sponsored by the W.M.C.'s. There are now 15,000 Missionettes around the world.

The W.M.C. Department produces two quarterly publications—*Slant* for W.M.C. leaders and *Missionette Memos*

for the Missionettes—plus other service pamphlets and packets. The W.M.C.'s now give over one and a quarter million dollars annually in cash offerings for their various projects.

We thank the Lord for Sister Whipple and the fine staff she has gathered around her in the W.M.C. office. We pray that God's blessing will continue to rest upon her labors in the new field of service she has chosen as secretary to Pastor J. L. McQueen at Central Assembly in Springfield, Mo.

In the providence of God, Mrs. Roy Smuland came to the national W.M.C. office over five years ago. She has served very capably as national W.M.C. representative and during these five years has become well acquainted with the nationwide program. We are glad she has accepted our invitation to succeed Mrs. Whipple as National W.M.C. Secretary.

Sister Smuland, whose late husband was New England District Superintendent for a number of years, has also had considerable experience in district W.M.C. work. She organized the New England W.M.C.'s before the national office was created and served as their first president for a number of years.

A licensed minister, Mrs. Smuland taught at Central Bible Institute sev-

eral years ago. She assumed her new duties December 18. We are confident that the great program of the W.M.C.'s will continue to advance through the wholehearted co-operation of all who share this burden. May God's rich anointing always rest upon every member of the W.M.C. in all our Assemblies in every section and every district throughout our Fellowship.

Saved Through Attending WMC Meetings

BY MRS. G. HENDRICKSON

AFTER SIX YEARS OF MINISTRY IN Readfield, Maine, my husband has accepted the call to another church. As I am writing this we are in the midst of packing—and reminiscing. It is not easy to leave a "flock" we have learned to love. I've been thinking about each one, and praying for them all. Various occasions and outstanding victories have been recalled. When I thought about our WMC meetings I just had to stop

and praise the Lord for the conversion of Gloria Millett.

Mrs. Millett is one of our neighbors. At least, in this part of the country those living a mile away are considered neighbors. Five years ago she had no interest in church, but today she is a happy, radiant Christian.

A member of our church, one of Gloria's closer neighbors, invited her to the services but to no avail. Gloria just didn't want to go to church. Not to be discouraged by her apparently fruitless effort, however, the Christian neighbor kept praying and frequently repeated the invitation to church. Then it occurred to her to invite Gloria to a WMC meeting which was held in one of the homes, and that invitation was accepted.

Gloria Millett enjoyed the friendly atmosphere of the WMC meeting and she enjoyed the sewing projects. She kept coming after that and even invited us to meet in her home. She still refused to attend church, but we visited her regularly. All of us were praying for her, and she consented to have her little girls, ages two and three, enrolled in our Cradle Roll.



Mrs. Gloria Millett and daughters, Sandra and Bonnie

Then one day we had to postpone a regular WMC meeting. I phoned to tell Mrs. Millett and sensed her keen disappointment, so I invited her to spend the evening with me. I suggested she could help me with a couch cover I was sewing. Eagerly she accepted my invitation.

We had a very pleasant evening together, sewing and visiting, and when we were through we had refreshments.

Over a cup of coffee Gloria began asking questions about salvation and the coming of the Lord. I knew the Holy Spirit was dealing with her and breathed a prayer for guidance. Finally she could restrain herself no longer but began to sob out her desire to be saved. What a time of rejoicing we had in my kitchen as Gloria Millett gave her heart to the Lord and received the assurance of sins forgiven!

It was in January, 1956, that Gloria was saved. During these four years she has been a faithful follower of Christ. She never misses church. Her two little girls—Sandra, 7½, and Bonnie, 6½—have given their hearts to the Lord also. Mrs. Millett is the church pianist, teaches the primary class, and assists with the Missionettes. Capable and consecrated, she has a blessed ministry in the church.

Gloria Millett is a Christian today because a friendly neighbor with a burden for souls invited her to a friendly WMC meeting where Christ was honored. Every WMC group can enjoy a soul-winning ministry by extending a warm welcome to neighbors who are without Christ. ◀◀

South Dakota WMC Helps Home Missions

BY MRS. B. C. HEINZE
District WMC President

OUR HEARTS WERE THRILLED AT our last District Council when the year's WMC work in the district was brought clearly into focus. All that had been accomplished district-wise for world missions caused us to rejoice and to realize afresh the value of the capable and consecrated leadership we have in the churches and sections.

Lovely posters submitted by some of the groups depicted their work for the year. Not only did they portray the work but also served as an idea exchange in the setting of new goals and objectives.

We save pennies for Home Missions and had set a goal of \$500 for the year. How thankful we were when the total revealed the sum of \$521.54, with several groups still to report! The pennies were brought in by sections,

each section making its presentation in a unique and significant display. Pennies from the Black Hills Section were brought in a miniature pioneer church. Four little girls represented the WMCs of the Rosebud Section carrying the "ark of the covenant" with pennies for manna. The Northeast Section displayed a pioneer mission station with rolls of pennies for firewood. A May basket decorated with pennies was presented by the Southeast Section, while the WMC's of the East Central Section had converted their pennies into

dollar bills which they concealed within doll clothes hung on a clothesline. The parade of penny displays proceeded down the aisle of the church while the congregation sang, "Bringing in the Sheaves."

Later the WMC officers met with the district presbytery and presented \$100 to each section to help in pioneer work. We praise God for what has been accomplished in the different sections through the efforts of the humble penny since our "Pioneer Pennies" project was inaugurated. ◀◀



SOUTH DAKOTA
WMC OFFICERS

Seated: Mrs. Silas Rexroat, former vice president; Mrs. B. C. Heinze, president; Mrs. W. H. Ridnik, secretary-treasurer.

Standing: Sectional representatives, Mrs. J. M. Cummings, Mrs. E. R. Swick, Mrs. S. H. Peterson (now replaced by Mrs. Wilbur Tiahr), Mrs. W. A. Hawkins (now district vice president), Mrs. Rollen Marsh.

Memphis Missionettes Serve

BY EMMETT MAUM

MISSIONARIES IN SEVERAL PARTS OF THE WORLD ARE finding some enthusiastic helping hands at First Assembly of God in Memphis, Tenn., where James E. Hamill is pastor. These helpers are the Missionettes, organized last February by Mrs. Joann Edmondson and Mrs. Pauline Ward.

Mrs. Edmondson, who is co-sponsor of the group, says that the group was started after much prayer and waiting upon the Lord for the leading of the Holy Spirit.

"As in other projects," said Mrs. Edmondson, "when we decided to organize the Missionettes we found that God had been working at both ends of the line. The young ladies in the required age group were most enthusiastic and turned out in good numbers for our first meeting."

In that meeting Mrs. Margaret Barron of Frayser Assembly, sectional WMC director, explained fully the purpose and duties of the Missionettes. The girls met again two weeks later and elected officers. They decided to make bandages for New Hope Town, Liberia, as their first project. They collected old white sheets and shirts for this purpose and by May 12 had their box ready for shipment.

Since that time the Missionettes have shipped a box each month to missionaries. Twice, boxes have gone to the D. L. Jolleys in Ghana. Other boxes have been sent to the Stephen Vandermerwes in Tanganyika and to Lillian Trasher's orphanage in Egypt. In October they shipped a case of powdered milk to Mrs. Mary Booher for needy Indian babies in southern Arizona. They provided a steam iron for Miss Doris Nimmo of First Assembly who will be going to Liberia soon.

The group started with two \$10 donations from the WMC and WMCA of the church. Through talent dollars and other projects they have raised the money for their work. A singfest they sponsored netted \$117, which is being used to sponsor an Italian student at the Bible school in Italy. They hope to sponsor many more foreign Bible students, and feel that their work has only begun.



Missionettes of the Assembly of God in Hawthorne Calif., pastored by James Ireland. Sponsor, Mrs. Arline Chastagner, is shown fourth from left. The little girl in the front row is her daughter Judy who considers herself the "Missionette Mascot."

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A/G	Union Grove, Wis.	Mrs. Virgil M. Smith
A/G	Anoka, Minn.	Pauline G. Horne
First A/G	Healdsburg, Calif.	Mrs. Willard Salme
A/G	Naselle, Wash.	
Wayside A/G	Bakersfield, Calif.	Mrs. Helen Fisher
Glad Tidings A/G	Wichita, Kans.	Mrs. Hyman Niessink
A/G	Luverne, Minn.	Mrs. Eva Willis
A/G	Wauchula, Fla.	Eileen R. Wyingner
A/G	Colton, Calif.	Marilyn Kling
Northside A/G	Tucson, Ariz.	Mrs. Duaine Turner
A/G	Madison, Wis.	Miss Edna Weeks
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A/G	Colton, Mich.	

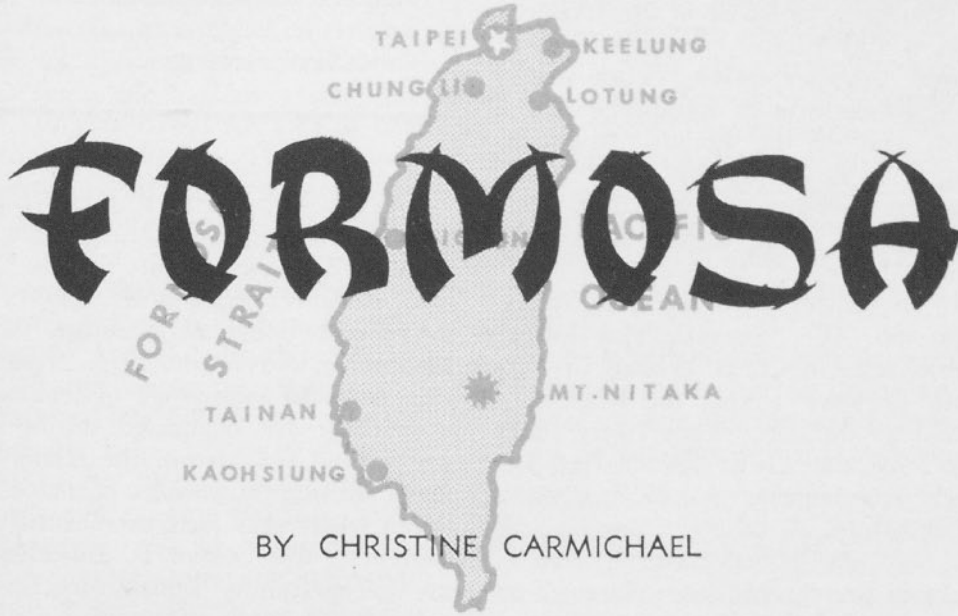


Missionettes of First Assembly, Memphis, Tenn., with sponsors, Mrs. Joann Edmondson (left) and Mrs. Pauline Ward (right)



Photo of Missionettes of Cuero, Tex. appeared in their local paper along with a write-up about the group. The girls are memorizing many scriptures as well as the statement "We believe . . ." which appears in "The Pentecostal Evangel" each week. Sponsor is Mrs. A. H. Roever.

An Island of Hope—



BY CHRISTINE CARMICHAEL

WHEN FORMOSA BECAME THE BASION of Free China it was catapulted into the limelight of world events. This strategic island, situated six jet minutes and less than 100 miles from the Communist-controlled mainland, has become a refuge for the Chinese Nationalist government—"The last stronghold of Chinese democracy." It is in Formosa that General Chiang Kai-Shek has found a refuge for himself and his wife, and for all that remains of Free China. This modern "isle of hope," a mere dot in the troubled seas off the China coast, has an area of only 13,885 square miles (one-third the size of Kentucky).

When Portuguese sailors sighted this rocky island in the sixteenth century they called it Formosa, "Isle of Beauty." The Chinese call it Taiwan, "Terraced Bay," because of the stairstep terraces which rise from the west coast plains. Both names describe the island.

Formosa has had a long and checkered political history. Back in the thirteenth century Formosa was a protectorate of the Chinese empire. Later the Portuguese, Spaniards, and Dutch successively sought to rule the island. In 1682 the Chinese again became its recognized rulers and Formosa remained in their possession for two hundred years. Following the Sino-Japanese War in 1895 the island was ceded by China to Japan. At the close of World War II Formosa again be-

came Chinese territory—the Republic of Nationalist China.

A great range of mountains forms Formosa's backbone. It can boast of forty-eight snow-capped peaks which rise more than 11,000 feet above sea level; Mount Morrison soars to 15,405 feet. The island's eastern coastline is magnificently steep and craggy. The western side of the island declines gradually to fertile, well-cultivated plains where the farming industry is concentrated, for the island is essentially an agricultural country. The rich rice lands yield two or more crops per year. In addition to rice Formosa produces tea, sugar, fruits, vegetables, raim (fiber), and jute. Food processing is the island's major industry. Formosa is one of the world's chief sources of camphor.

Formosa is a wide-awake nation of 10,000,000 inhabitants most of whom are Chinese. Only 150,000 are aborigines, thought to be of Malay stock, who withdrew in the seventeenth century to the rugged east coast area when the Chinese took possession of the western plains. The 6,000,000 Taiwanese, or Formosans, are descendants of immigrants who came from Fukien Province in China about three generations ago and who speak the Amoy dialect. Nearly 3,000,000 of the country's inhabitants are Mandarin-speaking refugees from the mainland who fled before the Communist invasion of their

land. These recent arrivals are commonly referred to as "Mainlanders." This influx of refugees has made Formosa a virtual "over-crowded life boat."

The official language of Formosa is Mandarin-Chinese which is used in all schools. Various tribal languages are spoken in the mountains.

Formosa's indigenous religions are Buddhism, Taoism, Shintoism, and Confucianism. There has been a resurgence of Buddhism in recent years and temples rise from the skyline of almost every community. From early morning until late at night can be heard the chanting of priests and the clanging of cymbals. The aborigines have primitive religious concepts, a fear of evil spirits which they believe inhabit the mountains and must be appeased.

Missionaries of the Dutch Reformed Church began working on Formosa in 1624 but this missionary effort was short-lived. When the Dutch withdrew from the island the work lapsed and for more than two hundred years there was no Protestant missionary. Missionary work was resumed when the English Presbyterians came in 1864. Canadian Presbyterian missionaries followed in 1872. Their pioneer missionary George Leslie Mackay became known as "The Apostle to Formosa." He saw the need for an indigenous church and to that end trained nationals to evangelize the island. He worked in Formosa until 1901 and lived to see sixty mission stations established. Today the Presbyterian church is strong, numbering 100,000 members, and is completely indigenous. (See next page)



PHOTO BY JAMES BAKER

Bible students engage in personal work among their own people.

Since 1950 various societies have established mission centers in Formosa, mainly among the Mandarin-speaking people, because many of the missionaries formerly served in China. An effective missionary work is being carried on also among the tribespeople in the mountains, particularly among the Amis.

The closing of China to Christian missionaries led a number of Assemblies of God missionaries to locate in Formosa. It was in 1948 that Mr. and Mrs. Philip Hogan and Mr. and Mrs. Garland Benintendi transferred from China to Formosa and opened a mission station in Taipei, the capital. The results were gratifying and a solid foundation was laid for a permanent work. Due to political unrest and the lengthening shadows of Communism these missionaries were advised to leave Formosa in the spring of 1950. The leading men of the Assembly were called together and to them was committed the oversight of the church.

The Benintendis were able to return to the field two years later and to their great joy found a group of twenty believers carrying on the work. The Benintendis rented a small mission hall and promoted an intensive program of evangelism. Much of the preaching was done on the street in front of the mission hall; inquirers were invited inside the building and many accepted the Lord.

August 1953 brought a further increase in attendance when Evangelist Harvey McAlister came to be speaker at the Tamsui Youth Conference which was sponsored by the church. At this conference forty-three persons were

baptized in the Holy Spirit. Mr. Benintendi realized that the work among the Taiwanese could not further expand without an adequate building. The cornerstone for a new building was laid in October 1954 and just two months later the Fu Shun Chieh church seating 750 people was dedicated in Taipei. Another thriving work among the Taiwanese is in Kaohsiung in the south end of the island. This congregation, raised up by Peter Yang, has a membership of nearly 200. This congregation is in urgent need of a church home.

In September 1952 Henrietta Tieleman and Alice Stewart, also former missionaries in China, arrived in Formosa to work among the Mandarin-speaking Chinese. They were later joined by other China missionaries. The work was launched in 1953 when a small group of believers met in the home of the James Bakers. Two of the men present had been elders of an Assemblies of God church in Tsingtao, Shantung Province; others had come from various parts of China. Rented buildings are being used for services, but a regular church building is greatly needed in Taipei for the Chinese congregation. Due to increased attendance a large downtown auditorium is being rented for the Sunday services.

In February 1957 a united Taiwanese-Mandarin evangelistic campaign was sponsored, with Harold Herman as evangelist. The sermons were interpreted into both languages. Hundreds sought the Lord for salvation; outstanding conversions included people from all ranks of life, and many healings were reported.

ASSEMBLIES OF GOD IN FORMOSA

Missionaries	17
Ministers	12
Churches and outstations	8
Converts	610
Bible school enrollment	25

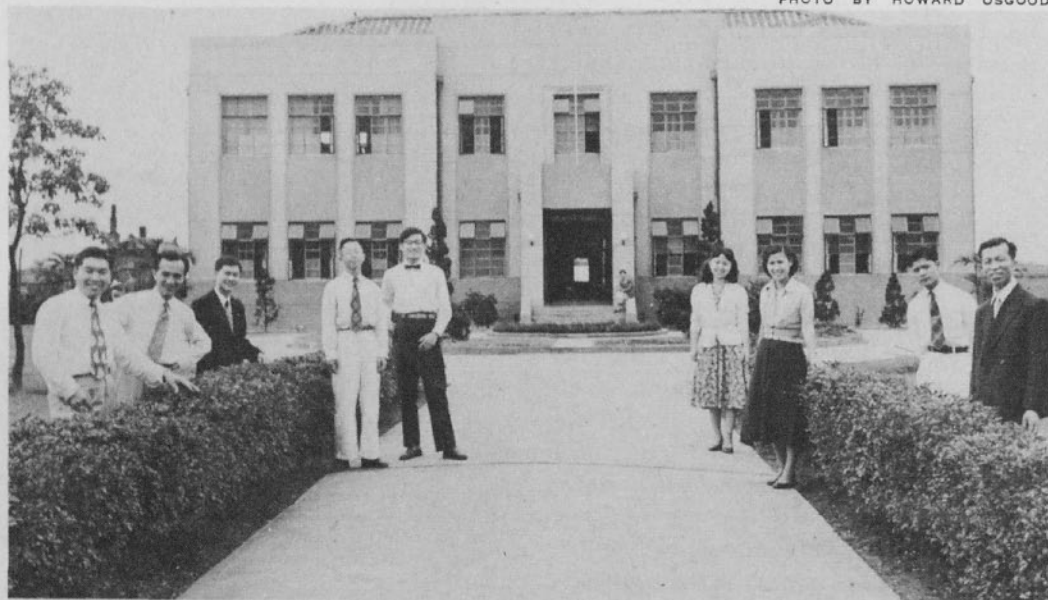
In 1952 Mr. and Mrs. James Baker were transferred from Hong Kong to open a Bible school in Taipei. The first students began their studies in the new building of Taikung Bible Institute in November, 1953. Students gain practical experience in tent services which are conducted during the summers. Graduates of the school are today serving in various parts of the island where they have established new churches. The school is dedicated to the task of training leaders for a strong indigenous church in Formosa.

Missionaries under appointment to Formosa include Mr. and Mrs. James Baker, Mr. and Mrs. Garland Benintendi, Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Bolton, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Bolton, Miss Ruth Melching, Mr. and Mrs. David Plymire, Mrs. Victor Plymire, Palma Ramsborg, Alice Stewart, Henrietta Tieleman, and Mr. and Mrs. James Vigna.

Formosa presents a challenge! Formosa is strategic! Communism, modernism, Catholicism, and various sects are bidding for the island. God's messengers must hasten while the door remains open. Strong churches must be built and workers trained for effective leadership.

Pray that Formosa, the bastion of Free China, will be moved upon by a mighty visitation of the Holy Spirit.

PHOTO BY HOWARD OSGOOD



Taikung Bible School, our national workers training center on Formosa

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Hymns of Worship

SINGING SONGS THAT EXALT CHRIST provides an excellent prelude to true worship, and actually becomes a part of worship. Jesus said, "And I, if I be lifted up from the earth, will draw all men unto me." This refers not only to His crucifixion but also to His exaltation by believers. There should be a perpetual lifting up of Christ in our personal lives and in our church services.

Because of the human element we are limited in our ability to express the worship we feel in our hearts. Many of our beautiful songs and choruses are Holy Ghost inspired and given for our help. Let's put them to use. As hearts enter through singing into the realm of true worship, even the atmosphere will be charged with His divine presence and many individual needs will be met. Here God can minister to every heart. Sick bodies can be healed. Hearts weighted down with the care and burdens of life can be lifted and given new faith and hope. Conviction will fall where needed upon both sinner and Christian. Indifferent hearts will be revived. Such worship will condition the heart to receive what

we need from Him who is our Life.

Recently I slipped into such a true worship service and a storm of my life which had lasted about thirteen years was calmed completely. Now I know how Miriam must have felt after the victory over Pharaoh when she danced before the Lord. This particular need was met during the songs of worship before the Word was preached.

We may try many gimmicks in our services, but only the Spirit of God can truly satisfy the deep spiritual needs within us. And He often does it during the singing, in moments of true worship.

"The true worshipers shall worship the Father in spirit and in truth: for the Father seeketh such to worship him. God is a Spirit: and they that worship

him must worship him in Spirit and in truth" (John 4:23, 24).

—Marian Butera

SIGN LANGUAGE

The other day one of those familiar bright-colored signs on the bumper of a car arrested my attention. "Don't follow me—I'm lost," it warned.

I began to wonder if the owner of that car was really lost. Lost spiritually, that is. So many people are. And the tragedy is that those who are lost are being followed by others on the road to destruction.

Paul could say without qualification, "Follow me as I follow Christ." Every Christian ought to be able to say the same thing. Can you?

—Mary Ruth Slaton

EVANGELISTIC CAMPAIGN CALENDAR

STATE	CITY	ASSEMBLY	DATE	EVANGELIST	PASTOR
Ala.	Ariton	Bethel	Feb. 7—	Michael Lord	J. D. Caperton
	Megargel	A/G	Jan. 26-Feb. 7	Joel & Esther Palmer	Allen Calhoun
	Mobile	West Side	Feb. 7—	Kenney & Lois Irwin	W. I. Lombard
Calif.	Castro Valley	Calvary	Feb. 3—	John French	C. F. Murray
	Modesto	A/G	Jan 29—	Keith L. Belknap	Charlie Clark
	Oildale	A/G	Feb. 2-14	Oran & Audrey Duncan	George Brown
	Olivehurst	First	Jan. 31—	Lucky Royal & wife	Searle Stover
	Ontario	First	Feb. 2-14	Ken & Patsy George	Walter Hanneman
	Pomona	A/G	Jan. 31—	Benny Sapp & wife	R. Dwight Brown
	San Bernardino	Central	Jan. 19—	Paul E. Riggs	R. M. Hargis
Fla.	Santa Monica	Highland Temple	Feb. 2-14	Hance Evang. Team	H. C. Gotcher
	Bratt	A/G	Jan. 24-Feb. 7	W. A. Johnson	Ralph Johnson
	Hawthorne	Keuka Community	Jan. 24—	Wm. & Ethel Voodre	M. F. Clark
	Marianna	First	Feb. 7—	Clarence Lambert	Hayward Youngblood
	St. Augustine	First	Feb. 3-14	Roger Wood	C. R. Inman
Idaho	Aberdeen	A/G Tab.	Jan. 31—	C. M. Smitley	Mervin Baldwin
Ind.	Hartford	First	Feb. 3—	Walter Kronberg	Chas. E. Hackett
	Indianapolis	Central	Jan. 24—	Sunshine Party	Ted Vibbert
Iowa	Loogootee	Alfordsville	Feb. 2-14	Wm. Ilnisky	E. E. Marrone
	Ft. Madison	A/G	Feb. 7—	Smith-Rasmussen Team	W. C. Hamilton
La.	Jennings	A/G	Jan. 31—	Wm. Theiler & wife	B. L. Cornwell
Mich.	Grand Rapids	A/G	Feb. 2-14	J. W. Beam & wife	J. H. Meppelink
Minn.	Detroit Lakes	A/G	Jan. 26-Feb. 14	Bill McPherson	Claude Bratvold
Mo.	N. Kansas City	Maple Park	Jan. 24-Feb. 7	Bonnie M. Ruble	Howard Jones
	St. Louis	Northside	Jan. 31-Feb. 14	N. B. Rayburn & wife	W. E. Wilkerson
Nebr.	North Platte	A/G	Jan. 24-Feb. 7	Neale Sheneman & wife	Louis L. Roggow
	O'Neill	A/G	Feb. 7-21	Ivan Christoffersen	Robert A. Paul
	Bridgeton	Full Gospel	Jan. 27-Feb. 14	Busse Team	Edward Cooper
N. Mex.	Jal	First	Feb. 7—	Charles L. Ogdon	Kenneth Smith
N. C.	Burlington	A/G	Jan. 26-Feb. 14	J. B. Woolums	W. J. Swain
Ohio	Orrville	A/G	Feb. 2—	John Higginbotham	Kenneth Wireman
	Healdton	A/G	Jan. 3-Feb. 14	John Everett	Robert Adams
Okla.	Henryetta	First	Feb. 2-14	Douglas L. Hoke	H. A. Strange
	Portland	Evangel Temple	Feb. 2-7	Ron Prinzing	Joseph Dunets
Oreg.	Baytown	Central	Jan. 31-Feb. 14	Leon Bayless & wife	Lonnie Bowlen
	Houston	S. Houston	Feb. 7—	Glen & Faith Shinn	C. C. Swaim
	Kilgore	Highland	Jan. 24-Feb. 6	Bill Taylor	C. A. Bird
	Pecos	First	Feb. 3-14	Hardie Weathers	A. R. Vaughan
	Wylie	A/G	Jan. 27-Feb. 7	Jesse K. Moon	R. D. Nance
Va.	Charlottesville	First	Jan. 31-Feb. 14	Peiffer-Harden	Herman W. Fry
	St. Paul	First	Jan. 27—	Joe Ragsdale	Claud R. McKeel
Wash.	Ridgefield	Pioneer	Feb. 3-14	Tanner Team	Elvin D. Irwin
	Seattle	White Center	Jan. 26-Feb. 7	Eric M. Johnson Team	Robert Tangen
Canada	Penticton, B.C.	Pentecostal Tab.	Jan. 24-Feb. 7	Wallace S. Bragg	W. C. Irvine
Indonesia	Medan	A/G	Feb. 2—	Watson Argue	R. A. Busby

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CHRIST AND SIMON

Sunday School Lesson for February 7, 1960

LUKE 7:36-50; PSALM 32:1-5

THE UNINVITED WORSHIPER (Luke 7:36-38)

Christ is eating a meal in the home of a Pharisee. Suddenly there enters the room a woman of doubtful reputation, who has gained admission to the house by means of a curious custom which allowed strangers to attend feasts uninvited. Undoubtedly this woman has already come under the influence of Christ's ministry and has obtained forgiveness and peace.

(1) *Her sense of unworthiness.* She stood "at his feet" in deep humility. In washing His feet with her tears and using her hair as a towel she did what even Christ's chosen disciples felt too good to do.

(2) *Her courage.* Just as she courageously rose above popular opinion, tradition, sentiment, and above criticism, so ought every lover of the Lord to witness courageously to his devotion to Jesus.

(3) *Her depth of love and devotion.* Only a deep personal devotion to Christ could have motivated this penitent woman. There was a recklessness, a spontaneity, yet a deliberateness about her love for Christ which is heart warming to behold in the light of the cold, calculating, and conventional way in which many of us express our love for Christ today!

THE PROUD HOST (Luke 7:39)

The Pharisee reasoned as follows: "Either this man does not know the true character of this woman, in which case he lacks the discernment he would have if he were a prophet; or else he does know who she is and still accepts her conduct, in which case he cannot possess the holiness he would have if he were a true prophet." The Pharisee was right in thinking a prophet should possess discernment and holiness, but he made the following mistakes:

(1) *His misconception of Christ.* He underestimated Christ's nature. He thought Christ accepted the woman because of ignorance when really it was because of His compassion and mercy. He also misunderstood Christ's method of bringing salvation. The Pharisee would have condemned her and insisted that she must become holy before she could come to Christ. But Christ's way is just the opposite. He came to earth in order that sinners might come to Him just as they are, and, touching Him, be made whole and holy!

(2) *His misconception of the woman.* The Pharisee felt the woman should be despised. Full of spiritual pride and utterly lacking in sympathy he did not see her actions as signs of a new life begun in her heart, nor could he understand the self-renunciation and gratitude which they expressed.

(3) *His misconception of himself.* He showed plainly that he was unaware of the depravity of his own heart. Had he been better acquainted with it he would have re-

alized that while he had not committed the sins of which the woman was guilty, yet potentially he was capable of the same. The man who has seen, in the light of the Cross, the evil possibilities of his own heart apart from the grace of God, will not be guilty of the attitudes of the Pharisee.

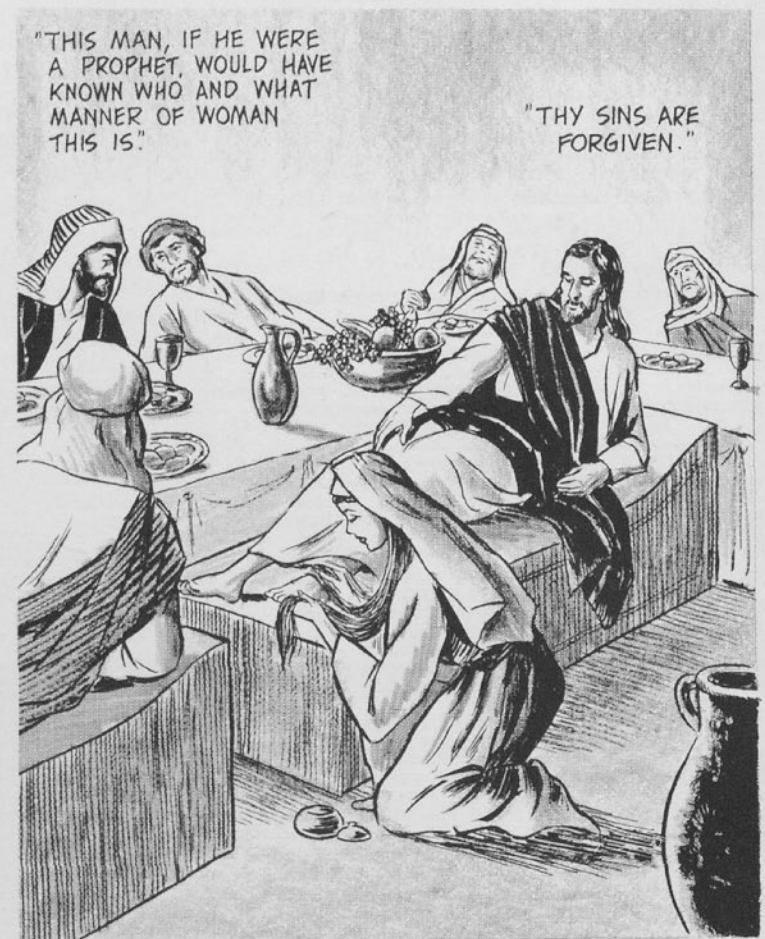
THE POINTED PARABLE (Luke 7:40-50)

Jesus spoke a parable, then made the Pharisee condemn himself by a pointed question. Jesus contrasts the cool reception given Him by Simon with the loving devotion lavished upon Him by the woman. The parable teaches that those who have the greatest sense of forgiveness will show the most love. Simon, having no real sense of sinfulness, and consequently having never experienced forgiveness, naturally betrayed his lack of love.

"Her sins which are many are forgiven; for she loved much: but to whom little is forgiven, the same loveth little." These words do not teach that there is any advantage in having sinned more than others, nor does it teach that those saved from the greatest sins necessarily love Christ more than those who before their conversion never lived lives of great wickedness. Nor do they teach that the woman was saved by works, or because of her love. In verse 50 Jesus said, "Thy faith hath saved thee," thus showing that she was saved by grace through faith.

What are the practical lessons for us? (1) Regardless of our spiritual status we are absolutely bankrupt before God. As the familiar hymn puts it, "Nothing in my hand I bring, simply to Thy Cross I cling." (2) There is forgiveness for the worst of sinners. (3) If we truly appreciate our redemption and realize what we have been saved from, we shall show that gratitude in our worship and service.

—J. Bashford Bishop



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*Field Secretary for Europe
and the Middle East*

WHAT IS A PENNY—A NICKEL— or even a dime in the hand of a boy or girl? To some it means nothing more than a stick of gum or a piece of candy. But to BGMC members it is a coin that is instrumental in sending the gospel to foreign fields.

I'm thinking of a little girl in Wyoming who writes, "We have a BGMC club on Saturday at three o'clock... we have two children in our BGMC club here... we would like to have materials and banks for our BGMC club." Just two children who want to give a few coins each month to BGMC—yet many souls will testify in eternity how they received the light of salvation because of children like these.

When I labored in Europe as Assemblies of God representative the brethren in Denmark wanted to start a full-time Bible course in their school at Mariager. Our big problem was to get books for the students. The Danish churches could not furnish material for use in the school, but BGMC came to our rescue by providing \$1,000.

After receiving the funds we were faced with the decision of how to use this to the best advantage. After discussing this with the president of the

school and other leaders, we decided to purchase a good electric duplicator, stencils, and paper. Then we ordered the three-year Bible course books used at Central Bible Institute, Springfield, Mo. With Sister Olga Rasmussen as our translator we soon had sufficient books in the Danish language to start the first-year Bible course. This work of translation is still going on. We sell the books to the students and return the money to the Bible course fund, thus providing a revolving fund. Think of the many souls this work will reach and BGMC started it.

At least 200,000 tracts were also printed for the students to distribute from house to house. At present we have a fine young man on the Faeroes Islands where 33,000 whale fishers occupy seventeen islands. This young man, a former student at the Mariager Bible school in Denmark, is going from door to door with gospel literature. This literature was put in his hands by BGMC—made possible by the dime, or nickel, or penny given by some boy or girl.

To send a missionary to the foreign field is not enough. It is necessary that we supply him with materials that will make his presence effective. Paul and Miriam Wright, missionaries in Nyasaland, write: "Boys and Girls Missionary Crusade has been furnishing paper, plates, carbons, etc., to produce valuable literature in the African languages. We pray that God will give shining crowns to every boy and girl who has sacrificially given for this cause." Our boys and girls are doing a greater work than they can ever realize. Every coin dropped in that little wooden missionary barrel turns the barrel into a fount of life out of which flow unlimited blessings to a multitude of souls.

BGMC makes it possible for full gospel literature to be printed and distributed by our missionaries. I trust our churches will see this need in a new way on BGMC Day, February 7. In 1960 our offering goal is \$20,000. This fund will mean new life for thousands of souls in Latin America. Give in a new way on BGMC Day. ◀◀



GIVE ON FEBRUARY 7 BGMC DAY

The Boys and Girls Missionary Crusade has just completed ten years of successful operation. The offerings received through the children's program had aided our missionaries by translating the gospel message and printing it in many different languages.

February 7, BGMC Day, is a special event! The offering goal of \$20,000 has been designated for the spread of gospel literature in Latin America, our field of emphasis for the 1960 BGMC Day. The population of Latin America by the end of the century is expected to be 400,000,000. At present there are 180 Assemblies of God missionaries laboring in this field—missionaries who depend on gospel literature to help meet a growing need.

If your school has not yet joined BGMC, write today for membership. Materials will be sent so you can begin the program immediately. Give to BGMC and you will be giving gospel literature to the millions in Latin America who have never heard of God's love. For further information regarding BGMC write to:

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A Glimpse of What the Radio Ministry Is
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It's Revivaltime EVERYWHERE!



FROM FORTY-ONE OUTLETS OUTSIDE continental United States, *Revivaltime* is reaching many thousands of English-speaking people. Missionaries have written telling of blessings they receive personally from the broadcast and of tremendous influence it has had upon the people in their fields. In some cases, *Revivaltime* has been responsible for opening doors for Assemblies of God missionaries and for subsequent revivals within the country.

A missionary from San Fernando, Trinidad, sends this report: "Thousands of people all over the isle of Trinidad listen to *Revivaltime*. I have no idea how many write directly to you, but each week many write to us telling of salvation, healing, and blessings received through listening to the broadcast."

Servicemen also have been helped by the broadcast when they were far from home in a foreign country. A serviceman and his wife, stationed in Okinawa, wrote that *Revivaltime* was a "wonderful blessing" as they did not have a regular church overseas. Another serviceman in Germany asked for a listing of *Revivaltime* broadcasts so that he could again listen to the program.

The broadcast has also brought bless-

ing to others in foreign countries. Hundreds have written to *Revivaltime* sharing experiences of salvation, healing, baptism in the Holy Spirit, and answered prayer.

Quezon City Philippines:

"I thank God for this golden opportunity to let you know how much your program means to me. As a Christian, I enjoy your program a lot and I gain knowledge through your sermons. Your messages have come home to me in a very special way. I am asking you to please send me a copy of the book and also your sermon that I may read them over and over again. I will always remember the comfort your words brought to me. I thank the Lord for programs like this."

Geneva, Switzerland:

"I enjoyed very much the message I heard on IBRA and I would like to receive a few copies if possible, together with your book. I am working for the Lord in Geneva and will have opportunities to pass it on to others."

Port-of-Spain, Trinidad:

"I am an ardent listener to your *Revivaltime* program. A few months ago I requested prayer that I might be

transferred to a school nearer home, as I worked in a government school about fifty-six miles away. Not only was I brought near home (about one mile), but I was transferred to a Christian school with an entire Christian staff.

"I also asked prayer for a Christian girl whom I love and am hoping to marry in the near future. She had no permanent home, nor dependable source of income and she had become quite discouraged. Glory be to the Lord, today it's different! She passed the Senior Cambridge Examination she took a few months ago, and she is now employed in the same Christian school that I am.

"My soul's desire now is to be an asset to God's work and to grow spiritually and powerfully in ministry and preaching the gospel."

Oviken, Sweden:

"We listen to your program regularly and wish to thank you for your good ministry. I am an American and my husband is a Swedish Baptist pastor with three churches and six outposts here in the north of Sweden."

Merthyr, Tydfil, South Wales:

"I will take the opportunity of complimenting you on the standard of your broadcasts, both in song and word. We missed you when you stopped broadcasting over Radio Luxemburg, but we can now hear you over IBRA, so please keep on with the wonderful work you are doing. I listen regularly to your program."

Cavite City, Philippines:

"I am a regular listener to *Revivaltime* over DZAS. This program has been a source of blessing my ministry. It is while I am working at my desk that your broadcast comes over the air and many times I have to stop and meditate upon this source of inspiration and messages from God's word. It is then that I breathe a prayer to God for your wonderful ministry."

Bedford, Beds., England:

"I listen to your broadcasts over IBRA on every possible occasion, and find them very enjoyable and exhilarating. How good our Lord is to give us so much."

Dedemsvaart, The Netherlands:

"I always listen to your broadcasts over IBRA and receive a blessing, both from the messages and the lovely songs. Here in Holland it's very hard to work

for the Lord. But the Lord is wonderful, and I believe that He will help us."

Lausanne, Switzerland:

"We are Assemblies of God missionaries who are here in Europe studying the French language. How we would love to be able to hear *Revivaltime!* Could you send us a listing of the foreign releases of *Revivaltime?* We need those especially of Europe, Britain, and Africa. Thank you so very much."

Brisbane, Queensland, Australia:

"It was a joy to me to hear for the first time on Sunday afternoon your message over 41. P. Ipswick. I am therefore accepting your offer to write for copies of the message for I have some unsaved friends who would do well to read it. I will be listening again next Sunday."

Siparia, Trinidad:

"The intercessory prayers that you and the other saints have offered for us have been answered. My eldest girl is baptized and worshiping with the Assembly. Three of the other children have accepted Christ and all attend Sunday school. They also love the Assembly and enjoy the fellowship with other believers. Also, I thank God for the miracle He performed in delivering me from the desire for cigarettes through reading your book, "20,000 Traps."

Brisbane, Queensland, Australia:

"How glad we are as a household to hear your program over 41. P. Ipswick. We listened to *Revivaltime* this afternoon for your first program. We enjoyed it very much. We have been praying for years for an Assembly, not man-made but God-made. At present the Lord has placed us in a district away from an Assembly, but it is our earnest prayer that it may not be long before there will be one close to us. May the Lord richly bless you in this wonderful radio work you have undertaken."

Through the foreign outlets *Revivaltime* has become a church away from home for many servicemen, a missionary in several new fields, a voice of hope and salvation to men in despair and sin, and an inspiration and help to those working for Christ across the seas. However, in order to continue this work *Revivaltime* needs your prayers and support. A number of stations have been dropped because of a lack of funds. We must have help to sustain our present outreach and continue sending the Pentecostal message by radio into foreign lands. You can be a real blessing to souls in darkness by sharing in reaching these thousands. Send your letters of encouragement and your offerings to REVIVAL-TIME, BOX 70, SPRINGFIELD, MISSOURI.

Your Questions



ANSWERED BY ERNEST S. WILLIAMS

Is there a difference between praying in the Spirit in an unknown tongue in private prayer, and giving a message in the church in the unknown tongue?

I believe you will agree that there is a difference between praying in our native tongue and preaching a sermon in the church for edification of those who hear. So it is with the unknown tongue; praying to God in our private devotions is different in purpose from giving a message for others in the church.

How did the Dead Sea get its name?

The Dead Sea is not so called in the Bible. It is called The Salt Sea in Genesis 14:3. The Arabs call it "Bahr Lut," which means the "Lake of Lot." It is called the Dead Sea because it is so salty that life, except for a few algae, cannot live in it. Its surface is nearly 1,300 feet below sea level and in some places it is 1,300 feet deep. This would make it the deepest natural depression on the face of the earth.

Would it be all right for a Pentecostal believer to marry a person of Unity belief?

The Bible says, "Can two walk together, except they be agreed?" (Amos 3:3) It often proves difficult for two persons of different church affiliations to get along happily. Even if they do not contend as to doctrinal differences, they are unable to go together to the house of worship. Though quarrels over belief may be avoided, there is still that lack of spiritual fellowship. As to Unity, I question its position concerning sin, atonement, need of repentance, and salvation.

I have been saved many years and am now getting old. Sometimes when I think of my past mistakes I become very sad. Yet I feel sure I am saved. Can you help me?

Many things can contribute to unhappy feelings. I think we all have times when we feel more depressed than at other times. Also, as we think of past mistakes we all have a sense of grief. We must stop living in our depressed moods and turn to Jesus who understands our hearts and loves us even when we have erred. We must "fight the good fight of faith." We must commit our souls to the keeping power of God and trust in the atoning merit of the blood of Christ. We cannot blot out things done in the past, but we can thank the Lord for the precious blood which "cleanseth us from all sin."

In a recent answer to a question you said the whole creation is to share in the glorious liberty of the children of God. Do you mean to say that all created things are going to be taken to heaven along with redeemed man?

The Revised Version of Romans 8:19, 20 reads "creation" instead of "creature." The whole of creation—man, animals, birds, vegetation—has suffered through the Fall of man. The curse of the Fall is still here, because of which Paul says, "The whole creation groaneth and travaileth in pain until now" (v. 22).

It is when Jesus comes to reign that this curse will be removed. Then Satan will be bound and the whole creation will be delivered from the curse. See the accounts concerning this deliverance in Isaiah 11; Micah 4:1-4; Amos 9:13-15. It does not mean that all will be translated to heaven; it means that the curse will be removed because "the knowledge of the Lord will cover the earth as the waters cover the sea."

If you have a spiritual problem or any question about the Bible, you are invited to write to "Your Questions," The Pentecostal Evangel, 434 W. Pacific St., Springfield, Missouri. Brother Williams will answer either in this column or by a personal letter (if you send a stamped self-addressed envelope).



The Family Altar



PRAYER REQUESTS • DAILY BIBLE READINGS BY R. G. CHAMPION • MISSIONARY BIRTHDAYS

Monday, February 1

Read: Ephesians 5:1-10

Learn: "Be ye therefore followers of God, as dear children; and walk in love, as Christ also hath loved us" (Ephesians 5: 1, 2).

For the Parent: The preceding chapter dealt with characteristics of the Christian. The first two verses of this chapter sum up the way of attaining these: following God and loving one another and God. Paul also points out some specific things which Christians should avoid, vv. 3-5, and the reason for avoiding them, v. 5. He also cautions the believers to walk in the light of goodness, righteousness, and truth, letting none deceive them.

Question Time: How can we best live the Christian life? (vv. 1, 2) Why should we avoid the things in vv. 3-5? (v. 5)

Missionary Birthdays: Mrs. P. E. Dymond, Honduras; Marshall C. Higginbotham, Jr., Alaska.

Tuesday, February 2

Read: Ephesians 5:11-21

Learn: "Wherefore be ye not unwise, but understanding what the will of the Lord is" (Ephesians 5:17).

For the Parent: This passage continues Paul's discussion on the walk of the Christian. Discuss the Christian's: (1) fellowship, vv. 11, 12; (2) illumination, vv. 13, 14; (3) wisdom, vv. 15, 16; (4) knowledge of God's will, v. 17; (5) endowment of power, vv. 18-20; (6) relationship to other Christians, v. 21. Stress especially the thought of being filled with the Spirit—letting Him control every part of us.

Question Time: Why is it necessary for us to walk wisely? (vv. 15, 16) What does being filled with the Spirit involve? (vv. 19, 20)

Missionary Birthday: Joseph D. Judah, Ghana.

Wednesday, February 3

Read: Ephesians 5:21-33

Learn: "Submitting yourselves one to another in the fear of God" (Ephesians 5: 21).

For the Parent: Though this passage discusses the relationships of husbands and wives, it can be applicable to the entire family group. Concepts of married life are learned by children at home. They need to be made aware of the Biblical teachings on the subject. Discuss these teachings, showing them as the relationship of Christ and His Church (v. 32),

and also as patterns for relationships between believers (v. 21). Humility, love, and submission, as taught here, are vital.

Question Time: What three applications can be made from this passage? (See above) Evaluate these teachings in the light of twentieth century life.

Missionary Birthdays: Clifford Geedy, Alaska; Mrs. P. E. Hutsell, Paraguay; Mrs. M. O. Hill, Togo Dahomey; Curtis L. Dean, Voltaic Republic; Mrs. J. P. Bruton, E. Africa; Daniel A. Burgdorf, Jamaica; Sterling W. Stewart, El Salvador; Andrew Maracle (Indian), N. Y.

Thursday, February 4

Read: Luke 7:40-50; Psalm 32:1-5

Learn: "Thy faith hath saved thee; go in peace" (Luke 7:50).

For the Parent: (Additional material on "Christ and Simon" will be found on Sunday's Lesson page.) Have a member of the group review the incident leading up to the parable (Luke 7:36-39). Discuss the parable, pointing out its main lesson, vv. 43, 44. Show how Jesus applied it to the situation He was then in, and how He forgave the sins of the woman—it was her faith that brought His forgiveness. From

Family Worship

Rear you an altar that will last forever:
Longer than any shaft or marble dome;
Erect it there beside your own hearthfire,
The chaste, white family altar in the home.
Chisel the Word of God upon the waiting
Hearts and minds of the dear ones gathered
there—

The blowing sands of time will not erase it;
No friction dim the imprint of your prayer.

For memory will hold those chiseled letters,
And prayer shall be imbedded in the heart.
O Father, Mother, rear that lasting altar,
And the children whom you love will not depart

From the way of life. . . . The Word will last forever,

Though earth and heaven itself should pass away—

If you have not as yet begun the building
Of that eternal altar—start today!

—Grace Noll Crowell

Psalm 32:1-5 show the joy and blessing of having our sins forgiven and covered by Christ.

Question Time: Why did Jesus give this parable? (vv. 36-39) What is the main lesson of the parable? (vv. 43, 44)

Missionary Birthdays: Winifred V. Conley (Indian), Calif.; P. Henry Hall, Peru; Mrs. Harold Lehmann, Ghana; Anna Ziese, North China.

Friday, February 5

Read: 1 Kings 4:34; 5:5; 6:11-14; 8:62, 63; 10:1-9, 23, 24; 11:4, 9-12 (Sunday's Lesson for Juniors)

Learn: "There hath not failed one word of all his good promise" (1 Kings 8:56).

For the Parent: Review Solomon's request for wisdom from God (1 Kings 3:5-9). Then, from the passages read, show the fame and glory and wisdom of Solomon. Discuss how he built a magnificent temple for the worship of the Lord. Emphasize how God was faithful in fulfilling His promises to Solomon. But also discuss how and why Solomon's heart was turned away from the Lord and the punishment it brought (1 Kings 11:4-12).

Question Time: How do we know God kept His promise to Solomon? What happened in the later years of Solomon's life? (See above)

Missionary Birthdays: Mrs. Clifford Geedy, Alaska; Mrs. J. I. Brown, Egypt; Herman V. Engelgau, Voltaic Republic; Mrs. J. C. Wright, S. India.

Saturday, February 6

Read: Luke 19:1-10 (Sunday's Lesson for Primaries)

Learn: "The Lord looketh on the heart" (1 Samuel 16:7).

For the Parent: The story of the conversion of Zacchaeus is well known. It emphasizes the fact that the hungry soul will find a way to Christ, and that Christ is always willing to forgive a penitent sinner. From this story point out the results which salvation brought in Zacchaeus' life, v. 8. Also stress the purpose of Christ's coming to this earth—to save sinners, v. 10. Verse 5 shows us that Jesus knows our thoughts, too.

Question Time: Why did Zacchaeus climb a tree? (v. 4) What happened? (vv. 5-9) Why did Christ come to earth? (v. 10)

Missionary Birthday: James Modder, N. India.

Missionary Birthdays for Sunday: Lionel P. Furman, Belgian Congo; Mrs. D. R. Guynes, Malaya.

In Italy with Speed-the-Light

BY PAUL BOYER

WE HAVE VISITED THIRTY-SEVEN countries in the past three and one-half years, going into remote areas and preaching the gospel of Jesus Christ where it had never been preached before. We traveled by air, bicycle, motor boat, motorcycle, and Speed-the-Light cars. However, of all the places we saw, Italy stands out as a high light of our missionary efforts.

It was our happy privilege to be in Rome on May 1, 1956, which was the day the new constitutional court of Italy granted greater religious freedom to the Protestants. How well do I remember the rejoicing in the church that day when the people received the news that their efforts in winning lost souls could now be intensified. Revival meetings could be held, tracts distributed, and personal evangelism and witnessing encouraged.

Through the efforts of George Carmichael, field secretary of Europe and the Middle East, Umberto Gorietti, superintendent of the Assemblies of God in Italy, and Anthony Piraino, field secretary, plans were immediately put into action for short meetings to be conducted in ten of the most needy cities south of Rome to Sicily.

Auditoriums were rented where local churches could not accommodate the crowds. Services with Brother Bracco

of the Bible school had made us eager to minister to the Italian people. Their fervent singing and sincere longing for the moving of the Spirit of God made us to know the Lord could work among these people.

Transportation to these cities was provided by Speed-the-Light. Brother Piraino had a *Fiat* which had been given to him by the Christ's Ambassadors in North Hollywood, Calif. It was a real privilege to travel the highways in Italy and Sicily in this fine car, though it was crowded with four of us inside and our luggage piled on top.

Our first services were held in Foggia. We were unable to rent an auditorium there and meetings were held in the homes of the people. Their custom had been to take the furniture and place it in one corner of the house, making it possible for those present to worship. Usually there was standing room only. The pastor would tell those present at that meeting that because of lack of room it would be impossible for them to attend the next service in another home. News of the need of this group for a suitable place of worship so moved the hearts of Pastor E. R. Foster of Amarillo, Tex., and his congregation that they gave the necessary funds to build.

Another stop was in Andria. There we were able to rent a large hall and, as in every place we went, there was not enough room. The need of this group for a building was taken to heart by Pastor James Dodd and his church in Broken Arrow, Okla., and they sent the necessary funds to build a church there.

We well remember one elderly couple who came forward and offered their home and property in a distant village if someone would only come to establish a church where the full gospel could be preached.

Without the help of the Speed-the-

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TOP TWENTY-TWO

LEADING THE NATION

January 1—November 30, 1959

TOTAL GIVING

F. G. Tab., Bakersfield, Calif.	\$3,115.00
A/G, Cut Bank, Mont.	2,737.77
Bethel Temple, Sacramento, Calif.	2,685.00
F. G. Tab., Bellflower, Calif.	2,045.00
1st A/G, Memphis, Tenn.	1,690.00
Calv. F. G. A/G, Inglewood, Calif.	1,358.57
Trinity Tab., Baytown, Tex.	1,327.00
1st A/G, Russellville, Ark.	1,261.89
Bethany A/G, Adrian, Mich.	1,208.90
1st A/G, Binghamton, N. Y.	1,183.79
Central A/G., Baton Rouge, La.	1,180.62
1st A/G, Springdale, Ark.	1,115.59
Bethel A/G, Lincoln Park, Mich.	1,043.37
1st A/G, Topeka, Kans.	996.00
Calvary Tab., Chicago, Ill.	972.43
1st A/G, Birmingham, Ala.	967.00
Bethel Tab., Milwaukee, Wis.	922.03
A/G, Twin Falls, Idaho	754.33
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Central A/G, Fayetteville, Ark.	738.95
1st A/G, Denver, Colo.	721.00
1st A/G, N. Little Rock, Ark.	714.35

PER CAPITA GIVING

Per capita giving is based on total offering divided by number of C.A. members. Number of members is in parentheses.


A/G, Cut Bank, Mont.(25)	\$109
Central A/G, Baton Rouge, La.(15)	78
A/G, Hazleton, Idaho(4)	72
F. G. Tab., Bakersfield, Calif.(45)	69
1st A/G, Pocatello, Idaho(9)	66
1st A/G, Birmingham, Ala.(16)	60
1st A/G, Russellville, Ark.(21)	60
Oak Grove A/G, Malvern, Ark.(3)	53
1st A/G, Springdale, Ark.(22)	50
A/G, Eads, Colo.(6)	45
A/G, Rifle, Colo.(5)	42
A/G, Dermott, Ark.(6)	40
1st A/G, Plain Dealing, La.(4)	40
1st A/G, Shrewsbury, N.J.(10)	39
1st A/G, Vero Beach, Fla.(14)	39
Gosp. Tab., Aberdeen, Idaho(10)	38
Berea Tab., Detroit, Mich.(15)	37
A/G, Wood, S. Dak.(7)	37
Trinity Tab., Baytown, Tex.(35)	37
A/G, Twin Falls, Idaho(20)	37
1st A/G, Mansfield, Ohio(12)	36
1st A/G, Topeka, Kans.(28)	35

Light car, and without Brother Piraino to interpret for us, these meetings never would have been possible. In some cities we had both police and military protection.

Only eternity will reveal the good that was accomplished. Only God Himself has a record of the number of souls saved, for in every service our altars were filled with sinners seeking God. ◀◀

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TIME'S RUNNING OUT! HAVE YOU DRAWN UP YOUR WILL?



Every person should make a will leaving some portion to the work of the Lord . . . perhaps to help young people receive a Pentecostal education. For information about making a Christian will, write Evangel College, Springfield, Mo.

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Bearers of the Light

(Continued from page four)

ter in Senegal, West Africa, and another daughter who plans to go to the mission field. We visited him in French West Africa on our tour and he said, "After spending thirty years in Africa, my schedule this time is the toughest and most strenuous, because the need is greater today than it has ever been."

Some of the other missionaries said to us, "We are concerned about Brother Jones because of the long hours he works." But they didn't mention the long hours they themselves spend each day to take the gospel to those who sit in darkness—to give them Light.

Our first stop in Africa was at Accra, Ghana. We drove a Speed-the-Light vehicle down the jungle highway forty-seven miles; then our missionary host, Mel Harrell, told us the rest of the journey would be by foot. So we parked the car beside the road and started walking. Each bridge we crossed was just a single log placed there by the natives. We looked forward to the special occasion in the village we were approaching. This was the day they would have their first service in their new church building.

If it were not for Speed-the-Light that village might still be without the gospel of Christ, for few people ever visit it. Brother U. S. Grant and I were the fifth and sixth white men to enter that village. Brother Harrell told me that a native had brought him to it. They drove the forty-seven miles by car and walked down this same jungle path. Brother Harrell said he was sick with fever at the time and it was necessary to stop frequently for rest.

Upon the missionary's arrival, the chief called the village together to hear him. He told them the age-old story of Jesus, His love for them, and God's great plan of salvation. At the close

of his sermon he gave them an opportunity to accept Christ, and thirty-seven of the hundred adults in the village stepped forward.

Thinking they misunderstood, he repeated the story and made the appeal more stringent. He told them that to serve the true God they would have to give up their false gods, burn all their fetishes, change their way of living. Then he said, "If you really mean what you say, you will be baptized." With this he turned and walked to the stream without looking back. When he reached the stream he turned around and saw those thirty-seven people coming single file down the path!

In spite of his sickness and weakness he went into the stream and baptized them. By the time we visited the place every adult in the village was a Christian. All of this happened in three months because there was a man who would bear the Light and because he had transportation to carry it there.

This is the wisdom of God. We might have questioned, "God, what are you doing with one man on the vast reaches of the earth?" He might have replied, "I'm producing a human race."

"God, why are you letting Joseph, the only upright member of his family, be sold as a common slave?" "I'm preserving a nation."

"God, what is your plan? Why should an educated man like Moses waste his time as a shepherd on the back side of the desert?" "I'm preparing to deliver a nation from bondage."

"God, what do you mean? Here's John the Baptist, the man with the message of the ages. He's wasting his life in the wilderness. Why not send him to the multitudes?" "I'm preparing the way of the Redeemer. I'm getting ready to introduce the Light."



Owen Carr, while District C. A. President in Kansas, visited the Africa mission fields with U. S. Grant, pastor in Kansas City, Kansas. After his return he was invited to address the Speed-the-Light banquet during the District C. A. Presidents' Conference at which time the theme for Speed-the-Light Dollar Day—"Give Light"—was introduced. This is a condensation of his address.

God's thoughts are not our thoughts, neither are His ways our ways. We may question why the Lord should count so heavily upon one man, and why He should allow that man to be put under so much pressure that it would seem he cannot stand it any longer; but God never makes a mistake. If there were any better way of spreading the Light He would use it.

We crossed the Volta River on a ferry boat and I got into Hal Lehman's car. Brother Lehman resigned from the fine church in California that he was pastoring and became an Assemblies missionary in Africa. While we were bouncing down the dusty African road in his little Speed-the-Light car I mentioned the sacrifice he was making to be there. His reply was quick and pointed: "Don't speak to me of sacrifice. This is no sacrifice, man; I'm in the will of God."

We visited mission stations for two weeks and then we arrived in Tamale where a missionary convention was in progress. Only thirty white people were there—but what a fellowship! A trio sang. Brother Grant preached. Afterward we started to bid the missionaries farewell. Brother Lehman said, "When you brethren get home, folk will want to know what you have seen out here, and what you have learned. You may be prone to tell them that we have problems. We do have. Big problems." And then, with tears streaming down his face, he said, "Tell them we're not discouraged. We're not discouraged."

Someone began to sing, "Let's be true to Jesus, though a thousand voices from the world may call. . . ." I thought of the voices of home, of loved ones, of comparative ease.

Another started the chorus, "I'll live for Jesus, day after day. I'll live for Jesus, let come what may. . . ."

As the hearts of the missionaries melted together they sang:

*"The cross is not greater than His grace
The storm cannot hide His blessed face;
I am satisfied to know
That with Jesus here below
I can conquer every foe."*

We wept together—and in that hallowed time I prayed, "Lord, don't ever let me forget the way I feel right now." For I was suddenly aware that I was in a room with bearers of the Light. And I was one with them.

Every man and woman who shares the burden by praying, by giving, by co-operating in the missionary enterprise to give Light is one with these

courageous witnesses who are serving out there where the darkness is so thick.

There was a man sent from God. These are the men. And you are the men. Just a man, just a woman, one sent from God to bear witness of the Light. This is the true Light, which lighteth every man that cometh into the world. Millions are still in darkness. God is depending on us to give them the Light, no matter what the cost may be. We must not fail. ◀◀

THE CHRISTIAN HOME



Guardians of the Home

Thank God for conscientious mothers who are "tied to the home" by strong cords of love.

SPECIAL INFORMATION FOR "SLANT" READERS

For the benefit of those using the mission studies in the current issue of *Slant* the following listing of orphanages and schools in North India and Nigeria is given:

INDIA

Bettiah Girls' School

% Hilda Wagenknecht
Bettiah, Bihar, India

Door of Hope Orphanage

% Esther Olson
Purulia, Manbhum District
Bihar, India

Nawabganj Boys' School

% James Modder
Nawabganj, Gonda, U.P. India

Rupaidiha Baby Fold

% Kathryn Vogler
Rupaidiha, Bahraich District, U.P. India

Hardoi Bible School

Miss Anne Eberhardt, Principal
Hardoi, U.P. India
(Monthly support for student—\$10.00)

NIGERIA

Central Bible Institute

Ralph L. Cimino, Principal
Box 71, Umuahia, Nigeria, West Africa

Northern Bible Institute

Ralph Cobb, Principal
Rahama via Jos, Private Mail Bag
Nigeria, West Africa

Eastern Bible Institute

% Kenneth L. Godby, Principal
Obudu, Ogoja Province
Nigeria, West Africa

Western Bible Institute

James King, Principal
AGM, Private Mail Bag, Ewu via Benin
City

Nigeria, West Africa

(Approximate cost of monthly support for student in Nigeria schools—\$5.00.)

It is important to correspond with those in charge of the orphanages before sending any packages, to find out the specific needs and to secure specific instructions for mailing. Customs duty is very high in India, especially if instructions are not followed.

Money for support of Bible school students should be sent to Foreign Missions Department, 434 West Pacific Street, Springfield, Missouri, and designated for the particular school in mind.

SOMEONE HAS SPOKEN OF "THE lost art of staying at home," and I wonder if, in losing this art, home is not beginning to lose some of its meaning that once made it so dear. It would seem that the never-ending round of activities, the constant whirl of social engagements, the numerous obligations outside the home, are all tending to convert our homes into barren rooming houses.

Titus 2:5 is an old-fashioned bit of Scripture, but perhaps it should become more popular: "discreet, chaste, *keepers at home*..." As long as home is just anywhere we may hang our hats or a beautiful place to go away from; as long as we live in apartment houses or on fifty-foot lots where the sidewalks must be our children's playground, certainly we still need guardians of the home.

In our home, something like this takes place almost every afternoon between three and six o'clock: I hear a little boy's footsteps on the walk and the door swings open, then there is the call, "Mother!" I answer from another room, "Here I am." In a little bit I hear another little fellow. He comes in, slams his books down on the table, and his first question is, "Where's Mother?" I answer from the adjoining room, "Here she is," and he comes till he finds me.

Then comes another boy, and after a bit the *big* boy I married a number of years ago. His first question too, if I am not at the door to meet him is, "Where is Mother?" When mother has been duly located, everybody seems satisfied and goes about his business.

Do you suppose I often fail to be there to answer to my name when the

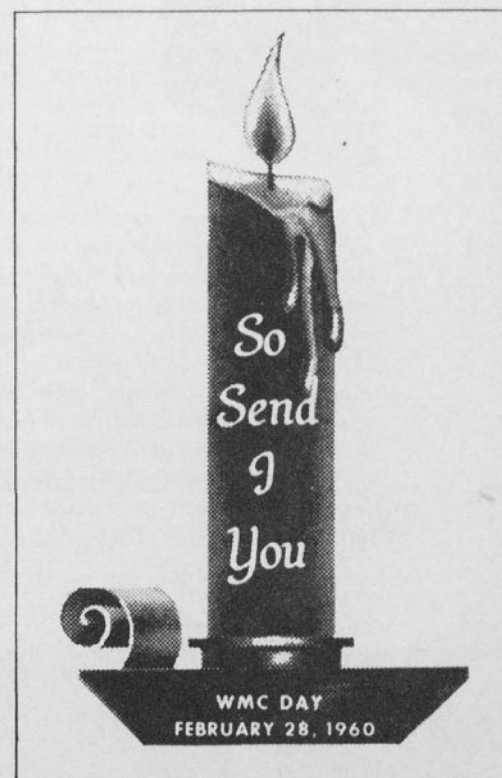
roll is called? Not often; I think I should miss too much.

Does staying at home make a woman narrow? Maybe, but the way that leadeth unto life is narrow too. Tied at home? Yes, by strong cords of love.

And one day in our Father's House, when I hear the sound of footsteps that shall always be boyish to me, and I listen to the familiar, "Where is Mother?"—well, I don't think I shall be sorry then for the little I have missed down here by being a "keeper at home." Do you?

"By faith Noah... prepared an ark to the saving of his house" (Hebrews 11:7). That meant some effort but was it not worth while?

—Mrs. W. E. Hawkins



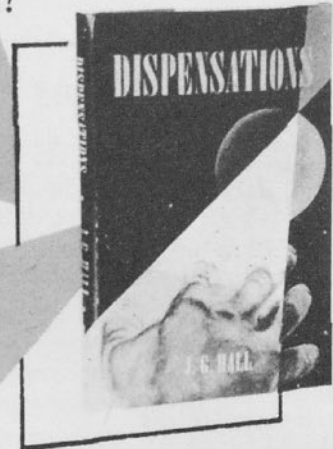
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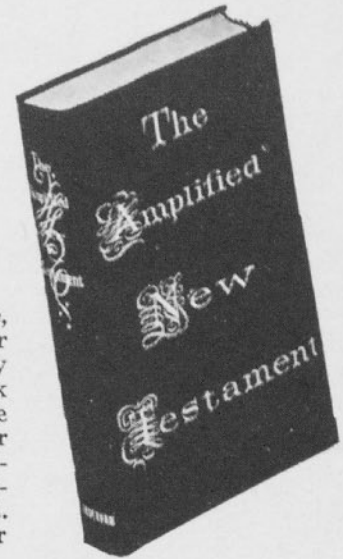
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HIDDEN HUNGER

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IF OUR DIET DOES NOT CONTAIN SUFFICIENT AMOUNTS OF vitamins and minerals, our tissue cells may become deficient in these important items. This results in improper function of the tissue cells, adversely affecting our body as a whole. In an advertising program some time ago a manufacturer of vitamin products called this condition "hidden hunger."

As a young man I realized that I was searching for something I did not have. Instinctively, I reached out for more light, as a vine in the darkness of a cave points its tendrils toward the opening. I was suffering from a condition of "hidden hunger," but it was on a spiritual basis. Although I was brought up in a Christian home by a wonderful Christian mother and had always led a so-called "good, moral life," I was dissatisfied and restless.

I read in the Bible that "all have sinned and come short of the glory of God," and "there is none righteous, no, not one," for all our righteousness is as "filthy rags" in the sight of God. I remembered that Christ had told Nicodemus, one of the finest moral men of his day, "Ye must be born again." So I realized that my "morality" would not make me righteous in God's sight. I knew that only by accepting God's plan of salvation through Christ could I be assured of forgiveness of sin and eternal life with Him. I accepted this plan as outlined in God's Word. I also accepted Christ's gracious challenge in John 7:17, "If any man will do his [God's] will, he shall know of the doctrine, whether it be of God, or whether I speak of myself."

From that moment life took on a different meaning. Joy and peace filled my soul as the Lord Jesus became "my light and my salvation." I experienced, like many others, that God's promises in the Bible *do* work, and He will do everything He says He will; namely, transform life and bring into it new interests and new affections, making it, through Christ, God-centered. My hidden hunger disappeared! This spiritual experience became uppermost in my life.

Christianity is not a creed; it is a life, and a living process. It is not something to be argued about—it is a thing to be experienced. Are you troubled about creeds? What you need is an experience.

Almost every day I have patients come to me for help who, I find, have no organic disease but merely a functional ailment caused by worry, anxiety, fear, and the like. What they need is not medicine but a spiritual experience. Then God's peace which passeth all understanding will fill their hearts and lives, and they will learn the only way of living without worry. Such an experience also is the only real cure that has ever been found for chronic alcoholic and drug addicts.

Yes, my friend, with the power of Christ in your life you can meet any problem. The turmoil in the world today need not worry you for God has promised to take care of His own. He saves, He keeps, and He satisfies.

Would you like to have a Christian experience of your own? Let me tell you how to get it.

First—GO TO JESUS! There can be no peace in the soul until it has been consciously pardoned, and there is pardon only through the merit and atonement of Christ. Jesus said, "I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father *but by me*" (John 14:6).

Then—GO TO THE BIBLE, THE WORD OF GOD! The Holy Spirit will help you to understand what you read. The truths of God's Word are spiritual truths; therefore they must be spiritually discerned. Read it with an open, unprejudiced mind. Remember, it contains the only revelation which God has given to man, and here are found the words of Christ who spoke as no other man has ever spoken. As you open the Bible breathe this prayer, "Open thou mine eyes, that I may behold wondrous things out of thy law" (Psalm 119:18).

And finally—GO TO THE PLACE OF PRAYER! Humble yourself before God. Confess your sins and ask for pardon. He only can cure the "disease of sin" in your life, and He has told us, "If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness" (1 John 1:9).

With the realization that your sins are all forgiven, a peace and joy will fill your soul, and in the light of the many promises God has made to believers your life will take on a new and wonderful meaning.

Dear friend, I know from experience that the promises of God are true. They are practical and workable in any life. A life built on a genuine religious experience with Jesus Christ as its foundation and cornerstone can stand up against any storm.

Meet Jesus Christ and His claims squarely—face to face—today. Give Him a chance in *your* life!

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