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## "Alive for Evermore"

Christians have a blessed hope. It is the hope of eternal life—the hope that Christ who conquered death for Himself will also raise us from the dead to enjoy the same everlasting life that He enjoys. "I am he that liveth, and was dead," He said; "and, behold, I am alive for evermore." And He added, "Because I live, ye shall live also."

These are words of hope. It is comforting to know that death does not destroy; it merely separates. We were reminded of this recently when we read a statement by Dr. Wernher Von Braun, one of the greatest scientists of our day. He said that "*science has found that nothing can disappear without a trace. Nature does not know extinction. All it knows is transformation!*"

Dr. Von Braun is Development Operations Director of the Army Ballistic Missile Agency. His statement on "Immortality" appeared in the January 24th issue of *This Week* magazine. By permission of the copyright owners (United Newspapers Magazine Corporation) we are quoting his entire statement below:

"Today, more than ever before, our survival—yours and mine and our children's—depends on our adherence to ethical principles. Ethics alone will decide whether atomic energy will be an earthly blessing or the source of mankind's utter destruction.

"Where does the desire for ethical action come from? What makes us want to be ethical? I believe there are two forces which move us. One is belief in a Last Judgment, when every one of us has to account for what we did with God's great gift of life on the earth. The other is belief in an immortal soul, a soul which will cherish the award or suffer the penalty decreed in a final Judgment.

"Belief in God and in immortality thus gives us the moral strength and the ethical guidance we need for virtually every action in our daily lives.

"In our modern world many people seem to feel that science has somehow made such 'religious ideas' untimely or old-fashioned.

"But I think science has a real surprise for the skeptics. Science, for instance, tells us that nothing in nature, not even the tiniest particle, can disappear without a trace.

"Think about that for a moment. Once you do, your thoughts about life will never be the same. Science has found that nothing can disappear without a trace. Nature does not know extinction. All it knows is transformation!

"Now, if God applies this fundamental principle to the most minute and insignificant parts of His universe, doesn't it make sense to assume that He applies it also to the masterpiece of His creation—the human soul? I think it does. And everything science has taught me—and continues to teach me—strengthens my belief in the continuity of our spiritual existence after death. *Nothing disappears without a trace.*"

Christ died and was separated from His followers for a brief time, but He reappeared to them in a glorified body. With Him it was not extinction, but transformation. And so shall it be with us! Our corruptible body shall be transformed into an incorruptible body. Our mortal frame shall be transformed into an immortal one. And we too, though we were dead, shall be "alive for evermore."

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## *An Unplanned Sunrise Service*

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**I**T IS EASTER MORNING AND MULTITUDES of Christians all over the world are gathering together to greet the dawn. Some have traveled through the night to reach one of the national parks or the summit of some mountain. Others are gathering at some familiar place by a lake or on the seaside, while some will even have the great privilege of standing on the very spot perhaps where the first sunrise service was held among the women and the angels, or Mary and her risen Lord.

All these services except the last were prearranged by some one—speakers appointed, hymns chosen, and special musicians designated.

This morning I am thinking of the sweetest sunrise service I ever attended. It was just as unexpected and unarranged by man as the first one at the tomb.

It was convention time in north India and we had come to the last day of the convention. The services were held in a grove of trees amongst which tents were set where the Indian Christians and the workers were sleeping.

The meetings had been good but there had been no real break such as our hearts had longed to see. Some of us were burdened to see such an outpouring so decided to spend the night in prayer. The next day was Easter.

A small tent in the center of the grove was chosen for the prayer time and some six or eight missionaries and three or four Indian workers gathered together. One after another poured out his heart in fervent prayer.

Then the risen Lord came into that tent and began showing to us the nail prints in His hands and feet. There were other scars, some on His forehead made by the thorns, and many on His back where they had scourged Him, and one in His side.

We had never thought before how many scars He has, and it seemed to us they were to remain with Him eternally. Our hearts broke and we wept until it seemed we could weep no more.

Then a rift in the side of the tent let in a bit of the approaching morn and suddenly a shout filled the tent, "He is risen!" Two of the young Indian workers with us in the tent had been seeking for the baptism in the Holy Spirit that night. Suddenly they joined us in shouting, but in a new and unknown tongue.

The tent couldn't hold us now; so up and down among the tents we made our way shouting, "He is risen! He is risen!" and the trees, the morning light, and all nature seemed to join with us.

At nine o'clock we gathered for the morning service. We were to have communion that morning. The sermon was over and the ministers were about to pass the elements. But they had not seen the scars as we had, nor had the congregation. Could we allow this moment to pass without sharing the experience of the night?

We trembled. How could we interrupt such a divine service? The inner pressure grew more intense until one of us arose and said, "Brethren and sisters, we feel we are not ready for this communion. Some of us saw our Lord's scars last night. Have you ever seen them?"

And then suddenly the Spirit fell upon us like a shower of rain. The bread and the wine were replaced on the table and were not served until four o'clock in the afternoon. No lunch was served. Many were weeping and singing, some were confessing their sins, and several were baptized in the Holy Spirit.

Our risen Lord had come into our midst, even as He came into the midst of His disciples that first Easter night. Oh, for such sunrise meetings and such communion services everywhere today!

Perhaps there would be, if we had spent last night in prayer! ◀◀

The worries of the women were needless.  
An angel had already rolled the stone  
away so that they might view the empty tomb.



WHEN THAT GREAT CHRISTIAN and famous scientist, Sir Michael Faraday, was dying, some journalists questioned him as to his speculations concerning a life after death.

"Speculations!" said he, "I know nothing about speculations. I'm resting on certainties. 'I know that my redeemer liveth,' and because He lives, I shall live also."

Job affirmed this truth when he declared, "Oh that my words were now written! oh that they were printed in a book! That they were graven with an iron pen and lead in the rock for ever. For I know that my redeemer liveth, and that he shall stand at the latter day upon the earth: and though after my skin worms destroy this body, yet in my flesh shall I see God: whom I shall see for myself, and mine eyes shall behold, and not another; though my reins be consumed within me" (Job 19:23-27).

The Book of Job is a sacred poem setting forth the sufferings of the ancient patriarch who through all his tests had steadfast faith in God. Even before the giving of the law God had revealed Himself so that Job could say, "For I know."

Now these words of faith were uttered by Job in one of his darkest moments. He even had longed for death

I KNOW THAT

## *My Redeemer Liveth*

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because his sufferings were so great and his accusers so pressing. Yet from his heart came these marvelous words of confidence, "For I know that my redeemer liveth."

Truth comes to us in two ways. First, by natural learning; through reading, study, travel, and association we come to know truth. Second, by divine revelation. God can implant knowledge and wisdom in our hearts—truths that no one can reveal except the Holy Spirit of God. So it was that Job at this time in a flash of inspiration cried forth the words of revelation that God gave to him, "I know that my redeemer liveth."

What though he had lost his friends, his family, his health, his property, and everything? Now in this moment when he had only the naked Word of God to stand on, his faith was put to the test. And the revelation of God

which Job had in this experience sustained him. After he had gone through the trial, God gave him twice as much as he had at the beginning.

### THE REDEEMER

To understand the importance of the place of the redeemer or kinsman, please note his relationship. Not only had he to be someone who was able to redeem; he had to be a near relative. He was to avenge any wrongs, and was to help those who were weak.

In order to become our kinsman-redeemer, Jesus took upon Him our humanity, becoming incarnate in a human body with a human soul and spirit. He was the son of man, our brother. Death could not touch His deity, but it could touch His humanity. So He became our redeemer, dying on the cross in our place.

To Job the Lord was a *personal*

redeemer, for he said, "For I know that *my* redeemer liveth." Even though time, sickness, and disease would destroy Job's body and reduce it to the dust again, he declared, "Yet in my flesh shall I see God!" That's faith. You can't see it, but you can believe it.

As God puts into your heart that living faith, you can stand at the open grave when loved ones are laid away and say the words of the apostle, "O death, where is thy sting? O grave, where is thy victory?" For in the latter day the living Redeemer will stand upon the earth and will raise all the earthly bodies that have died in the living hope.

#### THE REDEEMER IN ACTION

Easter is significant because it marks the transfer of Christ from the role of a simple son of man buried in a tomb, related to us all, into the resurrected Son of God who was victor over death, hell, and the grave, and who lives eternally. Observe the points of special interest related to this occasion.

On the way to the tomb where Jesus was buried the women had an *Easter worry* and they expressed it thus, "Who shall roll us away the stone?" How they worried about the stone. It was unnecessary worrying. So much of our worrying is unnecessary. We are distressed about things that never do come to pass. And many of our worries are borrowed trouble with which we do not need to be concerned. When the women arrived at the tomb their worries were allayed, for the stone had already been rolled away.

The stone had been rolled away, not to let the Lord out, but to let the visitors in to see the empty tomb. The Lord came out whether the stone was there or not. But with the stone rolled away the women could enter into the tomb and see for themselves what had happened.

To the women was given the *Easter honor* of being the first to the tomb of the resurrected Lord. In Matthew 27 we read how the women were the last to leave the cross and the first to reach the grave. Now to them came the honor of carrying the first message of the resurrection of their Lord to the waiting disciples and friends.

What was the great concern about the *Easter dress* that morning? We read in Luke 24 about the heavenly visitors who were at the tomb. What does it say about them? "Two men stood by

them in shining garments." The aura of their unearthly dress set them apart, so the women were impressed.

The dress of our Lord—the grave clothes—lay there in the tomb undisturbed. No one had bothered to take them off to let our Lord out. He had simply slipped out of them as if they were nothing at all. But there they lay like a hollow shell—as if holding the form of his body. Yet Christ was not in them at all.

When Lazarus was raised from the dead they had to unwind all the grave clothes in which he was swathed, for Jesus said, "Loose him, and let him go." But our Lord left the grave clothes where they belonged, so that when we see Him next He will be in *shining garments, the heavenly dress.*

The *Easter message* was enunciated to the searching women that morning. "Why seek ye the living among the dead?" Hear the angelic message, "He is not here, for he is risen!"

There was an empty tomb! Christ had only borrowed it for a little while and now He was through with it. So this was the Easter message, "He is risen." Peter preached it on the day of Pentecost and three thousand were saved. It's part of every message in the Book of Acts, part of the apostolic ministry, and it is our message today. We have a "risen" Christ.

Because of the risen Christ *Easter* gives us *courage*. Look at that beaten, whipped band of disciples meeting behind closed doors. They seemed to have only a lost cause to expound. Then the Lord came and stood in their midst, showing them His hands and feet.

He said to Thomas, "Put your hand here and feel my nail prints, and see my side with the pierced print in it." He inspired that little band with Easter

courage so that they went out and established a universal church which has come down to our generation, nearly twenty centuries later.

It's our *Easter duty* to go forth and tell the world this message. We thank God for our missionaries who say, "I'm not content to sit at home and hear it ten thousand times more; *I'm taking this message to those who've never heard it.* I'm going to the ends of the world with this message, 'He is risen!'" That's the Easter duty of everyone.

If we cannot take the message personally, we must send, we must give, we must pray that the message can go out so that all men everywhere may hear what we have heard. The Resurrection explains so many Scriptures which otherwise remain confusing. The disciples who could not understand before Easter now did, and the Word of God became new and living to them. This should be the privilege of everyone. It is your Easter duty to make it so.

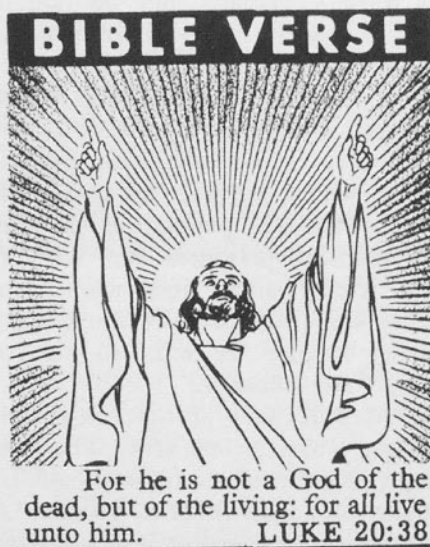
In Romans 10:9 we have the *Easter doctrine*, "For if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead, thou shalt be saved." Think of it! You can be saved right now by believing this.

Let the Easter doctrine come into your heart. You can just say, "Lord, I believe that Christ is risen." Then you can be born again this moment and have the true Easter joy. It doesn't take altar rails, an inquiry room, or this or that to save us; it merely takes faith that Jesus Christ is God's Son, that He died, was buried, and is now risen and living. Such faith in your heart will bring you salvation and eternal life.

There is *Easter comfort* offered to those who may be bereaved and sorrowing. The Scripture reads, "We sorrow not as those that have no hope, for if we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so them also which sleep in Jesus will God bring with him" (1 Thessalonians 4:13, 14). This glorious truth takes the sting out of death. It permits us to go on and face the future with courage. We don't believe that the grave is the end, that it means the loss of hope, the loss of all. It is merely the entranceway into a larger and better life that God has for us.

Now our *Easter hope* is expressed in John 5:28, "Marvel not at this: for the hour is coming, in the which all

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# Sunday School-



## KEY TO WORLD CONQUEST

**T**HE AMERICAN SUNDAY SCHOOL teacher is the key to the evangelism of the world. This, I believe, I can prove by giving you a few facts. I have been nineteen times around the world preaching the gospel and serving obscure but heroic missionaries.

As I have travelled, I have noticed something. It didn't dawn on me overnight, but rather there was an accumulative effect. One day I realized that where there were missionaries, a vital Sunday school was behind them—behind them both in their own childhood and in the church which supported them.

This is not an opinion. It is a fact supported by statistics. In 1936 there were an estimated 27,577 Protestant missionaries in the world. Of these, 11,000 came from North America, i.e., the United States and Canada. By 1958, only twenty-two years later, the number of missionaries had grown to 38,606. Of these, 25,000 came from North America which has only thirty-three per cent of the world's Protestants.

Fifty-five per cent of the world's Protestants are in Europe, yet Europe supplies only thirty-three per cent of the missionaries while North America, with its thirty-three per cent of the world's Protestants, supplies over sixty-five per cent of the missionaries!

I can explain this in only one way. In the last twenty-two years the Sunday schools of Europe have decreased by fourteen per cent while in North America the Sunday schools have increased sixty-three per cent. Wherever the Sunday schools have grown, the missionary force has grown. Many people will object, "But what has the Sunday school to do with the number of missionaries? Do you mean to say that God calls most of the missionaries

BY BOB PIERCE

while they are still in Sunday school?"

That is exactly what I am saying. I know that you can tell of someone who was converted at twenty, somehow went to Bible school and got to the mission field. But the fact remains that around the world, wherever you find a work done for Jesus Christ, you will find men and women who in their childhood were given a high and holy purpose.

Russia believes this is true. Communism has those who were converted to this atheistic philosophy at twenty or thirty, but its aim for world conquest is not on the basis of these few adults. When I was in Russia I saw how the government was starting at the earliest years of the children's lives—molding them, conditioning them.

Let me tell you about Alla Givoronsky, the young woman who was my interpreter. I witnessed to her about the Lord and she told me, "You are a Christian because your people before you were Christians, but no one has been a Christian in my family since my illiterate grandmother died. I have a greater purpose for my life. Since childhood I have been trained to serve my country. Next year I am going to Siberia where we are to build three cities of 100,000 population each, not with political prisoners but with the finest young men and women our schools can produce. We are going to pioneer because we want to give our lives to our country."

What Alla said of the consecration of young Russians was true. They were going to face the hardships of pioneering in cold Siberia because the Communist government began teaching

them the glories of Communism during their first year in school, teaching them by the very songs they hummed.

This is one of the real threats of our day to our Christian faith. There are over 200 million people in Russia and the government is determined that none of them shall be Christians. Communist Russia controls every printing press in the country. They permitted only 25,000 Bibles to be printed in 1926, 10,000 in 1927, and then they allowed thirty years to elapse before they permitted 10,000 more to be printed in 1957—and what are 10,000 Bibles among so many people?

Not only are the people without Bibles, but there are practically no seminaries to train young ministers. Only the Russian Orthodox Church is allowed to have a seminary and they only have ten in the entire country. Furthermore, no church is allowed to conduct a Sunday school because the Communists know that the business of training a child's mind is of the utmost importance.

Of course, under these circumstances Russia can say to the rest of the world, "We have religious freedom." She can say it because to her own people she is saying, "If you want to be a fool and ignorant, go ahead and believe there is a God." They are willing to let the old people believe because they have captured the children. The church is not permitted to teach children, but they attend school six days a week instead of the usual five and they study two hours longer each day than school children in the United States.

On Sunday the Soviet teachers take the children to museums and on grand tours of factories. The glorification of the Russian scientist and soldier is jammed into a child every day until he

is seventeen. Then at the end of all this, when the young person is eighteen, he can join the church if he still insists upon it.

However, the young person who joins the church knows that there will be no more promotions at the factory nor can he attend a Soviet university. When I was at the Moscow University I asked, "Are there any Christians here?"

"Absolutely not," replied the official. "Why not?" I inquired.

"Because no one can come to the university without the approval of his grammar school teachers, high school teachers, and the Young Pioneers. All three are necessary and they wouldn't approve of a Christian."

The most significant thing I have to say is this: If you are going to do something for Jesus Christ, don't forget that the Communists believe that the time to capture the mind and heart of a human being is when he is a child. Communist Russia is sending to Indonesia, China, Africa and South America young people in whom she has invested from twenty to thirty years of indoctrination.

And so is the Church of Jesus Christ. What men and women she is sending to the battlefields of the world are those who have been indoctrinated in Sunday school. Europe, where there is formalism and huge cathedrals but no personal touch of the Sunday school teacher, is not sending out many missionaries.

Sunday schools began in England, but it was in the United States that they took root and grew—and it is from the United States that the greatest number of missionaries are going forth. That is why it is important that we have faithful, devoted, effective Sunday school teachers. I say it, having come from the unfinished task of reaching the world with the gospel. Sunday schools make all the difference in the world and never as much difference as right now in history.

Maybe you are thinking, "That may be all right as far as getting people to the mission field is concerned, but personnel isn't everything. It's the church that really gives the money."

I'm not sure about that. It is true that we Americans and Canadians give eighty-three per cent of the money given to world Protestant missions, but we don't hurt ourselves. Out of every dollar contributed, we spend ninety-six cents on our own pastors, evangelists

## "HE ROSE AGAIN"

I was standing before the window of an art store where a picture of the crucifixion of our Lord was on exhibition. As I gazed, I was conscious of the approach of another, and turning, beheld a little lad gazing also intently at this picture.

Noticing that this mite of humanity was a sort of street arab, I thought I would speak to him; so I asked, pointing to the picture, "Do you know who He is?"

"Yes," came the quick response; "that's our Saviour," with a mingled look of pity and surprise that I should not know what the picture represented.

With an evident desire to enlighten me further, he continued, after a pause: "Them's the soldiers, the Roman soldiers, and," with a long drawn sigh, "that woman crying there is His mother."

He waited, apparently for me to question him further, then thrust his hands in his pockets, and with a reverent and subdued voice and tear-stained face

added, "They killed Him, mister. Yes, sir, they killed Him."

I looked at the little, dirty, ragged fellow and asked, "Where did you learn this?"

He replied, "At the Mission Sunday School."

Full of thoughts regarding the benefits of Mission Sunday Schools, I turned and resumed my walk, leaving the little lad still looking at the picture. I had not walked a block when I heard his childish treble calling, "Mister! say, mister!" I turned. He was running toward me but paused; then up went his little hand, and with a triumphant sound in his voice and now radiant face, he said, "I wanted to tell you: HE ROSE AGAIN."

His message delivered, he smiled, waved his hand, turned, and went his way, feeling, I presume, that as he had been enlightened, he had done his duty in enlightening another. What a challenge to every one of us.

—R. A. Torrey.

and churches and only four cents for missions. If we were to cut out the offerings that come for missions through the Sunday schools, we wouldn't be giving that much.

This is true because most of the concern there is in the human heart for others is planted during the Sunday school years. It is in the missionary-minded Sunday school that young hearts are trained to think of someone besides themselves.

People apart from Jesus Christ are not compassionate—and again I can support my statement. There are many people who, in a broad sense, are truly religious and spiritual, but who are not Christians. I will use India for my example. I love the Indians and India is one of the most religious countries in the world. I have been there time after time and have many personal friends there.

The Christian comprise only about nine million of the 400 million Indians. That is a small percentage, but even in that number there are many who are not God's children, but grandchildren. "Grandchildren" may be a

strange term to a Bible student because you can study your Bible from one end to the other and you won't find that God claims any grandchildren. Yet India is full of those who say, "I'm a Christian because my father was a Christian."

What they mean is that they are not Brahmans or merchants or sweepers, but that their caste is Christian. Because their grandfathers or fathers became Christians and were outcast from every other group, so they stand as Christians in the culture of their society. That being the true situation, the number of real Christians is even smaller than the number counted as Christians.

Yet out of this small group, eight out of ten of all the nurses in every hospital—government, Hindu, or mission—are Christians. The Indians are very religious people, but it is out of this small number of Christians that the nurses come.

This is not because India is not medically minded. India is full of doctors and specialists. You can get a

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# THIS PRESENT WORLD

## Archaeology

### ANCIENT HEBREW LETTER FOUND IN SOUTHERN ISRAEL

An ancient Hebrew letter dating from the seventh century B.C. has been discovered at a seaside fort in southern Israel.

Dr. Yosef Naveh, government inspector of antiquities, said the letter is inscribed on pieces of pottery. It is believed to be the oldest letter ever found.

Opening with the words, "May my Lord, the Prince, hear the word of his servant," the newly-discovered letter complains that while the writer was harvesting near the fort, his cloak was taken from him. "All my brethren will witness in my behalf that I am innocent," it states.

The letter apparently illustrates an aspect of social conditions prevailing at that time, and brings to mind a passage in the 22nd chapter of Exodus: "If you ever take your neighbor's garment in pledge, you shall restore it to him before the sun goes down."

Three other Hebrew inscriptions also were found at the fort, one of which clearly points to religious reforms during the reign of King Josiah (640-609 B.C.), said Dr. Naveh.

## Bibles

### RARE HEBREW BIBLE FOUND IN SOVIET RUSSIA

Prof. Abraham I. Katsh of New York University returned from a six-week tour of Russian libraries with news of a thousand rare Hebrew manuscripts and fragments of ancient vintage. Besides the manuscripts, some of which are eight hundred to a thousand years old, there are 150 precious scrolls, he said. One of the documents is a Hebrew Bible dating from the ninth century. It does not contain the complete Old Testament but only the Prophets.

The collection is being microfilmed for shipment to New York.

### BRITAIN TO HAVE REVISED NEW TESTAMENT EARLY NEXT YEAR

Composition has already begun on a new modern version of the New Tes-

tament, and joint publication by Oxford University Press and Cambridge University Press is scheduled early in 1961. Scholars have been working since 1947 on the task of translating the whole Bible but the Old Testament will not be available in the new modern version for several more years.

At present the new version is entitled, "The New English Bible." There is considerable opposition to this title in Scotland. The Scots would rather name it "The Queen Bible," to distinguish it from the Authorized Version commonly known as the King James Bible.

### BIBLE MEMORY PROGRAM DRAWS RECORD ENROLLMENT

Some 15,592 individuals have entered the 17th annual Bible course sponsored by the Bible Memory Association, St. Louis. This is a 26 per cent increase over the previous record enrollment. Each participant must memorize anywhere from 24 to 200 Bible verses, both the words and the references.

### EAST GERMANY BARS BIBLE SOCIETY FROM FAIR

Soviet Zone authorities have barred

## WELL-KNOWN EDUCATOR IN ASSEMBLIES OF GOD GOES TO TOKYO FOR A YEAR

Frank M. Boyd, who has been associated with ministerial training schools in the United States for nearly forty years, recently departed for Tokyo where he and Mrs. Boyd will serve for a year on the faculty of Central Bible Institute of Japan. He is on leave of absence from Central Bible Institute in Springfield, Missouri.

Many friends of the Boyds gathered at the Springfield airport to see them off. Pictured at right are: Dr. Stanley M. Horton, instructor at Central Bible Institute; Brother Boyd; Pastor J. L. McQueen of Central Assembly in Springfield; and Mrs. Boyd.

The Boyds flew to Tokyo by way of Seattle and Anchorage. They begin their special teaching assignments this month with the opening of the spring term in Tokyo. Brother Boyd will teach Bible Prophecy courses and Sister Boyd will teach Sunday School Methods and English.





the Evangelical Bible Society of (East) Berlin from displaying its products at the Leipzig Spring Trade Fair. "Lack of exhibition space" was the excuse given.

The Evangelical Bible Society is one of the chief Bible-producing agencies of East Germany and its exhibit attracted many visitors in previous years.

## Miscellany

### SON GETS TWELVE APOSTLES' NAMES

A Dutch father has given his newborn son the names of all twelve of Christ's apostles. When the father appeared at the Amsterdam registry office, the clerk argued with him, saying the boy would have lots of trouble filling forms when he grew up, but the man insisted on all twelve names.

### PROSTITUTION SUPPRESSED IN THAILAND

Under pressure from religious and women's organizations, authorities decided to round up all known prostitutes in Bangkok and Thonburi, Thailand, and place them in a reform settlement. In the settlement, the women will be taught sewing, handicrafts, and other useful occupations, the Bangkok Radio reported.

### ISRAEL'S POWER SUPPLY GROWING

Israel's supply of electrical power is growing constantly. Recently the high pressure lines were extended into the desert beyond Beersheba to serve the southern Negev area.

The nation's power grid has now reached the lowest spot on the earth's surface. Sodom, 1,248 feet below sea level, received its first electricity from the national system. Nobody lives in Sodom, a trench plagued with unnatural saltiness and oppressive heat. However, the government operates a plant there for extracting potash and bromine from the Dead Sea waters.

### LUTHERANS TO STUDY CATHOLICISM

The Lutheran World Federation has launched a research program into the theology of various Christian confessions, and has begun in Denmark by initiating a study of contemporary Roman Catholicism. A Lutheran spokesman said that neither Roman Catholicism nor Lutheranism is the same today as it was at the time of the Reformation split; therefore there needs to be a fresh examination of what they have in common and what separates them now.

The trend is toward church unity, which is not likely to be accomplished without compromising doctrinal truth.

# Your Questions



ANSWERED BY ERNEST S. WILLIAMS

### What are the Synoptic Gospels some people mention?

They are Matthew, Mark, and Luke. "Synoptic" means "affording a synopsis, or general view of a whole." These three Gospels give a general view of the life of Jesus.

### Why is the Book of Psalms called "The Psalter?"

"The Psalter" is from the Greek and signifies "sound of a stringed instrument." The Psalms were composed to be sung to the music of the psaltery, an instrument of the zither type. The Psalter would be songs sung to the psaltery.

### On what material was the Bible originally written?

It is said that the first complete writing of the Old Testament was on tanned skins sewed together in large rolls. Later, it was written on sheets made from the papyrus plant. Our word "paper" comes from the name of this plant.

### When was the Bible divided into chapters and verses, and by whom?

It seems that dividing the Bible into chapters and verses was a gradual process. Different scholars deserve credit, but it is probable that the division into chapters and verses as we now have them was completed by the Frenchman, Robert Estienne. The first printing of the New Testament was in 1557; of the Old Testament, 1560.

### What is the translation of the Bible called the Septuagint?

This is a translation of the Old Testament into Greek. It was done at Alexandria, Egypt, somewhere between 275 and 150 B.C., for the benefit of Jews who lived where Greek was the prevailing language. It is the translation often quoted by Jesus and the New Testament writers. Septuagint means seventy, referring to the number who took part in its translation. I am told that the actual number of those who assisted in the translation was seventy-two rather than seventy.

### Why do we speak of the Authorized Version of the Bible as the King James Version?

Because of certain controversies, King James had some of the best scholars in Britain, representing both the Church of England, the Puritans, and perhaps others, to form a translation of the Bible. These men labored faithfully, consulting translations already made and also ancient manuscripts. Their work was published in A.D. 1611 and it is called the Authorized Version because it was authorized to be used in public worship in England. More careful study or painstaking effort could hardly be found than was taken in giving us this translation.

### What is the Jefferson Bible?

Thomas Jefferson is considered to have been an atheist by many. While he was President, as a recreation he cut out the sayings of Jesus and pasted them together. Concerning these sayings he said that in them "will be found remaining the most sublime and benevolent code of morals which has ever been offered to man." He later wrote to Charles Thomson, "A more beautiful or precious morsel of ethics I have never seen." This work, known as the Jefferson Bible, is now preserved in the National Museum at Washington.

*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).*

# "Music With a Mission" Builds Korean Assembly

BY PAUL BERG  
*Missionary to Japan*



Paul Berg presents replica of Korean church to Pastor Berquist. Left to right: Charles E. Bower, Ernest Berquist pastor of Bethany Assembly in Paterson, N. J., Fred Gill, Paul Berg, and Yeung Hi Lee (foreign news editor of Hap Dong News, Seoul)

MUSIC WITH A MISSION is a missionary project dedicated to the building of native churches on our foreign fields. After less than one year of operation the project has built two churches in Korea, one in Japan, and helped in the construction of a second Japanese building.

Ernest V. Berquist, Pastor of the Bethany Assembly in Paterson, New Jersey, says of this unique missionary ministry:

"MUSIC WITH A MISSION was a tremendous blessing to our church. It presented us with an effective challenge and a completely new approach to our missionary program. When missionary Paul Berg first presented his MUSIC WITH A MISSION program of building native churches on foreign fields, we all felt it would be a wonderful achievement, but we were already giving what we felt was our limit and wondered whether or not to join with this project. We accepted the challenge, however, appointed a committee, and went to work.

"Our objective was to sell enough records to raise sufficient funds to present a Korean congregation with a church home. We wanted this to be our Christmas gift to Christ. It was then October and we had little time to realize our ambitions.

"From this point on the Lord began

to work in the hearts of the people. One new convert, a T. V. repairman, gave a record to customers who would call him for repairs. In turn he would give his repair fee to the project. Other individuals presented the records to their employers and fellow workmen. Some departments of the church pledged themselves to take records. The W.M.C.'s alone pledged over half of the funds needed and met their goal!

"The Sunday preceding Christmas was a happy time for us at Bethany, for we were rejoicing over our gift for Christ. It meant much to us to have reached our goal. Everyone sensed with even more understanding what Jesus meant when He said, 'It is more blessed to give than to receive.' No parents could have been more proud of a newborn babe than our people were of this achievement. They are already talking about supplying an organ and other needs for this newly-adopted church.

"This program is one that will work

itself if given a chance. It offers an opportunity to bring great blessing while doing something tangible for the Kingdom of God. I pray that God will continue to bless MUSIC WITH A MISSION, that its full potential shall be realized in the near future. . . ."

The project is now engaged in providing a Bible school in Seoul, Korea. A second album of sacred music dedicated to Korea was released in March. Anyone interested in joining this project may do so by sending an offering marked, "MUSIC WITH A MISSION — KOREAN BIBLE SCHOOL," to the Foreign Missions Department, 434 West Pacific Street, Springfield, Mo. The Korean album will be sent in return. Full missionary credit will be given for all offerings received.

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*Editor's Note:* MUSIC WITH A MISSION albums feature the talented baritone voice of Paul Berg in an outstanding selection of sacred songs.

## MISSIONARY *News Notes*

**COMINGS:** The **Eldon Vincents** returned from Hawaii on February 5. Their temporary address is 1656 W. San Bernardino Rd., Covina, Calif.

**Ellis J. Stone** returned from Nicaragua on February 10. He may be reached at 400 Madeiro N. E., Albuquerque, N. Mex.

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**GOINGS:** **Miss Doris J. Nimmo**, a newly-appointed missionary, left for Liberia, West Africa, on February 8.

**Miss Trella Hall** sailed for Spain on February 27. She was formerly stationed in Colombia, South America.



Doris J. Nimmo



Trella Hall

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434 W. Pacific St., Springfield, Mo.

# Sponsors Needed for Dutch Immigrants

BY GUSTAVE KINDERMAN  
Secretary for Relief and Rehabilitation

U PROOTED FROM THEIR HOMES, their jobs, and their friends, more than 200,000 Dutch refugees have been forced to evacuate Indonesia by the swelling tide of nationalism and civil strife. Going to the Netherlands—approximately the size of Maryland and Delaware—they found the country overpopulated and unable to assimilate them.

These Dutch immigrants have turned to the United States for sanctuary. They need an opportunity to build a new life for themselves and their families. The Pastore-Walter Act allows 3,136 additional Dutch families to migrate to the United States but they must be admitted by June 30, 1960.

Among the refugees desiring settlement in the United States are fifteen Pentecostal families. They are looking to their brethren in America for help in starting a new life.

## Evangelism in Tamale Industrial School

By Harold Lehmann  
Missionary to Ghana

The Boys' Industrial School near Tamale is actually a school of correction, but the lads in the school are not incorrigibles. Because of unfortunate circumstances, the courts decided that this "ounce of prevention" would be the means of preparing youthful Africans for a useful life. For a number of years the resident missionary and national pastor in Tamale have had the privilege of conducting services in the school.

The services are evangelistic in nature and scores of these young men have found Christ as their personal Saviour. The turnover in this school has been

Thirty-five major denominations in the United States have been assisting these Dutch families in finding new homes. Already more than 7,000 of these families have adapted to American life and have proved industrious, co-operative, reliable, and competent as laborers, office workers, farmers, craftsmen, etc.

In order to come to the United States, each Dutch family must have sponsors in this country. To help these families make the transition, the Netherlands government provides:

1. The greater part of transportation costs to a specified destination in the United States;
2. Expense money to pay initial costs on arrival in the United States;
3. Comprehensive health and accident insurance for three months.

These fifteen families need Pente-

very large, for attendance is in terms of months, not years. We have seen lasting results: *almost none of these young men have been implicated in any misdemeanor upon their dismissal*, and several have become useful citizens and members of local Assemblies of God churches.

The superintendent of this school is a very keen Pentecostal Christian and has lent his earnest and loyal support to our work in the school. His name, Onyame, means "God," and we have often commented that we have been thankful that "God is at the head of this school." He has shown a deep concern for each boy, and it is remarkable that after thirty years of such social service to the youth in Ghana he still keeps a keen interest in each individual who comes under his care.

We covet your prayers in behalf of this evangelistic effort among the youth of Northern Ghana. ◀ ◀

costal individuals or churches who will serve as sponsors to assist in finding jobs and homes.

Here is our opportunity to share our blessings and extend a hand of friendship to our Pentecostal brethren who have been driven from their homes by a political upheaval. If you should like more information concerning this sponsorship program, write to the Assemblies of God Foreign Service Committee, 475 Riverside Drive, Room 1928, New York 27, New York.

Time is running out—June 30 is the deadline for extending your helping hand to the Dutch brethren. ◀ ◀

## MONTHLY REPORT

Foreign Missions Department

December, 1959

### CONTRIBUTIONS

Alabama .....	\$ 4,115.33	Northwest .....	40,933.91
Appalachian .....	2,395.10	Ohio .....	19,361.39
Arizona .....	3,866.84	Oklahoma .....	26,378.00
Arkansas .....	7,223.08	Oregon .....	24,449.44
Eastern .....	27,331.35	Polish Br. ....	43.00
Georgia .....	8,683.20	Potomac .....	16,884.13
German Br. ....	1,011.82	Rocky Mtn. ...	19,742.13
Greek Br. ....	175.77	Russian Br. ....	40.00
Hungarian Br. ...	165.00	S. Carolina .....	1,539.17
Illinois .....	17,029.02	S. Dakota .....	3,202.89
Indiana .....	12,459.95	S. Florida .....	14,962.85
Italian Br. ....	601.36	S. California ...	91,222.58
Kansas .....	10,814.91	S. N. England ...	5,376.75
Kentucky .....	961.25	S. Texas .....	16,732.16
Lat. Am. Br. ....	688.57	S. Idaho .....	4,259.12
Louisiana .....	3,704.42	S. Missouri .....	15,806.48
Michigan .....	23,331.42	Span. E. Dist. ...	335.50
Minnesota .....	23,065.46	Tennessee .....	8,530.01
Mississippi .....	5,754.56	Ukrainian Br. ...	390.27
Montana .....	4,681.87	W. Central .....	7,022.48
Nebraska .....	5,236.12	W. Florida .....	3,589.70
New Jersey .....	13,569.73	W. Texas .....	5,279.14
New Mexico .....	2,369.85	Wisc.-N. Mich. ...	7,835.21
New York .....	16,841.12	Wyoming .....	1,080.55
N. Carolina .....	3,676.25	Alaska .....	493.56
N. Dakota .....	7,708.37	Canada .....	1,185.11
N. N. England .....	1,930.56	Hawaii .....	438.35
N. Calif.-Nev. ...	47,028.50	Foreign .....	57.37
N. Texas .....	15,853.84	Miscellaneous ...	1,164.81

Total Amount Reported .....	\$610,609.78
District Funds .....	\$16,422.29
National Home Missions .....	4,173.21
Office Expense .....	5,533.62
Given Direct to Missionaries .....	54,352.68
	80,481.80

Received for Council Missionaries .....	\$530,127.98
Received for Non-Council Missionaries .....	5,143.96
Missionary offering not allocated to any state .....	18,372.80

Total Receipts .....	\$553,644.74
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### DISBURSEMENTS

Support of Missionary Personnel .....	\$164,968.19
Missionary Equipment .....	36,910.89
Missionary Work .....	99,298.18
National Workers Abroad .....	9,433.69
Deputation Returns .....	267.10
Buildings in Foreign Lands .....	49,252.67
Missionary Transportation .....	57,969.11

	\$418,099.83
Transferred to "Hold Accounts" .....	135,544.91

\$553,644.74

# Indians of the Northeast Hear Good News



BY ANDREW AND LILLIAN MARACLE  
*Hogansburg, New York*

**A** MOHAWK INDIAN MAN, RECENTLY converted, told us, "Now I go to bed happy and wake up in the morning happy." He and his wife, who were once strong Catholics, love the Bible and are a great help to us in picking up some of the Indian folk for church services in the Hogansburg Indian Assembly of God.

God has been showing us favor, especially lately. New people are coming in and appear to be very hungry to learn about the Word of God. There is much unrest among the Catholics who seem to be awakening to the fact that their spiritual needs are not being met. Indians gather in homes and discuss the Bible.

Women's Missionary Council gifts of used clothing for the Indians have helped us to reach many here. Also, distribution of that clothing is helping us to gain favor with other tribes farther north, among the Algonquin and Cree Indians. Thus doors are opened for the preaching of the gospel. Re-

cently, Brother Maracle and a neighboring pastor packed half a ton of warm clothing (prepared by our own WMC group) and delivered it to these tribes.

There is no gospel worker located among these people. The Indians listened spellbound as Brother Maracle told them the story of Jesus (through an interpreter) and then prayed for the sick. One lady, who had given her heart to Jesus during our last contact, fell under the power of the Spirit. Later, she testified that she had been carried away in the Spirit and that Jesus revealed Himself to her. She could not stop telling the people how wonderful Jesus is.

The needs among the Algonquin and Cree Indians are almost unbelievable. Some of them still live in tents in below zero weather. They have no furniture. An oil barrel flattened on top serves for a stove. The only dish evident is usually a frying pan. Pine boughs serve as a floor.

Ministry to these Indians would be impossible without an interpreter. On a later visit we made to this area, the Lord enabled us to find a young lady living in the village who had been saved and could speak the language. When all the Indians nearby gathered together in a log cabin (left by white loggers), Brother Maracle preached to them about Jesus: who He is, how He loves them, and what He has gone to prepare for those who love Him. Then he presented the invitation to accept Christ as Saviour. Before he had finished asking for decisions, a young woman holding her baby walked to the middle of the room and dropped on her knees. Her husband followed!

It had been somewhat of a sacrifice to us to make the trip hauling a trailer, but we felt amply repaid with the response these people exhibited toward the gospel. Now our hearts are heavy because there is no regular gospel work among them. We cannot afford to make the trip often, as finances have been quite a problem here sometimes. Surely these hungry-hearted people have a right to the gospel. Pray with us that God will send full-gospel workers among the Algonquin and Cree Indians while they are responsive to the truth.

Also, please remember our work at Hogansburg, N. Y., on the St. Regis Reservation. Our progress is slow, but interest is increasing and our attendance is slowly growing. We are clinging to the scripture, "Let us not be weary in well doing: for in due season we shall reap IF WE FAINT NOT." Our greatest desire is to "reap" precious Indian souls while there is time.



Algonquin Indians in Northern Quebec



Cree Indians of Cedar Rapids, Canada



Hogansburg Indian Assembly of God

A little American Indian child touched the heart of the missionary with her simple request.

## "We Want Shoes . . . for Sunday School"

BY ESTHER TREECE  
San Carlos, Arizona

NOLA STOOD AT THE DOOR, UNKEMPT and dirty and looking very tired. We were surprised, for it was nearly time for Sunday school and she was one of our most faithful pupils. We told Nola she should get ready for Sunday school, but we were certain there was a reason for her appearance.

Before we could ask what the trouble might be, Nola said, "Can you give us something to eat? We are so hungry."

Then, in response to our questioning the Indian child told us the sad story. "My daddy came home drunk and

chased us away. We stayed out on the mountainside all night. We were afraid to go home for he is mean and might kill us. He hit my mother. We watched until we saw him go away this morning. Then I came to you. We haven't had anything to eat. I don't know where Mother is." (By "we" she meant herself and five other children.)

Here it was time for Sunday school and last-minute preparations were not finished. Silently, we breathed a prayer, *Help us, Lord*. Suddenly, we were reminded of the scriptures: "As oft as ye have done it . . . Be ye kind . . . Seek ye first the kingdom of God." Yes, it was time for Sunday school and we had been teaching our people to be on time. We had been planning interesting Sunday school and children's church services for 50 to 75 children. I needed to be at my post of duty! Then I began questioning, *Where is my post of duty?* Here was an urgent need which must have attention immediately.

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We prepared food for the children and carried it to them at their mountainside hideout. They were still afraid to leave the place lest an angry father see them. We did not want the other children who had gathered for Sunday school to know what had happened, but these things cannot always be concealed. We returned to our Sunday school congregation as soon as possible and had a good service in spite of the interruption.

After church that evening, Brother Treece went to the Indian camp home where these children lived. There the father lay in a drunken stupor. The children had been cared for by kind neighbors and the missionaries. Brother Treece talked with the father but could not reason with him. Since it was cold, the missionary covered him

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## The Ministry of

# LETTER WRITING

BY BLANCHE B. LINDBLAD

**T**HE PHONE RANG AND A LADY'S voice surprised me.

It was the president of the women's auxiliary of a local hospital. *Why* was she calling?

"I want to thank you for that wonderful letter that you wrote those fire victims," she said. Tears were in her words.

Then I remembered.

I had read of the tragic accident. A family from Canada was camping at one of our city parks. Their tent, with nylon flap, had caught fire from a gas lantern. Some were dead, all terribly burned. It was a case where God's love and help were urgently needed.

Walking down the hospital corridor, I had glimpsed these persons swathed in bandages. Suffering strangers they were, denied all visitors.

There was only one way by which the Spirit of God could use me to reach them—by letter. I had employed this method before and God had blessed it.

So I wrote from my heart such words of truth and comfort as I felt the Holy Spirit would honor. I let them know I shared their sorrow and pain; that I was praying. Simply, I pointed them to Jesus Christ as Healer and Helper.

Evidently the lady who phoned had opened the letter and read it to the patients. "You'll never know what it meant to those people," she said.

The incident helped impress upon me the importance of Christian letter writing. Over and over I have proved, personally, that this is a definite ministry which should be enlarged.

It is not the casual "get well" card of which I speak, nor even the cheery note sent to shut-ins. These have their place. Neither is it the friendly, encouraging letter to acquaintances and relatives, though such are wonderful.

Specifically, it is a deliberate outgoing of my own heart to another heart, at a given time and for a given purpose. Too, it is a call, an invitation. It is Christian love in action.

I learn, from some source, of a need. I know that Christ is the answer. Need and answer are correlated in a letter. That is all: the Spirit of God does the rest.

This type of letter has great advantage.

First, it makes me a bold witness for the Lord. It is my voice in another's ear, my hand of strength upon another. It is I, bending over the helpless, engendering hope. I am doing and saying things impossible to the

flesh—for I am free of self and its limitations.

The limitations of space are also dissolved. Several times I have sent letters to distant cities. "Now I have hope," a patient ninety miles away wrote me. I had heard of her case (sad indeed in its mental anguish) from a nurse who attended her.

One elderly man, far from home, told with emotion how grateful he was for my writing.

Another lady, whom I scarcely knew, said she drank in the words as strength. She was near death, undergoing both a physical and spiritual crisis. (Since then, we have become friends and prayer partners for needy ones.)

A Spirit-directed letter transcends all doctrinal beliefs.

There is no time nor opportunity for doubt. Debate is outruled, even mentally. It is "demand and supply" on a spiritual basis. I have no axe to grind; there is no advantage to gain, and the recipient knows this.

The letter might evoke surprise, but never resentment.

Once I felt led to write to my insurance agent's wife, a Roman Catholic. She was in a serious condition with nervous eczema. We have never met, and since then I have cancelled my insurance policy. But her husband never fails to wave and smile a special greeting when we meet.

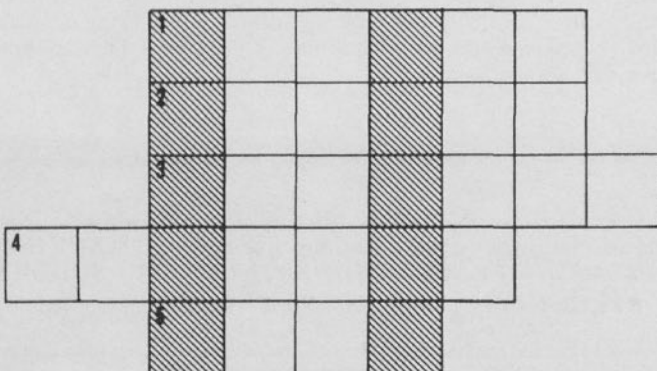
Personalities, as such, are obscure.

My doctor, of years, lay ill with a cardiac ailment. I did not need him then, nor he me. But he needed God's help. I wrote him a note, speaking of

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FOR THE JUNIOR READER:

## CROSSWORD PUZZLE



Fill in the blanks on the puzzle from the Bible verses below. All words go across. (Each dash represents one letter of a word).

When you have filled in the puzzle, you will find an Easter message in the gray squares.

1. "They cast them into prison, charging the — — — — — to keep them safely" (Acts 16:23).

2. "And that he might reconcile both unto God in one body by the cross, having slain the — — — — — thereby" (Ephesians 2:16).

3. "Well done, thou good and faithful — — — — —" (Matthew 25:21).

4. "And the Lord sent — — — — — and rain that day" (1 Samuel 12:18).

5. "Behold, what manner of love the Father hath bestowed upon us, that we should be called the — — — — of God" (1 John 3:1).

ANSWERS:

Easter message in the gray squares is: JESUS LIVES. The

1—jailor; 2—ennemy; 3—servant; 4—thunder; 5—sons.



# The Family Altar



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

## Monday, April 18

**Read:** Ruth 3

**Learn:** "Favor is deceitful, and beauty is vain: but a woman that feareth the Lord, she shall be praised" (Proverbs 31:30).

**For the Parent:** Have the group review the material studied about Ruth last week (Ruth 1, 2) Much of this chapter deals with the customs of the people through which a near relative was informed of his obligations as a relative to a widow. Emphasize Boaz's testimony and evaluation of Ruth's life, vv. 10, 11. When we completely follow the Lord, others will be able to see the testimony of our lives. Discuss also the meaning of "virtuous" and the importance of possessing this quality.

**Question Time:** What was Ruth's reputation in the city where she lived? (v. 11) Why is it necessary to guard our reputations?

**Missionary Birthdays:** Mrs. George Davis, Costa Rica; Harold S. Lehmann, Ghana.

## Tuesday, April 19

**Read:** Ruth 4

**Learn:** "And we know that all things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are the called according to his purpose" (Romans 8:28).

**For the Parent:** After reviewing the story of Ruth as discussed thus far, emphasize the ending of the story: Boaz took Ruth as his wife; their son was the grandfather of King David. Eventually Christ was miraculously born into this same family. This means that Ruth became one of the ancestors of Jesus! What a reward it was for her faithfulness to God and her friends. Emphasize both the immediate and eventual rewards of faithful service to God.

**Question Time:** What great honor eventually became Ruth's? (See above) How does faithfulness benefit us?

**Missionary Birthdays:** Mrs. Philip Mangum, South Africa; Mrs. C. G. Davis, Chile; Hilda Wagenknecht, India.

## Wednesday, April 20

**Read:** Psalm 75

**Learn:** "But God is the judge: he putteth down one, and setteth up another" (Psalm 75:7).

**For the Parent:** From this psalm point out: (1) we have a great God who does wondrous things, v. 1; (2) we should praise the Lord because of all He has done, v. 1; (3) God rules this world, and the lives of all men are in His hands—He does things according to His will and purpose, vv. 3-8; (4) the knowledge of God's power and His will should encourage us to praise Him, knowing that

He will work out all circumstances for His glory and our eventual good, vv. 9, 10.

**Question Time:** Why should we praise God? (See above) What does this psalm teach us about promotions? (vv. 6, 7) How should this affect our ambitions? our attitudes?

**Missionary Birthdays:** Bernhard A. Johnson, Brazil; Sophie Erhardt, India.

## Thursday, April 21

**Read:** Luke 12:16-21, 27-31

**Learn:** "A good name is rather to be chosen than great riches" (Proverbs 22:1).

**For the Parent:** (Additional material on "The Rich Fool" will be found on Sunday's Lesson page.) Through the ages men have been guilty of placing the greatest values on the wrong things. Review the story of the rich man and his foolishness in not taking care of his spiritual welfare. Show the importance, as Jesus pointed out, of seeking God's kingdom first. God will then take care of our other needs. Emphasize, however, that God expects us to do what we can toward meeting our physical and material needs (1 Timothy 5:8; 2 Thessalonians 3:10).

**Question Time:** How did the rich man show his foolishness? (See above) Does this mean we should not work? (See above)

**Missionary Birthday:** Mrs. A. Walker Hall, Hawaii.

## Friday, April 22

**Read:** John 18:15-18, 25-27; 21:15-19; Mark 16:7; 1 John 2:1, 2 (Sunday's Lesson for Juniors)

**Learn:** "But there is forgiveness with thee" (Psalm 130:4).

**For the Parent:** One of the things which stands out in the story of the betrayal,

arrest, and death of Jesus is the fact of Peter's denial that he ever knew Christ. Discuss this story. Show Peter's sorrow after it was over. Then show the love of Christ as it was displayed in forgiving Peter. This same forgiveness is available to us when we fail the Lord. (Emphasize 1 John 2:1, 2.)

**Question Time:** Why do you think Peter denied that he knew Jesus? How do we know that Christ forgave him? How do we know He will forgive us when we fail?

**Missionary Birthdays:** Anna B. Strafsholt, Liberia; Flora Shafer, Bolivia.

## Saturday, April 23

**Read:** Genesis 28:1, 2, 10-22; 29:15-16 (Sunday's Lesson for Primaries)

**Learn:** "Be sure your sin will find you out" (Numbers 32:23).

**For the Parent:** Review the story of how Jacob deceived his father (Genesis 27). Partially because of this deception, Jacob had to leave home. But in spite of the wrong he had done, Jacob had a meeting with God. God promised to bless Jacob if he met certain conditions. As you discuss this, emphasize that God loves us in spite of our sins: but He does not love our sins. We need to seek His forgiveness. Show also how Jacob was deceived by Laban.

**Question Time:** What promise did Jacob make to God? (28:20-22) What promise did God make to Jacob? (28:13-15). How did Laban deceive Jacob? (29:15-26)

**Missionary Birthdays:** Mrs. D. C. Marocco, Philippines; Clarence Shoop (Indian), Washington.

**Missionary Birthdays for Sunday:** Martha Underwood, Belgian Congo; Alice F. Stewart, Formosa.

## SPECIAL PRAYER REQUESTS

Pray for the missionaries in Alaska who have an airplane ministry to the remote villages. Travel by air in Alaska can be very hazardous at times. These faithful missionaries are reaching people for Christ and are establishing regular church services where it is possible. Pray that God will protect them and give them favor with the natives.

Pray for Mrs. Mel Stewart (Philippine Islands). She has been ill for several months and is now returning on furlough.

The mission house at Purulia, India, is desperately in need of repair. Pray that funds will be provided so that Miss Virginia Watts may have a suitable place in which to live.

Pray for the new Indian church in the Espanola Valley, Espanola, New Mexico.

Ira Van Houten is attempting to reach the Pueblo Indians who have not had the full gospel before. Pray that the Lord will help the missionaries gain entrance into the various surrounding pueblo communities to hold services. The church building they are now using in Espanola is greatly in need of repair.

A literature saturation campaign is already under way in Seoul, Korea, in preparation for the Global Conquest evangelistic crusade which begins June 1. Pray for missionaries and nationals as they put the gospel into the hands of the Koreans.

Pray for the new appointees in the Special Ministries fields of the Home Missions Department. Some of them are in need of more support. Pray that God will guide them in their new ministry.

# Sunday's Lesson

"RIGHTLY DIVIDING THE WORD OF TRUTH"



## THE RICH FOOL

Sunday School Lesson for April 24, 1960

LUKE 12:16-21, 27-31

One of two brothers, who were quarreling over the division of an inheritance, appealed to Jesus for help. Sensing the spirit which prompted this appeal, Jesus spoke a solemn word of warning which all of us do well to notice—"Take heed and beware of covetousness." See Ephesians 5:5. Then, to teach that man—and all men everywhere—a great lesson, Jesus spoke the parable of the rich farmer.

**A RICH MAN'S SUCCESS.** Luke 12:16-18.

There is nothing in the parable to indicate that the farmer was a vicious sinner, nor that he had acquired wealth by dishonest methods. He was wealthy. He was successful in business, which means he must have been industrious and wise in a business sense. He was prudent, as seen by his planning for the future safety of his crops. So far, so good.

And how far can a Christian go in endeavoring to become wealthy? Before answering, consider the following statements:

(1) It is not wrong to become wealthy.

(2) Neither is it sinful to become more wealthy than other men.

(3) A man with the ability to acquire wealth by honest Christian principles may consider that as a God-given ability and develop it accordingly, for the glory of God, and as a practical means of extending the work of the kingdom of God on earth.

(4) The sin of wealth lies in loving money for its own sake, in using wrong methods to acquire it, in using it in the wrong way—for self-indulgence rather than for God's glory!

**A RICH MAN'S MISTAKES.** Luke 12:19.

It was God who called this man a fool, in which case we may be sure he was just that! Consider his foolish mistakes:

(1) He had no regard for God. This was the great sin of his life. Notice the prominence of the personal pronouns "I" and "my," which occur no less than eleven times in the story. This man left God completely out of the picture! And is not this the great mistake? Hell will be populated not only by murders and adulterers, but by many moral, honest, industrious people who simply left God out of their hearts and lives.

(2) He had no regard for people. This man thought there was no place for produce except in barns. Evidently it did not occur to him that he might convert at least a portion of his goods into money to help suffering humanity. His indifference is reflected on a national scale today. While millions starve in other lands, most of us in America dine in plenty. While millions have never yet heard of Jesus for the first time, other millions spend little effort to reach these dying souls with the saving gospel. Amos

the prophet has a word for our times, "Woe to the careless citizens . . . dining off fresh lamb and fatted veal, crooning to the music of the lute, composing airs like David himself, lapping wine by the bowlful . . . with never a single thought for the bleeding wounds of the nation" (Amos 6:1, 4-6, Moffatt). How much are we doing with what we have, to relieve the sin and suffering of the world? How much do we care?

(3) He had no regard for his soul. He made the common mistake of thinking natural things could feed the soul. But true food for the soul can only be found in fellowship with God, and in service for Him.

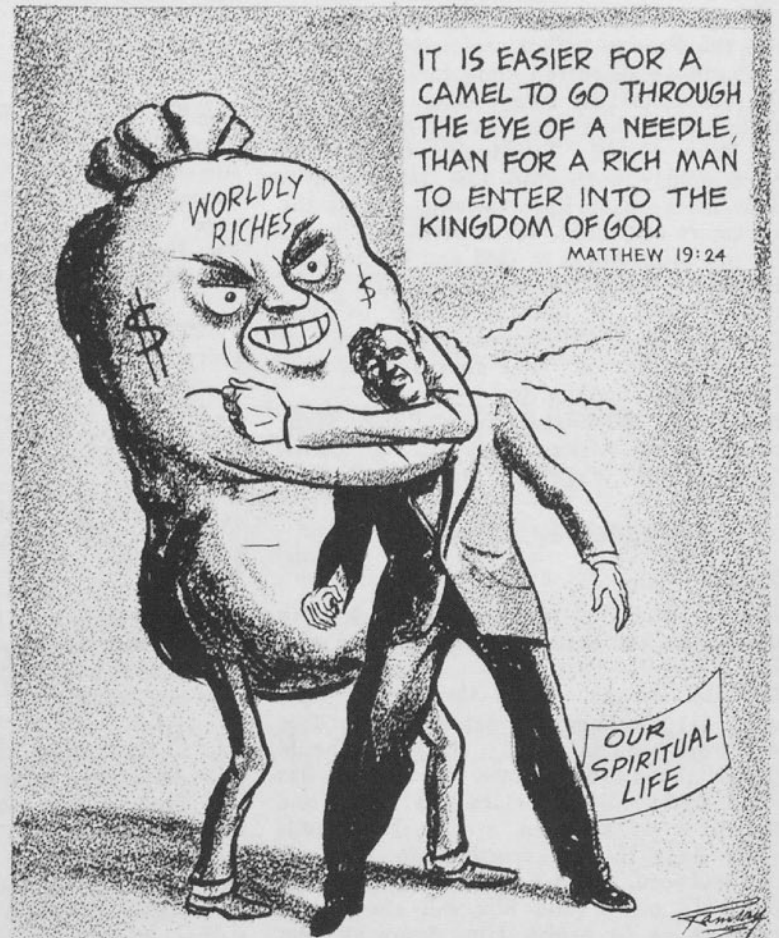
(4) He had no regard for eternity. The fact that he would not live forever, seems not to have occurred to the rich man. No wonder God called him a fool! But all this speaks to Christians, too! Are we fulfilling our stewardship to God in the light of eternal values?

**A RICH MAN'S DOOM.**

The rich man's end came suddenly, and he was totally unprepared! Was he a fool? Jesus said, "So is he that layeth up treasure for himself and is not rich toward God."

The rich man was a fool because he gave no consideration to God and concentrated on material things. In Luke 12:27-31 Jesus makes a wonderful promise to those who reverse the order and give first consideration to the kingdom of God and refuse to worry about material provisions. "Seek ye first the kingdom of God; and all these things shall be added unto you." Here is the great principle by which we are to govern our lives. How very simple the Christian life can be! We are reduced to one paramount consideration—the kingdom of God. In other words, Jesus says, "Be free from care about everything except this—your relationship to me!" —J. Bashford Bishop

### STRANGLE HOLD





## Sunday School — Key to World Conquest

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dozen doctors before you can get a nurse. Why? Because everyone wants to wear a white collar. Everyone out of any caste wants to be respected in the community, looked upon as someone with an education. Nobody wants to handle bedpans. Nobody wants to bandage putrefying flesh. Nobody wants to be in a room that smells of vomit. Nobody wants to sacrifice his own pride, cleanliness and comfort. It takes a spirit of compassion to walk through the filth of a needy heathen world.

So India has to turn to the little pool of Christians to find those willing to couple the noble word of medicine with the dirty business of bandages and bedpans.

What I am saying is that any place in the world where men have more than a sociological sense of nicety and who do more than talk about bettering the world, where there is a reaching down into filth and disease, you'll find

Christian hands. A willingness to help isn't born into man. It comes from believing the gospel of Jesus Christ.

Go to the Mohammedan world or the Confucian world and if you don't find the gospel of Jesus Christ, you won't find compassion. You may find pity, but not compassion. Worldlings walk by and say, "What a pity! Look at the dirt, at the awful tragedy. Lucky it isn't me!" And they walk on.


Compassion is something else. When Christ comes into a human heart a man stops and says, "What sorrow! What desperate need! What is happening to him is happening to me. I must do something about it."

This may prompt us to say, "Oh, how wonderful to be a part of Christian America." But Americans don't have compassion either except when it flatters their ego. That's why they love their charity organizations and the red pins and feathers they wear once a year. But America isn't sending the gospel of Jesus Christ to the world. No, it is sending only four cents out of each church dollar to do that—and a percentage of that four cents comes from the Sunday school.

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hearts and minds to someday go to the mission fields of the world. It is the Sunday school that is training young people to have a consecration that matches that of the coming generation of Russians. It is as the Sunday school is built that the church of Jesus Christ will stand and spread through the world.

It is true as it has never been before—the American Sunday school teacher is the key to the evangelization of the world.

—United Evangelical Action

Christ is not valued at all—unless He is valued above all. —St. Augustine

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**A**GAIN AND AGAIN IN THE BIBLE we find God speaking and saying, "As I live."

It is a message we need to hear. There is much dying in the world. Graves stretch end lined to end across all human history. Death is forever stalking all living things.

But God is alive, and Jesus declares that He is "God of the living."

*Because God lives we have a living universe.*

Everything in God is alive; outside of Him nothing really lives. The sun is alive. Have you heard of the tribe of sun worshipers in Africa who thought God was dead when the sun went into eclipse? Of course, if their "god" had really died all things on earth would now be dead. But the sun lives. It not only lives but it gives life. There's a bit of the sun in every grass blade, in every blackberry, in everything that grows, creeps, swims, walks, or flies. Because the sun is God's it is a living sun.

Nature is a lesson book on immortality. Falling flower petals are but prophecies of springs to come with fresh blossoms. Earth marches onward to the command, "Live!"

The telescope and the microscope have opened to us the breathless drama of unsuspected occurrences. The cosmos is alive, and so is the atom.

Solidity, as we once thought of it, is non-existent. The atom is not really a "thing" as much as a name for energy—the stubborn motion we call life.

It has been said that the atom is like a baseball game with the balls whipping about. And even the "balls" are not really balls, for they have their own baseball game with tinier balls being flung about them.

Dig deeply enough into creation and you will find a spiritual significance. And why not? God is a Spirit. He made all things. Everything moves and is alive.

*Because God lives history is alive.*

Jesus not only said that God is God of the living, but He also said that He is "the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob." When Abraham was making history God was in that. When Abraham's son made history God was still working with him, and also with his grandson.

We deceive ourselves when we imagine we make history apart from God. He was making history at Crea-



# As God Lives!

BY LON WOODRUM



tion, at Calvary, at the Resurrection, and He will be making it when Christ shall come again.

God has a living plan, a living purpose. He is the God of Abraham, and Abraham is "father of the faithful." God moves through Abraham's posterity to Christ, and Christ's life goes on in His Church. Have we not read in the Bible, "His kingdom has no end"?

*Because God lives we have a living message.*

We have a Book that can never be outmoded. Men shrug at it, but the wreckage of their discarded theories pave the road over which the Book marches forward.

The language in which the Book is written may die, but the Book never dies. It is not printed pages only. Behind, beyond, and within these pages is One known as the Spirit of life. He is the great Revealer, and His revelation is forever true. The Bible is a living Book.

*Because God lives believers are made spiritually alive.*

Sin is death, and man is trapped in its grave. But Christ has brought us forth to walk in "newness of life."

You have heard of a "dead" church, but it was not really God's Church. His Church is alive—alive to Truth, to the beauty of goodness, to the wonder of grace. The Church is God's family, and shall a living God have a dead family?

"Death hath no dominion over him," Paul said, referring to Christ. Neither shall death have dominion over those who are in Him.

*Because God lives believers shall live forever.*

And it is not just the spirit of man that floats off into God's world, as the Greeks taught. Believers are redeemed, as men were created, in totality—body, soul, and spirit.

Paul speaks of our great hope. "We live in a state of painful tension, while we wait for the redemption of our bodies which will mean that at last we have realized our full sonship with him" (Romans 8:23, Phillips translation). A resurrected Saviour could not finally have less than a resurrected Church.

This is not to discount the fact of death. For death is dreadfully real.

I remember a fine physician, a skilled surgeon. He was a good Christian. He heard me speak one night on the subject of death. Later he said to me, "Why did you take that theme?" When I pointed out that death was a big subject in philosophy, psychology, literature, and science, as well as in theology, he said, "All right. But frankly, the subject doesn't move me!"

Eight months later I sat in the doctor's home and witnessed his great agony of spirit. His wife, a wonderful woman whom he loved very much, had been visited by death.

The doctor threw all his skill against the enemy. He called in other doctors. They flew a plane to New York to get some special serum, but the plunger fell on the last needle in vain. Death took the lovely woman away.

My friend sat in his house, beyond tears, his skilled hand shaky from grief. As I watched him I recalled the night when he had said to me, "The subject doesn't move me."

Death may not move us when it is visiting someone in Korea, or knocking on a door down the street from us. But when it raps on our door it will stir us. It's the same terrible foe it has been in all human history.

What can we say to people doomed to meet this enemy? We have no answer of our own. We can only point with trembling finger toward One who said the most astonishing thing in the world—"He that believeth on me, though he were dead, yet shall he live."

Christ has stacked the gates of the grave at the feet of the death angel. "O death, where is thy sting? O grave where is thy victory?"

The Judean tomb stood like an open mouth, like the silent shout of God, while the Son of God walked from it.

Hold fast to the pledge of the God of the universe who gave us the first

Easter dawn. "I live!" cries Jesus across the ages. We can depend on it. We can remember it even at the grave when eyes that looked on us with love lie closed.

God does not reign over a graveyard. He is not the God of the dead, but of the living.

*"Because I live, ye shall live also!"*

## Letter Writing

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the Great Physician. In it I quoted, for his patience and comfort, "Wait on the Lord: be of good courage, and he shall strengthen thine heart. . . ." Included was a booklet, *Beside the Still Waters*. Its message was quiet, strengthening.

There are countless other advantages of this letter ministry.

It can be done at one's convenience, and in privacy. It requires no special knowledge or abilities of the Christian. Writing materials and a surrendered heart is full equipment.

In preparing such letters there are a few helpful rules that I have observed.

1. Be sure the information about any case or person is correct. Then pray about it until you have a true heart burden and can *share* the other's feelings.

2. Lift your own burdened heart to God. What He has for you He will give, *through you*, to others.

3. *Place yourself*, in thought, *beside the needy one*. Pray for that person. Then write as you would speak. At this point you will be amazed at God's power, on paper.

4. His words are honest, loving, fresh. Under His leading you will write that way. Your letter will be short and urgent. It will be serious but also hopeful. Above all, it will lift up Christ as Saviour and Friend. You will not preach: you *will* be positive about the All-Sufficient One.

5. Take the letter, present it to God. Encase it in prayer as it goes into the mail.

6. Leave the results with the Holy Spirit.

I have mentioned that the letter is always suited to the case. On occasion it has been difficult to get the "feel" for certain ones. But God gives wisdom *at the time of writing* for that person in prison or a mental institution. As we remember that Jesus healed and

helped *all* who came to Him, we have the answer—Himself!

Through experience I have seen God's blessing upon such a ministry. I should like to see many others engaging in it.

The Holy Spirit is waiting to act through us, each one, where we are. By this effective but little-used method a whole new avenue of service opens before us.

To suffering humanity the Spirit is waiting to say, by letter, "Come." ◀◀

## My Redeemer Liveth

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that are in the graves shall hear his voice, and shall come forth; they that have done good unto the resurrection of life; and they that have done evil, to the resurrection of damnation." Cemeteries are not always going to remain undisturbed. The trump of God will sound and the graves are going to be disturbed.

The graves were disturbed on that day, for one of the Easter miracles was that the dead left their graves and came into Jerusalem. But that's only a little foretaste of what is going to happen all over the earth when our Lord speaks the word to come forth. Our Easter hope is that our loved ones and all believers who have gone before us, and we who are alive, will hear His voice and go to be with Him forever. No grave will hold its prey in that glad day, for all the redeemed shall rise to meet their risen Lord.

### THE REDEEMED

Praise the Lord for Job's hope in the Resurrection. What he dimly discerned has now been completely explained in the New Testament. The details stand out in sharp relief to us. We have a completed message and doctrine now.

If Job could maintain faith with the dim light he had, how much more firm and strong should our faith be with all the light and knowledge we have. Our redemption is assured by His Word. We know that He hears and answers prayer. We have assurance that His death and resurrection was for us. So with the redeemed of all ages we can say, "I know that my redeemer liveth, and that he shall stand at the latter day upon the earth, and though worms destroy this earthly body, yet in my flesh shall I see God."



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# The Question of the Ages

BY H. H. BARBER  
Winnipeg, Canada

A LAWYER SOME TIME AGO BUILT himself a costly tomb and in preparation for his death wrote this epitaph which is cut on the stone of the tomb:

*"Is there beyond this silent night an  
endless day?  
Is death a door that leads to light?  
We cannot say.  
The tongueless secret, locked in fate,  
We do not know. We hope and wait."*

Omar Khayyam in the eleventh century rhymed his doubts in the Rubaiyat.

*"Into this Universe, and why not  
knowing  
Nor whence, like water willy-nilly  
flowing;  
And out of it, as wind along the  
waste  
I know not whither, willy-nilly blow-  
ing."*

This is the language of human uncertainty as to life beyond this world.

"If a man die, shall he live again?" (Job 14:14). The question comes crashing down the centuries. Men in every age and clime have asked it. Through their tears, burdened with sorrow, bereft of loved ones, men turn pale faces into the shadows and ask, "If a man die, shall he live again?"

## SCIENCE HAS NO ANSWER

The agnostic says we cannot know, we can only wait and hope. The materialist answers, "No, life is but a function of the brain. When physical death comes it's all over." Science has no answer. It deals with things that are seen, and can tell us nothing about things unseen. Paul tells us that "Man by wisdom knew not God" and by the physical sciences we cannot expect to learn anything about the unseen.

The materialist, the agnostic and the scientist have been consulted. Let us now get Christ's answer. "If a man die, shall he live again?" You have heard the words of John 14:1-3 again

and again: "Let not your heart be troubled: ye believe in God, believe also in me. In my Father's house are many mansions: if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you. And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again, and receive you unto myself; that where I am, there ye may be also."

These are the words of our Lord just before His trial and crucifixion. The answer is clear. For God's children, there is the Father's house, the Father's presence, the Saviour's return. Beyond the portals of death is glorious fullness of life. But what about the unbeliever? Does he die like a dog never to waken again, or does personality survive rigor mortis and the casket and the grave? In Hebrews 9:27 we read: "As it is appointed unto men once to die, but after this the judgment." And in Revelation 20:12: "I saw the dead small and great stand before God."

## THE AFTERLIFE

It is important that we think straight on this business of death and the after-life. We are not earth-bound creatures born for a day, then to vanish into nothingness. Rather the Bible is clear that we are personalities dwelling in physical bodies for this earthly sojourn and then living on beyond.

When John Quincy Adams was eighty years old, he met an old friend on the streets of Boston, who shook his trembling hand and said: "Good morning, and how is John Quincy Adams today?" "Thank you," replied the former President, "John Quincy Adams is well, sir, quite well, thank you, but the house in which he lives at present is becoming dilapidated. It is tottering upon its foundation. Time and the seasons have nearly destroyed it. Its roof is pretty well worn out. Its walls are much shattered, and it trembles with every wind. The old tenement is almost uninhabitable, and I think John Quincy Adams will have to move out of it soon; but he himself is quite well, sir; quite well." It is good to keep in mind that your body is but the tenement of your immortal spirit.

Great advances have been made in medical science in recent years. The average life span on this hemisphere has grown wonderfully. And we are thankful. But I wonder if we put as much value on the development of the inner self as we do on the repair of the house in which we live. Jesus

said: "Fear not him who destroys the body (and after that there is nothing he can do) but rather fear him who can cast both body and soul into hell."

If we remember that we are souls living in clay bodies, our sense of values may change a bit. The greatest tragedy then is not sickness or disease or even death. The supreme tragedy is to neglect one's soul. For after all, the body lasts for threescore years and ten, but the real you lives on and on and on. That is why Jesus said, "What shall it profit a man if he shall gain the whole world and lose his own soul?"

## JOB'S QUESTION ANSWERED

We began by asking the ancient question—"If a man die, shall he live again?" The Bible says an emphatic "yes." It is not all of life to live nor all of death to die. "For we know that if our earthly house of this tabernacle were dissolved, we have a building of God, an house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens" (2 Corinthians 5:1).

No, death does not end it all. "Christ died, yea rather is risen again" and has "brought life and immortality to light through the gospel." Jesus said, in John 5:28: "The hour is coming, in the which all that are in the graves shall hear His voice, and shall come forth; they that have done good, unto the resurrection of life, and they that have done evil, unto the resurrection of damnation."

If a man die, shall he live again? Yes. *Have you made preparation to meet God?*

—Pentecostal Testimony

## "We Want Shoes..."

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with a blanket, prayed for him, and left. At another time, we were able to help this family when they were in trouble. Then, some time later, the Indian father came to the missionary and said, "You loved me; you came and found me and covered me when I was cold."

Months have passed since that day. Recently, one of the little girls came to the church and asked for shoes for the large family of children. She said, "We want the shoes so we can come to Sunday school." We did not have enough shoes for all of them, but gave what we had.

Joy flooded our souls when we saw

the whole family come to the house of God the next Sunday morning. Yes, the father was with them, too. The songs sounded better as he played his guitar during the song service. His talent was being used for the Lord. We are sure there was rejoicing in heaven as God looked down. ◀◀

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

**HOMECOMING**—April 30 at First Assembly of God in Cayuga, Tex. Services begin at 9:45 a. m. P. A. Lewis, North Texas district superintendent, morning speaker.—by A. Heflin, pastor.

**ALBERTA, (CANADA) SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTIONS**—May 16, 17 at Capitol Hill Tabernacle, Calgary; May 18, 19 at Pentecostal Tabernacle, Wainwright; May 20, 21 at Idylwyld Pentecostal Tabernacle, Edmonton. W. E. Scott, speaker. E. C. O'Brien, provincial director.

**FIFTH EASTERN DISTRICT C. A. CONVENTION**—April 14-16 at Zembo Mosque, Harrisburg, Pa. Speaker, Jay B. Oaks. Musicians, Jack Holcomb and Couriers Quartet.—by Chester P. Jenkins, district C. A. president.

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STATE	CITY	ASSEMBLY	DATE	EVANGELIST	PASTOR
Ala.	Dothan	First	Apr. 17—	Clarence E. Lambert	Max McNab
Ariz.	Mesa	First	Apr. 10-24	Musical Vanderploegs	Clyde W. Powell
Ark.	Ft. Smith	First	Apr. 20-May 1	Percy Brewster	B. Owen Oslin
	Springdale	First	Apr. 20—	Harold "Bo" Daniel	C. L. Dixon
Calif.	El Centro	First	Apr. 17—	Tommy Barnett	V. L. Hertweck
	El Monte	First	Apr. 19—	The Musical Rogers	Paul McKeel
	Fortuna	First	Apr. 3-17	Fisher-Cheek Team	S. L. Sanders
	Manhattan Beach	Bethany	Apr. 24—	Chas. & Ramona Crabtree	Wm. Devereaux
	Oakland	Bethel	Apr. 12—	Jimmie Mayo, Jr.	Earl L. Ayres
	Ontario	First	Apr. 17-May 1	Rosemary Brooks	Walter Hanneman
	Stockton	Calvary	Apr. 19-May 1	Oran & Audrey Duncan	Leonard Rogers
	Whittier	Faith	Apr. 17—	L. H. Sheets Family	Ira L. Pratt
	Willow Creek	A/G	Apr. 19-May 1	Fisher-Cheek Team	Fred Howe
Colo.	Fleming	A/G	Apr. 24-May 8	John Everett	E. C. Phillips
	Pueblo	Central	Apr. 24-May 1	John French	C. F. Ferguson
Conn.	Stamford	Gospel Tab.	Apr. 19-May 1	Jack & Clara Peters	Roy T. Johnson
Fla.	Panama City	First	Apr. 3—	Jimmy Swaggart & wife	Ernest Pruett
	Plant City	First	Apr. 4-17	Jimmie & Carol Snow	J. W. Jordan
	Tampa	Glad Tidings	Apr. 20—	Jimmy Swaggart & wife	P. D. Creel
	West Palm Beach	Calvary Temple	Apr. 17-24	W. E. (Gene) Scott	Roy Harthorn
Ga.	Atlanta	Faith Memorial	Apr. 17—	W. T. Scott	Ralph P. Byrd
	Ft. Valley	A/G	Apr. 18-May 1	Bobby Jackson	Leland Bush
Ill.	Cottage Hills	First	Apr. 19-May 1	Bob McCutchen	Maurice Burgund
	E. St. Louis	* 57th Street	Apr. 18-24	Fred & Gladys Voight	Otis Runyon
	Wood River	First	Apr. 17-22	Bob Olson	E. R. Bucher
	Zion	Christian	Apr. 24-May 1	Robert Watters	Thos. Brubaker
Ind.	Hammond	First	Apr. 19-22	Robert Watters	Dwight Hamilton
Iowa	Creston	First	Apr. 24-May 8	Seth R. McElghy	B. H. Reece
	Waterloo	First	Apr. 10-24	B. D. Bennett	R. L. Thompson
Kans.	Lyons	First	Apr. 19—	Keith L. Belknap	J. C. Musgrove
	Topeka	Faith	Apr. 10—	Ivan Christoffersen	O. W. Hollis
La.	New Iberia	First	Apr. 17-May 1	N. J. Sorensen & wife	C. E. Gilbert
	New Orleans	First	Apr. 17—	Donnell-Holler Team	Chas. Craighead
Mass.	Hyannis	A/G	Apr. 19-24	Alton Richardson	Paul W. Kinney
Mich.	Alpena	First	Apr. 21-24	Wesley C. Wibley	Gunner Kars
	Benton Harbor	First	Apr. 20-May 1	Orrin & Anne Kingsriter	Alvin Sprecher
	Lincoln Park	Bethel	Apr. 20-May 1	Ira Stanphill	Seth Balmer
Minn.	Crosby	A/G Tab.	Apr. 20-May 1	Garfield J. Unruh	Edmond Lothar
	Minneapolis	City of Lakes	Apr. 19—	Lowell Lundstrom	Wilson A. Katter
Mo.	St. Louis	Bethel Temple	Apr. 19-May 1	Ernie Eskelin	David Hastie
	St. Louis	Evangelistic	Apr. 24-May 12	E. D. Bagwell & wife	Cecil Collins
	Springfield	Central	Apr. 17-May 1	Martin L. Davidson	J. L. McQueen
Mont.	Anaconda	A/G	Apr. 19-May 1	Dwayne Madsen	Joseph Newby
N. J.	Newark	Bethel	Apr. 24—	J. G. Hall & wife	F. D. Eide
N. Y.	Jamestown	Calvary	Apr. 19-May 1	J. B. Woolums	Edward J. Klaus
	Middletown	Trinity	Apr. 10-24	George Miller	Alfred Chamberlin
	Troy	First	Apr. 24-May 8	Bradley Evang. Team	B. A. Glodkowski
N. Dak.	Rolla	A/G	Apr. 24-May 1	Gail Capple	Ray Loven
Ohio	Akron	Bethel Temple	Apr. 19-May 1	Joel Palmer & wife	Lillian Derfer
	Alliance	First	Apr. 10-24	I. A. Shank	Edward Roush
	Delphos	First	Apr. 22-24	Couriers Quartet	Tom Shumate
Okla.	Broken Arrow	A/G	Apr. 19-28	Warren Litzman	James C. Dodd
	Commerce	First	Apr. 10—	J. W. Farmer	H. R. Gabriel
	Mannford	A/G	Apr. 24—	Chas. Chambers Party	Alvin Eaton
	Oklahoma City	Calvary Temple	Apr. 24-May 1	Lee & Bonnie Krupnick	Jay B. Oaks
Oreg.	Salem	Southside	Apr. 3-17	Bennie R. Harris	J. R. Deal
Pa.	Bloomsburg	Glad Tidings	Apr. 18-May 1	J. Earl Douglass	Walter Keller
	Scranton	Pentecostal	Apr. 19-May 1	Paul Graban	Ann Wilkerson
	Shippensburg	A/G	Apr. 20-May 1	Arnold & Anita Segesman	E. H. Ford
S. Dak.	Sisseton	A/G Tab.	Apr. 19-May 1	Paul Sandgren	D. W. Wartenbee
	Winner	A/G	Apr. 20-May 1	Delman E. Rudnik	Wm. Teter
Tenn.	Memphis	First	Apr. 17—	Gene Martin	James E. Hamill
	Union City	Old Republican	Apr. 10—	James Burkett	E. T. Echols
Tex.	Cleveland	First	Apr. 3-17	Chas. Reed & wife	Harlen J. Pate
	Dumas	A/G	Apr. 19-May 1	Willie M. Stevens	H. L. Stevens
	Grand Prairie	Northside	Apr. 17—	Sara E. Sharp	M. L. Calloway
	Houston	Sunnyland	Apr. 4-17	Leon Bayless	O. L. Davidson
	Kilgore	Highland Park	Apr. 18-May 1	Eldon & Donna Bryce	C. A. Bird
	Newton	First	Apr. 18—	Leon Bayless	A. A. Calloway
	Plainview	First	Apr. 10-17	Jerry Roberts	Don George
	Sweetwater	First	Apr. 24-May 8	Jesse Moon	P. A. Samford
	Wichita Falls	First	Apr. 3-19	Willie M. Stevens	C. Edward Willis
Wash.	Othello	A/G	Apr. 19—	C. Linfield Crowder	Oscar Lindseth
Wis.	Adams	A/G Tab.	Apr. 19-28	Dale V. Helle	John V. Ohlin
	Fond du Lac	A/G	Apr. 24—	L. C. Eldridge & wife	Nelson Garcia
Wyo.	Cheyenne	First	Apr. 19-May 1	Ron Prinzing	Harold J. Keener
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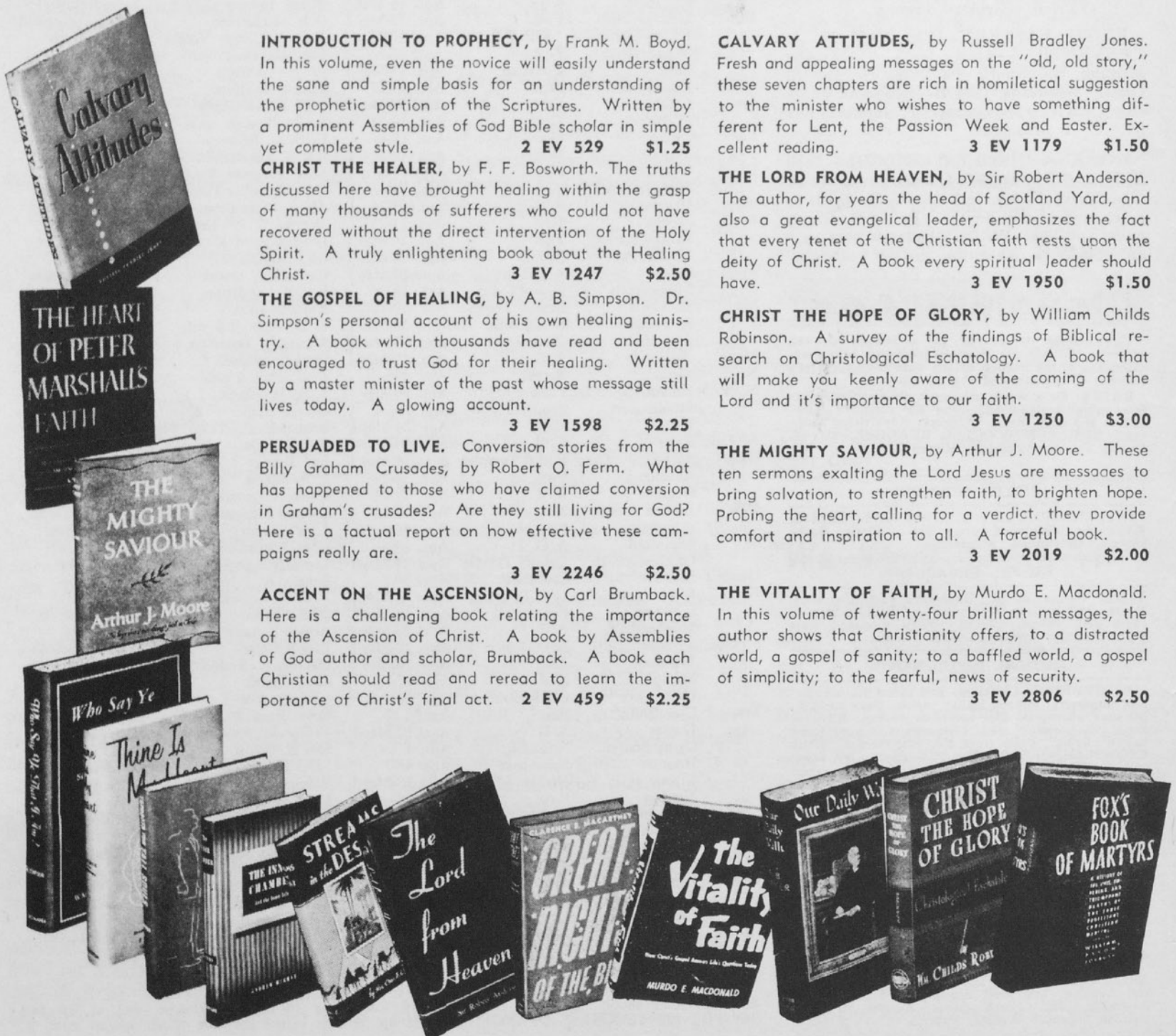
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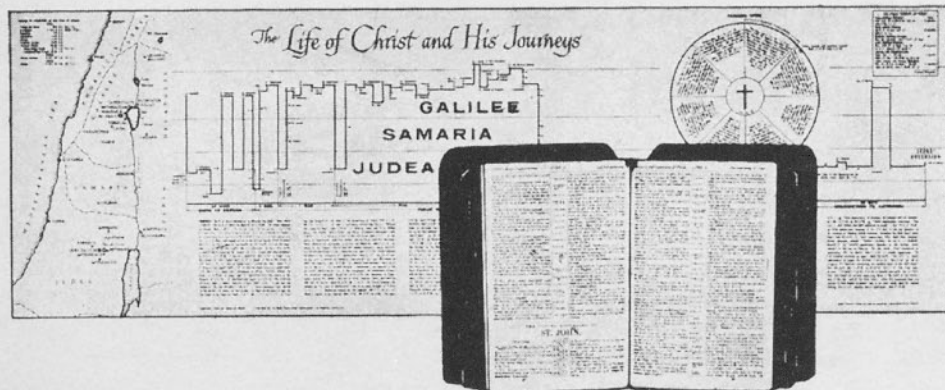
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# Victory

Death is swallowed up in victory...

by C. M. Ward



**I**N A PICTURESQUE CORNER OF LOVELY MOUNT PLEASANT Cemetery in Toronto, Canada, my home city, there stands a simply chiselled shaft of grey stone bearing a crown-crested cross, wave-swept at the base, that is to Canadian Salvationists a dual symbol of tragedy and triumph.

It is a reminder of one of the darkest days in the history of the Salvation Army in Canada—"Black Friday," May 29, 1914. On that day the steamship *The Empress of Ireland* was carrying a delegation of 167 Salvationists to the International Congress in London, England, when it was rammed amidship by the grimy Norwegian collier *Storstad* and sank in the green depths of the Gulf of St. Lawrence thirty miles off Father Point.

The vessel went down in fourteen minutes. Those were minutes filled with unutterable horror. The vessel heeled with lightning rapidity. Lights went out almost at once. Those who were not trapped rushed frantically along passageways that had been transformed into foaming water chutes by the insweeping sea.

There was an explosion caused by the pressure of air, a rushing in of icy water, and 1,300 human beings were struggling like a school of minnows. Commissioner and Mrs. Rees, leaders of the Salvation Army in Canada, were on that boat. One hundred and fifty Salvationists perished with their Commissioner on that awful night.

The service of memory was an hour of impressive contradiction. The Toronto Arena was packed on Saturday afternoon, June 6. In the midst of oppressive clouds of poignant grief there also blazed about the flag-caparisoned caskets an ineffable light of glorious triumph.

One hundred white-robed children sang sweetly, "We are out on the ocean sailing, To our home beyond the tide." One eye-witness described the memorable scene: "Blood-hued on a field of blue, and surmounted with the golden star of hope, the flag of the Salvation Army hung from the roof at the north end of the Arena. Army flags and Union Jacks were also draped around the platform, along the front of which in large letters of blue on a white background was the word, 'VICTORY.'

"It declared to all that the Army, although its grief was unutterable at the loss of so many brave warriors, declines to lower its flag to death or to sorrow as those without hope. The white armlets worn by officers and soldiers was another mute evidence of this. The conventional trappings of woe, which too often lend additional terror to death, were not to be seen at this funeral service."

Behind the platform, rising tier after tier, sat the massed bands of Toronto, Guelph, Oshawa, Hamilton, and Chatham. In the midst of them were 37 empty seats—the seats that would have been occupied by the Staff band—a powerful reminder of The Army's great loss.

No, the Christian does not fear death. Jesus said, "That where I am, there ye may be also." Christ did something to death so that it is no longer my foe. Here it may be still somewhat dark, there it is all bright. Here it may still be departure, there it is arrival. Here it may be separation, there it is reunion. Here death may be to timid souls something of a hooded terror, there it will be an angel of light. Here it may be "good-bye," there it will be "good morning."

Death is a friend to the child of God because it is the great catharsis, the stage at which all the frailties and imperfections of our mortal frames are removed forever. Death is the gate to the fruition of all the better things in life and living for which we have dreamed, for which we have longed, for which, if only feebly, we have striven. On the other side I will realize what has forever been inviting and forever eluding me—the fullness of God's once bestowed powers—God's image fully restored.

Death is the gateway to glory. I have seen many a child of God grow homesick for it.

"O Love that will not let me go,  
I rest my weary soul in Thee,  
I give Thee back the life I owe,  
That in Thine ocean depths its flow  
May richer, fuller be."