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. . . . **We believe** the Bible to be the inspired and only infallible and authoritative Word of God. WE BELIEVE that there is one God, eternally existent in three persons: God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Ghost. WE BELIEVE in the deity of our Lord Jesus Christ, in His virgin birth, in His sinless life, in His miracles, in His vicarious and atoning death, in His bodily resurrection, in His ascension to the right hand of the Father, and in His personal future return to this earth in power and glory to rule over the nations. WE BELIEVE that the only means of being cleansed from sin is through repentance and faith in the precious blood of Christ.

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Battlements for 1962

It is written, "When thou buildest a new house, then thou shalt make a battlement for thy roof, that thou bring not blood upon thine house, if any man fall from thence" (Deuteronomy 22:8). It was customary in those days to use the roof as a deck where one might relax or entertain guests, and the Lord told His people to bring the walls up high enough to prevent anyone from falling off the roof.

Our way of life in 1962 may be likened to a new house and we certainly do not want anyone falling through our negligence. Neither do we want to fall ourselves—so we need some habits that will serve as a guard rail to prevent injury either to ourselves or to others.

How may we build a battlement in the new year? There are three simple precautions which, if taken regularly, will keep us from falling and prevent spiritual tragedy. They are: (1) Read the Bible every day. (2) Pray every day. (3) Witness to at least one person every day.

If we will begin today and read a portion of the Scriptures every day we shall never fall. The word of the Lord "is able to build you up, and to give you an inheritance among all them which are sanctified" (Acts 20:32). Let's be sure to "read it through in '62."

Not only should we spend time reading the Bible, but we should pray. Bible reading will give us a desire to pray, and prayer will give us an appetite for Bible reading, so the two go hand in hand. Usually it is well to begin our daily quiet time with Bible reading. When we read the Bible, God talks to us, and when we pray we are talking to God. It is much more important that we hear from Him than that He hear from us. Therefore, in all our seasons of prayer, let us give ample time to reading and meditating on the Word of the Lord, and let us get quiet enough that we shall be able to hear His voice talking directly to our hearts.

The executive presbyters of the Assemblies of God have proclaimed the first week of the new year a special Week of Prayer. This calls for a dedication of our time. Let us lay aside other interests and put first things first during the Week of Prayer. There are so many causes for prayer in our individual life, our home life, our church life. Our country needs prayer. The world need prayer. Our missionaries are depending on us to pray for them. In order that our praying may be effectual we need to heed Jude's exhortation: "But ye, beloved, building up yourselves on your most holy faith, *praying in the Holy Ghost*, keep yourselves in the love of God, looking for the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ unto eternal life." Prayer is an indispensable battlement for the Christian life.

Finally, the habit of witnessing to at least one person every day will make 1962 a truly happy and spiritually prosperous new year. In this the Men's Fellowship is setting a fine example by launching the Action Mandatory program on New Year's Eve. The MF goal is for every man to win a man. May God bless our men in this soul-winning program and may all of us, old and young, follow their example. "If ye do these things, ye shall never fall."
 —R.C.C.

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TREASURING THE WORD OF GOD

By John F. Hall, Missionary to West Africa

After many long years of waiting, the Mossi Christians now have the Bible in their own tongue—and they read it avidly!

THE LIGHTNING FLASHED—THE thunder rolled—the mountain trembled—and the microwave emanations from the presence of the Almighty caused Moses to “exceedingly fear and quake.” Thus the written Word of God was given to man—an event so important that He Himself came down to deliver it in person.

These laws were “written by the hand of God.” So significant were they that their giving was accompanied by the most awesome display of God’s power ever seen by mortal eyes.

When the Word of the Lord came to

the prophet Elijah there was a similar display. The earth quaked—there was a terrific stormy wind—and afterward came the “still small voice” (that same voice which speaks to us so forcibly when we read His Word).

The Lord clearly intends His Word to be cherished, read, and obeyed. He has even vowed punishment on any who add to or take from His Word. His laws are so important that our eternal dwelling place depends on our obedience or disregard of them. God’s Word to His people is so relevant to our everyday lives that His only Son said this Word shall judge us when we appear before His judgment seat.

The Mossi Christians cherish this Word. Many of them made their own little goatskin leather folder to hold each new book of the Bible as it became available. They punched holes and tied it with thongs of rawhide. They read it avidly. The daily reading of the Word of God is building up their faith.

Many Mossi have made a goatskin knapsack to carry their precious Book wherever they go. They will not leave it at home lest termites eat it, or lest an unsaved relative take it for nefarious purposes. It is too precious to lose.

They have waited many years to have

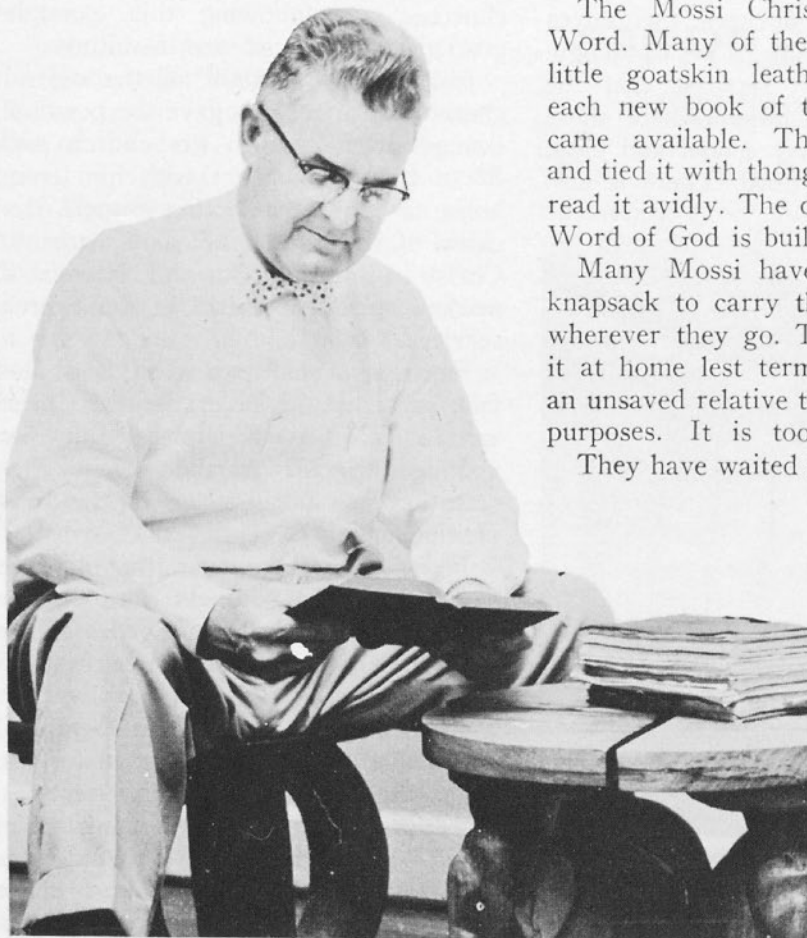
the Scriptures in their own language. Missionaries have labored long and hard to translate the Word into language these dear people can understand. It was my task and privilege to collaborate with the little group of Assemblies of God missionaries which produced the entire Bible for the great Mossi nation of West Africa. I have also done a Gospel or more in each of several other languages which hitherto were unwritten—Gourma, Moba, Kasem, and Sanné. It is hard work involving long, wearisome hours of translating, revising, retyping, laying out, and offset-printing, but in the end there is a feeling of tremendous satisfaction, especially when one watches the eager joy with which the people receive the Scriptures for the first time.

When the Christians of Kaya, Upper Volta, West Africa, received their translation of First Thessalonians, they were so eager to absorb this great revelation that after the evening church service they gathered in little groups outdoors and commandeered the best readers to read it aloud. All squatted or reclined on elbows about kerosene lanterns and little stick-fires and listened reverently. The reading and re-reading of the Epistle continued all night until the sun peeked above the eastern horizon.

The Word of God is powerful. When read aloud, even without comment, it has tremendous impact on illiterate audiences. In West Africa we teach the people to read by using the Scriptures. First we ask each learner to memorize a Bible verse that begins each reading sheet. We use the “word unit” method. Each subsequent sheet contains a gospel truth. Consequently, in the course of twenty-five reading lessons, each learner whether young or old has received enough gospel that numbers of them accept Christ as their Saviour. They are prepared to withstand the violent persecution that follows conversion because they have been strengthened by continually reading the Bible text and the primer sentences which are all basic doctrinal statements.

We encourage the public reading of Scripture in all services for the benefit of those who cannot read. This also emphasizes to the congregation the importance of reading God’s Word. God speaks to individuals through the “still small voice” of His Word—particularly when they are all alone. The Word

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John F. Hall looks over part of the translation of the new Mossi Bible.



Bible school students are ready for a weekend of literature distribution.

Light for the Lost Encourages

HOUSE-TO-HOUSE EVANGELISM



BY STERLING STEWART
Missionary to El Salvador

AT THE BEGINNING OF THE YEAR we received \$500 from Light for the Lost to purchase 100,000 Gospels for a nation-wide distribution program. Before the churches received their Gospels for free distribution, a study course in personal evangelism was conducted. Written by Ralph Williams, the course consists of five lessons on house-to-house evangelism.

I have interviewed some of the pastors who participated in the Gospel distribution program. Their reports are thrilling!

Herminio Dubon says that many in his church have accepted the Lord during the crusade and church attendance has grown considerably.

Jose Pacheco and a group of 20 workers visited 100 homes, personally contacted 300 people, and distributed 400 Gospels. Two people were reclaimed, two outstations were opened, and many new people are now visiting the church. The workers themselves benefited spiritually from the campaign.

Timoteo Juarez reports that he opened a new outstation where there is a growing Sunday school and eight have accepted the Lord. There is also

new enthusiasm in the church services.

Gregorio Diaz reports that his church has distributed Gospels to everyone living within several miles of the church. As a result, many new people are coming to the services and are desirous of accepting Christ. Various church organizations have planned a program of competition to see which group can win the most souls to Christ. Now other churches are following this example and many blessings are resulting.

Fidel Amaya, pastor of the central church in Santa Ana, gave the personal evangelism course in his church and 72 of his people went with him from house to house distributing gospels. Because of this effort, 47 souls came to Christ in seven weeks and there is a marked spirit of revival in the church services.

Faustino Lima, pastor in San Rafael, says that 28 have accepted Christ and 11 have been reclaimed. Many are visiting the services and a new consecration has taken place in the lives of the members.

Pedor Repreza writes that in one outstation where Gospels were distributed, three accepted the Lord and the attendance has increased to average 35 to 40.

Reuben Melgar, pastor in Cuyagulo, states that he has two new outstations, large attendance at the church services, and the church is experiencing a revival. The church workers are no longer afraid to visit from door to door and many of them are doing personal



Sterling Stewart stands by 80,000 gospels ready for house-to-house distribution.



CALL TO ACTION

J. Philip Hogan

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF FOREIGN MISSIONS

WHITHER INDIA?

WHAT HAPPENS TO THE 425 million people in India must be of utmost concern to those of us in the free world. A decade ago India obtained her independence and began to marshal her strength for a war of liberation from mass misery and want. Although some of the things that India is now seeking to do are new, India represents one of mankind's oldest civilizations. Neither is India a small country. She has the size of a sub-continent and is packed with humanity—one seventh of the world's population, the equal of all the people in Africa and Latin America combined. India is home to 40 per cent of the non-communist world.

This colossus of people, astride rich resources, is also among the poorest in the world. The measurable earnings of an average Indian are no more than \$55 a year, which means that he has fifteen cents a day to provide for all his wants from the cradle to the grave. If India wants to raise her diet by as little as one slice of bread per day per individual, she must have more than five million tons of grain annually.

As things stand in India, a child born on Independence Day ten years ago would have a fifty-fifty chance of living to be six years old. Should this child survive the high rate of infant mortality, its life expectancy would then be only 32 years. At that it would be 32 years spent, as Gandhi said, in an "eternal, compulsory fast."

Basic factors of living that we accept in the western world are unheard of in India. Safe drinking water, sewage systems, electricity, and gas—all of these are largely missing. Current reports indicate that there is only one doctor to every 25,000 villagers and only one hospital for every 50,000 people. Most of the adults are illiterate and a child growing into manhood still

has only one chance in seven of ever learning to read.

The Assemblies of God has carried on missionary labor in North and South India almost from the inception of the Foreign Missions Department. Only eternity can reveal the depths of sacrifice and labor of the scores of missionaries who have lived, loved, and died with India on their hearts.

At the present time the scope of our work, particularly in North India, is being carefully surveyed. To help the missionaries and Indian nationals reach a new plateau in their efforts, the Foreign Missions Board has dispatched Brother and Sister Elton G. Hill as special administrators to North India. These fine, mature leaders are busy ministering and surveying the work in North India, praying and planning with the leadership there for new approaches to the evangelization of this ancient land.

Pray for India. Since this vast sub-continent contains the greatest single mass population outside the Iron Curtain, it is imperative that we redouble our efforts to reach this nation for Christ. ◀◀

evangelism every Sunday morning. Twenty have accepted Christ and family altars have been established in five homes.

Salvador Magandi says that before the Gospel distribution program many of the people thought this literature was of the devil. Since they have received a free Gospel, these skeptics have been convinced that it is the pure Word of God. As Gospels were being distributed up and down the valley, personal testimonies were given by some of the people who had once been opposed to the gospel but had come to favor it. Pastor Magandi adds that many of these people are now studying the Gospels and he believes they will soon accept Christ.

Pedro Diaz, in Las Cruces, states that a new outstation has been opened and 10 have accepted Christ as a result of the efforts of his church.

These are only illustrations of what can be done when Christians are trained for evangelism and are given Gospels to distribute in their soul-winning activities. Our workers in El Salvador—both missionary and national—sincerely appreciate the Light for the Lost funds which provided the Gospels for this special campaign ◀◀



FIRST IMPRESSIONS

BY JEANETTA FAIRBANKS
Missionary to Haiti

THIS IS A BEAUTIFUL COUNTRY. THE mountains, green close by and blue in the distance, are sometimes shrouded in clouds and are always a very inspiring sight. How true is the Haitian proverb, "Behind every mountain is another mountain!"

We made a trip into the bush last week to a village called Belle Riviera. It was a six-hour trip by four-wheel drive jeep.

In preparation for our visit, the Haitians cut a road over the mountains to allow the jeep to pass and built a small, thatch-roofed, white-washed cottage for the missionaries. We felt very humble when we learned of these preparations for our visit.

The poverty here is unbelievable. The only white people these natives have seen are our Assemblies of God missionaries. There is a central church of about 600 people; several outstations lie in surrounding areas.

Some of the Christians from outlying communities walked 15 miles to Belle Riviera in order to greet us and enjoy a church service.

After a week-morning service we held dispensary. Our hearts ached; the suffering was so great. We worked hard from 10 A.M. to 2:30 P.M. One baby died of malnutrition. There was nothing we could do—it had had nothing but coffee for the past month!

For lunch we went to the pastor's house and ate rice and bean soup, boiled bananas, and goat meat (hair and all).

Dorothy Spencer and I got our shoes and feet muddy going to the house. The pastor had a basin of water ready when we arrived and washed our feet and cleaned our shoes. I felt very unworthy of having this man of God wash my feet. I thought of how Peter must have felt when he said to Jesus, "Thou shalt never wash my feet."

By the time we finished eating, it was raining very hard and we had to leave before the roads became impassable.

The trip home took us nine hours and we got stuck four times. But it was a wonderful experience! May God use us again and again to help others in this needy land. ◀◀



Mr. and Mrs. James Andrews



Mr. and Mrs. David Brauchler and daughter



Mr. and Mrs. Larry Cederblom and sons



The Richard Ellis family



Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Elmore and family



Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Faulkner and family



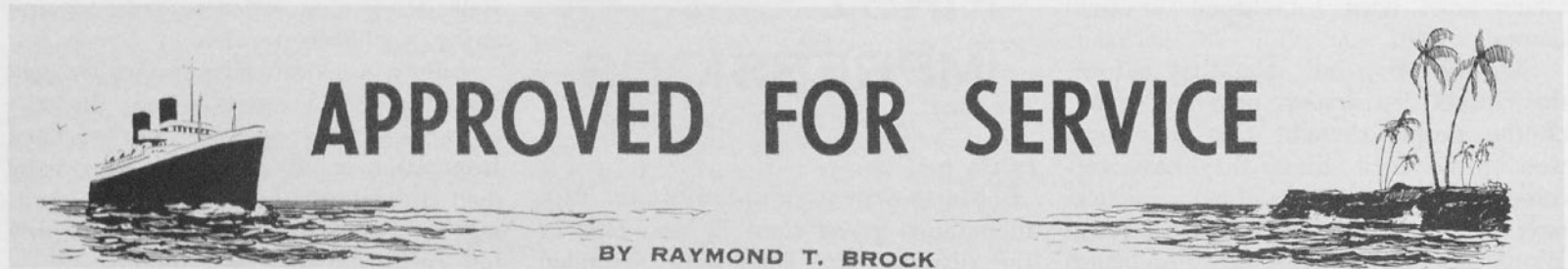
Mr. and Mrs. David Godwin and sons



Mr. and Mrs. Milton Kersten and sons



Mr. and Mrs. John Mazurek



YOUNG PEOPLE ACROSS THE NATION are continuing to hear the call into the harvest field and have volunteered for foreign missionary service. Approved by the Foreign Missions Board, these young people are now itinerating in various districts to complete the budgets which are necessary to send them to the field, maintain them while overseas, and bring them home on furlough. They deserve our wholehearted prayers and financial support as they enter the lands of their calling.

Mr. and Mrs. James J. Andrews (South Florida District) have been approved for service in the Philippine Islands. Brother Andrews is the son of Mr. and Mrs. James H. Andrews, veteran missionaries to South China and

Jamaica. Both Brother and Sister James J. Andrews are graduates of *South-Eastern Bible College* in Lakeland, Fla., and Florida Southern College. At the time of their appointment they were pastoring in Ft. Lauderdale, Fla.

Also from the South Florida District are the *David Brauchlers* who have been approved for service in Uruguay. They are both graduates of *South-Eastern Bible College*, and Brother Brauchler received his B.A. degree from Atlantic Christian College, Wilson, N. C. Brother and Sister Brauchler have pastored in Alabama and Florida.

After ministering in the Southern California District, *Mr. and Mrs. Larry Cederblom* have volunteered for service in Dominican Republic. Both are

graduates of *Southern California College* Costa Mesa Calif. Sister Cederblom previously graduated from *North Central Bible College*, Minneapolis, Minn.

When the *Paul Chastagners* (Oregon District) sail for Upper Volta, Paul will be returning home. Brother Chastagner, the son of the late Emile and Mrs. Chastagner, spent most of his youth on the mission field with his parents. He is a graduate of *Northwest Bible College*, Kirkland, Wash., and with his wife has been pastoring in Oregon.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Creel (Georgia District) have been approved for service in Togo-Dahomey. They both are graduates of *South-Eastern Bible Col-*



Mr. and Mrs. Rodger Perkins and family



Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Swaim and children



Miss Rose Klob



Miss Opal Poag

lege, and hold baccalaureate degrees from Troy State College, Troy, Ala.

While pastoring in Chinook, Wash., Mr. and Mrs. Richard Ellis applied for missionary appointment to Argentina. Brother Ellis is a graduate of Central Bible Institute, Springfield, Mo. The Ellises will attend language school in Costa Rica before proceeding to Argentina.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Elmore (Louisiana District) have been approved for service in the Fiji Islands. They formerly served in Ceylon. Brother Elmore attended the Junior College at Southwestern Assemblies of God College, Waxahachie, Tex., and has been teaching public school while pioneering the Assembly in Kenner, La.

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Faulkner (North Dakota District) have been approved for service in the Philippines. They are graduates of Central Bible Institute, and have been pastoring in North Dakota.

Evangelistic ministry in the United States and Mexico has led Mr. and Mrs. David Godwin (Oregon District) to volunteer for missionary service in El Salvador. At the time of their approval for foreign service the Godwins were pastoring in Molalla, Oreg.

After six years as pioneer missionaries among the Oneida Indians, Mr. and Mrs. Milton Kersten (Wisconsin and Northern Michigan District) are going to British Guiana. Brother and Sister Kersten are alumni of North Central Bible College, and Brother Kersten received a B.A. degree from Southern California College.

Miss Rose Klob (New York District) is preparing to leave for Liberia. She has spent three years as a missionary in Nyasaland and attended Zion Bible Institute, Providence, R. I., and the Missionary Medical Institute, Toronto, Canada.

After pastoring in Iowa and Nebraska, Mr. and Mrs. John Mazurek (West Central District) have been ap-

proved for service in Chile. They are graduates of North Central Bible College, and Brother Mazurek holds a Bachelor of Divinity degree from Faith Theological Seminary, Philadelphia, Pa.

Mr. and Mrs. Rodger Perkins (Southern California District) are preparing to sail for Japan. After attending Central Bible Institute, Brother and Sister Perkins pastored in South Dakota and Kansas. Feeling the need of more preparation, Brother Perkins attended Southern California College, and graduated last May.

The Oklahoma District is assisting Miss Opal Poag in her preparations for service in Liberia. Sister Poag is a graduate of Central Bible Institute, and holds a B.A. from Oklahoma City University. She has engaged in pastoral ministry and is an experienced school teacher.

Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Swaim (Southern California District) will soon sail for Ghana. They are alumni of Central Bible Institute, and have been ministering in the Southern California District since their graduation.

Mr. and Mrs. Bennie Tipton (Oklahoma District) have been approved for service in Togo-Dahomey. They have been pastoring in Garber, Okla., since Brother Tipton's graduation from Southwestern Assemblies of God College.

If you should like to assist any of these young people in their plans for overseas service, send your offering designated to their account to the Foreign Missions Department, 1445 Boonville, Springfield, Mo.

Offerings for any of the Foreign Missionary projects mentioned in this magazine should be mailed to:
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The Robert Creel family



Mr. and Mrs. Bennie Tipton and family



Mr. and Mrs. Paul Chastagner and son

You Can Win the Blind

By MAXINE STROBRIDGE

Assemblies of God Braille literature is now available for the Blind of your community



Leading this blind man across the street could be the prelude to winning him to Christ.

BEHIND THE BLACK CURTAIN OF blindness live 20,000,000 people. It has been estimated that less than one per cent of those blind persons have heard the gospel.

One of the greatest obstacles in reaching the Blind for Christ is locating them among the millions of sighted people. In view of this fact, our best means of contacting them is through individual Christians who have been alerted to the need for reaching the Blind. Many sighted Christians have provided Braille literature through the Home Missions Department for the Blind in their communities.

Dwight Church, a faithful blind member of the Assemblies of God Tabernacle in Sioux Falls, S. Dak., is thankful that someone in his community contacted him. He writes, "I am thankful to God that through a dear sister in the Lord I was led to a Pentecostal church. I am receiving much spiritual food there, and am so happy in Jesus.

"How grateful I am, also for the Braille literature sent to me by the National Home Missions Department. It is helping me so much. I am hungry for any full-gospel literature that I can obtain. There is so much literature from false cults being spread among the Blind today. Enclosed is a small offering to help with this ministry."

Blind persons in thirteen foreign countries, as well as the United States, are receiving literature from the Home Missions Department. A blind director of a home for blind boys in the Hash-

emite Kingdom of Jordan recently sent the following letter to the national office:

"The other day someone handed me your address so I thought I would write to you. I am the director of a school of thirty blind refugee and orphan boys between the ages of one and fifteen. All but three are from Moslem homes. We are attempting to bring these boys to a knowledge of the love of Jesus and trust they will be converted. We teach the boys English when they come to school. I will be grateful if you can give me three copies of your magazine each month. I am afraid I am asking for too much. Thank you in advance for anything you can do. May the Lord richly bless your work and supply all of your needs."

Copies of the *Teen Student* as well as other publications will be sent to this Home regularly from the Home Missions Department through the funds contributed by those interested in reaching the Blind for Christ. More than six hundred copies of full-gospel Braille literature are sent out monthly. Mrs. E. W. Whitney of Pewaukee, Wis., has labored faithfully five or six hours a day since 1948 to provide Braille literature with funds made available to her by the National Home Missions Department. She produces the *Primary Pupil*, the *Junior Pupil*, the *Intermediate Student*, the *Hi-Teen* quarterlies, and *The Pentecostal Digest* (a monthly publication with articles from *The Pentecostal Evangel* and various Sunday school publications). The *Adult Student* and the *Teen Student* quarterlies are now prepared for the Home Missions Department by the Howe Press, a commercial firm.

Mrs. William McCullough of Bedford Heights, Ohio, and Mrs. Bruce Daves of Topeka, Kans., are now preparing books in Braille for circu-

lation by the Home Missions Department.

Mrs. Bruce Daves, before her conversion in 1955, felt that her life was useless. After she found Christ as her Saviour she definitely prayed that God would lead her into work for Him.

A little later she saw a picture and a story of a woman who was transcribing Braille for the Blind. She thought it was her own imagination when God spoke to her about such a ministry and tried to forget what she had read. However, she felt constrained to write to this transcriber, asking her more about the Blind work. The worker wrote back immediately, telling of the urgent need for transcribers and how she wished more were interested in this ministry.

Mrs. Daves' compassion for the Blind grew. She prayed daily for the Blind who so desperately need spiritual sight. A few months later the way opened for her to take a course in Braille. Since that time she has been transcribing various religious books for the Blind.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Sweeney, blind Christians in Janesville, Wis., felt the



Mrs. Bruce Daves of Topeka, Kans., transcribes books into Braille for the Blind on her Braille-writer.

Lord calling them to a different type of ministry for the Blind. With the help of sighted Christians, they make gospel tapes available to blind persons who have tape recorders. During a six-month period more than 132 hours were donated by faithful sighted Christians who read articles from *The Pentecostal Evangel* aloud as the Sweeneys recorded their voices.

God does not call all Christians into full-time ministry. He does, however, expect all of us to win souls for Him. You can establish friendship with the Blind in your community and win them to Christ. The following suggestions will help you in your contact with these handicapped persons:

1. Gain the confidence of a blind person by showing interest, love and kindness.

2. Always make your presence known by identifying yourself when entering a room occupied by a blind person.

3. Talk as naturally to a blind person as you would to a sighted person.

4. Keep your voice moderate. Do not talk to a blind person as though he were deaf.

5. Address the blind person by name in conversation if he is to reply, or he may not know the remark is being directed to him.

6. Help to familiarize the Blind with their surroundings as they are at ease when they know where they are.

7. Always leave doors open or shut as you found them.

8. Do not discuss blind people in their presence as if they were not present.

9. In guiding a blind person, never take his arm and push him ahead. Instead, offer your arm to him. The movement of your body will inform him whether he should step up or down.

10. Help financially to provide Braille literature or gospel tapes for the Blind in your community.

11. Use the coupon on this page to send to the Home Missions Department the names, addresses, and approximate ages of the blind persons in your community who need help. *Braille literature and gospel tapes should not be included with regular orders for Sunday school supplies, but should be requested directly from the Home Missions Department. There is no charge made to the Blind for these materials.*

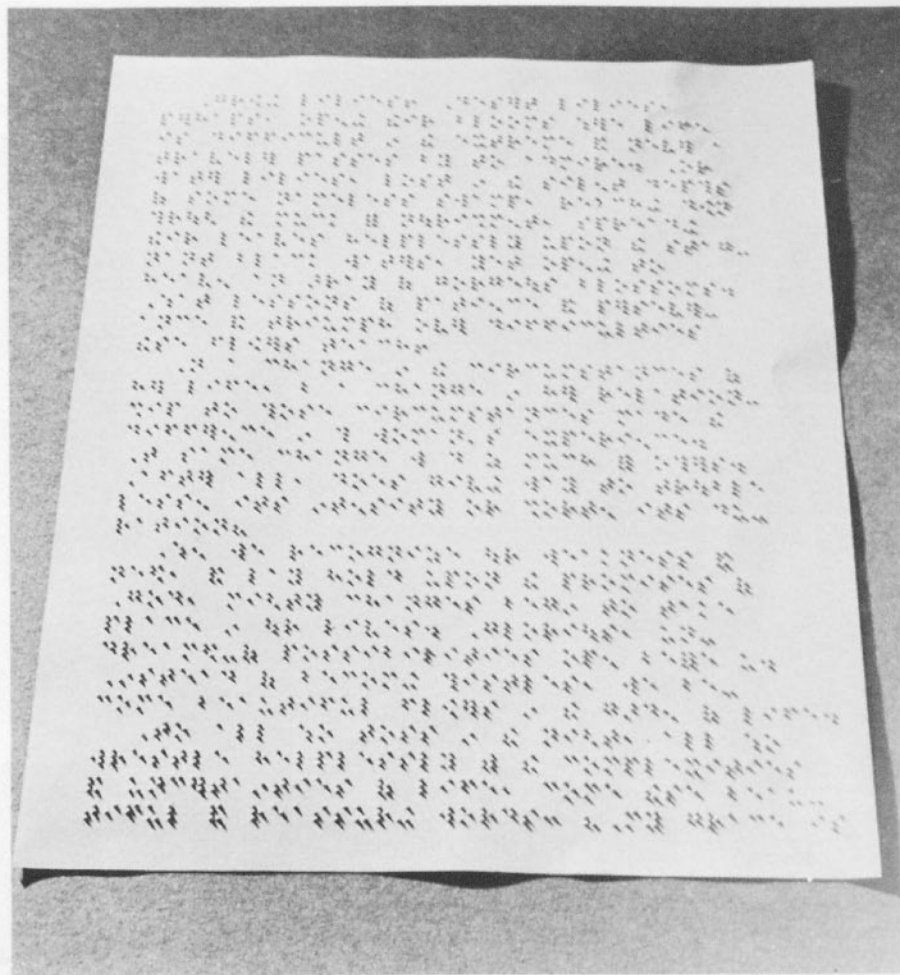


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A page of Braille may mean nothing to a sighted person but provides reading material for the Blind. This page contains four paragraphs—approximately 200 words.

This ministry is made possible by the contributions of interested friends and churches.

Though the unevangelized Blind represent the darkest of all missionary fields yet, in another sense, they constitute one of the most hopeful. The Scripture promises, "Call the blind and thou shalt be blessed, . . . for thou shalt be recompensed at the resurrection of

the just." This blessing begins the moment you contribute your part in bringing the Blind closer to an experience of salvation. Blessings multiply with each soul you have a part in bringing from two-fold darkness into Christ's marvelous light. They will culminate when you hear Christ's "well done" and—see those who have found spiritual light through your efforts. ◀◀

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TEEN CHALLENGE

*What God is doing at
the Teen-age Evangelism Center
in New York City*

By DAVE WILKERSON
Teen-Age Evangelism Missionary in New York



Teen Challenge workers wait for the subway on the way to the "turf." They have traveled over most of the city.



Be-bopping gang members and Muslims surround the outer fringes of nightly street meetings. Many are converted after hearing the gospel.



Girls witness to young mother about her need of Christ. "You cannot raise your children properly in this neighborhood without help from God," she is told.



The dining hall is always open to the hungry. Many hungry teen-agers are invited in to share the food.



Dave Wilkerson leads pre-teens to the Lord at Fort Green projects street rally. Unless Christ is revealed to them now, they may be addicts and gang members tomorrow.

STUDENTS FROM THREE PENTECOSTAL BIBLE COLLEGES spent the past summer reaching young gansters and drug addicts for Christ.

Over sixteen students from Central Bible Institute, Springfield, Mo., Lee College, Cleveland, Tenn., and Eastern Pentecostal Bible College, Peterborough, Ontario, Canada, collaborated with the regular Teen-Age Evangelism staff in conducting one of the most successful evangelistic invasions ever witnessed in the great city of New York.

These dedicated young workers did personal evangelistic work six or eight hours each day on the street and held mass street rallies. Over three thousand young people responded for salvation during the summer! Many nights as many as 150 youth knelt on the streets to accept the Lord. Drug addicts burned their sniff rags; others de-



The Teen Challenge summer staff.



Street rallies attract many children.

stroyed their "works" (needles, etc.); and still other gang members quit the gang and started preaching the gospel.

Working hand in hand with these students were converted gang members and debs who live at the Teen Challenge Center. These are homeless and friendless youth who are being rehabilitated. All stood ready to be living sacrifices for Christ. As each one left for the street work, he prayed, "Lord, if any one has to be killed today, let it be me first."

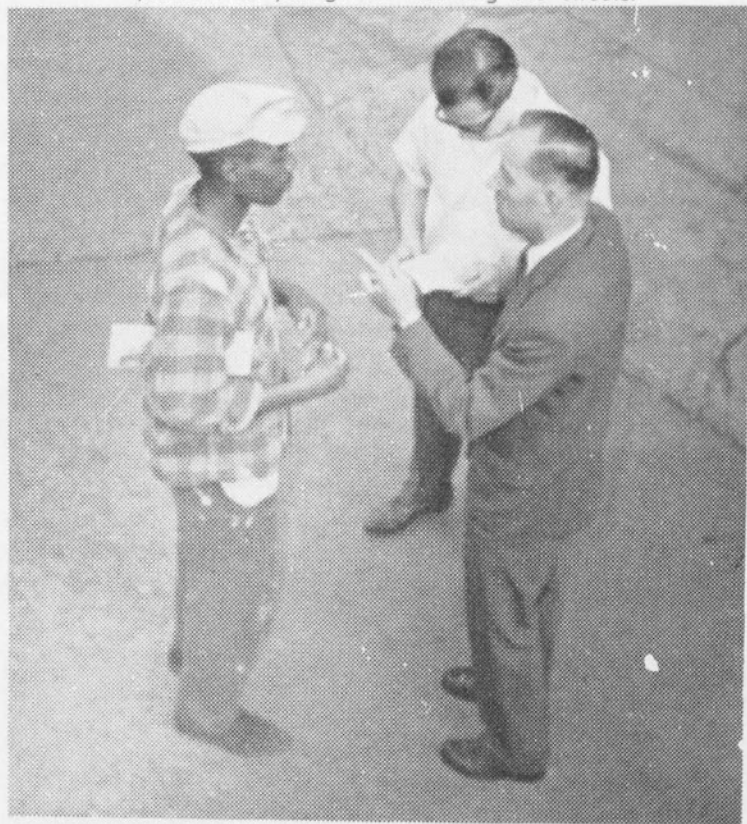
One night it nearly happened. A bystander was brutally stabbed and murdered in front of the workers. As he lay dying on the street with a cut throat and a pierced stomach, our workers were made to realize more than ever that street evangelism is a ministry *close to the gate of hell*.

We have waited until now to give a report on this great summer ministry because we wanted to evaluate how lasting the results would be. We rejoice in a glorious report of the keeping power of Christ in the midst of the worst possible living conditions. Two young gang converts are now in Bible school. Two converted girl gang leaders have joined an Assemblies of God church and are filled with the Spirit. Our workers are finding numbers of young people who have quit smoking, drinking, and running with gangs and who are now attending a Bible-believing church. After only eight weeks they are growing stronger in the Lord and are becoming witnesses to the power of the Lord to keep young people on fire under all conditions.

Dedicated staff members of Teen Challenge Center are now preparing for a unique ministry among adolescent drug addicts. The Center is fully equipped to handle and care for twenty-five drug addicts. A competent nurse, praying workers, and converted addicts stand ready to undertake

this challenging ministry. Our work in the field of narcotics is gripping the imagination of prison officials, hospital staffs, and businessmen. We are introducing a "new dimension" in the cure of narcotics. This is the "power of the Holy Spirit." As the work grows and expands, the needs are many. We covet the prayers of believers everywhere.

Group leader Donald Abbott digs deep into the habits and life patterns of young men roaming the streets.



Note: Teen-age Evangelism is part of the Prison Division of the National Home Missions Department. This work which deals primarily with juvenile delinquents deserves your support.



ONE LANGUAGE

NOT EVERYTHING WAS WRONG IN THE building of Babel. It is true, the objectives of the people were wrong. The deliberate affront to the will of God was wrong. And there were other serious wrongs. But some things about Babel were right and good. The truth is, the people involved in the project were doing a terribly wrong thing in a wonderfully right way.

The good things about Babel were (1) their unity of language, (2) their

unity of purpose, and (3) their unity of action. Because of this prevailing unity which God saw, He declared, "Now nothing will be restrained from them, which they have imagined to do" (Genesis 11:6). Only divine intervention could stop the forward progress of such a united force.

There is a lesson in this for us. The success of the new Home Missions "Breakthrough" program is assured if the unity principle of the Babel builders is employed.

Already "Breakthrough" is the language of the Movement. Everywhere it is a topic of keen interest and discussion. In Home Missions something more has been added. It is now "Breakthrough—8000." This unites the militant term, "Breakthrough," with a militant objective—8000 new churches in the next ten years.

In the final analysis, the purpose of "Breakthrough—8000" is to reach lost America for Christ. Unity in this pur-

pose should be no problem, for the salvation of lost men is the highest objective of the Church.

But unity of language and unity of purpose, important as they are, cannot attain the desired end. As at Babel, they must be followed by unity of action.

The opening of 8000 new churches calls for the united effort of the 8000 Assemblies of God churches already existing. Some of these, simply by uniting their own forces, are strong enough to open a new church by themselves. In other cases three or four churches, by a united effort, can do it. In yet other instances, an entire section or even a whole district may need to act together; and there are fields which call for cooperative action on the part of the whole Movement.

When this unity in action prevails, "nothing will be restrained from them [us], which they [we] have imagined to do." ◀◀

"SO SEND I YOU"

JESUS SAID, "AS MY FATHER HATH sent me, even so send I you" (John 20:21). Consecrated Christians continue to respond to the Master's call and are volunteering for service on needy Home Missions fields. The National Home Missions Department has recently appointed twelve new missionaries.

The *Alver E. Lofdahls* of Seattle, Wash., appointed to *Alaska*, will be the new ministers in Ketchikan, replacing William Ponge who is leaving Alaska. Brother Lofdahl is an ordained minister in the Northwest District. He actually began work as a home missionary years ago while pastoring established churches for several years. He has consistently helped workers in home missions areas. He has also engaged at different times in carpentry, painting, farming, and dairy work. Brother Lof-

dahl worked in a fishery in Alaska for one summer. He was deeply impressed with the need for the gospel in this great state and is now accepting the challenge of ministry there.

Alice Lofdahl has also been a licensed minister in the Northwest District. The Lofdahls have three children (all married).

Mrs. Evangeline Fagerstrom of Watsonville, Calif., has been burdened for *Alaska* since she visited there five years ago and is now appointed to serve in that field. Sister Fagerstrom is an ordained minister in the Oregon District.

Sister Fagerstrom pioneered the work at Fayetteville, Tenn., in 1940-43, and took over a new work at New Meadows, Idaho, 1946-50. She is a musician and has composed sixty gospel songs. Sister Fagerstrom is the mother of

Evangelist Wayne Fagerstrom, MF Director of the Oregon District. Two other sons are members and active workers in Bethel Assembly in Juneau, Alaska.

Frank and Ella Evans, appointed to *American Indian* work, are already ministering in the Indian church at Wellpinit, Wash. Brother Evans has felt the call of God to become a home missionary for fifteen years and has engaged in missionary work on the Nisqually reservation for eight years. He is a musician. The Evanses have won many souls to the Lord through their missionary activities. Sister Evans is a licensed minister in the Northwest District.

The *Bernard Ellsworths* of Port Angeles, Wash., are appointed workers on the *American Indian* field. Brother Ellsworth, a minister for twenty years, is an ordained minister in the Northwest District. He has also had experience in electrical, plumbing, sales, re-



Mr. Alver Lofdahl



Mrs. Alver Lofdahl



Mrs. E. Fagerstrom



Mr. Frank Evans



Mrs. Frank Evans



Mr. B. Ellsworth

pair, and maintenance work. The Ellsworths have two boys.

Esko and Margaret Rentola are also appointed to the *American Indian* ministry. Recently they became pastors of the LaPush, Wash., Indian Assembly. Brother Rentola holds credentials with the Northwest District. He has been an evangelist for two years. During 1955-56 he was on the music staff of Northwest Bible College. He has had eight years of experience in teaching art, music, and history. He holds a Master's Degree in Art from Washington State College.

Margaret Rentola majored in education in college and in Christian education in Multnomah School of the Bible, Portland, Oreg. She taught elementary school before her marriage. The Rentolas have four children.

Shirley R. Kenslow (Mrs. Rex), of Tulsa, Okla., has been appointed as a missionary to the *Deaf*. She learned the sign language at the age of eight and has had a vital interest in the Deaf since that time. After marrying in 1950, Sister Kenslow moved with her husband to Joplin, Mo., where she began interpreting church services for the Deaf. She has also taught Bible classes in the Oklahoma School for the Deaf.

In 1960, Sister Kenslow began to interpret the Sunday morning services in the Central Assembly of God in Tulsa where Robert Voight is pastor. She also now conducts a Sunday school class and a Sunday evening service for the Deaf. At various times she has assisted in deaf camps. The Kenslows have three children.

Richard and Tressie Donahue, new appointees to *Deaf* ministry, and their son Roger, learned the sign language last year at Central Bible Institute in Springfield, Mo., and became burdened for the Deaf. Since last July they have taught a Deaf class at the First Assembly of God in Russellville, Ark. John Farrell is pastor of the church and the Donahues serve as ministers to the Deaf. Brother Donahue is an ordained minister of the Arkansas District. ◀◀

Home Front Highlights

News Briefs From the Home Missions Fields

ALASKA MINISTRY

Angoon

The Angoon Assembly, where Eva Wright ministers, recently had a wonderful two-week revival with Evangelist Lloyd Perera. The church had its first baptismal service with five being baptized in a temporary wood and plastic baptistry placed in the missionary's kitchen.

A number of people were saved and some are still earnestly seeking the Lord for the Baptism. Sunday school attendance has reached a high of 110 (all children) and attendance at the evening service has been over 100. All have been crowded into one little living room of the missionary's quarters.

Seward

Eight accepted Christ as Saviour in Evangelist Lloyd Perera's meeting in Seward this fall. The Sunday school attendance record was broken with a high of 67. Robert Cousart is pastor.

Chugiak

The late summer revival with Evangelist Lloyd Perera was one of the best attended in Chugiak, according to Pastor Bernard Tewell. Attendance reached 108 the last Sunday. Six were saved.

DEAF MINISTRY

Detroit, Michigan

Approximately sixty deaf adults and twenty-five children attended a rally in Detroit, November 4. The ministers to the Deaf attending the meeting included William and Joyce Bingham of Detroit, Robert and Fern Nathan of Flint, and Phyllis Clapper of Lansing. (Services for the Deaf are now conducted in nine Michigan cities.)

Wayne Shaneyfelt of Indianapolis, Ind., was rally speaker. He also conducted fall revival services for the Deaf in several other Michigan deaf groups.

Chester, Pennsylvania

Congratulations to Larry and Martha Murphy, ministers to the Deaf in Chester, Glenolden, and Philadelphia, who are the parents of twin boys born October 27.

Gray, Maine

Judith Ann is the big attraction in the home of the Edward Granholms, ministers to the Deaf here. She arrived July 24, 1961.

AMERICAN INDIAN MINISTRY

Winkleman, Arizona

Pearl Philipp is now working among the Pima Indians in the Tucson-Phoenix area.

White Cone, Arizona

Dorothy Terry, missionary at White Cone, is happy for 22 converted in the last few months.

Grants, New Mexico

The West Texas District provided a ditto machine for the Leonard Everlys, missionaries at Grants.

Guadalupe, Arizona

Calvary Assembly, Inglewood, Calif., recently provided a piano for the Guadalupe Indian childrens church.

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

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SUNDAY SCHOOL PARENTS

by Eunice Fisher

MANY CHRISTIAN PARENTS ARE letting Sunday school workers rob them of their future reward. The Scriptures teach *parental* responsibility for bringing up children "in the nurture and admonition of the Lord." "And when thy *son* [not pupil] asketh *thee* in time to come, saying, What mean the testimonies. . . ? then *thou* shalt say unto thy *son* . . ." Yet many Christian parents are letting church workers have the joy of leading their children into the knowledge of the Saviour and of the Bible.

Surely the most interested church school teacher cannot be as personally interested in a child's spiritual birth and life as his parents! So here are suggestions for parents to consider to help them become real "Sunday school parents." This also will enable church school leaders to do a better job and allow Bible truths taught on Sundays

to be actually lived out during the week.

1. *Know what your child is studying.* It isn't necessary to know all the details but surely an interested parent will want to know if the fall quarter is stressing obedience, God's good gifts, stories of Joseph, or the journeys of Paul, for example.

2. *Discuss class sessions at home.* It takes the joy out of Sunday school if a parent fixes a stern eye upon Junior at the Sunday dinner table and asks, "Well, what did you learn today?" Even adults could not easily answer such a cold question.

Try to draw the children into discussions. Has a new song been learned? Encourage singing it at home. Did the teen-agers discuss an interesting subject in class? Let it continue at the dinner table. Draw out your children by asking, "Did your teacher have a good story today? Did you see a pic-

ture? What did you like best in God's house today?"

3. *Let your child teach you the memory verse.* Let him explain the meaning to you, too, and then you may reword it and relate it to family situations. Perhaps a card file of family Bible verses could be kept and referred to as a Bible game. Many memory verses are forgotten within ten minutes of Sunday school's closing bell simply because the teacher has no further contact with the pupils. Parents, this ought not so to be!

4. *Encourage your child to bring home Sunday school supplies and notices.* When secular school teachers send home notes to parents, those notes are usually read, but often a church school teacher pins a note on a youngster and then waits vainly for a reply. The fact that Sunday school meets only one day out of seven adds to the hardship, and

MEN'S FELLOWSHIP PLANS TO EXTEND 'LIGHT FOR THE LOST'



At a national conference held in Denver November 11, officials of Light for the Lost, the missionary outreach program of Men's Fellowship, decided to expand this program. They drew up plans for supplying gospel literature in foreign lands to be distributed in key target cities in cooperation with the Foreign Missions Department of the Assemblies of God.

Twenty-five men were present at the conference including Everett James, national field representative of Light for the Lost, and Sam Cochran, national administrator of the program. Missionary Arthur Lindvall of El Salvador represented the missionary personnel.

One representative was in attendance from each district of the U.S. fellowship having an organized Light for the Lost program. Shown in the photo are, left to right: Homer Moxley, Sweethome, Oreg., secretary of the national Light for the Lost council; Paul Heath, Sunnyvale, Calif., vice chairman of Light for the Lost; Howard S. Bush, MF executive director; Dean Burnett, Santa Ana, Calif, council chairman; Burton Pierce, national MF secretary; and Robert McGlasson, foreign missions secretary of the Assemblies of God.

with mother plunging right into the task of getting Sunday dinner, notices are often unread. Dad, would you mind very much looking at your child's Sunday school paper and admiring the picture on it before picking up your Sunday reading? If you did this the Sunday school paper would take on great importance.

5. *Attend Parent-Teacher night, or visit your child's department some Sunday.* If you arrive early on Sunday morning you have good opportunity to become acquainted with the child's classroom and the people there. You'll always be welcome, especially if you add a word of appreciation.

6. *Be a "class mother" or "class father" if asked.* The public school elementary grades often choose "class mothers" to assist the room teacher by furnishing cookies for parties, or going along on field trips. Often the busy Sunday school leaders pass up outings just because it is a tremendous job to corral a group of youngsters, keep them happy, and deliver them back to their homes. Why not offer your car, a cake, or your time? The parent adds to the fun factor, besides being a help.

7. *Lay out Sunday school supplies on Saturday night.* Often pupils come to church school without their Bibles. "Couldn't find it any place," declares Jimmy. "The baby tore my book all up," states Susie. A Saturday night check-up will prevent much of this.

8. *Encourage your child to prepare his lesson.* A Sunday school worker is rather helpless when it comes to "homework" unless parents cooperate in seeing that this "work" is done in the "home."

9. *Encourage punctual, regular attendance.* It is amazing to see children of fine church families walk into Sunday school when the opening is half over. A child who does not arrive a few minutes early has a distinct disadvantage. He does not get the "feel" of the room. He does not have a chance to converse with the teacher and classmates whom he has not seen for a week. He does not get out of his system those comments about "new shoes" or "new baby brothers." To send your child to his department after his group has already gathered to sing and pray is to cheat him of a good part of the hour. Yet it happens continually in the best of church families. Cannot Christian parents take the matter more seriously?

The Fleeting Years

By JOHN H. HUNTER

THE HURRYING YEARS SET THEIR SEAL upon us all, and one would like sometimes to step aside from the hurry of things, evaluate his years, and see what he has made of life. Perhaps we all intend to do that some day, but the rushing tide of life has caught us, and the wish dies too often unrealized.

One knows, of course, that we only get ideas like these after we have turned forty. Up until that time the "long, long thoughts" attributed to youth have never troubled us. "No young man believes he shall ever die," someone has said, and Charles Lamb wrote: "Not childhood alone, but the young man till thirty never feels practically that he is mortal."

But there do come hours and days such as birthdays and the end of the year and the beginning of the new when every thinking man and woman is terribly conscious of his or her mortality, even though we all console ourselves with the thought that for us the end is still far off. And yet as I write these words I see out of my window the wind whirling leaves by the thousands to the ground, reminding one again of the melancholy fact that we are all fading like the leaves of the tree, and at the best "brief life is here our portion." But is it not true, as some sage has said, that we live in deeds, not years; in feelings, not in figures on a dial?

Perhaps we can take comfort in that thought as we look out over the horizon of life and consider some work of

love begun, some deed of kindness done for the Lord who has done so much for us.

"Gather up the fragments, that nothing be lost," is a word that rings in one's ear today. It is a command exquisitely applicable to the gleanings as the results of a life of service to and for God through Christ Jesus, the Lord.

But what of the man or woman whose life has been spent entirely for self and for the world? What sort of harvest can be reaped there? The New Year reminds us there is yet time. If the heart be truly turned to him, it will not be turned in vain. A broken and contrite heart He will not despise. Better to give the harvest than only the gleanings, but is it not true that even the gleanings are better than nothing?

No matter if the years you have left to live are few or many, God still wants you to turn to Him and find the salvation which is offered only through acceptance of Jesus Christ, His Son. When you are born again of the Holy Spirit, your new life will bring peace and comfort for your years on earth, and an everlasting life in heaven.

Christ pleads with you, no matter how wasted your life may have been, "Come unto me, all ye that labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest" (Matthew 11:28). "For God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life" (John 3:16).

—American Tract Society

10. *Invite your child's teacher to your home.* Many Sunday school workers do call in the homes of their pupils to get acquainted with their families, but often this is neglected. It would help if Christian parents took the initiative and invited the teacher over for an hour on a particular evening. Don't wait until the house is in perfect order. Just let the family be at home, the child's pets ready for display, and the child proudly on deck to greet his teacher at the door. Let the teacher

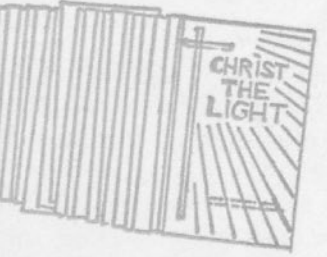
talk with both pupil and parents, admire the child's toys, and share confidences. A cookie and fruit drink are enough to serve. Such a gesture would "bowl over" most Sunday school workers—and pay off greatly in the school and home relationships.

Teachers and parents can do a tremendous work—if they do it *together*.

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THE POWER OF PAPER



By RONNIE HEMBREE

THE FAR-REACHING EFFECTS OF the BGMC program amaze many religious leader. There is a growing wonder how children under twelve years of age can do all that they have done for the Master.

The Boys and Girls Missionary Crusade is now moving into its thirteenth year of service. Since its small beginning in 1949 it has grown to where approximately 4,500 churches in the United States sponsor a BGMC program. Since 1949 these boys and girls have given over \$850,000 so that gospel literature can be translated and printed in different languages.

Back of such a tremendous work we know there must be stories of consecration and zeal that only eternity will reveal. We are thrilled when we catch little glimpses of what goes on—as we do by the many letters that flow constantly into the BGMC office from all over the world.

A Minnesota BGMC leader gives a little sidelight on this consecration when she tells how some of their boys and girls have worked and given all their earnings to the BGMC program. When children catch such a vision we are not afraid for the church of tomorrow!

Strangely enough this same correspondent says, "Words cannot express what BGMC has done for our boys and girls. . . ." It is true—these young givers have received great good themselves as they have learned the joy and responsibility of giving.

Do we seem to be exaggerating when we say that because of the gospel literature sent out, thousands have been saved from eternal death? Read some of the incoming mail with us and judge for yourself!

Missionary Merlin Lund writes from Melspruit, East Transvaal, South Africa, telling how he received over five hundred decision slips from nationals who claimed salvation after reading some gospel tracts printed with BGMC funds. The missionary goes on to say

there may be many more who also accepted Christ but who did not send their decision slips to his office.

A touching story comes of a young Indian boy who had left his home in India to seek employment in Persia. While in the foreign country he lost all contact with the people who spoke his own language. However, a magazine that he could understand fell into this young man's hands and he read it avidly, learning from it about a Saviour who loved him. The result was that he asked Christ to forgive him and that day he became a Christian. That magazine had been published by BGMC funds.

A letter of thanks came from a missionary in New Zealand recently. He told how underdeveloped the Sunday school work was in his country, and how literature for the Sunday schools was entirely inadequate. But along came BGMC and furnished him with quarterlies, picture papers, picture rolls, lesson leaflets, and many other pieces of gospel literature. And immediately the children and also the adults became more interested—and the Sunday school began to grow.

In Italy also one of our Assemblies of God missionaries was having a difficult time building a strong Sunday school. She had so little to work with to make the school effective, until BGMC came to the rescue! With the necessary tools for teaching the Italians

came results that were phenomenal. Recently when this missionary wrote to the BGMC department she stated that her Sunday school was now one of the largest in all of Italy! She attributed the success to BGMC and to dedicated and trained leaders.

Another letter with almost the same story came from a missionary in Liberia. While she was in the United States this worker had heard about the importance of BGMC and the literature program. However, she said she had not realized at all the real worth of it until she herself was called to the field. Now she tells of the children who love to read the stories of Jesus and cling to their Sunday school papers as though they were made of gold. She ends her letter by requesting more BGMC literature so she might reach more souls for Christ.

Missionaries often write about some individual that has been saved through a BGMC tract or Sunday school paper. But, in some cases at least, the story does not end there. One young man who was saved through a BGMC tract inspired the building of a church in his home village!

Money received from this program is used in many ways. For example, one missionary writes: "BGMC did it! Your financial assistance enabled us to launch the very first Workers Training Course in this part of Africa." One hundred and twenty-five national workers took the course and the lady missionary says the results have been astounding. She concludes with, "Thank you, BGMC, for starting the training

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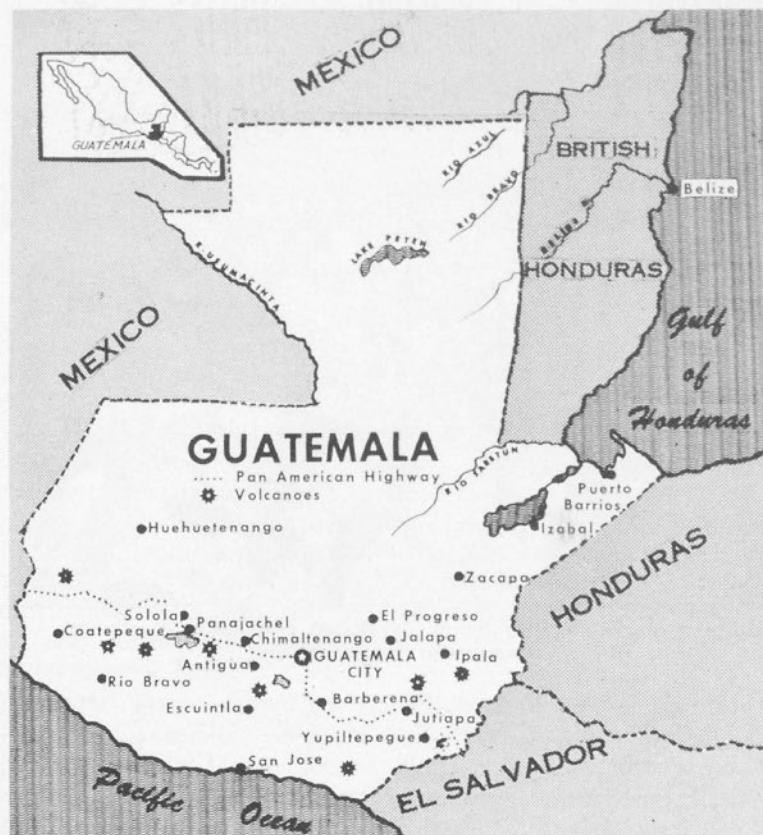


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FRANCES FOSTER—DIRECTOR



BOYS AND GIRLS MISSIONARY CRUSADE



Gains in Guatemala

THE REPUBLIC OF GUATEMALA IS A PICTURESQUE LAND of volcano-sentined lakes, rushing rivers, and tropical lowlands. Guatemala also is the birthplace of Indian corn, the home of chewing gum and famous hand-woven fabrics. This colorful country of 42,042 square miles lies immediately south of Mexico.

Guatemala City, the modern national capital with a population of 385,000, is Central America's largest population center. A city of colonial buildings and modern structures, ox-drawn carts and automobiles, colorfully costumed bare-foot Indians and stylishly dressed city dwellers—this is Guatemala City!

Guatemala's climate varies with the altitude. Tropical heat, humidity, and heavy rainfall describe the coastal lowlands. In the mountain areas, where 80 per cent of the people live, the climate is temperate.

The country's national economy is largely based on agriculture. Coffee and bananas account for nine-tenths of the total exports. The republic gets its name from an Indian word meaning "land of trees," which indeed it is. Hardwoods from its forests are much in demand in world markets. The sapodilla tree yields a white resin called chicle, the raw material from which chewing gum is made.

Many of Guatemala's manufactories are "cottage industries," producing the country's famous hand-woven textiles. Each village has its own distinctive pattern and color combination.

Maya ruins in Guatemala bear witness to an early culture of remarkable achievements in art, architecture, and science. This ancient civilization was destroyed long before

the Spanish conquest of the land in 1524. In 1821 Guatemala severed its connections with Spain and in 1839 formed an independent government.

Guatemala's population is reported as 3,546,000, of which 55 per cent are of Maya stock. These Indians are a dignified race, proud of their ancestry and loyal to their centuries-old customs. Thirty-eight per cent of the population are Ladinos, a mixture of Indian and Spanish blood. A small minority is of Spanish ancestry.

Spanish is the official language but language barriers remain. There are twelve main Indian languages and dialects differ from hilltop to hilltop.

Roman Catholicism was imposed upon the Indians by the Spanish conquerors. The Indians mixed the rituals of the new religion with their own pagan rites and produced a pagan Christianity. In many sections of the country they worship the images of both religions in the same church without any feelings of incongruity.

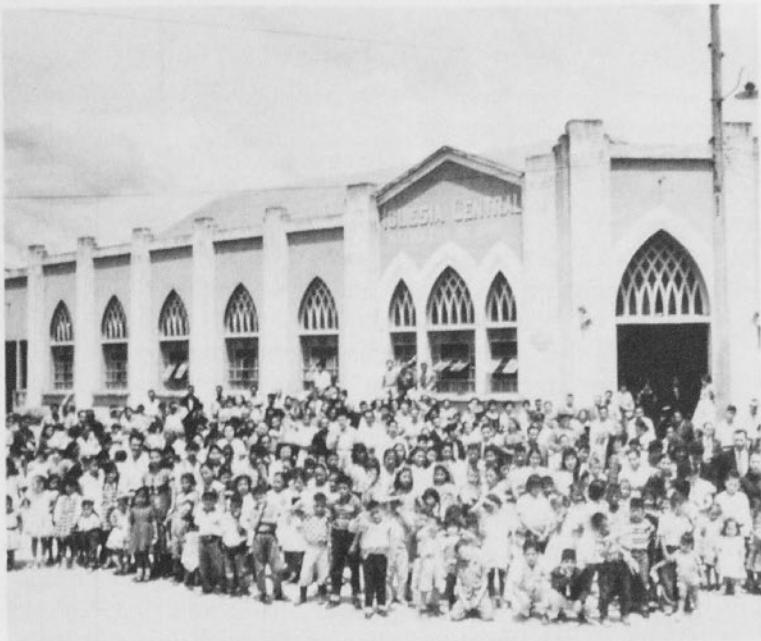
Presbyterian missionaries began their work in Guatemala in 1882 at the invitation of Guatemala's president, Justo Rufus Barrios. The Central American Mission was the second Protestant society to send workers to the republic. During the past century many other missions also have established missionary centers.

The Pentecostal message reached Guatemala several years before any Assemblies of God missionaries were appointed to that field. The story of how the first group of Guatemalans received the baptism in the Holy Spirit reminds one of Peter's experience in the house of Cornelius. A Christian national from El Salvador who had received the Pentecostal experience was asked to relate his experience to a number of evangelical Christians in a private home. While he was speaking, several of the listeners were filled with the Holy Spirit according to Acts 2:4.

News of this happening spread rapidly as these newly baptized believers began witnessing to their friends. Within a short time five groups of Pentecostal believers were formed. When they were disfellowshipped by their former leaders they appealed to Assemblies of God missionaries in El Salvador for spiritual leadership and instruction. Ralph



The village market is a major factor in Indian life.



Central Assembly in Guatemala City is one of our many city churches in Guatemala.



Rural congregations are being developed through the ministry of consecrated lay preachers.

D. Williams responded to their call for help. He ministered to the believers and also made a survey of the republic's spiritual needs.

Mr. and Mrs. John L. Franklin were our first missionaries appointed to Guatemala. In 1937 they located in Jutiapa where they worked with one of the original groups of believers. A few months later they moved to Guatemala City and there established a missionary headquarters, founded the main Assembly, and evangelized in the surrounding area.

Other Assemblies of God missionaries who worked in Guatemala during the early 1940's included Mr. and Mrs. Ralph D. Harer, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Hollingsworth, Mr. and Mrs. George W. Clark, Adele Flower, and Marjorie Trulin.

The first believers were guided by Ralph D. Williams to assume the responsibility of evangelizing their own people. The Assemblies of God in Guatemala today is fully indigenous and includes 165 organized churches, 370 outstations, 195 ordained or licensed ministers, and 211 lay workers. The number of adherents is approaching 9,000. Sunday schools have a total enrollment of 11,000.

For some years young people who wished to prepare for the ministry were obliged to attend the Bible school in El Salvador. Distance and expense made it impossible for some to attend. In 1950 John Franklin and Quentin Shortes opened a Bible school at Berea

Temple in the capital. The school continued its fine program in these quarters for a number of years. Funds were raised by Mr. and Mrs. Walter Haydus in 1958 and now a new two-story building houses the school. Walter Haydus is principal. Quentin Shortes, Miriam Haydus, and five national brethren serve on the faculty.

With the growing number of believers came an increased emphasis on literature as a means of communicating the gospel. To meet the demand for literature a printing program was started by Walter Haydus in 1959. Hundreds of thousands of tracts are now being produced and distributed in an effort to "flood Guatemala with gospel literature." A small bookstore opened in 1955 in Guatemala City served until 1960 when Liberia "La Fuente" (The Fountain), a new and larger store, was dedicated.

Bible school students take literature with them on their week-end preaching assignments. Through this effective employment of literature twelve new churches were opened during one four-month period in 1960.

Women's Missionary Councils or *Concilio Misionero Femenil*, as they are known in Spanish, have been organized all over Guatemala. Local groups now number 80 and the membership more than 2,000. Miriam Haydus serves as president. By making maximum use of their limited resources the women of Guatemala have accomplished an outstanding work in helping supply the needs of pioneer pastors and

the Bible school. A Missionette program for girls has also been organized. Projects have included the making of pillow slips and quilts for the Bible school. Suitable study materials have been translated by Mrs. Haydus.

John Franklin, who served for more than twelve years as superintendent of the work in Guatemala, is now spearheading the evangelization of the Maya Indians. On Lake Atitlan, Mr. Franklin uses a motor launch to reach the Indian towns which line the 70-mile shore line of the lake. As the Indians do not speak Spanish, a Bible school where they can receive training in their own language has been established in Panajachel.

The response to the Pentecostal message in Guatemala has been most encouraging, but there remains a great unfinished task. Hundreds of towns and villages await the message of a new life in Christ.

Our missionaries and national workers are dedicated to the task of bringing the message of salvation to every section of the country. Young people are responding to God's call and are being trained in the Bible school. Today limitless opportunities for advance challenge the Assemblies of God in Guatemala.

The present missionary staff includes four missionary couples—Mr. and Mrs. John Franklin, Mr. and Mrs. Quentin Shortes, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Haydus, and Mr. and Mrs. Perry Dymond who recently transferred from Honduras.

—Christine Carmichael



The Family Altar



MISSIONARY BIRTHDAYS DAILY BIBLE READINGS BY R. G. CHAMPION

MONDAY, JANUARY 1

NEW YEAR'S DAY

READ: 1 John 1

LEARN: "Therefore if any man be in Christ, he is a new creature: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new" (2 Corinthians 5:17).

FOR THE PARENT: What better time than the beginning of a new year to emphasize the possibility and privilege of being a new creature in Christ Jesus. This passage emphasizes: (1) Christ made salvation and fellowship with God possible, vv. 1-4; (2) the change which Christ brings into a life—from darkness to light, vv. 5-8; (3) refusing to acknowledge our sins hurts only ourselves, v. 8; (4) the way to find forgiveness, vv. 9, 10.

QUESTION TIME: How was salvation and fellowship with God made possible? (See above.) How can we find forgiveness of sins?

MISSIONARY BIRTHDAYS: Mrs. Alvin Capener, Alaska; Robert E. Cousart, Alaska; Paul Kline, Alaska; Mrs. Ralph Cimino, Nigeria; Stig G. Sundberg, Costa Rica; C. LeRoy Williams, Peru.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 2

READ: 1 John 2:1-6

LEARN: "If any man sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous" (1 John 2:1).

FOR THE PARENT: From this passage point out: (1) the importance of keeping ourselves pure, v. 1; (2) the possibility of cleansing from sin if we fail, v. 1; (3) the worldwide provision for salvation, v. 2; (4) but since all men do not accept this provision, we have a way of knowing those who really belong to Christ, v. 3; (5) the fruit of lack of obedience, v. 4; (6) the fruit of the life of obedience—and the assurance of salvation that goes along with it, vv. 5, 6.

QUESTION TIME: If we sin what assurance do we have that we can find forgiveness? (v. 1) How far-reaching is the availability of this forgiveness? (v. 2) What is an important test of whether or not we really belong to the Lord? (vv. 3-6)

MISSIONARY BIRTHDAYS: Mrs. G. B. Anderson, Ghana; B. Colleen Guinn, India; Mrs. Quentin Shortes, Guatemala; Mrs. William Stepp, Venezuela.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 3

READ: 1 John 2:7-14

LEARN: "But he that hateth his brother is in darkness, and walketh in darkness, and knoweth not whither he goeth, because that darkness hath blinded his eyes" (1 John 2:11).

FOR THE PARENT: From this passage point out: (1) the old commandment and what it is, v. 7; (2) the new commandment and the reason for it, v. 8; (3) our spiritual state is shown by our deeds and attitudes—illustrated here by the example of hating or loving our brethren, vv. 9-11; (4) the joy of knowing our sins are forgiven, v. 12; (5) some of John's reasons for writing this epistle, vv. 12-14; (6) the source of overcoming power, v. 14.

QUESTION TIME: How do our deeds and our attitudes reflect our spiritual condition? (See above.) What is the old commandment John repeated? (v. 7)

THURSDAY, JANUARY 4

READ: John 12:12-19; Psalm 118:19-29

LEARN: "Blessed is the King of Israel that cometh in the name of the Lord" (John 12:13).

FOR THE PARENT: Have the group review the story of the Triumphal Entry, showing how the people praised the Lord because of who He was (John 12:13) and because of what He had done (John 12:17, 18). Then show how Psalm 118:19-29 relates to the Triumphal Entry. Also point out the reasons it gives why we should praise the Lord.

QUESTION TIME: Why did the people praise Jesus? What was the reaction of the Pharisees to the Triumphal Entry?

MISSIONARY BIRTHDAYS: Garland E. Benintendi, Formosa; John E. Garlock, South Africa; Mrs. Virgil Smith, Brazil; Mrs. Andrew Maracle (Indian), New York.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 5

READ: Genesis 1:1, 2, 26, 27; John 1:3; Hebrews 11:3; Revelation 4:11; Psalms 146:5, 6; 148:5, 6 (Sunday's Lesson for Juniors)

LEARN: "In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth" (Genesis 1:1).

FOR THE PARENT: At this beginning of the new year it is fitting that we remember God is the Creator of all things. Since there are a number of verses in different parts of the Bible for today, have various members of the family group read the verses. Comment on each verse as it is read, showing how God created all. We accept this truth by faith (Hebrews 11:3). Because God is the great Creator, He is worthy of all of our praise and worship (Revelation 4:11).

QUESTION TIME: What does the Bible say about the beginning of the world? (Genesis 1:1, 2, 26, 27; John 1:3) How do we know this is true? (Hebrews 11:3)

MISSIONARY BIRTHDAYS: Mrs. E. Walter Erola, Burma; John C. Gunderson (Indian), Montana.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 6

READ: Matthew 4:18-23; John 1:35-51 (Sunday's Lesson for Primaries)

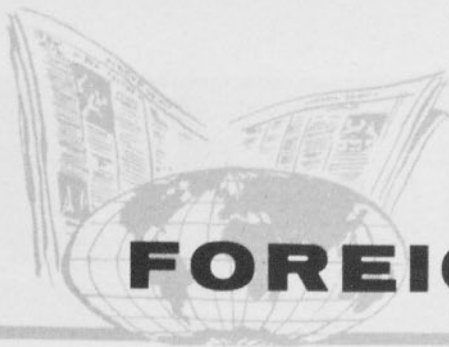
LEARN: "Follow me, and I will make you fishers of men" (Matthew 4:19).

FOR THE PARENT: This lesson deals with how Jesus chose some of the men He wanted as His helpers—men who later became known as the twelve apostles. Show how Jesus met men where they were and related His call to a spiritual application of the business in which they were engaged (Matthew 4:18-23). The passage from John 1 elaborates more on how these fishermen became acquainted with Christ. Emphasize that following Christ means putting Him first in every part of our lives.

QUESTION TIME: What illustration did Jesus use to show the fishermen what He wanted them to do? (Matthew 4:19)

MISSIONARY BIRTHDAYS: Mrs. Eugene Herd (Indian), Arizona; Mrs. Alberta Daniels, Uruguay; Paul M. Pugh, Uruguay.

MISSIONARY BIRTHDAYS FOR SUNDAY: Lester S. Kenney, Philippines; Mrs. L. B. Mock, Bolivia; Chaplain (Lt) R. G. Brown, New York; Calvin Zeissler, Philippines.



FOREIGN NEWS DIGEST

Ghana

BIBLE SCHOOL STUDENTS EVANGELIZE DURING VACATION

Fifty-eight villages were visited by the students during their vacation, reports Missionary Harold Lehmann. Eighty-two persons confessed Christ and at least eight backsliders came to Christ. The students distributed several hundred gospel portions and more than 10,000 tracts, taught in religious instruction classes in government schools, and assisted in repairing a church.

"One of our students was terribly persecuted when he repented about four years ago. His father died last year, and he was reluctant to go back to his home because he could not partake of the heathen funeral customs. When he arrived his brethren met him, and said they knew his stand and admired him for it. They offered to build a church for him if he would return."

Upper Volta

REVIVAL SPREADS IN BUSH AREAS

Hundreds accepted Christ during an evangelistic campaign conducted recently in Pwitenga, Upper Volta, reports Missionary John Weidman. In an open-air market service more than a hundred raised their hands for prayer. When the invitation was given at the close of the evening service, two hundred came forward to accept Christ. Twenty to

thirty men remained until midnight seeking the counsel of the national ministers. The following evening seventy-six accepted Christ. A new Assembly has been opened in this city.

Missionary Curtis Dean reports that 141 were saved and 23 filled with the Holy Spirit in services held recently in bush villages. "The spark of evangelism was kindled and after we left 128 more were converted under the ministry of African pastors. Two Voltans were miraculously healed. Four new chapels have been erected as a result of this revival move."

Egypt

ANNUAL CONVENTIONS HELD IN ASSIOUT

One hundred persons accepted Christ at the annual convention of the Assemblies of God of Egypt conducted recently in Assiout, Egypt. More than 1,000 attended, including sixty-seven pastors. Ayad Shenouda was returned to office as Superintendent of the Egyptian Assemblies.

Guinea

COMMUNISTS ESTABLISH PRINTING PLANT

"East Germany has provided technical aid for twenty months to complete the Guinea Publishing House. Gifts of the most modern machinery will enable them to print books, do graphic arts

photography, and turn out 30,000 copies an hour," reports Missionary Harold Jones from the Republic of Upper Volta. "The publishing plant will be at the disposal of all Africans who find difficulty in expressing their progressive ideas for the advancement of the 'wheels of history.' The plant will employ 400 with a probable increase to 1,200 as the need increases."

Our missionaries in Senegal, Upper Volta, and Togo-Dahomey know what this will mean to the individual tribes in which they are working. Pray that our literature ministry may expand to meet this new challenge.

Samoa

BRITISH SAMOA RESPONDS TO THE GOSPEL

An Assemblies of God church will soon open in Apia, British Samoa, reports Missionary Maurice H. Luce. "In a recent cottage prayer meeting in Apia, five young people accepted Christ." Literature is being distributed widely in preparation for the beginning of regular services. Pray for this new effort which is a branch of our established work in American Samoa.

Belgium

YOUTH CAMP HELD AT BIBLE SCHOOL

"More than 25 were saved and 20 received the baptism in the Holy Spirit at the youth camp conducted recent-



More than 1,000 delegates attend the annual conference of the Egypt Assemblies of God in Assiout.



Maurice Luce prepares literature for the Speed-the-Light Bookmobile for distribution in Samoa.

ly," reports Beverly Williscroft, daughter of the Paul Williscredits in Germany. "At the close of the message one evening, those who wanted to receive the baptism in the Holy Spirit were invited to come forward. Five minutes later the first one had received a glorious experience of the Pentecostal Baptism. Praying into the wee small hours of the morning, a total of fifteen were filled with the Holy Spirit. The presence of the Lord was so real and mighty that we could feel Him in our play, at mealtimes, and even while we washed dishes. The fellowship and understanding we were able to have with young people of other nations was just 'great.'"

One hundred and sixty-five young people of seven different nationalities—American, English, Belgian, French, German, Dutch, and Swiss—attended the camp on the campus of the Bible school in Andrimont, Belgium.

Hong Kong

TWENTY-FIVE FILLED WITH THE SPIRIT AT YOUTH CAMP

"We conducted the first district youth camp at the Bible school campus recently," reports Missionary Paul Greisen. "A good spirit prevailed for the two weeks of camp and more than twenty-five were filled with the Holy Spirit." Bible studies were conducted in the mornings, planned activities in the afternoons, and Missionary Leonard Lanphear spoke each evening on the subject of the Holy Spirit.

BIBLE SCHOOL GRADUATES ENTER MINISTRY

Eighteen students graduated recently from Ecclesia Bible Institute, Hong Kong, reports Missionary Sarah Johnston. "Three returned to Malaya to minister, and others remained in Hong Kong. More than two thousand children were reached through the ministry of the Bible school students in vacation Bible schools conducted this past summer."

Honduras

NEW CHURCH OPENS IN CAPITAL CITY

An offering of \$1,000 has made possible the opening of an Assemblies of God church in Tegucigalpa, capital city of Honduras. National worker Adan Villarueava is pioneering the church, with the assistance of Missionary Daniel Maser. This is the first Assemblies of God church in this Central American capital city.

Your Questions



ANSWERED BY ERNEST S. WILLIAMS

Which form of church government does the Bible teach?

A person might find New Testament scriptures to support local (congregational) church government, presbyterian government, or episcopal government. I do not object to any form of government that satisfies those who live under it.

According to John 10:30, Jesus said, "I and my Father are one." In John 14:28 He said, "My Father is greater than I." In what sense was the Father greater than Christ?

Jesus was one with the Father in deity. The Father was greater in position since Jesus subjected Himself to the will of the Father in coming to earth and in dying for men's sins.

Shall we see God in eternity?

Some believe we never shall see the Father—His presence will be manifest in the Son. Others believe we shall see our heavenly Father. Jesus said, "Blessed are the pure in heart: for they shall see God" (Matthew 5:8).

Why do we not use the term "passover," or some other word instead of Easter, since Easter represents the Teutonic goddess of spring?

Only once is the term "Easter" used in the Scriptures (Acts 12:4) and there it should read *passover*. But I do not object to the use of the term Easter even though it is of pagan origin, for today the word is commonly associated with the resurrection of our Lord Jesus.

Why do people like so much to sing "The Old Rugged Cross"? Why worship an old wooden cross that has long since decayed?

If it is the wooden cross which is worshiped in this song, that is idolatry. But I think most people worship the Christ of the cross when they sing this song. Paul said, "God forbid that I should glory, save in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ . . ." (Galatians 6:14). He meant that he worshiped the Saviour who suffered on the cross, and he in turn was willing to suffer with Him.

Please explain, "Wherefore lift up the hands which hang down, and the feeble knees; and make straight paths for your feet, lest that which is lame be turned out of the way; but let it rather be healed" (Hebrews 12:12,13).

This scripture means that we, as Christian believers, should be persons of sturdy Christian character. If any are becoming weary or weak, let them throw off such weakness and "be strong in the Lord, and in the power of his might" (Ephesians 6:10). Let them not grow disheartened or careless, lest by their poor example they cause lame and faltering believers to be turned away from following the Lord.

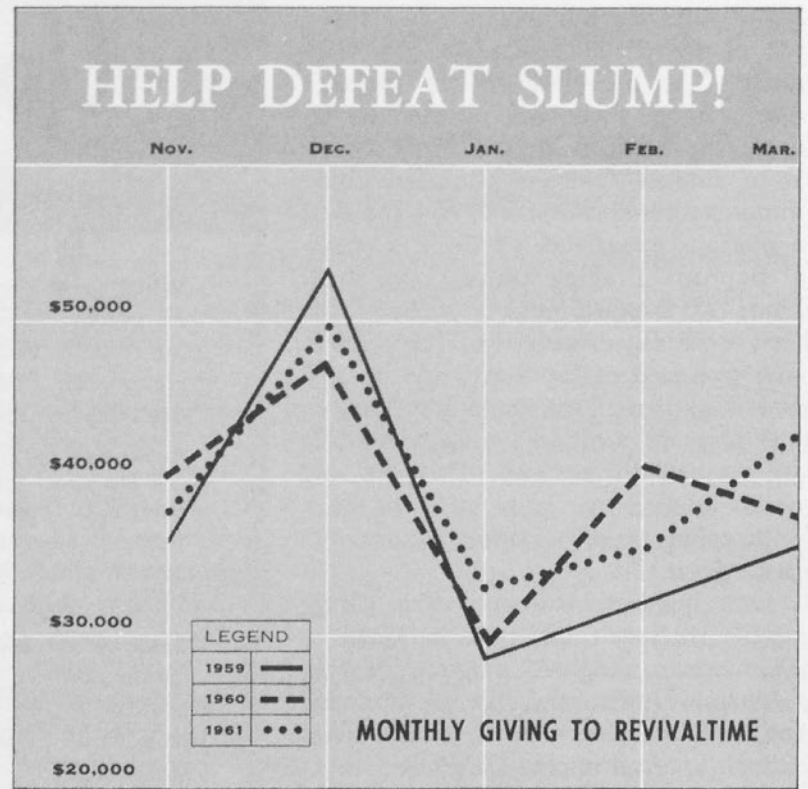
In our community there are persons who claim the gift of prophecy. They go to individuals, bestowing gifts upon them and telling them what they are to do. Is this of God?

No. It is Satan deceiving and misdirecting simple souls into thinking they are directed of the Lord. True New Testament prophecy is congregational, as the apostle says, "He that prophesieth speaketh unto men to edification, and exhortation, and comfort" (1 Corinthians 14:3). It is true there are Biblical instances of prophets speaking to individuals, giving them personal messages. But even in Old Testament times almost all prophecies given through the prophets were to Israel as a people, warning and exhorting them.

If you have a spiritual problem or any question about the Bible, you are invited to write to "Your Questions," The Pentecostal Evangel, 1445 Boonville Avenue, Springfield, Missouri. Brother Williams will answer either in this column or by a personal letter (if you send a stamped self-addressed envelope).

HOW TO CONQUER the JANUARY SLUMP

By WILDON COLBAUGH



Our National Radio Broadcast must not be cancelled from the air waves this January!

IT'S REVIVALTIME, COAST-TO-COAST and around the world," sounds forth the clarion call of D. V. Hurst, narrator, as he introduces another *Revivaltime* service.

Each week of the year *Revivaltime* is on the air. With the first Sunday of the new year, this refrain will again echo around the world on the air waves of the ABC network and independent stations at home and abroad. The full-gospel preaching of C. M. Ward will continue to go out under God's mighty power. Needy people will respond and God will satisfy them.

Unfortunately, each January has been a low month financially for *Revivaltime*. As the graph reveals, during the month of January for the past three years receipts have taken a sharp drop. This means that the Radio Department has to depend upon offerings received other months to pay the expenses of keeping *Revivaltime* on the air each Sunday during January.

It would be tragic to keep *Revivaltime* off the air during January simply because the offerings this month are not as large as other months. It would be a saving of money, but it would be a loss of many souls. We do not want this to happen. Therefore, *Revivaltime*

will be on the air each Sunday night in January.

However, if the ministry of *Revivaltime* is to expand, we must end this annual "January slump." No advancements can be made as long as there is a January deficit to absorb any surplus there might be during other months.

Thanks to the prayers and faithful offerings of *Revivaltime's* friends (and through careful handling of the budget) the deficit accumulated during the recession of last January and February has been wiped out. However, we cannot afford another "low January."

Individuals, of course, find that January is a difficult month for them too. Christmas bills, fuel and light bills, and numerous other expenses pile up at this time of the year. But God has promised to supply our needs as we give to His work.

To avoid another crippling January slump, we are asking each *Revivaltime* friend to pray with us about our financial needs. The situation can be greatly improved if each friend will give something special at this time. Will you not slip in an extra dollar to make up for those who cannot give? Please pray with us for this evangelistic, soul-winning, ministry of *Revivaltime*.

"One day as you were preaching, my brother's child was sick," writes a man in Nigeria. "You told everyone who was ill to lay his hand wherever it was paining them. My brother brought his child near the radio and placed his hand on top of the radio. This child received healing immediately after you finished praying."

One testimony such as this is worth more than all the gifts needed to keep *Revivaltime* on the air during January. Your gift may be the very means God will use to bring help to some heart-broken, sick, or needy soul. Be sure to send your gift today to *Revivaltime*, Box 70, Springfield, Missouri.

I will pray for *Revivaltime's* financial needs for 1962.

I wish to help *Revivaltime* to fulfill its world-wide ministry during January. Here is my offering of \$.....

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TOTAL GIVING

1. New York\$15,337.46
2. Eastern 14,485.79

AVERAGE GIVING PER CHURCH

1. New York\$ 98.31
2. Nebraska 79.47

INCREASE IN TOTAL GIVING

1. New York\$ 1,909.65
2. Southern Missouri 1,727.00

INCREASE IN AVERAGE GIVING PER CHURCH

1. New York\$ 10.54
2. Wisconsin-Northern Michigan 10.32

GREATEST INCREASE IN NUMBER OF CHURCHES GIVING

1. Southern Missouri 22
2. Northern California-Nevada 20

GREATEST INCREASE IN PERCENTAGE OF CHURCHES GIVING

1. South Dakota6%
2. Southern Missouri5%
3. Wisconsin-Northern Michigan5%

RADIO FLASH

The following stations have been added to the *Revivaltime* log:

RIDGECREST, CALIFORNIA (KLOA)
1240 kc—250 watts
Sundays, 1:30 p.m.

MUNCIE, INDIANA (WLBC)
1340 kc—250 watts
Sundays, 10:15 p.m.

ANN ARBOR, MICHIGAN (WHRV)
1600 kc—1,000 watts
Sundays, 4:00 p.m.

LUBBOCK, TEXAS (KSEL)
950 kc—5,000 watts
See local newspaper for time

NORTH VERNON, INDIANA (WOCH)
1460 kc—1,000 watts
Sundays, 1:00 p.m.

HOUSTON, TEXAS (KTRH)
740 kc—50,000 watts
Sundays, 10:30 p.m.

FORT DODGE, IOWA (KWMT)
540 kc—5,000 watts
Sundays, 12:00 noon

GUNTERSVILLE, ALABAMA (WGSV)
1270 kc—1,000 watts
Sundays, 9:15 a.m.

RADIO ITINERARIES

Revivaltime representatives may be heard in person in the following places:

C. M. WARD

January 1: OSCEOLA, MISSOURI—New Year's Day rally.

January 13: CHICAGO, ILLINOIS—Twenty-fifth annual Pentecostal young people's fellowship banquet.

D. V. HURST

January 22-25: WASHINGTON, D. C.—National Religious Broadcasters convention.

January 28-February 4: MILWAUKEE, WISCONSIN—Area-wide training course.

Thanksgiving Day Miracle

A pot of boiling coffee drenched the back of my nine-year-old son David on Thanksgiving Day in 1960. That was a day I never shall forget.

Our family had enjoyed a wonderful Thanksgiving Day up to that point. We had just prepared to leave that evening when our niece and my son David came running into the kitchen. Before we could stop them, my son had backed against the cabinet and the accident happened. A pot of boiling coffee was tipped over and poured down his back.

David began to scream, "Mama, do something. I can't stand it!" I don't know when I ever felt so helpless and dependent on God as then. My child was screaming for relief and I couldn't help him.

We began to pray and phoned for my sister's pastor to come. My mother also called my grandparents' church, which was in the midst of a glorious revival, and asked for prayer.

In a matter of minutes after we called for prayer, God came on the scene. The pain stopped, the flush cleared from David's face, and the dazed look left his eyes. All the skin

had peeled off his back, from his neck to his waist. We applied a bandage and returned home.

Two days later on Saturday morning while changing and removing the bandage, I saw something that made me feel like shouting. In fact, I did begin to praise the Lord. The skin had been completely restored except for two small places.

By Wednesday, less than a week later, David was completely healed. God did in a few days what otherwise would have taken many weeks.

So, you see, that Thanksgiving Day will always be remembered by our family. We are truly grateful to God for this miracle.—Mrs. John D. Berger, Andrews, Tex.

(Endorsed by Paster Melvin C. Long, First Assembly of God, Andrews, Tex.)

FAITH

Don't say, "I feel that I have faith,"
But say, "I know He lives;"
Just base your knowledge on His Word,
Through which true faith He gives.
Our feelings are as shifting sand,
Unstable first and last;
God's Word the rock that anchors faith,
In which our hope is fast.

—Lillian Skipper

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MILDRED SMULAND, NATIONAL SECRETARY

A few testimonies concerning the ministry of intercession—

WROUGHT BY PRAYER

By ELVA M. JOHNSON
National WMC Representative

TENNYSON ONCE WROTE, "MORE things are wrought by prayer than this world dreams of." It will take eternity to reveal the full measure of victories wrought by prayer.

The ministry of supplying many of the material needs of our missionaries and our missionary and benevolence institutions is important. In each of the five areas of WMC service—home and foreign missions, benevolences, and local and district work—WMC's are making valuable contributions. Their untiring efforts are greatly appreciated by many. But there are times when in these same areas, prayer is the most desperately needed commodity.

Letters from our missionaries to the National WMC Department reveal some of the miracles wrought by prayer. From Japan, Robert Frivold wrote, "Following a robbery and auto accident, Sister Frivold was on the verge of a nervous collapse. For three weeks she could not sleep and literally shook with fear! It was hard to pray, but thank God for the burden that was laid upon the heart of one of our WMC's in Yelm, Wash. She prayed for the whole month of December and into January. Then the burden lifted. Why? Because on January 10, 1954, God healed Sister Frivold and took this terrible nervous condition away and restored her to health and strength.

Oh, how we need prayer warriors at home who will bear the burden and pray through!"

When the John Friesens were laboring in the Congo, Brother Friesen became violently ill. Mrs. Friesen tells what happened:

"His suffering was worse than any I had ever seen in all my life. The powers of darkness pressed in more and more upon us as his suffering became more intense, until it could only be termed agony. He began to turn cold, the chill of death laid hold upon him, and both of us knew that unless God undertook there was no hope. We were over a hundred miles from any medical aid.

"In desperation I went to my room, threw myself across the bed, and reminded the Lord that we were here at His bidding. We had come to the Congo because He had sent us, and in this our hour of need we were depending upon His help. Then I asked explicitly that He would place a burden of prayer on someone, somewhere, and that that person would pray through. It was almost 9:30 P.M. in the Congo, but it was 11:30 Sunday morning in our home state of Washington. A pastor friend of ours stood before his congregation, leading the worship service. Suddenly he felt tremendously impressed that Brother Friesen was in need. Weeping, he asked his congregation to stand and unite in prayer that, whatever the need, God would undertake at once. They prayed until assurance came—and over 10,000 miles away in the heart of Africa God touched my



husband and brought complete deliverance."

Although WMC's are pledged to pray faithfully for our missionaries, this ministry is not limited to the women. It is the responsibility of the entire church. John Franklin, missionary in Guatemala, tells how the prayer ministry of a faithful brother in Texas opened a door of service:

"When we arrived here we were forbidden by the government to enter the country to do missionary work. For five months we waited on the eastern border. There seemed to be insurmountable difficulties. Then quite suddenly these were all swept away and we were given full permission to enter and reside. Later we learned that a prayer warrior, by the name of Brother Ritter, had been praying for us long and late, even rising early in the morning to plead with God to open the door of service for us.

"One day he had a vision of a man in white taking a key and opening a golden door. He went to his pastor, Jack Fellers, then of Yoakum, Texas, to tell him that God had heard prayer for His missionaries and had opened a door. Two weeks later Brother Fellers received our letter telling him we were at last in Guatemala.

"We did not know about Brother Ritter's intercession for us until our first furlough. Where would we missionaries be without prayer like that! And what are we to achieve without it! You who stand and pray are actually working with us here on the front lines. So please don't fail us."

Our missionaries do not always learn who prayed for them, but that is not the most important thing now. There will be an eternity in which to compare notes on things wrought by prayer. Mrs. David Kensinger, now in Costa Rica, relates an experience of definite victory through the prayer of some unknown intercessors:

"While in Nicaragua, my husband took sick and lay ill for several weeks with a high fever. It was Thanksgiving day and instead of the fever breaking, he became more feverish and then delirious.

"Desperately I ran many blocks to the home of a trusted physician. He returned to the mission with me and diagnosed David's illness as typhoid. He explained that this was the crisis time and that that night would determine whether David would live or die.

"He sent me to the living room to

PROGRAM MATERIALS AVAILABLE!

On December 26, special WMC Day program materials were mailed to every local WMC president whose name has been given to the National WMC Department.

If you are a local president and have not received your materials by January 15, please write a card to the National WMC Department, 1445 Boonville, Springfield, Missouri, and request yours. They will be sent at once.

pray, and he sat with my husband, doing all that was in his power to help. Weary, discouraged, and lonely, I walked into the living room. There were no other missionaries near who could help me that night. I knew our Christians of Leon were praying earnestly, and with that thought I was somewhat comforted and fell to my knees. There I tried to pray—but found I could not. The heavens seemed as brass to me that night and I struggled as never before to make contact with God.

"Around midnight, when it seemed I could not go on, suddenly victory came to my heart. I had broken through to the glorious presence of my Lord. I began to rejoice in the Spirit, shouting and praising my Lord. When I finally looked around, the Catholic doctor was standing in the doorway with a puzzled expression on his face. I smiled at him and told him God had answered prayer. He soberly told me that it was true, for David had passed the crisis and was asking for me.

"We have never known who it was that prayed through for us that night. But someone, somewhere, that God could use knew our need and did not fail God nor my husband nor me that night. This is a ministry that all may have, both old and young, at any time and any place."

John Hall, missionary to the Mossi people in Upper Volta, West Africa, sums up the missionary's plea for prayer help in these words, "We have been sincerely grateful the past number of years for the packages sent us on the mission field and also while home on furlough. Thoughtful hearts and willing hands have supplied us with many necessities and various delightful, unexpected frills. But the greatest contribution is the unceasing, faithful prayer that ascends in our behalf, from WMC's who know us, and

from many who do not know us.

"Twice when I was desperately ill on the field, God laid the burden for prayer for my deliverance upon individuals whom we did not know, but with whom we later came in contact. A lady in Hermosa Beach, Calif., was burdened to pray for me when I was desperately ill of malaria. She travailed in prayer until one day the Lord gave her the assurance that I would be healed. That same day toward sundown I began to improve rapidly and three days later was able to drive my car home, some forty-five miles.

"When I was hospitalized with

mumps and complications of the disease, suffering intensely, the Lord laid a prayer burden for me upon a lady in Fort Wayne, Ind., whom we did not know. She wrote to tell us that this burden lasted from April 16, which was the day I became ill, until April 28, the day I was dismissed from the hospital.

"Praise the Lord for the faithful WMC's who put the prayer burden first. May 'things' always be kept secondary in these closing days of the age when Satan would side-track us and thereby enfeeble those on the 'front lines.'" ◀◀

A VISIT TO HILLCREST

Returning to Springfield after WMC ministry in Southern Arkansas, a friend and I stopped at our Hillcrest Children's Home near Hot Springs, Ark. It was good to visit with Superintendent and Mrs. Herbert Bruhn and to meet the dedicated members of the Hillcrest staff.

As Mrs. Bruhn showed us around the office and the various cottages, she frequently pointed out things which had been provided by the WMC's. The Garrison Memorial Cottage for teen boys is largely furnished by WMC's, and the boys take real pride in their new quarters.

I couldn't help being concerned, however, about the evident needs at the Primary and Junior cottages, as well as the pre-schoolers' home. The Junior cottage needs to be refurnished, and this can be done for about \$200 per room. Many other things are needed. WMC's are invited to write the national WMC office for Hillcrest project suggestions.

Since it was Harvest Festival time, we got in on a little of the excitement as a loaded station wagon pulled in from South Texas. Presbyterian J. A. Hendrix and his wife, of the Neches Valley Section, accompanied by Mrs. J. W. C. Drake, sectional WMC representative, had brought a generous offering of food and clothing for the home. Hillcrest boys quickly pitched in to unload the station wagon.

A visit to the big cellar-like storage area revealed hundreds of cans of good fruit and vegetables. Three tons of potatoes were also stored there. This kind

of help from WMC's and churches all over the country means better food at lower cost for our nearly one hundred happy Hillcresters.

For the evening meal we had delicious fried chicken. Everyone had all the good whole milk he wanted. Both chicken and milk were products of the Hillcrest Farm.

WMC's are welcome to stop at Hillcrest whenever they are in the vicinity of Hot Springs, Ark. The Home needs our prayerful interest and support.

—Elva M. Johnson



Mrs. J. A. Hendrix, Mrs. J. W. C. Drake, and Elva Johnson in front of the office at Hillcrest Children's Home.



Harvest festival at the Home gets a boost from Arkansas Section 13. Friends from Eldorado made the delivery.



Missionettes

AUXILIARY OF THE WOMEN'S MISSIONARY COUNCIL



These Missionettes are from First Assembly, Houston, Texas. Besides working on the achievement program they prepare boxes for missionaries, make stuffed animals for Indian children, and help the WMC's in making quilts. Sponsor is Dorothy Blaha.



Here are the Missionettes of Kenmore Assembly, Seattle, Wash., with their sponsor, Mrs. Alma Faulkenburg, right, and co-sponsor, Mrs. Virginia Perry, left. The girls have sent two boxes of gifts and used clothing to Alaska. They learn scriptures at each meeting, and are working on the achievement program.



Above are the Junior Missionettes of Glad Tidings Assembly, Ellisville, Miss., with stuffed animals which they made for the church nursery. Their sponsor is Mrs. J. F. Doggette. Below are the Missionettes from the same church who have furnished the church nursery. They purchased two baby beds, sheets, rocking chairs, drapes, and had tile installed. Sponsor of this group is Mrs. H. R. Lowery.



The Junior Missionettes shown above are the charter members of their club at the Assembly in Yoncalla, Oreg. Sponsor Elva Bragg reports that they are very enthusiastic and have enjoyed making awards from used greeting cards, and rhythm band instruments for the Primaries in Sunday school.



These Missionettes are from HiWay Tabernacle Assembly, Richmond, Mich. The Girls have given food to the needy, sent clothing to Alaska, and made scrapbooks for rest homes. Sponsor is Mrs. Vera Stahl.



Missionettes from the Gospel Tabernacle, Alton, Ill. with sponsor, Edna Burnham, left. The girls have made many things for children overseas and shut-ins at home.

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Sunday's Lesson

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CHRIST ENTERS JERUSALEM

Sunday School Lesson for January 7, 1962

JOHN 12:12-19; PSALM 118:19-29

We begin 1962 with a series of lessons covering events which transpired during the last week of Christ's life on earth. It is significant to note that the Gospel writers devote more than one third of the space in their Gospels to this last week. Why such disproportionate spacing? First, because the events of that last week and of their last times together would be freshest in their minds at the time of writing. Second, because of the tremendous importance of those events, especially Christ's sufferings, death, resurrection, and ascension—events which made possible salvation and all its attendant blessings!

Christ had spent the night before the beginning of the last week in the home of His beloved friends, Mary, Martha and Lazarus. At this point our lesson begins.

THE ENTHUSIASTIC MULTITUDE

As Christ left Bethany and proceeded toward Jerusalem great crowds converged upon Him. Many of these people were from Bethany where Jesus had so recently raised Lazarus from the dead. They had witnessed the mighty miracle and had spread the news to others who in turn came from all over the countryside, as well as from Jerusalem, to see Jesus, and more particularly to see with their own eyes the man He had raised from the dead.

THE SIGNIFICANT ACCLAMATION

We are told that many of the people took palm branches to wave at Him. Luke adds that "they spread their clothes" in the road before Him as He rode along. By this act they were recognizing Him as a king.

Their words of praise were equally significant. "Hosanna" (which means "save us, we beseech Thee") similarly indicated their acknowledgment of His kingship. Matthew adds that they hailed Him as "The Son of David"—a direct recognition of the claims of Jesus to be indeed the Messiah. "Blessed is the King of Israel that cometh in the name of the Lord," was their personal welcome to Him.

THE FRUSTRATED PHARISEES

"The Pharisees... said among themselves, Perceive ye how ye prevail nothing? behold, the world is gone after him." What a testimony! First, Christ's enemies blame each other for the failure of their plans to put an end to Christ's work and popularity. Then they grudgingly admit that "the world" had gone after Him, which is to say that the people had gone away from them!

We conclude by considering the following question—

WHAT MADE THE "TRIUMPHAL ENTRY" TRIUMPHANT?

Does the occasion which we celebrate each Palm Sunday deserve such a title? What triumph was there in a king's making Himself known in such a lowly fashion? What glory was there in receiving praises from crowds who, just a few days later, were conspicuous by their absence

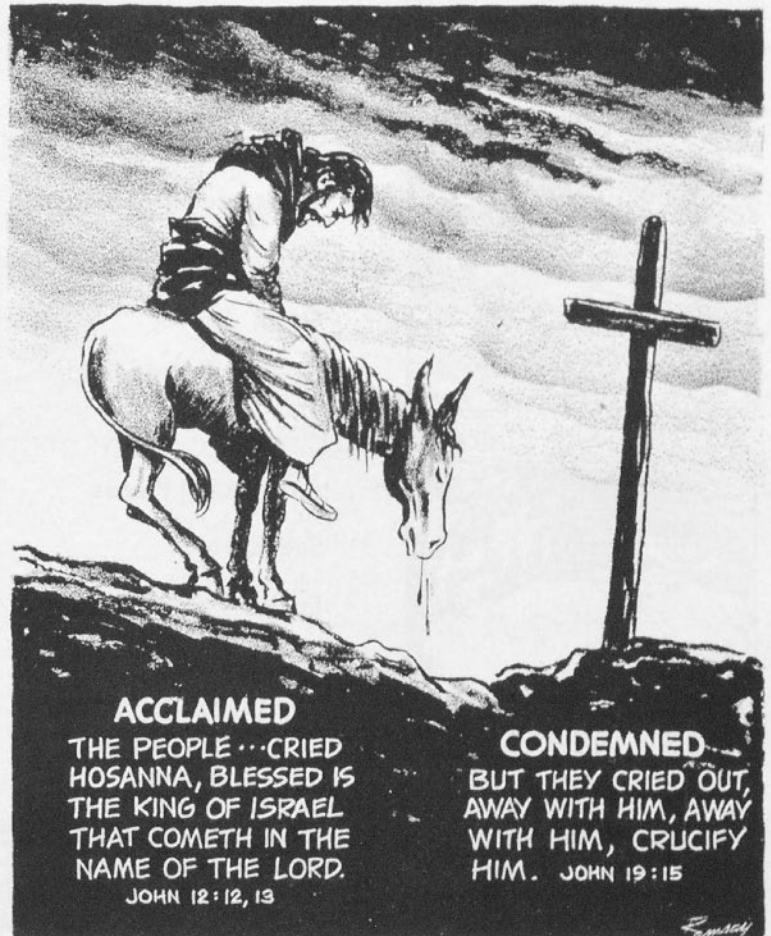
when Christ was put to death? What victory was there in entering the city to be crucified like a common criminal? The answer is not difficult to find.

1. *It established the truth of the Old Testament Scriptures.* Five hundred years earlier the prophet Zechariah predicted in minute detail the triumphal entry. "Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion... behold, thy King cometh unto thee: he is just, and having salvation; lowly, and riding upon an ass, and upon a colt the foal of an ass." We might add that just as this and other Old Testament prophecies concerning Christ's first coming were fulfilled, so will all those be fulfilled which refer to His second coming.

2. *It brought forth from the lips of the multitude the praise and honor which was due Him.* The time had now come for Christ to publicly offer Himself to the nation as their Messiah. Had He not done so, they might have said, "Why blame us for rejecting Him since He never officially offered Himself as King?" Now at last spontaneous, unrestrained praises might be offered to the One who alone was worthy of such acclamation. Some say the same people who shouted "Hosanna" later shouted "Crucify Him!" This we find hard to believe. Even if enthusiasm died, truth cannot die. And the truths the multitude proclaimed lived on in many hearts and bore fruit after Christ's resurrection, ascension, and the outpouring of His Spirit.

3. *It was essential to God's plan of salvation.* The fact that Christ was riding to His death only served to make the entry more triumphant. Surely death was ahead. Yet it was for this purpose that Christ had come into the world. He was the Lamb of God "foreordained" to die "before the foundation of the world." Therefore we read that "He stedfastly set his face to go to Jerusalem" knowing fully what would befall Him there. —J. Bashford Bishop

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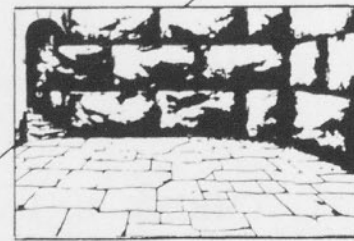


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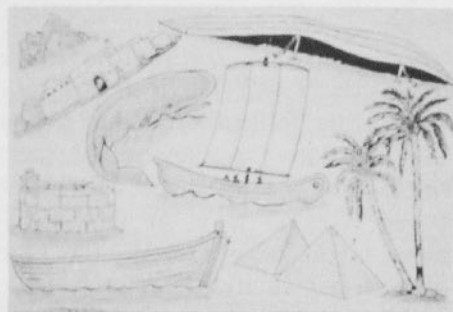
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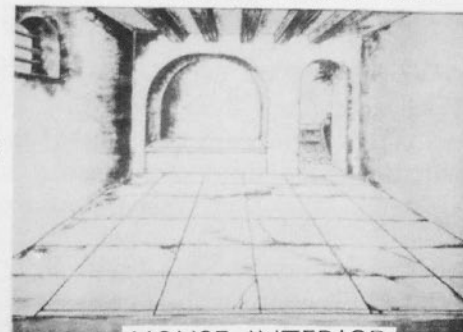


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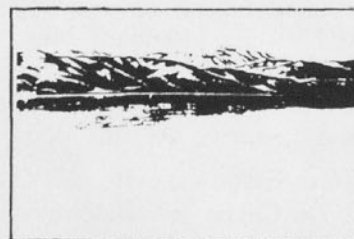


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The Power of Paper

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for hundreds of great Sunday school crusades in this dark land."

Letters like this come into the BGMC office from missionaries all over the world. And continually they emphasize the power of the printed word. Some of the letters are desperate in tone—begging for gospel literature to counteract the communistic literature that is doing its destructive work everywhere. Funds are too low to answer all the requests that come in.

To reach its peak of service for God the BGMC program must employ every boy and girl in every Sunday school in the nation. We therefore would enlist the faithful cooperation and help of all parents and Sunday school workers who must rejoice with us over the wonderful work that is being done by their boys and girls. In spite of the large growth and the encouraging interest, the fact remains that almost one half of our Assemblies of God Sunday schools are NOT participating in BGMC. What a blessing those churches are missing, and who knows how many souls will be lost that could be saved through their help. Who knows how many Sunday schools are lagging behind, and how many churches may be unbuilt, because some have failed to realize the *power of paper* and the importance of this literature program.

If your church is not yet supporting this crusade, ask your pastor to have a BGMC Day this year. National BGMC Sunday is scheduled for February 4, 1962. Our job has just begun—there are so many more people who must hear the gospel before it is too late. Let us see if we can engage many more crusaders to send the Word to all the world. ◀◀

Treasuring the Word

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produces faith, for "faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the Word of God." The Word comforts, guides, reproves, and instructs in godly living. The Holy Spirit works through the Word convicting men "of sin, and of righteousness, and of judgment," and gives faith for miracles that astound us.

The Africans are as curious as Americans are concerning the future, about spiritual things, about "God's country" and who will be there. They have formed their own ideas of these things but the written Word of God smashes into their traditional concepts and points to Him who is "the way, the truth, and the life." It insists unequivocally that there is "no other way."

The Bible sheds the light of truth on all the ways of man. It shows the Africans the plan of salvation. It re-

veals the manner in which the laws of God conflict with their ancient tribal customs and beliefs. By reading the written Word they can assimilate all the great truths of the Christian faith for themselves, including divine healing, and the baptism with the Holy Spirit, which so many have received through personal experience. The Word teaches them how to be witnesses for Christ and sends them out as missionaries not only to their own tribespeople but to people of different languages and customs as well.

Children, too, love this Word. It was amusing to see little tots, without a stitch of clothing, seated in a circle on the ground with one child who could read pointing a grubby finger at each word and saying it aloud. The result of this type of "reading class" was that nearly half the children learned to read the words upside down! Later when they received their own reading sheet they turned it upside down and began to read from the lower right-hand corner of the page! They had to be re-taught how to read the pages right-side up.

How true it is that "the entrance of [God's] words giveth light; it giveth understanding unto the simple." Red or yellow, black or white, all who read this Book with open hearts find that "the Spirit reveals the deep things of God" through its precious pages. If we love the Author we will cherish His Book, read it, and obey it. ◀◀

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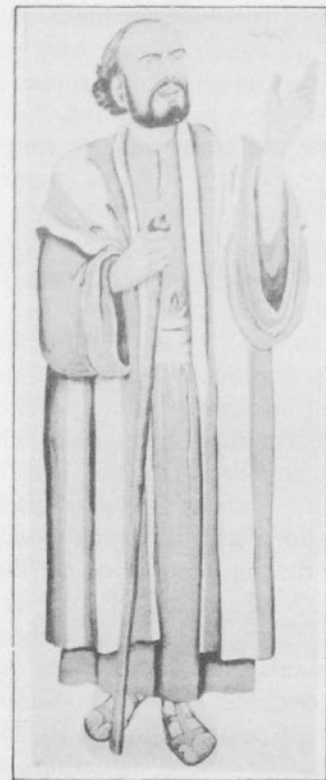
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ANNOUNCEMENT

DEDICATION of new First Assembly of God in Hattiesburg, Miss., Jan. 2 at 7:30 p.m. C. M. Ward, speaker. Brother Ward will also speak Jan. 3 and 4 at 7:30 p.m. —by B. M. Stout, pastor.

WITH CHRIST

JOHN H. HOGAN, 74, of Clarkton, Mo., went to his eternal reward on November 9. Ordained in 1949 in the Arkansas District,

he later transferred to the Southern Missouri District. Brother Hogan served as pastor and evangelist for almost 38 years though he was not ordained until 1949. Pastorates held were in Leachville and Searcy, Ark., and Clarkton, Mo. He was superannuated in 1956. Survivors include his wife and five children.

D. T. ROGERS, of Trimble, Mo., recently passed away. He was a licensed minister with the West Central District and had served as an evangelist.

NOEL L. CALK, of Dallas, Tex., was killed instantly in a car wreck October 31. In 1960 he received preaching license from the North Texas District and had served as an evangelist since that time.

HIRAM A. BROOKS, JR., 48, of Fontana, Calif., suffered a heart attack and went to be with the Lord on November 23. Ordained in 1941 with the Southern California District, Brother Brooks had served as pastor and evangelist. He held pastorates in Long Beach, Carlsbad, and Fontana, Calif. With his father and brothers he also pioneered churches in Bolivar, Branson, and Springfield, Mo. He is survived by his wife, two sons, and one daughter.

EARL RICE, 68, of Fort Worth, Tex., went to be with the Lord on November 5. Ordained in 1942 in the Oklahoma District, he later transferred to the North Texas District. Brother Rice served as pastor and evangelist before being superannuated in 1961. Pastorates held were in Velma and Pawnee, Okla. and Midland and Weatherford, Tex. He is survived by his wife and seven children.

EVANGELISTIC CAMPAIGN CALENDAR

STATE	CITY	ASSEMBLY	DATE	EVANGELIST	PASTOR
Ala.	Sumiton	Canaan	Dec. 31—	Bobby Jackson	C. A. Flowers
Alaska	Petersburg	A/G	Dec. 30-Jan. 13	D. V. Helle	C. L. Strom
Ariz.	Phoenix	Glad Tidings	Dec. 31-Jan. 14	James & Marie Grady	David Geist
	White River	A/G	Jan. 4-7	Val & Elora Munson	Paul Evans
Calif.	Baldwin Park	First	Dec. 31-Jan. 14	Carl Stewart	Burl Rogers
	Downey	First	Dec. 31-Jan. 7	John G. Hall	Ray F. Curtis
	Lodi	First	Jan. 2—	Ron Prinzing	Gene Forrest
	Los Angeles	Bethel Temple	Jan. 7—	Gladys Pearson	Arne Vick
	Monte Vista	A/G	Dec. 31-Jan. 7	Walt Boring	H. Russell Baker
	Riverbank	The A/G Tab.	Dec. 31-Jan. 14	Marvin Schmidt	Lee Archer
	Salida	A/G	Jan. 2-14	Billy D. Guthrie	Max H. Inman
	San Bernardino	First	Jan. 7-14	Garfield J. Unruh	Louis H. Hauff
	San Bruno	A/G	Jan. 2-14	The Tanner Team	A. I. Haun
	San Fernando	First	Jan. 7—	Jerry Jones	O. R. Ball
Colo.	Santa Monica	A/G	Dec. 31-Jan. 7	Christian & Mrs. Hild	Philip Hawtin
	Stockton	Calvary Tab.	Jan. 3-14	Warren Litzman	Leonard H. Rogers
	Boulder	A/G	Dec. 31-Jan. 14	R. R. Morrison	David S. Sandall
	Canon City	First	Dec. 31-Jan. 14	E. L. & Mrs. Surratt	W. F. Heaston
	Clifton	A/G	Jan. 7-21	M. R. Hutchinson	J. E. Austel
Fla.	Chattahoochee	First	Dec. 31—	Asa L. Williams	Morris Frazier
	Clewiston	A/G	Jan. 5-7	Olshevski Musical Tm.	James F. Kimbrel
	Panama City	Bear Creek	Jan. 1-14	Douglas Bartlett	H. L. Ellis, Sr.
Ga.	Winter Haven	First	Jan. 3-14	William H. Kautz	Emerson Jones
	Brooks	Digby	Jan. 7-22	Perrello Brothers	R. H. Monkus
Idaho	Marietta	First	Dec. 31—	Roger Wood	Arnold Ford
	Lewiston	First	Dec. 31-Jan. 14	L. R. White	Frank McAlister
	Nampa	First	Dec. 31—	Walter & Ruth Lascelle	Warren D. Combs
Ill.	Payette	A/G	Jan. 2-14	O. E. (Gene) Vaale	Artus E. Rainwater
	Litchfield	First	Jan. 3-15	Ernie Eskelin	Calvin Bacon
	Rockford	First	Jan. 3-14	Harold May, Jr.	E. A. Manley
Ind.	Evansville	Calvary	Dec. 31-Jan. 14	Charles T. Crabtree	Hansel P. Vibbert
	Hammond	First	Jan. 3-14	Paul Hild	Gordon Matheny
	Indianapolis	Trinity Chapel	Jan. 1—	John Higginbotham	Orman F. Coats
Kans.	Russell	A/G	Dec. 31—	Donnell-Holler Team	L. J. Underwood
	Wichita	Trinity	Jan. 7-21	Jeremiah Hanley	Dean Nygren
La.	Bastrop	A/G	Dec. 31—	Jimmy & Mrs. Swaggart	James Allen
	Oakdale	First	Jan. 7-21	Paul Edwards	C. E. Teagle
Md.	Lonaconing	First Pent. Ch.	Dec. 31—	Charles Crank	Charles E. Fussell
Mich.	Plainwell	A/G	Jan. 7—	Robert Price	Clark Brown
Miss.	Petal	First	Jan. 5—	Billy Wolfe	Johnny Bell
Mo.	Hartville	A/G	Dec. 31-Jan. 14	C. G. Rose	Darrell Friend
	Independence	Central	Jan. 7-14	C. M. Smitley	John Waldron
	Mountain Grove	A/G	Dec. 31—	Loyd Middleton	W. O. Middleton
	Carlsbad	Riverside	Dec. 31-Jan. 14	Jerry & Mrs. Roberts	Carl Tillery
N. Mex.	Bay Shore, L. I.	A/G	Dec. 31-Jan. 4	Byron D. Jones	Eugene Benjamin
N. C.	Windsor	Elizabeth	Jan. 7—	Freddie Richardson	Raymond Hoggard
Okla.	Weleetka	A/G	Jan. 1—	N. B. Rayburn	C. E. Sherrod
	Atlanta	First	Dec. 31-Jan. 14	Leon Morrow	Charles Gibson
	Baytown	Trinity Tab.	Dec. 31—	Colman McDuff	W. S. Graham
	Beeville	First	Jan. 1—	Elbert Smart	O. O. Shipley
	Cleveland	First	Dec. 31—	Mike Wright Family	L. A. Buck
	Dallas	First	Jan. 4-7	Lorne Fox Party	E. E. Krogstad
	Tulia	A/G	Dec. 31—	Winferd Mack	Bob Goodwin
	Quinlan	A/G	Jan. 7—	Al Davis	J. F. Herring
	Spokane	Glad Tidings	Jan. 7-14	Wallace S. Bragg	Wm. H. Boyles
	Wyo.	Gillette	Pentecostal	Jan. 1—	Arvel Kilgore
Canada	Edmonton, Alta.	Idylwylde Pent.	Dec. 31-Jan. 7	The Musical Muirs	Philip B. Houghton
	New Market, Ont.	Pentecostal	Jan. 7-21	The Kudra Musical Tm.	R. W. Running
	Ottawa, Ont.	City View	Dec. 31-Jan. 14	Johnny & Mrs. Garrison	W. J. Edgington
	Toronto, Ont.	Evangel Temple	Dec. 31-Jan. 14	Bob & Jeri Winford	W. G. McPherson
W. I.	Antigua	A/G	Jan. 5-30	Forseth Musical Trio	J. A. Keys

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elaborate meal for her neighbor's family while her own husband and children were going hungry. It is just as wrong for a layman to support every cause that makes an appeal and leave his own church's program wanting.

(2) "Is there an organization behind the person giving the appeal?" Beware of appeals from an independent individual. He may be honest but you probably have no way of knowing for sure. He has no organization to whom he is responsible. There are individuals who have sponged a luxurious living from sincere people who believed they were giving to the work of the Lord.

(3) "Do I know for sure how my money is being used?" Do you ever receive a report telling you for certain what part your money is playing in promoting God's kingdom? It is only a matter of courtesy for the recipient of your gift to supply you with information concerning his work. If you pledge support to one of our Assemblies of God missionaries, he will send you a letter from time to time in order that you may keep up with his work.

(4) "Do others agree that the program is worthy of my support?" It may be that you can disagree with one or two; but if there are many who question its worth, perhaps you should take a closer look at the particular program. Why have questions been raised about it in the first place? Perhaps it is possible for all to be wrong except you, but it is not probable.

(5) "Is my money helping to win souls and establish churches?" This, after all, is the primary function of the Church. Other causes may be good, but if their end result is not the winning of the lost they are not worthy of a Christian's support.

Pledging support to missionaries is helping to win souls. Giving to Bible school work is helping to establish churches. Contributing to an excellent radio ministry such as *Revival-time* is helping to win the lost. These are just a few of the ways you may safely invest your money for the glory of God.

Before making a contribution to a cause, ask yourself these five questions. Depend upon the Holy Spirit to guide you. The Lord expects His children to be faithful in giving of their means that souls may be saved and His blessed return hastened, and faithfulness includes carefulness in distinguishing between those investments which are sound and those which may be questionable. ◀◀

RECENTLY AN ALERTING ARTICLE APPEARED IN A WIDELY-read magazine. This article concerned the perpetration of fund-raising hoaxes under the guise of religious causes. Although we trust there are not very many of these hoaxes, we must be cautious with the money God has given us to invest in gospel work.

Not all who cry, "Money for souls!" will use that money to win souls for Christ. Sad to say, there are literally hundreds of ways in which your contributions may be wasted or side-tracked and not used for God's kingdom at all.

God expects us to be sensible and not to send our money blindly to everyone who makes a glamorous appeal. This does not mean we should withhold our giving. It means we should be wise and know what our money is accomplishing.

Here are five questions which one can well afford to ask himself before making a donation to any cause:

(1) "Is my church caring for my pastor and meeting the obligations of its own missionary program?" If you must answer "no," then it is not fair to send your money elsewhere. It would be wrong for a mother to fix an

Where Is Your Money Going?

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