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WEEPING ON THE DEVIL'S SHOULDER

Self-pity is weeping on the devil's shoulder. It is accepting comfort from Satan. In the guise of an angel of sympathy, the devil beckons to his arms the grieved and peeved, the misused and disgruntled, and all those who have the least bit of dissatisfaction.

On his broad shoulder they are encouraged to sigh and fret while he whispers into their ears that they are perfectly justified in failing and falling. He commiserates their fears, solaces their hearts with thoughts of envy, jealousy, bitterness and spite; he excuses them from every duty, hardship, and cross and favors their yielding to dark passions.

The reason that it is hard to recognize and resist the devil is that most of his suggestions are just what we wanted to do anyway. He never goes against us. In order to say no to the devil one must say no to self and that isn't easy. We dare not accept his proffered sympathy. Self-pity—weeping on the devil's shoulder—usually is a fatal indulgence because it fosters moral retreat and defeat.

At the foot of the cross of Christ is the place to weep. There you weep not in self-pity but in heart searching, or, if need be, repentance, and always in surrender to God's will. It is there you find not just sympathy but enlightenment, forgiveness, grace, and power to rise above your trials. At the Cross you will not be exempted from the battle but rather you will be equipped for fighting on to victory. There, instead of weeping for self, your interests will be consecrated to a cause greater than yourself, and in losing your life you will find it. —*The Wesleyan Methodist*

VICTORY IS NOT TO THE MIGHTY

Christendom today faces a dilemma like that of the Israelites of old. Some call ours the "post-Christian era." We are up against the Philistines of materialism, unbelief, godlessness, and immorality, all drawn up in battle array.

Not just one but a dozen Goliaths are swaggering back and forth and saying, as Joel put it, "Where is now thy God?" Islam is having a revival; Buddhism and Hinduism are having a revival. What about Christianity? There is no use hiding the facts: it is a desperate hour! Yet we are spending time studying Goliath's armor and trying to duplicate it, instead of studying the secret of David's sling and stone. We have come near forgetting that the victory is won "not by might, nor by power, but by my Spirit, saith the Lord of Hosts."

That was David's secret. It is not so important for

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the professing church to know "how the business world does it," or "how the social world does it," or "how the entertainment world does it"; it is very important to know how God does it. The triumph is not to the mighty but to the Almighty. —VANCE HAVNER

GOD'S MINORITIES

When Noah was building the ark he was in the minority—but he won.

When Joseph was sold into Egypt by his brothers, he was in the minority—but he won.

When Gideon and his three hundred followers, with their broken pitchers and lamps, put the Midianites to flight, they were in the minority—but they won.

When Elijah prayed down fire from heaven and put the prophets of Baal to shame, he was in the minority—but he won.

When David, ridiculed by his brothers, went out to meet Goliath, he was in the minority in size—but he won.

When Martin Luther nailed his theses on the door of the cathedral, he was in the minority—but he won.

When Jesus Christ was crucified by the Roman soldiers, He was in the minority—but He WON! Victory depends not on the number of people on our side, but on whether we are on God's side.

—*The Christian Witness*

GREAT SOULS

People who are faithful in that which is least wear very radiant crowns. They are the people who are great in little tasks. They are scrupulous in the rutty roads of drudgery. They win triumphs amid small irritations. They are as loyal when wearing aprons in the kitchen as if they wore purple and fine linen in the visible presence of the King. They finish the most obscure bit of work as if it were to be displayed before an assembled heaven by Him who is the Lord of light and glory. Great souls are those who are faithful in that which is least.

—J. H. JOWETT

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. WE BELIEVE that regeneration by the Holy Spirit is absolutely essential for personal salvation. WE BELIEVE that the redemptive work of Christ on the cross provides healing of the human body in answer to believing prayer. WE BELIEVE that the baptism of the Holy Spirit, according to Acts 2:4, is given to believers who ask for it. WE BELIEVE in the sanctifying power of the Holy Spirit by whose indwelling the Christian is enabled to live a holy life. WE BELIEVE in the resurrection of both the saved and the lost, the one to everlasting life and the other to everlasting damnation.

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We have come to the end of another school year, and thousands of the brightest and most promising young people who ever lived are ready to begin their careers. A whole life is at their disposal. Angels watch to see how wisely they will spend it.

Parents also gaze upon the scene with mixed feelings and ask themselves whether, if they were commencing their own lives all over again, they would not make some different choices.

Each of us has but one life. We can only spend it once, and so we cannot afford to squander any part of it. Every day grows more precious as time goes by. For some of us, life is already half spent. If we have failed to accomplish all we hoped to do we need not be discouraged, for human history is studded with glittering examples of individuals who made a fresh start in middle life and gained great success in their latter years. As long as life remains it is "never too late to mend," by the grace of God.

We offer heartiest good wishes to every graduate of '62 and particularly to those graduating from our Assemblies of God schools. The Lord calls His followers to a variety of careers. Not all are destined to full-time ministry in church work or missionary service. Many are needed in other pursuits of life. But all are called to put God's kingdom first. If, at the end of life, we can look back upon a contribution we have made to the extension of His eternal kingdom, this will mean far more to us than any amount of worldly fame or fortune.

We think of dear old W. W. Simpson who recently went to his "grave in a full age, like as a shock of corn cometh in in his season" (Job 5:26). If we could telephone to heaven and ask Brother Simpson whether he regrets that he spent fifty-seven years preaching Christ on the borders of Tibet, no doubt he would say, "If I had another hundred years on earth I'd spend them all for missions."

If we could ask Lillian Trasher if she is sorry she went to Egypt and buried her talents among the destitute orphans and widows of that land, what do you suppose she would say? Or what answer would we get from Florence Steidel if we could ask how she feels about the years she spent among the Liberian lepers?

Could anyone wish for greater monuments than the Assiout Orphanage and New Hope Town, which these noble women left behind?

Of course, we cannot all do exploits such as these—nor can we all build great churches and Sunday schools like Brother Albert Ott, of Dallas, who recently went to be with Christ. Few of us can win souls by the thousands, as did the late Evangelist George Jeffreys of Great Britain. We cannot all be leaders of great church denominations like the late C. B. Smith of Canada—and the late C. H. Mason, who for fifty-four years was head of the Church of God in Christ. The Pentecostal Movement has suffered great loss in the departure of these ministers. Few of us will be able to match their exploits. But God has an important purpose in every human life. Happy are all they, whether old or young, ministers or laymen, who let God choose how they should spend it. Those who decide for themselves are likely to waste the only life they ever will have.

—R.C.C.

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Finding Your Place in the Harvest

By WILLIAM L. THORNTON

Missionary to Hong Kong

THE STATEMENT THAT "THIS GOSPEL shall be preached in all the world for a witness" was not given as a requisite for the coming of Christ or as a mandate for the Church—it was a declaration of the divine mind, a statement of the eternal purpose.

It is as irrevocable and as sure to come to pass as the command, "Let there be light."

How does God intend this to be done?

We do not have all the answers. However, it is quite clear that an "Antioch" church met the demands of the first-century challenge. A rebirth of such a church will meet this hour's demands.

The church at Jerusalem was a great church—three thousand additions in one service; five thousand members in its Men's Fellowship (not counting its C.A.'s and WMC's); an illustrious ministerial staff; a renowned board of deacons; an aggressive local program of evangelism filling Jerusalem with their doctrine; a fine home missions program (sending deacons out to hold revivals, even to Samaria)—what a mighty church!

But God shifted His headquarters.

The Jerusalem church would have made Christianity a segment of Judaism. The last phrase of Acts 1:8, "unto the uttermost parts of the earth," was about to be lost.

God has more than one way of achieving His purposes. If the Upper Room's "fire" would not send His preachers to the ends of the earth He had another kind of "fire"—persecution! The apostle Paul's missionary activity began before his conversion. It was his persecution of the church at Jerusalem that sent out those who founded the first missionary church in Antioch.

This Antioch church became the home base and headquarters for one of the greatest missionary movements of all time. It is very important that we know something of the origin, principles, and practices of this movement. How wise we would be to follow its pattern!

A great lesson we learn from the church at Antioch is that *only through the divine ministry will the Church be alerted to the vital need of its day.*

The church at Antioch was a church that believed in and practiced spiritual ministries. When the visiting Agabus, cut in a prophet's mold, with the pas-

sion of a Jeremiah blazing in his bosom, began to feel "the holy stirrings," he felt free to express himself. No ecclesiastical refrigerator, this church had a climate that was friendly to the prophet-spirit.

Except we have spiritual revelation we will not be able to interpret the daily headlines and chart a course that will give us the full return of our investments of time, sweat, and dollars. All the finding committees of the world will never give us the guidance we need. We will be too late and miles off course when the crisis breaks unless God tells us what to do.

The world situation is too much "touch and go" for us to flounder in the labyrinth of human supposings. The need is too critical for us to pursue personal ambitions. We must find out where God is going and get in step. He has never been second-guessed by the devil; never arrived too late; never come to a crossroads without a precharted course to follow; never failed to have an advance base well stocked with provisions and ammunition.

We are children of light, not of darkness. We can know the course we should take. We can expect to hear

the voice behind us saying, "This is the way, walk ye in it."

The first Antioch church would never have guessed that a famine was coming to the Jerusalem area, but because of the prophetic ministry they were forewarned and moved with compassion to send provisions. Before the famine took its toll the Jerusalem Christians found an extra supply directly from the hand of God as miraculously laid before them as the manna laid outside the tent doors of their forefathers.

Only through divine love will our hearts be opened so that we may become channels of supply for the needy.

Dr. Tom Dooley found it hard to explain the compulsion that sent him back to Asia after his release from naval service. He had seen misery and despair. He had beheld the world's other side and had committed himself to the "fellowship of pain" as its servant. The words of Robert Frost kept ringing in his ears whenever anyone tried to dissuade him:

"The woods are lovely, dark, and deep
But I have promises to keep
And miles to go before I sleep."

Dr. Tom pled with prosperous Americans for penicillin and bandages; and in Laos, a nation of millions with only one doctor and most of its population ill, he built a hospital in the torrid jungle.

He never reached his thirty-fifth birthday but before he succumbed to

his bout with cancer this Roman Catholic physician demonstrated to the world that there was one American at least who cared. Are there Christians who care about the *spiritual* needs of the world?

In the Antioch church "every man according to his ability, determined to send relief unto the brethren in Judaea." A revival of sharing is the crying need of our day. American dollars are needed to underwrite a program of world evangelization.

Take another look at the pattern: *Only a divine sense of personal destiny will enable each of us to find his place in the harvest.*

The Holy Ghost said, "Separate me Barnabas and Saul for the work whereunto I have called them. . . . So they, being sent forth by the Holy Ghost, departed."

It took preparation to hear this voice—"they ministered to the Lord, and fasted."

The sacred record does not tell how the Holy Ghost said this—whether with a divine finger and an inscription on the wall, or an audible voice, or a gift of utterance. This is immaterial. He speaks in all these ways.

The important thing is that He spoke. And they heard!

And they obeyed!

In whatever way it comes there is direction for each of us. We can know our place in the harvest and can be workers together with God.

Have you found your place in the harvest? It could well be right where you are. But have you asked lately?

What are you contributing to the harvest? All you possibly can, perhaps. But have you the courage to pray about it?

Let me plead with you on behalf of those who have never heard the gospel even once, on behalf of your brothers and sisters in Christ who need to know you care—*share!*

Share—so that those of us who are out here on "the edge of tomorrow" will never have the nightmarish experience of standing heart-deep in the harvest without a reaping tool! " "

A word from an Executive Presbyter
on the Subject of Church Membership



Every One To His Own Company

RECENTLY AS I REREAD THE STORY IN Acts 4 of the arrest of Peter and John, I noted that they were "commanded not to speak at all nor teach in the name of Jesus." I was particularly impressed with verse 23 which says that "being let go, they went to their own company. . . ."

There is something inherent in human nature that causes every one to seek out his own company. Our companions almost invariably are those with whom we have common traits, common desires, common interests. This thought gives added significance to the statement made concerning the early Christians that "they had all things common" (Acts 4:32). I believe there is a sense in which God wants this to be true of each church today.

One other statement of Scripture that arrested my attention in the account of the Early Church was Acts 5:13, which says, "And of the rest durst no man join himself to them. . . ." This seems to indicate that every adherent of the New Testament Church was positively identified as such. Evidently there was a very clear designation of those who were part of that Body and those who were not.

Many advantages accrued to those early believers from their church affiliation, not the least of which was the fact that "great grace was upon them all" (Acts 4:33). It is important that all who follow Christ today should seek out "their own company" and identify themselves with it. Thus they may be "all with one accord in one place" and enjoy the same blessings that were enjoyed by the Early Church.

—BERT WEBB

"GO"

Hear your commission, O Church of the Master;
Friends and disciples of Jesus, take heed.
How are you doing the work of the Father?
How are you caring for hunger and need?

Useless to stay in your doorway and beckon;
Those who most need you will never come in.
Fighting the devil with art and with culture!
How he must laugh in his stronghold of sin!

Vainly you stand in the marketplace, piping;
Vainly you cry to the outcast, "Behold!"
Loud-sounding brass and the tinkling of cymbals
Never will draw the lost lambs to the fold.

Go—to the sheep that are scattered and fainting,
Having no shepherds, and tell them to come;
Go to the highways and tell every creature
Still the feast waiteth and yet there is room.

Go—the time shortens, the night is approaching,
Harvests grow white and the reapers are few.
Somewhere, perhaps, in the darkness are dying
Souls that might enter the kingdom with you.

Go—for the foe goeth, tireless, cunning;
Body and soul he is holding in fee.
Go lift his gage in the might of the Stronger,
And in that power declare the slaves free.

Go—our Lord goeth to man's petty judgment,
Bearing His cross in the midst of His foes;
Let us go forth to Him, mocked and derided,
Bear His reproaches and share in His woes.

Go, Church of Christ, for He goeth before you,
And all the way that you take He doth know.
On the bright morrow He'll say, "Come, ye
blessed";
But till the dawning the message is, "Go!"

—Annie Johnson Flint

PARAGUAY: VICTORY OVER OPPOSITION

By RAYMOND T. BROCK *Editor, Foreign Missions Publications*

ENGINE TROUBLE DELAYS OUR FLIGHT FROM MONTEVIDEO, and it is after lunch before we are finally in the air. The stop in Uruguayana, Brazil, is prolonged to test the engine again, but it is judged safe and we finally arrive at the airport in Asuncion, Paraguay. We are hardly on the ground when Missionaries Ray Stawinski and Paul Hutsell inform us that we must hurry, for we are expected at the Central Assembly for the evening service. We have become used to such sudden notices and begin preparing our hearts for the responsibility.

Asuncion, a city of 300,000, is one of the oldest in South America. It was established in 1537 and both Buenos Aires, Argentina, and Santa Cruz, Bolivia, were settled from this interior city. Until recently Asuncion was the only capital city in South America without running water and paved streets. The government has just installed a modern water system—reportedly the best in Latin America—and the continued paving of city streets is giving Asuncion a metropolitan air. The new Guarani Hotel, being built in the heart of the city, will be one of the most modern in the Western Hemisphere. Since Paraguay is a semi-tropical country with lush vegetation and excellent fishing and hunting opportunities, she is destined to become a vacation paradise for sportsmen.

Although Spanish is the official language of Paraguay, Guarani is the language of most of the people. In the Wednesday night service we hear both languages used in singing and worship. Most of the congregation are descendants of early European immigrants, for there has been little intermarriage with the Indian population. Outside the capital city there are two principal groups

of people that challenge the Christian worker. One includes numerous Indian tribes, many of whom, as fierce as the Ecuadorian Aucas, have never been conquered. The other group are immigrants from Europe and Asia. Most of the Europeans have come from the Slavic countries. The orientals are predominately Japanese who are doing much to boost the economy of the country. It is to these three groups of people—Paraguayans, immigrants, and Indians—that the Paraguayan Bible Institute is ministering. Students from all three classes are welcome at the school.

Workshop sessions with the Bible school staff in the afternoon, and evening services in the churches keep us busy. There are no sessions on Friday, however, because Brothers Stawinski and Hutsell must appear in court.

A few weeks before, when they were leaving Pirareta, they were attacked. Their Speed-the-Light car was badly damaged and the missionaries suffered multiple lacerations. Upon reporting the incident, they were requested to appear before the court. After deliberating the case, the judge decided that two of the attackers were guilty of deliberate assault and detained them in custody. In their testimony they reportedly stated that the attack was instigated by Roman Catholics who opposed the establishing of an Assemblies of God church in the community.

We accompany the missionaries as they return to Pirareta for services on Sunday. About seventy people gather under the thatched-roof structure next to the home of one of the new converts. Brother and Sister Walker speak to the congregation and then we minister, knowing that water baptismal and communion services will follow. We notice there is much activity on the road about a block from the meeting place, but dismiss the



Missionaries Paul Hutsell and Ray Stawinski visit the new congregation in Pirareta.



American cars are seen on the newly-paved streets of Asuncion, the capital of Paraguay.

distraction from our minds as we concentrate on sharing the gospel with these hungry hearts.

We are told after the service, however, that the local Catholic priest had called a village meeting at the same hour as our service. He reportedly promised to distribute CARE packages among the villagers. One of the new Christians, whose family was in special need of help, was given permission to attend the village meeting. He reported that when he entered the school building where the distribution was being made, he became the object of ridicule and quoted the priest as saying before the assembled villagers: "What are you here for? Don't you know that CARE packages are from the Catholics of the United States for the poor Catholics of Paraguay. There is nothing here for poor Protestants." The Christian believer left amidst the ridicule of his townsmen.

Following the morning service, we walk through the undergrowth that has been cut back. About two blocks away we find the small stream that has been blocked to form a pool for the baptismal service. Missionary Paul Hutsell steps into the water with three candidates who have been approved for baptism. Eight candidates who had planned to be baptized were not able to complete requirements for civil marriage which they must do before they can have Christian baptism. Each candidate gives a personal testimony before following the Lord in water baptism.

We are especially struck by the testimony of a woman—we judge her to be between sixty and seventy years old—who testifies in Guarani and it is interpreted for us: "The first time I heard the gospel, my heart was open. But I was so old before anyone ever told me!"

These words ring in our ears for days to come—"I was so old before anyone told me!" How many around the world are getting older every day and no one has yet told them of the Saviour Who gave Himself that they might have life!

Following the baptismal service, nineteen Christians partake of the communion service together. Twelve of these are new converts for whom this is their first communion.

Driving the seventy miles back to Asuncion we see shrines and churches dedicated to saints that do not hear. It is to these communities—most of them without a full-gospel witness—that alumni of the Paraguayan Bible Institute will be assigned. The great need now, however, is a permanent school campus. Presently they are meeting in the central church and renting dormitory space in private dwellings. Land has been purchased, but there are not funds to erect buildings. The recent governmental ruling in favor of religious liberty makes it urgent that permanent facilities for this training institution be erected.

Next Week—*Venezuela: Aftermath of Revival*

CELEBRATE 25 YEARS

By MIRIAM HAYDUS
Missionary to Guatemala

TWO MISSIONARY COUPLES CELEBRATED TWENTY-FIVE years of foreign missionary service in November 1961. The Perry Dymonds and John Franklins were honored with a banquet at the Bible school in Guatemala.

The Dymonds spent most of their twenty-five years in pioneer work in Honduras. A cake made for them by Missionaries Quentin and Ruby Shortes depicted the young couple at the side of a mule, opening their first pioneer church. With as much vim and vigor as they had twenty-five years ago, Brother and Sister Perry Dymond recently accepted oversight of the large Jutiapa zone in eastern Guatemala where the Assemblies of God has more than sixty churches.

To honor the John Franklins, Missionaries Walter and Miriam Haydus baked a cake depicting the first church, first Bible institute, first WMC group, and first Indian Bible school founded by the Franklins in their twenty-five years of dedicated service in Guatemala.

The Franklins brought tears to the eyes of those listening as they told of the sacrifices they lovingly had made to pioneer the work in Guatemala which now has two Bible schools serving Ladino and Mayan Indian populations, three daily radio programs, a rapidly expanding printing department, and an excellent bookstore. The national ministry has grown to 207 ministers.

God bless these two couples and reward their valiant and faithful service.



Mr. and Mrs. Perry Dymond



Mr. and Mrs. John Franklin



FLORENCE STEIDEL, A DEVOTED WORKER WHO GAVE LEPERS NEW HOPE

BY RAYMOND T. BROCK

"FLORENCE STEIDEL DIED 5:30 A.M. April 5. Funeral will be in New Hope April 6."

This cable brought the shocking news to the Foreign Missions Department that the twenty-seven-year missionary career of Miss Florence Steidel came suddenly to an end in Liberia. This was in keeping with her wishes, for she stated shortly before her return to the field in 1960 that she did not plan another furlough in the U. S.

Miss Steidel was founder and administrator of New Hope Leprosy Mission. In preparation for missionary service she left her native Greenfield, Ill., to study in various schools in St. Louis, Mo. It was at the Missouri Baptist Hospital in St. Louis that she received her nurse's training. Later, on a furlough from the field, Miss Steidel studied at Central Bible Institute, Springfield, Mo.

Arriving on the mission field in 1935, Miss Steidel was first assigned to teach at the Newaka Girls School. She became vitally interested in the plight of the lepers, however, and asked to be released from her teaching duties so that she might devote more attention to these outcasts from African society.

On April 24, 1947, the first building was started on a clearing hacked from the Liberian jungles. The leper colony—New Hope Town—has continued to grow to its present ten square miles of land which was given as a government grant by Liberia's president, Dr. William V. S. Tubman.

New Hope Town, as Miss Steidel planned it, is a Christian community with a chapel as the center of activities and a town council of Chris-

tian elders as governors. Lepers are taught crafts and trades that they can use to support themselves when they are released from the colony. Regular medical tests are given to the patients and treatments are administered by a staff of African nurses trained by Miss Steidel and her co-workers. When laboratory tests indicate that leprosy is arrested, the patient is given a "Symptom-Free Certificate." He is then free to return to Liberian society.

Statistics indicate that approximately one hundred lepers are released each year from New Hope Town and return to live among their people. Not only has their leprosy been arrested, but they have learned a trade which gives them status in their villages. More important, ninety per cent of the patients released from the colony have accepted Christ as their personal Saviour and have become witnesses for Him.

One of Miss Steidel's last accomplishments was the establishing of a Bible school at New Hope Town. There are now seventy-one students preparing for the ministry so that when they receive their "Symptom-Free Certificates" they will be able to enter full-time ministry in pagan areas of Liberia.

Not only has Miss Steidel's ministry been a blessing in Africa, but many have been inspired through viewing the story of her life as portrayed in *Steps to New Hope*, a full-length feature film made on Miss Steidel's last furlough. Countless others have caught a new vision of missionary heroism by reading *These Are My People*, number four in the "Heroes

of the Conquest" series of missionary biographies.*

Miss Steidel gave herself without reservation to the people she loved, and received a number of honors for her faithful ministry. In April 1957 she was honored at Liberia's Centennial Celebration when President William V. S. Tubman presented her with the decoration, "Knight Official of the Humane Order of African Redemption." She was the first woman missionary to be so honored.

A crowning tribute to her long missionary career came in 1960 when Miss Steidel was designated Central Bible Institute Alumnus of the Year. She was the first student to receive this honor.

Last April 5, however, Miss Steidel received her highest honor: "Well done, thou good and faithful servant... enter thou into the joys of thy Lord."

A letter just received from Lois Lemm, missionary at Cape Palmas, Liberia, says: "For her burial, Brother Lee Roy Ward was able to secure from the Firestone Company a lovely all-steel, bronze-finished casket in which she was carried over the road in Brother Ward's pickup. The casket was placed in the living room of her home where the New Hope people were able to see her through the window. About noon on Thursday she was carried to the New Hope church where the funeral was conducted by Brother Ward. At the close of the service more than 1,100 people filed past the casket for a last glimpse of their beloved 'Ma.' Her body was laid to rest on the gentle slope in front of the clinic and near the road. This location was the choice of the New Hope people. Let no one—at least for her sake—regret that she died and is buried at New Hope Town, for that was her heart's desire. There were no parting words, no last instructions to anyone—at least verbally—and up to this time nothing has been found in writing. All of us are feeling the loss keenly, but especially her New Hope family. Please do pray for them."

**Steps to New Hope* is available for a rental fee of \$14.50 per showing. Copies of *These Are My People* may be secured at 15c each or seven for \$1. Send your order to Foreign Missions Department, 1445 Boonville Avenue, Springfield, Mo.



A crowd fills the Caracas Evangelistic Center, a direct result of the Jimenez revival in the bull ring last summer.

REVIVAL SPIRIT CONTINUES IN VENEZUELA

By WILFRED MORRIS
Missionary to Venezuela

VENEZUELA CONTINUES TO FEEL THE impact of the evangelistic campaigns conducted by David Garcia and Eugenio and Raimundo Jimenez in June 1961. These campaigns covered the entire republic and awakened it to spiritual values. An evidence of this fact is seen in the fact that sales of the Holy Scriptures in Venezuela this year are expected to more than triple that of any previous year.

Following the Caracas campaign, many people were asking for a place of worship. Every effort was made to locate an evangelistic center. After

much negotiation we obtained a modern warehouse situated almost in the center of Caracas. Following a busy time of painting, cleaning, and building benches, the Evangelistic Center of Caracas is now open. On two occasions it has been packed to its capacity of about one thousand.

Raimundo Jimenez has just conducted a campaign at the center and over seventy have been saved in the past ten days. In one afternoon service five received the baptism in the Holy Spirit and fifty people came to the altar.

David Garcia has returned to Puerto Rico; Eugenio Jimenez is now in Spain, and Raimundo plans to conduct campaigns in Colombia, Ecuador, Peru, and Bolivia.

Pray that the revival spirit in Venezuela will remain and will spread throughout the Spanish-speaking world.

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

Assemblies of God
FOREIGN MISSIONS DEPARTMENT
1445 Boonville Avenue
Springfield, Missouri

New Church Building for Pireaus, Greece

By V. G. GREISEN
Field Secretary for Southern Asia, Europe, and Near East

HAVE YOU EVER GONE TO CHURCH in a building that seated only fifty people but into which one hundred were crowded? If so, you will understand the situation in Pireaus, the seaport of Athens.

The congregation of this new work in Pireaus meets in a rented building. Recently, with the help of the Greek Branch in the U.S.A., they purchased property on the main thoroughfare from Athens through Pireaus. This strategically located property was formerly used for a plastic factory and the building, when remodeled, will seat over 200 downstairs. It has facilities upstairs for Sunday school rooms and a young people's chapel.

We are confident this new building will soon be crowded out because the people in Greece are hungry for the gospel.

The remodeling of the building will cost \$3,000. If you would like to have a part in making the building usable for this growing congregation, send your offering to Foreign Missions Department, 1445 Boonville Ave., Springfield, Mo. Designation: *Mary Metaxatos, Church Building.*



This building in Pireaus needs remodeling so it can be used as a church.



CALL TO ACTION

J. Philip Hogan

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF FOREIGN MISSIONS

FALSE EQUATION

THE CONSTANT FOMENT OF POLITICAL and social revolution with its attendant screaming headlines has given many people the wrong impression of the real missionary opportunities in the world today.

Somehow we carry on a strange kind of addition which says: *political and social upheaval plus the pressures of communism equal a closed door for the gospel*. However, a realistic look at the world situation makes us realize that this is not quite the true picture.

There is no part of the world today experiencing more upheaval and revolution than the vast continent of Africa. In the last eighteen years more than twenty new nations have come into being in Africa, and to date *not one* of these nations has closed its doors to the gospel!

In some areas the development of nationalism is becoming more closely related to the rise of indigenous religions. But even these factors have not always closed the doors to gospel witness. India is a case in point. No one can predict for sure the Indian government's exact attitude toward reception of new missionaries. We have assumed that India is almost a closed door; yet last week I heard of a mission which was able to get six new couples into India. Burma is a country where Buddhism has been declared the state religion; yet we have been able to get missionaries into Burma within the last two years.

Cuba is another example. Mail service is as yet uninterrupted and one of our missionaries still in Cuba reports: "I am not aware of one church that was definitely and solidly established that has been closed. Some small works were closed, but they are certainly a small exception. Even in cases where churches do not have pastors, the laity are carrying on and showing vitality."



FOREIGN MISSIONS BOARD MEETS AT HEADQUARTERS

AT A RECENT JOINT MEETING OF THE Foreign Missions Board and the Laymen's Advisory Council, plans were made to enlarge the ministry of *Global Conquest*. This magazine, formerly published quarterly, is to be issued six times a year. It was announced that *Light for the Lost* is collaborating with *Global Conquest* in Foreign City Crusades.

Other policies vital to our Foreign Missions program were analyzed and plans projected to increase the efficiency of vari-

ous overseas ministries. Participants in these vital discussions were (clockwise around table): H. C. Noah, Emmett Peterson, Edward Johnson, Emil Balliet, R. T. McGlasson, E. M. McNab, E. C. Sumrall, M. L. Hodges, Bert Webb, J. Philip Hogan, Mrs. Irene Ruthroff (secretary), Derooy Owings, D. V. Terry, Rollin Severance, G. Raymond Carlson, V. G. Greisen, and D. Leroy Sanders. Eugene Born, Robert Layman, M. L. Ketcham, and E. L. Phillips were unable to attend.

As is often the case, a breakdown of social, economic, and political traditions causes the sudden opening of hearts to receive a new message. The tragedy is that vast populations which are feeling the stirring of revolution are presenting an openness for the gospel such as they have never shown before. So often, however, the good seed of the gospel is not sown and into the vacuum plunges the message of communism or another of the wicked ideologies of our days.

No one would be so foolish as to deny the encroaching darkness of this hour. Over against this, however, there must be faith and vision enough to be obedient to the command of the Master who said, "Occupy till I come." //

AN INDISPENSABLE PART

Since Christ is the *Door*, you are the doorkeeper to open it for others.

Since He is the *Light* of the world, you are the bearer of that light to the end of the earth.

Since He is the *Vine*, you are the fruit-bearing branch that draws life from that vine.

Since He is the *Bread of Life*, you are to break it for the hungry.

Since He is the *Bright and Morning Star*, you are to brush aside the clouds that veil His beauty from the world, that humanity may see and live forever.

Oh, glorious truth that we are an indispensable part of the great plan and program of God!

I Would, But I Just Can't!

By Mrs. W. C. Langford
Member-at-large, Nashville, Tenn., City Council



"I'D REALLY LOVE TO IF I COULD—but oh, I just couldn't!"

Isn't this often the response of many of us Christians when an opportunity of service is opened to us? We do not seem to have courage enough to try to find out what Paul meant when he said, "Not I, but Christ liveth in me."

If we did believe this, surely it would enable us to be examples in accomplishing things that we ordinarily *cannot* do. If we really did believe it, we would not be able any longer to hide behind that ready excuse, "I can't."

For if we believe the Bible—and most of us Christians say that we do—there is daily instruction we can receive from it concerning our God-given opportunities, and that is, "I can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth me" (Philippians 4:13).

As I was on my way to school for a meeting, the thought flashed into my mind, "What if you are nominated PTA president—would you accept it?" My next thought seemed to come automatically, "If I *could* I would just love to be president—but oh, I just *couldn't!*"

The night before while preparing the evening meal I had forgotten to put salt into the cornbread and it had been *very* tasteless and flat. Now for some reason my mind went back to this and then it jumped to the Scripture verse, "Ye are the salt of the earth: but if the salt have lost his savour, wherewith shall it be salted? it is thenceforth good for nothing, but to be cast out, and to be trodden

under the foot of men" (Matthew 5:13).

What a difference the salt had made in the bread! If I as a Christian could mean to the school what the salt had been to the bread, how happy I would be. Did the Lord mean that verse to be as practical as it suddenly seemed to me?

We were to meet in the conference room and as I walked into the room I found comfort in the thought, "It might be the Lord just wanted me to be willing to do this and, now that He knows I am willing, I won't even be asked."

Our principal entered the room and nominations were presented for the term 1961-62. And the next thing I knew there was my name up for the presidency! I suddenly felt weak all over. The members of the committee began talking to me, but all I could hear was the other voice saying, "Ye are the salt of the earth."

When I didn't answer right away, someone said, "She surely is giving it a lot of thought." I really was. I did want to do all I possibly could as a Christian to influence the decisions of the PTA; I knew the importance of it. But to be president...! I knew I could find plausible excuses. My husband is a pastor and, as any pastor's wife will confirm, there are many things to keep me busy in connection with the church work. Maybe this added responsibility would make me nervous and maybe it would keep me from doing my best in the work of the church... But, "Ye are the salt of the earth" kept ringing somewhere inside. Finally I said aloud, "I'll do the best I can."

When I got home I went immediately to my bedroom and prayed for

needed guidance and for the health and strength to do all that I knew I should do as a Christian. I asked the Lord for a Scripture verse on which I could stand during the year, and this is what I turned to: "Verily God hath heard me; he hath attended to the voice of my prayer. Blessed be God, which hath not turned away my prayer, nor his mercy from me" (Psalm 66:19, 20). What more assurance did I need?

At our fall festival several of the ex-presidents remarked: "How can you be so calm? I was a nervous wreck the night I had charge of the festival." I walked back and forth through the crowded school yard silently praising God from the bottom of my heart for the calmness that was there. More than ever before I realized it was "Not I, but Christ living in me."

Nashville City Council has three members-at-large which represent the three divisions of the city. I was elected to be one of the three and at the City Council meetings have more opportunity than ever of proving to myself (and I trust to others) that "I can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth me."

Mothers, do not close the door to opportunities where there is a chance you might influence the decisions and the standards of the school your children attend. It is easy to stay at home and just express disapproval if something questionable is being done at the school. But I believe God would have you take a part wherever you can to improve it—yes, even as salt improves the taste of bread. Here is an area that vitally involves our children. Unless we stand up for our convictions, how can we expect our children to do so? ❧

Sister Langford is the wife of the Pastor of Belmont Assembly of God, Nashville, Tennessee.



The Latin American Bible Institute (LaPuente, Calif.) faculty and graduating class of 1962.



Choir of the Latin American Bible Institute of LaPuente, Calif. (Barbara Shelton, director)

Ninety-nine Graduated by Spanish Bible Schools

JUDGING FROM THE WORK OF FORMER GRADUATES OF THE four Bible schools operated by the Spanish-speaking branches of the Assemblies of God, this year's graduating classes will make a great contribution to the advance of God's kingdom.

The six foreign-language branches, which operate as districts under the supervision of the National Home Missions Department, are doing a commendable work for God in ministering to the non-English-speaking peoples of the U.S.A. The branches are Ukrainian, Italian,

Greek, German, Spanish Eastern, and Latin American. The latter two operate two Bible schools apiece. The Spanish Eastern District has schools in New York and Puerto Rico, and the Latin American Branch has schools in El Paso (Ysleta Station), Tex., and La Puente, Calif.

These schools have graduated many students through the years and a large part of them are engaged in the Lord's service among their own people, either as ministers or as assistants in churches. The following reports give a bird's-eye view of activities during the past year.

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LATIN AMERICAN BIBLE INSTITUTE

By A. O. MARTINEZ, Superintendent

The preparation of young lives for the Lord's work is a great task and at times we feel weary with the heavy load; yet it is a great privilege to help extend the Lord's kingdom through the young people we send forth.

This is what our Latin American Bible Institute in El Paso (Ysleta Station) has been doing for many years. This year we rejoice over an enrollment of eighty-one students from ten states and five foreign countries.

The Lord met us in a very definite way on several occasions this year, and I am sure those meetings will always be a part of our lives. This spiritual inspiration will be a source of encouragement to many even after they have left school and have taken their places in the Lord's service.

Our annual revival with our former superintendent, Kenzy Savage, as speaker was a blessing to all of us. Four of the students received the Baptism as did some of our visitors. Another high light of our school year was our missionary convention with John C. Jackson as guest speaker. His sermons were a great challenge and I am sure we can never be the same after this convention.

The school has made progress and God has blessed financially. Due to the hard freeze this winter, the school

did not receive the large truckload of fruit and other food donated annually from the lower Rio Grande Valley of Texas. This, of course, has created a problem, but the Lord has supplied our needs.

There will be nineteen graduating this year. I am happy to report that out of the eighteen who graduated last year, twelve are in active ministry and six are helping in their local churches. Pray for our young people that they may find their places in the Lord's work and be soul winners for Jesus.



Men's quartet of the Latin American Bible Institute (Ysleta, Tex.) and their pianist.

LATIN AMERICAN BIBLE INSTITUTE OF CALIFORNIA

By THEODORE BUENO, Superintendent

It is with deep gratitude to God that we report again concerning the activities of the Latin American Bible Institute of California.

This year our student enrollment is sixty-five and would have been more, but we had to turn away about ten applicants for lack of room. This is very hard to do. We are trusting the Lord to help us add to our present facilities before next fall so we can accept all applicants who meet the requirements.

Seventeen students expect to finish their three-year course of study and graduate on June 4. They come from Mexico, Cuba, Puerto Rico, and the United States. We think this is one of our finest classes and we believe most of them will go into active service for the Lord. Please pray for them.

Very encouraging reports continue to come from former students laboring in South America, Mexico, Puerto Rico, and the U.S.A.

Judging from the many applications we are already receiving, a large enrollment is anticipated for next September. We sincerely hope there will be room to receive them.

SPANISH-AMERICAN BIBLE INSTITUTE OF NEW YORK

By JOSE A. CARABALLO, Director

The Spanish-American Bible Institute, an evening college, will graduate fifty-six students this year, and eighty-nine students will complete the second-year course. Total enrollment in the school, which conducts classes in The Macedonia Church (one of the Spanish churches of the district), is 342. Classes are also conducted (under the sponsorship of the school) in Newark, N. J., Bridgeport, Conn., and Philadelphia, Pa., and their enrollment brings the total enrollment of the school to more than 500.

Two courses are offered by the school: one for those who plan to be lay workers and another for students who plan to enter full-time ministry. Faculty members of this Bible school donate their services.

Over seventy-five per cent of the students who have been graduated from the school are in the ministry. The Spanish population of New York alone is over 700,000 and provides a great potential for evangelism to graduating students.

INSTITUTO BIBLICO ASAMBLEAS DE DIOS

by RUBEN NIEVES, School Director

It has been a great privilege to serve the Lord as director of the Assemblies of God Bible Institute in Bayamon, Puerto Rico, since July, 1961. (Manuel Cordero, the former director, resigned at that time to pastor a church.)

Lack of funds, inadequate facilities, lack of a vehicle, the difficulties arising from the building of roads and

houses around the school, and other problems have not dampened the spirits of students or faculty. With faith that God will undertake for all our needs, we are going forward in His Name.

A group of seven determined and ambitious students will be graduated this May, and an impressive group of fourteen will be promoted to the second year. Among those who will graduate is the first blind person in the island to complete a Bible course financed by the Vocational Rehabilitation Division of the Government of Puerto Rico. The school has received a special citation from this Division for this accomplishment. This blind student will remain in Puerto Rico, pioneering in Cayey, a city in the southern part. Two others will remain in different points of the islands and the rest will serve their own people in New York City and New Jersey.

Two outstations are served from the school in the city of Bayamon. These are located in strategic points of new housing developments where there are no churches or missions as yet. The need of a chapel or a house with proper facilities is urgent in the Flamingo outstation work. Serving the middle-class people with the full gospel, our students have seen a number of souls saved in this area in the six months of operation. They have borrowed chairs from the school chapel and dining room to seat the children at Flamingo on Sundays.

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Faculty of the Spanish-American Bible Institute of New York which has classes in the Macedonia Church.



Second-year students of the Spanish-American Bible Institute where 342 enrolled this year.

Crusades for youth, under the auspices of our school and with the cooperation of the area's Assemblies of God churches, were started April 27. They include distribution of literature, open-air rallies, and thorough follow-up of converts by our students.

To be able to continue and to expand our ministry, we need the prayers and the helping hand of our brethren in continental U.S.A. Due to the short time our district has been operating, the subsidy we receive is very limited; and our churches in Puerto Rico are having their own financial straits.

A water scarcity has come, due to constant breakage of pipes and deterioration of the road leading to the school, due to the work of companies building around us. In six months' time we will be surrounded by houses. To keep abreast of this progress it is imperative we improve our property. Present existing buildings must be finished and painted, especially the director's house which will provide much-needed space for dormitories. A cyclone fence is a matter of urgent need. A suitable building for a library (we do not have one at present), classrooms, and offices must be constructed soon. Since existing buildings do not conform to government regulations regarding wiring, space, and sanitary facilities, we must work fast on this problem. We also need a vehicle, a kitchen range, a refrigerator, kitchen utensils, and dining-room furniture.



Graduating class of 1962 (with three of the faculty seated) of the Instituto Biblico Asambleas De Dios, Puerto Rico.

Please pray for us. We feel the Lord has opened a great door of opportunity in Puerto Rico, and the time is ripe for the harvest.

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Editor's Note: Brother Nieves says that \$22 a month will provide a scholarship for a native student. The school has a list of young people who desire to attend but cannot without sponsors. Offerings for scholarships may be sent direct to the home missions Department, 1445 Boonville Ave., Springfield, Mo., clearly designated *Puerto Rican Native Student Scholarship Fund*. Offerings for the Puerto Rican Bible School, so designated, may also be sent to the department.

A Deaf Man's SEARCH FOR CHRIST

By MAXINE STROBRIDGE
*National Representative of the
Deaf and Blind Ministries*

DONALD STARR, A DEAF MAN OF BOOTHWYN, Pa., was a very heavy drinker and knew he would soon be an alcoholic. His life was changed through the funeral of a deaf friend.

Although Mr. Starr was not aware of his personal need of Christ, yet he was unconsciously longing for the peace and satisfaction only the Lord can give. He had never heard the gospel. He gave the following testimony at the 1961 Pennsylvania Deaf Camp.

"Several years ago I was asked to be a pallbearer at the funeral of a deaf friend. As I entered the funeral home the funeral director seemed to be very worried. He said, 'Mr. Starr,

when is the preacher coming?' [Mr. Starr had very good speech and could lip-read very well.]

"I asked the wife of the deceased man which minister was coming, but through her tears she signed, 'There is none. There is no minister to the Deaf in this area.' The funeral director asked me to read a few scriptures in the sign language, which I did. *A great burden swept over me during that funeral service as I realized the lack of ministers to the Deaf.*

"I knew there must be some denomination interested enough in the Deaf to provide ministers who could communicate in the sign language. I talked with Catholics, Jehovah's

Witnesses, and others about the need of ministers to the Deaf. I searched in three states. No one seemed to be interested in the spiritual condition of the Deaf. The verse in Psalm 142:4 is so true of the Deaf: 'No man careth for my soul.'

"One day while at work I was talking to a Christian hearing lady. She had a deaf husband and thus could understand the burden on my heart. She told me that she would talk with her pastor.

"One evening a short time later I was telling my two sons what little I knew about Jesus. My four-year-old son said, 'Daddy, maybe Jesus is sitting on that chair listening to us.'

"I thought to myself, *Maybe... maybe.* At that moment someone knocked. The pastor sent by the hearing lady had arrived. I discussed the problems of the Deaf with the pastor. I promised that if he would get the Deaf together I would try to teach them, although I knew almost nothing about the Bible. The pastor realized that I needed salvation. He showed me several Bible verses, but I did not seem to understand their meaning. I then thanked the pastor for his interest and he left.

"On my way to work at 11:30 that night the scriptures which the pastor

had shown to me began to come back to my mind. '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). The true meaning of the scriptures struck me. I took the cigarette from my mouth and threw it out the window. I then said, 'Lord, here I am. If you want me, use me.' At that moment I gave my heart to Jesus.

"I am so thankful that I found Jesus, my Saviour. I give God all of the praise and the glory for the change He has made in my life."

Soon after Brother Starr's experience of salvation he heard of Croft Pentz, minister to the Deaf in New Jersey and New York. He expressed to Brother Pentz his great desire to have a minister to the Deaf in the Wilmington, Del., and Chester, Pa., area. Larry and Martha Murphy, who were at that time working as house-parents in the New York School for the Deaf, were contacted about the need. They moved to Chester and established a deaf group. Brother and Sister Starr were faithful helpers in this pioneer work.

One of Brother Starr's greatest desires was to enter Bible school to prepare for the ministry. God, however, had a different plan. On March 10, 1962, he was taken to be with the Saviour whom he loved so dearly.

Although Brother Starr's work among the Deaf is over, there are other deaf young people who are anxious to prepare for ministry to the Deaf. To help meet this great need, Central Bible Institute School for the Deaf is to be established this fall in Springfield, Mo. All classes will be conducted in the sign language.

Several deaf young persons would like to enter this school when it opens, but they will not be able to do so without financial assistance. If you would like to help them, send your offering to the Home Missions Department, 1445 Boonville Avenue, Springfield, Mo., clearly designated for *Deaf Training Fund*.

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

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1445 Boonville Ave., Springfield, Mo.

PERSPECTIVE



PRICKS AND THORNS

BY R. L. BRANDT
National Secretary of Home Missions

PRICKS! THORNS! NO ONE LIKES them. They symbolize pain and suffering; they speak of things to be avoided.

Every Israelite knew what pricks and thorns were. The rugged wilderness had taught them well. They would do almost anything to avoid them. That is why God warned, "*But if ye will not drive out the inhabitants of the land from before you; then it shall come to pass, that they which ye let remain of them shall be pricks in your eyes and thorns in your sides, and shall vex you in the land wherein ye dwell*" (Numbers 33:55).

God desired certain action. Failure to act at the right time would result in "pricks" and "thorns." And Israel shuddered to think of it.

Churches, too, can experience

"pricks" and "thorns." All they need do is fail to sponsor a new church in a needy community when the time is right. To miss such a God-given opportunity is to set the stage for the most unpleasant consequences.

What is more annoying than to have some off-color group move into a community where we should have been? How often this has happened. And once it has happened, what can be done about it? Almost nothing but to reap the results of our own neglect—pricks! thorns! Souls which we should have reached are misguided, and even our own congregations may be harassed and hurt.

Prevention is a thousand times easier and much better than attempted cure. Action is the best prevention. But action dare not be delayed when the time is right. Delay is deadly. God does not hold a door open for-if we fail, others fill the vacuum; ever. He alerts us to opportunity; but and they become "pricks in your eyes and thorns in your side, and shall vex you in the land [church] wherein ye dwell."

God forbid that this should happen to your church. It will not if action always follows close on the heels of opportunity. "

Bible Studies for Prisoners



MANY PRISONERS HAVE TAKEN THE free Bible courses provided by the Prison Division of the National Home Missions Department and are grateful.

Numbers of them have been led to the Lord through these studies. Some who took the courses and have since been released are now in full-gospel ministry. Others who are still serving time have organized Sunday school and Bible study classes.

Here are two letters from prisoners received by Arvid Ohrnell, head of the Prison Division of the Home Missions Department.

BELLEFONTE, PENNSYLVANIA

"Dear Brother Ohrnell:

"I wanted to write you many times in the past month, but I have been busy here at the farm. I want to



thank you, Brother Ohrnell, for many things, but for one especially—making it possible to study and to learn more about our Lord and Saviour Christ Jesus.

"I am now working on the course, 'The Pauline Epistles,' and I have received an abundant blessing from my first two lessons. I know there are yet many more blessings to be had as I yield myself fully to God.

"I have been one of the lowest who ever lived, Brother Ohrnell, till I met Jesus in May, 1960, in the State Correctional Institution in Philadelphia, Pa. My minimum sentence
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'To Strengthen Their Hands'

By MRS. VERNON SKAGGS
Northwest District WMC President



JESUS SAID, "AND YE SHALL BE WITNESSES UNTO ME, both in Jerusalem, and in all Judea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth." This has been taken as a scriptural authorization for the Women's Missionary Council efforts of the Northwest District since its beginning in the fall of 1948. To strengthen the hands of those of the "household of faith" who labor at home in pioneer work, National Home Missions, National Benevolences, and on foreign fields, has been the very reason for our existence.

Lest our efforts become mere works of "wood, hay, and stubble" to be burned up when Jesus comes, it is our earnest purpose to offer our gifts first to Jesus. Only His blessing can be the multiplying factor to make our gifts effective for His kingdom.

Our large family of 118 home and foreign missionaries, together with their children, constitutes a challenge to us. In the beginning of our district WMC work, the plan of adoption of entire missionary families by local groups to "mother" in our hearts and specialize in, so far as their prayer requests, personal needs, and a knowl-

edge of their fields were concerned, was conceived in prayer. We have also sought various other ways and means of serving our missionaries. This ministry includes a variety of projects, from the provision of clothing for growing children, to the supply of vital materials of all types for use in presenting the gospel story, and the furnishing of a cottage at Mission Village.

For instance, Mrs. Hope Brooke, Sunday school representative for Costa Rica, requested sets of Christian flags together with the national flag of Costa Rica for her work. We supplied ten sets.

While traveling through the district on a world missions tour with the Leonard Lanphears, on furlough from Hong Kong, we learned that picture rolls and visual-aid materials were placed in a lending library there and checked out to national workers for repeated use. When the tour was over, we arranged with an able seamstress in our WMC to design a durable visual-aid packet. This both preserves the materials and makes them easy to carry and use. The packet, made of unbleached muslin, is actually a cloth book with separate



Sergio Gunther, scholarship student in Montevideo, Uruguay, Bible school.



Mrs. P. Henry Hall and programing clock supplied for Peruvian Bible school.



Cuban Bible school graduate who received first Northwest District WMC scholarship.



Missionettes of the Olympic Peninsula Section, Northwest District, in a recent meeting in Kingston, Wash.

pockets for the quarterly and each Sunday's visual aid. The cover for the book is either cloth-lined plastic or oilcloth, and a plastic zipper case is provided for it.

At the beginning of the quarter in a local Assembly, one of the books is placed in the Junior, Primary, Beginner, and Nursery classrooms. As the teacher concludes the lesson for the day, he places the visual aid in the pockets in order. At the end of the quarter, the quarterly is inserted, and the book is picked up by the project chairman. After the books have been dedicated to the Lord, they are sent to foreign fields for another sowing of the good seed which is the Word of God.

WMC Work Scholarships issued to missionaries for students in Bible schools in other lands is one of our most gratifying projects. Since the fall of 1955, our WMC's have given \$7,688.08 for this purpose. During the past year, \$1,338.51 was sent to missionaries as tuition for worthy students who receive them in return for work. These scholarships are at work in Peru, Bolivia, Chile, Nigeria, Upper Volta, Formosa, Hong Kong, Costa Rica, Argentina, Malaya, Philippines, Honduras, India, Uruguay, and Indonesia (two schools). Our first scholarship went to a student in the Bible institute in Cuba. This is a reminder of the importance of doing all we can while the doors are still open.

In addition to supplying scholarships, our WMC's provide shirts and other items of clothing. We enjoy helping to equip our Bible schools, also. A year ago, we received an appeal from our well-established school in Lima, Peru, for an electric programing clock.

We quote from Mrs. P. Henry Hall's letter of thanks: "We feel mighty happy these days at the Bible institute! The reason—we are now the owners of a new electric programing clock. No longer is it necessary for the director to keep an eagle eye on the clock so as to ring the bell for the students to rise at 5:45 a.m. . . . No longer does he make a wild dash for the manual bell when he is already five minutes late. 'Simplex Wonderful' has taken over the job. It sounds off every forty-five minutes during the morning hours for the change of classes. In the afternoon our clock isn't quite so busy, but faithfully signals meal times, study hall, and bedtime. Thanks a million, WMC."

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There are 216 local WMC groups and 94 active Mis-

Not Our Business?

BY MILDRED T. SMULAND

A MOTHER AND HER FOUR-YEAR-OLD DAUGHTER WENT SHOPPING one day and came upon a blind cripple sitting on the sidewalk with his cup and pencils.

"Mommy, let's give the poor man something," pleaded the little girl eagerly.

"We're in a hurry, darling," replied the mother tersely, "and, besides, he's none of our business." With that she tightened her grasp on the child's hand and quickened her steps to get past the man as quickly as possible.

That night, as usual, the little girl said her prayers while her mother listened. After her usual prayer she suddenly began, "Dear Jesus, please help the poor man we saw today . . . oh, I'm sorry; I forget—he's none of our business."

God has given the Women's Missionary Council the high privilege of sharing in His business, that of saving precious souls. There are certain works that are looked upon as "WMC business," and rightly so, but there is a danger of letting material works substitute for the further responsibility of active soul winning.

I believe with all my heart that God rewards faithfulness—not position or station. I also believe that we may evade spiritual responsibility by a misinterpretation of "staying by the stuff." We need to guard carefully against being taken up with our works for the sheer enjoyment of them. If love for Christ and lost souls is the motive for the material things we do, that love will express itself in seeking the lost.

Our WMC report form provides a line for reporting the number of souls saved through WMC ministry. In 1960 the total was 2,158. (1961 figures are not yet available.) We were thrilled with that report, but I know in my heart that our potential for winning souls is far greater. Could we not believe and work together for a certain number of souls (at least one) to be won by each local group this year, and then set new goals from year to year should Jesus tarry? By inviting unsaved friends and neighbors to enjoy the informal, spiritual warmth of our WMC meetings, and by ministering in convalescent homes and homes for the aged—just by making it "our WMC business" not to hurry past the spiritually blind and crippled—we may experience new joy and fruitfulness in our work.

"And they that be wise shall shine as the brightness of the firmament; and they that turn many to righteousness as the stars for ever and ever" (Daniel 12:3).

sionette clubs in the Northwest District. This past year Mrs. Olive North was appointed district Missionette director. She is serving in an efficient and dedicated manner to guide our young girls in the way of Pentecostal truth and Christ-centered service.

Our WMC's and Missionettes gave over \$42,000 in offerings and gifts during this past year. However, not all their ministry can be measured in dollars and cents, for much of it is hidden in hours of faithful prayer and service. But to this we are dedicated: that whatsoever our hands (and hearts) find to do to further the cause of Christ, we shall do it with all our might.



South-Eastern Bible College choir on spring tour under the direction of Bernice Kovacs sang at Beckley, W. Va., for the origination of Revivaltime. Cyril McLellan, Revivaltime choir director, leads the group in the broadcast service.

CRUSADE STIRS CITY

EDITOR'S NOTE: From April 11 to 15, the "Revivaltime" team engaged in a crusade at the First Assembly of God in Beckley, W. Va. From the opening night God's blessing was evident as the altar was filled with persons seeking God. Many public officials were in attendance at the services, and the "Revivaltime" team spoke at several civic clubs during the crusade.

By T. M. WALDRON

*Pastor, First Assembly of God,
Beckley, West Virginia*

BECKLEY HAS BEEN STIRRED! C. M. Ward, the *Revivaltime* team from Springfield, Mo., and the South-Eastern Bible College choir brought to our city a crusade unexcelled in its effects upon our entire area.

The release of *Revivaltime* was the

first network broadcast ever to originate fully from our city. The magnitude of this campaign and broadcast has penetrated every echelon of our society.

The press and radio gave this crusade the largest coverage ever given to any religious meeting here. Reporters and photographers were assigned to the meeting to report the details of its progress. First Assembly and the

other Assemblies of God churches received publicity that could not have been purchased at any price.

The excellent manner in which Brother Ward represented Christ and our movement on radio and television interviews and before civic organizations, as well as in our auditorium, has greatly impressed thousands of people in this area.

City officials and members of the state legislature, along with people from practically all religious denominations in the city, gave their support to the meeting.

This *Revivaltime* crusade has gone into the annals of our city's history as one of the most outstanding religious events ever to come to this area.



Bartlett Peterson, executive director of the Radio Department, presents the Honor of Origination plaque to T. M. Waldron. Photo at right: Cyril McLellan leads congregational singing in the pre-broadcast service.





Brother Peterson presents to Andrew E. Spence, Jr., president of South-Eastern Bible College, an Honor of Origination plaque for participation of the choir in the broadcast service. Bernice Kovacs, choir director, stands in center.



C. M. Ward accepts a letter of welcome from the Chamber of Commerce extended by its president, Rodney Webb, and managing director, Bob Hamilton. Brother Ward also spoke to other civic organizations while in Beckley.

Bible Studies

(Continued from page fifteen)

will be up in May of 1963 when I go home to join my family. My present age is twenty-nine, and I am married and have three children. By God's grace I feel called to go into the ministry some time after my release."

CARSON CITY, NEVADA

"Dear Mr. Ohnell:

"Find enclosed the final course completed and ready for your attention. I wish to take this opportunity to say that I have found all of these Bible courses to be very informative and of spiritual blessing. In rereading your correspondence of November 27, 1961, I am convinced that reading through the entire Bible with special attention to life stories is sound advice, and I have already started doing so.

"It is very possible that after my release I may be able to attend a Bible college and I would appreciate information in that direction. We continue to request your prayers."

Thousands of the study courses are distributed each year upon request. Many of them are returned to the Prison Division for grading. When a prisoner has completed the seven courses, he receives a lovely master certificate and is allowed to take advance courses with the Assemblies of God Berean School of the Bible. (An eighth course is presently being prepared by the Prison Division.)

The results of this great prison literature ministry are far reaching. The expanding ministry of the Prison Division is made possible through the regular contributions of several hundred Assemblies of God churches and generous individuals. An offering of \$10 will cover the cost of seven courses, and \$1.50 will pay for one book plus postage. Offerings should be sent direct to the Home Missions Department, 1445 Boonville Ave., Springfield, Mo., clearly designated for *Prison Correspondence Courses*.

Revivaltime Giving

TOP DISTRICTS

January 1 to March 31, 1962

TOTAL GIVING

1. New York\$4,513.98
2. Southern California..... 4,342.76

AVERAGE GIVING PER CHURCH

1. New York\$ 28.75
2. Montana 24.93

INCREASE IN TOTAL GIVING

1. New York\$1,440.38
2. West Florida 921.35

INCREASE IN AVERAGE GIVING PER CHURCH

1. New York\$ 9.05
2. West Florida 6.11

GREATEST INCREASE IN NUMBER OF CHURCHES GIVING

1. New Mexico 22
2. North Texas 13

GREATEST INCREASE IN PERCENTAGE OF CHURCHES GIVING

1. New Mexico 25%
2. North Dakota 6%

Send all letters and contributions to
REVIVALTIME, BOX 70,
SPRINGFIELD, MISSOURI



I Challenge All Men

TO SUPPORT AGED MINISTERS' ASSISTANCE

Burton Pierce, National Director of Assemblies of God Men's Fellowship, says:

I challenge you to support Aged Ministers' Assistance because you, as a man, can understand so well the anxiety and frustration of another man who finds himself unable to provide for the needs of those who depend on him.

Many aged ministers and missionaries come to retirement years with no source of income. Chosen by God Himself for the ministry and following His calling, they have not lived and worked for self-advancement and profit. But they are human—and a man who loses his ability to provide for his own also loses his self-confidence. After a lifetime of self-sacrifice, this must not happen to our aged ministers. I challenge you to support the program which provides happiness and security for them.

Today is designated as Aged Ministers' Assistance Day in all Assemblies of God churches. Meet your challenge by contributing liberally to:

Aged Ministers' Assistance
Department of Benevolences
1445 Boonville Avenue
Springfield, Missouri





*“He leadeth me in the paths
of righteousness for His name’s sake”*

*Number Four in a series of articles
on the Twenty-Third Psalm*

*by W. H. ROBERTSON
Secretary-Treasurer, Southern California District*



HE LEADS

“HE LEADETH ME!” WHAT A WON-
drous link between these two personal
pronouns! The distance between the
Shepherd in glory and His poor sheep
on earth might seem to be infinite,
but it is bridged by the sweet, tender
words, “He leadeth.” As the shepherd
always precedes the flock to discover
the greenest patches of grass and the
least stony path, so does Jesus ever
keep in front of the soul that trusts
and loves Him. It is our part to al-
low as small a space as possible be-
tween His footsteps and ours.

We must be willing to be led. There
is so much natural impetuosity in us
to “shoot out” in front and “prospect”
for ourselves. We think we can do
so much better for ourselves than
Christ can. We wonder if there is
something outside the limit of His will
which might be worth snatching at.
We are inclined to run ahead or linger
behind, or go off to fields on the
right or on the left. We take a long
time before we learn that the place
of usefulness and blessedness is in
following the lead of Jesus. We are
much more prone to imitate some
scheme which our judgment may have
approved after a hurried hearing of
its claim, than to ask Christ where
He wants us to be and where He is
leading. Our one ambition should be
to make sure we are following reso-
lutely the Shepherd wherever *He* goes.
“He goeth before them, and the sheep
follow him.”

These words make a considerable
demand upon our faith. The apostles
of old could see Jesus visibly in front
of them, but that is impossible now.
Instead, we love Him whom we have
not seen; we follow Him whom we

cannot behold. Yet His leadings are
distinctly discernible by the trusting,
loving heart.

We detect His leadings in many
ways: in the drift of His example
and in the direction of His advice
contained in the Gospels; in the coun-
cil of a friend; in the message of a
sermon; in those inner promptings of
His Spirit, though we may not know
their origin nor their conclusion. Some-
times, when the way seems closed, it
marvelously opens up before us—as a
ship finds space in rocky, dangerous
waters. At other times a strange im-
pulse seizes us and, after thought and
prayer, we are constrained to follow.

We would insist upon this only: If
you don’t know which way to go, wait
until you are sensitive to the leadings
of the Good Shepherd. Your life is
wonderfully interesting to Him. Ev-
ery step of it is the object and con-
cern of His thought. It would be a
sore mistake, and wrong for you, to
act without being sure of His wishes
for you. And, if you are not certain,
it is evident that the time has not
come for you to move. Stay where
you are! If you dare to wait, you
will be shown your path clearly, and
the revelation will not come a mo-
ment too late. Remember, there are
ways other than “still waters” by
which the Shepherd is leading us
home!

Christ’s leadings are always along
“paths of righteousness.” And what
are these right paths? They are ones
not only consistent with the Divine
Record but they are justified by the
review of the Spirit and, in looking
back, there is confirmation they were
right paths.

You hesitate! You say you cannot
feel that God’s ways with you have
been right. You are puzzled by their
mystery. Aren’t you glad that God
knows our frame? We are mere dust.
Do not judge God’s ways while they
are in progress. Wait until the work
is complete. Wait until the tapestry is
finished and you can see the other
side. Wait until in the light of eternity,
God can call you aside and reveal to
you His purpose. Meanwhile, trust!

Oh, that we had the faith to look
up from every trying circumstance and
every fretting worry, annoyance, and
temptation into the face of our Guide,
and say, “It is the right way, Thou
Great Shepherd of the Sheep. Lead
Thou me on.” We do not need to
plead with Him for this. He is pledged
to do it for the sake of His own
great Name— “. . . for his name’s
sake.” Remember how zealous Moses
was for the honor of the Name of
God. From many a saintly lip have
the words come, “What wilt *thou*
do for *thy* great name?” The Name de-
notes the honor and character of God.

What is His Name? His Name is
“Wonderful” and with it there is a
claim on the marvelous working of
His power to direct everything to our
highest good. He is “Counselor” with
a claim upon unerring wisdom to work
out a scheme which will fill heaven
with admiration. “The Mighty God”
holds the claim to do nothing incon-
sistent with divine integrity and glory.
He is “The Everlasting Father” and
will deal no less tenderly with us than
a father with his child. And as “The
Prince of Peace” there is a claim on
Him in accordance with the sweetness
and loveliness of His heart. There is
the memory of His cross and the
tenderness of His benediction of peace.

“For his name’s sake.” What a plea
this is! He will not deny Himself, or
belie His character, or do aught in-
consistent with His tender love for
those for whom He died.

Tell us Thy Name, O Wondrous
Shepherd, as Thou dost go on before,
leading us by the way of Gethsemane
and Calvary to the Garden of Easter
morn and the Mount of the Ascension.
And, as we catch Thy reply, melodi-
ous with love, we will trust and not
be afraid. We will follow Thee whith-
ersoever Thou goest, and we believe
that we shall find no step inconsistent
with the leadings of a love that is wise
and strong and tender as Thine own
great heart, O Lord Divine. ❧



BGMC PAGE

FRANCES FOSTER—DIRECTOR



BOYS AND GIRLS MISSIONARY CRUSADE

Something Special for Jan

By JEWELL READY

THE SUNLIGHT STREAMED THROUGH Jan's ruffled bedroom window and sparkled on a dime in her pink glass pig bank. She reached for the bank, at the same time catching Gretchen's eye in the dressingtable mirror.

"I'm saving for something special," she told her friend without turning around. "I have almost two dollars now."

"What are you going to get with it?" Gretchen scooped back her blond side bangs.

"Oh, I don't know yet," Jan told her, polishing the bank with one finger. "Just something very special." She turned. "Do you have a bank?"

Gretchen drew her arms tighter around Jan's huge teddy bear and crossed her feet akimbo on the window seat. "Oh, yes," she said. "I have a BGMC barrel bank."

Jan had never heard of it. "What does 'BGMC' mean?"

"Boys and Girls Missionary Crusade," Gretchen explained. "Our church in Midville gave us the banks so I brought mine with me when we moved here. I thought probably our church here would have a BGMC too."

Jan's dark eyes clouded. "But what do you do—I mean, I don't understand about it."

Gretchen laughed. "I didn't explain it very well, did I? I guess I just thought everybody knew about BGMC." She brushed her cheek against the bear. "Well, BGMC is just what it sounds like. Boys and girls have a real missionary crusade,

just like the adults in our churches."

"How?" Jan was very interested. "Boys and girls can't be missionaries—I certainly couldn't go all over the world!"

"Of course not, silly," Gretchen threw her head back and laughed aloud. Jan laughed too. She couldn't help it, because Gretchen seemed to enjoy everything so much that Jan enjoyed everything too when she was with her. Gretchen sobered to explain: "BGMC members save money—in the little barrels like I have—and send Sunday school lesson books and story papers to boys and girls who live in countries which speak English, but who have no money to buy Sunday school lesson material. We do other things too—it depends on how much money is collected from all the BGMC groups."

Jan didn't stop to think about it. "You mean you just give your money away like that—you don't have a bank to buy things for yourself?"

Gretchen shrugged a little. "I have so much," she said slowly. "My cousins who live in Europe are very poor, and although they are Christians and go to church they don't enjoy Sunday school as much as I do because they don't have lesson books to learn from and story papers to read."

Jan placed the bank back on the dressing table and fluffed her hair in the mirror. "You enjoy everything, Gretchen," she said. "Let's go out to the kitchen."

Jan wouldn't have hurt her friend's feelings, but it was a little silly, she figured, to save as little money as she had for something so small as a Sunday school lesson book and story paper for someone she never would see.

She didn't even think about it again until the next morning. She slipped her feet into the black patent sandals saved for Sunday school, and picked up her Bible and Sunday school lesson book. That was when it all meant something important. For the first time Jan realized just what having written lessons meant to her—that she

could study the Bible in story form and have it all explained so that she, a young girl, could understand. And suddenly she was ashamed.

"Lord, I've been unthankful for so many blessings," she prayed. "I want to never be so ungrateful and selfish that I do not share with other people—especially people who need things."

When the Junior class assembled that morning, Jan raised her hand for permission to speak. "Miss Larson, may we discuss the Boys and Girls Missionary Crusade?"

Miss Larson nodded her head and smiled. "Would you like to tell us about it, Jan?"

Jan looked at Gretchen. "Well—I think Gretchen could explain it better..."

Gretchen's eyes lit up. "I'd like to," she said.

Jan thought of her own bank and how she would empty it into the barrel bank just as soon as the class received their supply. She was saving for something special, and the feeling in her heart said that the something special was Sunday school literature for foreign boys and girls!

Do you want information concerning the Boys and Girls Missionary Crusade? Please write to us, addressing your letter to: BGMC Director, National Sunday School Department, 1445 Boonville Avenue, Springfield, Missouri.

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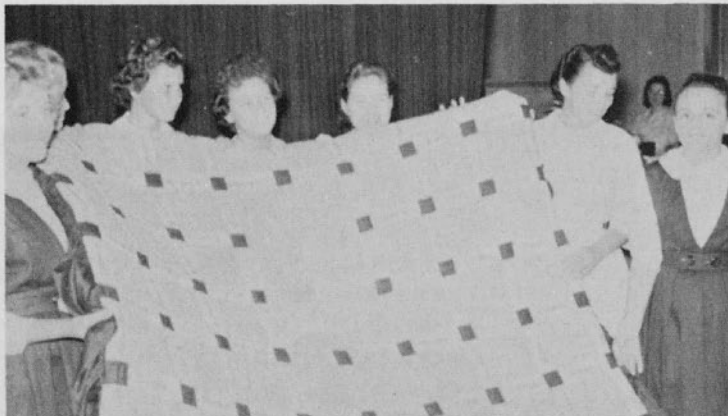
Here are the Missionettes and Junior Missionettes from Tolleson, Ariz., with their sponsors, Mrs. Paralee Goff, fifth from left, and Mrs. Lola Burns, back row. The photo was taken at their candlelighting service.



Junior Missionettes from Mt. Holly, N. J., are shown with their sponsor, Mrs. V. M. Slater, right and her assistant, Mrs. W. Faulkner, back row. Girls are displaying scrapbooks they made for missionaries.



Above are some of the more than 200 Missionettes and sponsors who attended the first Missionette Day at the Potomac Camp. Behind the pulpit are Mrs. Mildred Smuland, National WMC Secretary, and Miss Hazel Devore, Potomac District WMC President.



Displaying a quilt they made are Missionettes from Vidor, Texas. Notice Missionette emblem in quilt center. Sponsor is Mrs. Pat Chance.



Mrs. Don Cruger is shown with her Missionettes from Spokane Valley, Wash. The girls have visited a rest home and taken gifts to the patients. They do handwork and occasionally enjoy a social get-together.



This Missionette Club of Bunker Hill Assembly, Coos Bay, Oreg., has grown to twenty-two members. The girls are working on the steps of the achievement program. They have sent gifts to missionaries and visit shut-ins. Sponsor is Mrs. Harold Conn.



Missionettes and sponsor, Mrs. Loretta Klein, Oldtown, Md., who attended Potomac District Camp last year. The girls visit shut-ins, work in their local church, and are participating in the Stairway to the Stars achievement program.



Missionettes from Windom, Minn., have completed several layettes for home missionaries, and conducted services at a rest home. Sponsor is Mrs. William Bell.

Sunday's Lesson

"RIGHTLY DIVIDING THE WORD OF TRUTH"



THE BELIEVER'S PRIVILEGE

Sunday School Lesson for June 3, 1962

HEBREWS 10:19-29

THE BELIEVER'S PRIVILEGES REVIEWED (vv. 19-21)

The writer of the Book of Hebrews here reviews and summarizes the great doctrinal teachings of the entire book, once again pointing out by inference the transcendent superiority of New Testament Christianity over Old Testament religion. These New Covenant privileges are reviewed in order that the writer may drive home to the believer his responsibilities in the light of those privileges.

1. *Freedom of access into God's immediate presence.* "Having therefore, brethren, boldness to enter into the holiest." Under the old order the worshiper could not come into God's presence; he must send a priest in as his mediator. Now the believer, free from fear and doubt, may enter with confidence into God's presence.

The writer then explains the way and means by which Christians may have this boldness of access. (1) It is "by the blood of Jesus," that is, by the merit of His once-for-all, eternal, all-sufficient sacrifice; by the blood which He offered to God as the only qualified sacrifice, and which fully atoned for the sin of mankind. (2) It is "by a new and living way." It is a "new" way in contrast to the outmoded Old Covenant. It is "new" in its method of providing for man's spiritual needs. It is a "living way" in that it would mean death to attempt to come to God by the old way; it is a "living" way in that it is opened by a Christ who was dead but who now lives; it is "living" in that it provides life to those who enter by it!

2. *A Great High Priest.* Christians are again reminded of all that the writer has previously said concerning the superiority of Christ, our great High Priest, to those earthly priests who ministered under the Old Covenant. This High Priest lives forever. He is sinless yet completely sympathetic with man in that He was a man Himself. This Priest does not merely wear ornaments to remind Him of men in their need—"He is able also to save them to the uttermost that come unto God by him, seeing he ever liveth to make intercession for them."

THE BELIEVER'S RESPONSIBILITIES (vv. 22-25)

Throughout the book the sacred writer repeatedly has broken into his doctrinal dissertation to make practical applications. Now again, after the longest and most forceful doctrinal discussion, previous exhortations are repeated and new ones declared, all of them more forcefully than before.

"Having" these privileges, "let us..." says the writer. Twelve times this expression is used in the Book. See 4:1, 11, 14, 16; 6:1; 10:22, 23, 24; 12:1, 28; 13:13, 15.

1. *The Duty of Divine Worship* (v. 22). "Let us draw near." It has been pointed out that this expression refers to the approaching of the Israelites to their earthly sanctuary after necessary ceremonial preparation. This approach was accompanied by fear and trembling. By contrast, the New Testament believer comes into the presence of God without fear. This approach is conditioned upon a number of things. Most important is that we come "with a true heart in full assurance of faith." And a true heart which is full of faith simply means that we need have no hesitancy in approaching God as long as our faith is based upon the merit of the shed Blood, and as long as we are sincere and free from the consciousness of known sin.

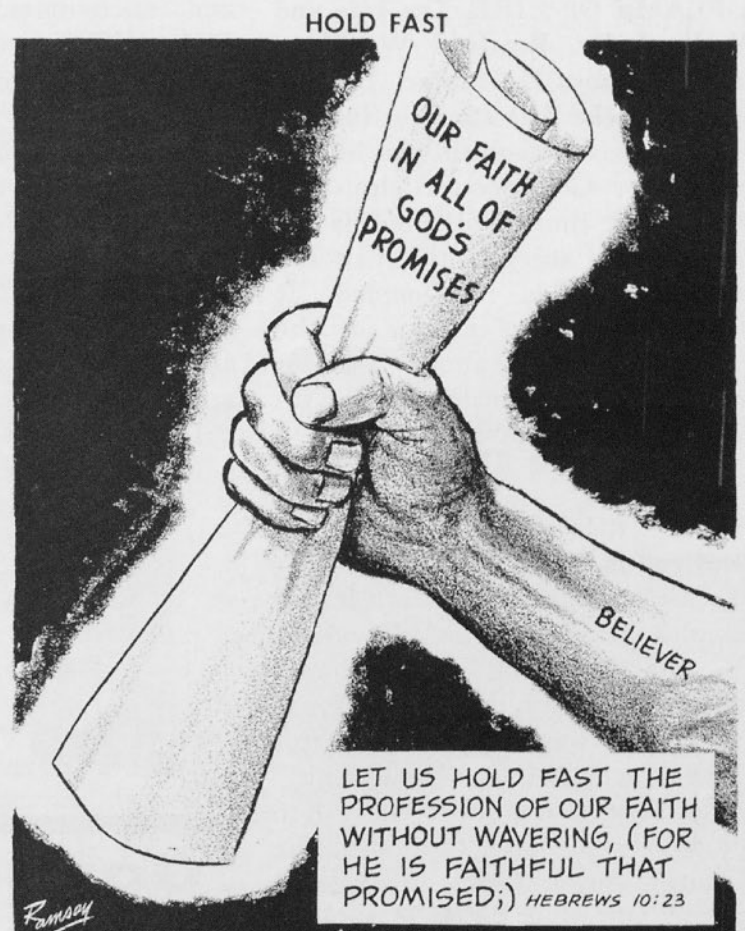
2. *The Duty of Confident Testimony.* "Let us hold fast the profession of our faith," that is, the testimony of our faith in Christ as Saviour and our awareness of those miraculous transformations He has wrought in us.

3. *The Duty of Christian Service and Love.* "Let us consider one another." The Christian who enjoys the grace of God will want to share it with others. Are we "provoking unto love," or are we provoking others to wrath?

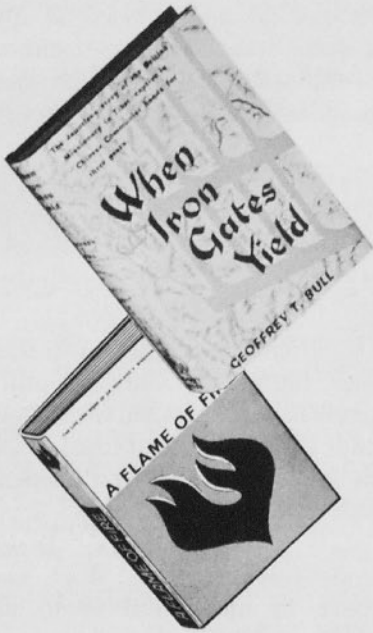
4. *The Duty of Church Attendance.* "Not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together." The Scriptures completely condemn that professing Christian who claims he does not need to attend the services of the church regularly. To neglect such is to take the first step toward the apostasy of which verses 26-29 speak!

—J. Bashford Bishop

The only way to prepare to meet God is to live with God so that to meet Him will be nothing strange.



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DOWN IN MEXICO

THE REPUBLIC OF MEXICO (ESTADOS Unidos Mexicanos) is our neighboring republic to the south. A United States citizen need only cross an international bridge—and he is in a “different world.”

To the tourist Mexico is the land of adobe houses and siestas, sombreros and serapes, guitar-strumming caballeros and gaily dressed dancing señoritas. To the archaeologist Mexico is the land of the ancient Mayas, Toltecs, and Aztecs—Indian tribes which had well-developed civilizations before their land was discovered and conquered by Spain. To world governments the republic has come to be considered a leader in Latin American affairs for, “as goes Mexico, so goes Latin America.” To the Assemblies of God Mexico is a needy mission field.

This “land of Mañana” has an area of 760,373 square miles, and a population of nearly 35,000,000.

Along Mexico’s seacoasts are tropical plains. The interior of the country is a high plateau averaging 5,000 feet above sea level. Above this tableland rise magnificent snow-crowned

peaks. Mount Orizaba, highest in Mexico and second highest in North America, rises to 18,500 feet. The principal cities, with few exceptions, are located on the central plateau. The capital, Mexico City, a metropolis of nearly 5,000,000, is situated 7,500 feet above sea level.

Between the time of Cortez’ arrival in 1519 and the War of Independence in 1821, Mexico knew little progress. Regimes of oppression reduced two-thirds of the people to serfdom. No education was provided for the masses; more than eighty per cent were illiterate. These injustices precipitated a war in 1910. Out of this long struggle a new Mexico emerged in 1917 with a constitution that provided major reforms. Transportation and communication facilities were improved and expanded and the standard of living raised through the enactment of social welfare and labor laws.

Mexico’s geographical outline resembles a “Horn of Plenty,” which indeed it is. It is claimed that if Mexico’s resources were fully developed the people could survive for twenty years without help from the outside world.

At least sixty per cent of Mexico’s inhabitants are Mestizo, a fusion of the aboriginal Indians and their Spanish conquerors. Thirty per cent of the people are pure-blooded Indians. The remaining ten per cent are largely of European ancestry.

Geographically Mexico is a part of North America, but religiously it belongs to Latin America, for it is predominantly Roman Catholic in religion. Many of the Indian tribes practice their pagan forms of worship.

Spanish is the official language. In fact, Mexico is the largest Spanish-speaking country in the world outside of Spain. About 700,000 of Mexico’s inhabitants speak Aztec and another 300,000 speak Mayan. In addition, about fifty Indian tribes have retained their tribal languages, many of which have not been reduced to writing.

Protestant missionaries were active in Mexico many years before religious freedom was officially granted in 1917. Melinda Rankin, the first of these, located in Monterrey in 1855 where she ministered successfully for a number of years. Other missionaries followed. All met with severe persecution, yet were able to establish many Protestant churches, schools, and institutions.

First Pentecostal witness in Mexico is credited to the Montgomery family of Oakland, Calif. This family owned and operated mines near Narcozari, and in 1915 Mr. Montgomery arranged Pentecostal services for the miners who worked for him. Two years later, the Misses Alice E. Luce and Sunshine Marshall went to Monterrey and opened a Pentecostal mission in that city. Their ministry was of short duration, for Miss Luce soon returned to Southern California to teach in the Latin American Bible Institute and Miss Marshall was married to H. C. Ball of Texas in 1918.



This long narrow street leads to the open door of a Catholic cathedral.

In 1921, through the ministry of Mrs. Anna Sanders, a Pentecostal Assembly was started in Mexico City. This was the first of several Assemblies founded in the city by Mrs. Sanders and her Mexican assistants.

Largest and most outstanding of the Assemblies of God churches in Mexico City is Gethsemani Assembly, the result of the sacrificial labors of Ruben Arevalo, one of the early converts. He not only guided the believers in the faith but contributed largely of his time and money to erect a church building. He operates Elim Bible School in connection with his church.

Another outstanding Pentecostal work was started in the early 1920's by Rodolfo Orozco, a Mexican brother who was filled with the Holy Spirit while working in Pasadena, Tex. He has continued his fine work as a Pentecostal minister and also directs a young ladies Bible school.

Apart from the American missionaries already mentioned, many others have labored in Mexico. H. C. Ball was the most prominent for, as superintendent of the Latin American District of which the Mexican churches were in the beginning a part, he supervised the work until a national organization was formed. George Blaisdell, George Thomas, and Ralph D. Williams also contributed to the extension of the Pentecostal work in Mexico. In 1931 a national organization was formed and registered with the government as the Assemblies of God of Mexico. This is a strong indigenous church, directed entirely by nationals. To date there have been four superintendents: Rodolfo Orozco (1931-41), Ruben Arevalo (1941-44), Juan C. Orozco (1944-60), and Guillermo Fuentes (1960—).

God's blessing continues to rest up-



Students and faculty of the Bible school in Tijuana

on the Assemblies of God of Mexico. According to recent reports there are 182 ordained or licensed ministers and 115 lay workers. These supervise 267 organized churches and 119 outstations. The congregations have a constituency of 18,000. Some 15,000 children are enrolled in the Sunday schools. Five Bible schools are operated for the training of workers, all of which were founded by nationals. Two revolving funds have been established to assist new churches. One is used for purchasing Bibles and other Christian literature; the other for the building and upkeep of chapels.

The Latin American Orphanage in Acapulco was founded in 1946 by Floyd L. Hawkins and Robert Fierro. Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Marsh serve as superintendents of this orphanage which is "home" to more than 100 children. They are assisted by Margaret Klassen, Berniece Albers, Mr. and Mrs. William Caughell, and Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Marker. John L. Peck gave considerable help in the early days of the orphanage through his ability as a builder, but more recently the Pecks have engaged in evangelistic ministry. The government-recognized Orphanage Day School pro-

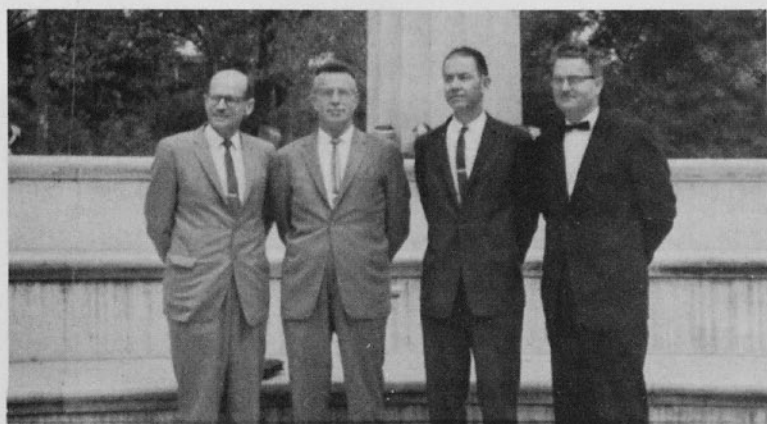
vides an elementary education for the orphanage children and for those of the community as well.

Other Assemblies of God missionaries under appointment to Mexico include Harley W. Vail who is on the faculty of the Bible school in Merida, Yucatan. Mr. Vail also serves as secretary of the Missionary Field Fellowship. Mr. and Mrs. Don Fullerton serve on the faculty of the Bible school in Tijuana. Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Morelock are on the faculty of the Matamoros Bible school and, in collaboration with the Gideon organization, Mr. Morelock engages in extensive Bible distribution. He also serves as chairman of the Missionary Field Fellowship.

With the apostle Paul our Mexican brethren affirm, "For a great door and effectual is opened... and there are many adversaries." Communism is bidding for Mexico. False cults are working feverishly to gain adherents. The Roman Catholic Church is seeking a return to power.

The Assemblies of God of Mexico is dedicated to the task of evangelism. Mexico's millions wait for the message of a living Christ.

—Christine Carmichael



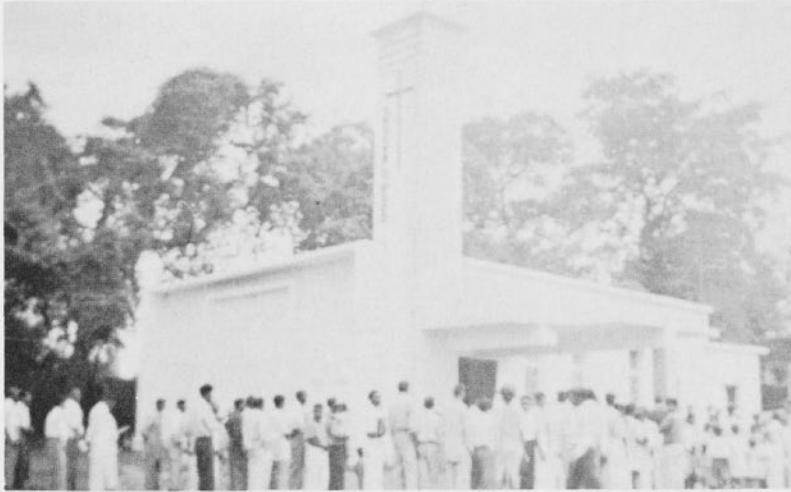
Left to right: Field Secretary M. L. Hodges with Harley Vail, Ray Morelock, Don Fullerton, officers of Mexico Field Fellowship.



Congregation in front of the Assembly of God in Monterrey where Pentecostal missionaries first came in 1917.



FOREIGN NEWS DIGEST



The newly completed Assembly of God in Jabalpur, India.

India

New Assembly in Jabalpur

Missionary John Lewis reports that the church in Jabalpur has been completed. It was filled for the first service with 350 attending the meeting.

Gospel Broadcast Has Wide Ministry

Missionary Mal Blakeney reports the Lord's blessing on the radio work. An Indian Christian located in a large steel manufacturing center wrote that he invited five Russian friends to his home to listen to the programs. "They enjoy them and listen with interest," the writer added.

Another letter was from an Indian member of the United Nations forces in Katanga, The Congo, who wrote, "Please, Brother, can you tell me where I may find reality—something that is true to which to cling?"

The ninety programs per week in eight languages are helping India's millions find Someone in whom they can anchor their hope.

Philippines

New Churches Opened

Three new churches have been opened during the past year in the Philippines, reports Missionary Warren Denton. They are located at Sido, Lacaron, and Culasi. The church in Culasi is already beginning evangelization in outlying villages.

The church building at San Jose has been completed and a Christian training school has been opened in Antique. The unevangelized Mundo tribe in the remote mountains of this area has been visited and a work started in northern Antique.

In an evangelistic campaign conducted by Missionary Daniel Marocco, the director of the pennant-winning Antique provincial high school band, Benedicto Mascoso, was saved and healed. He and his two sons now play in the orchestra at the San Jose Assembly of God.

Italy

Impact of Campaign Still Felt

The Assembly in Rome still feels the impact of the Hal Herman campaign conducted in the spring of 1961, writes Missionary Alfred Perna. People continue to come to the Assembly who state they first heard the gospel at the Herman crusade in the "Brancaccio Theater."

Nyasaland

First Sunday School Conference Conducted

The first series of Sunday school conferences in the history of Nyasaland's Assemblies of God churches is under way. Twelve were saved as a result of the first conference and a new Sunday school Standard and record system was introduced to the sixty schools in Nyasaland.

Liberia

Bible Classes Begun

Missionaries Charlie and Elaine Hinson have begun Bible classes for eighth-grade graduates in Cape Palmas, Liberia, reports Missionary Norma Johanson. Eighteen young men are enrolled. The classes are bearing fruit, as shown by the reaction of the young men to one of their public school-teachers who told a class there is no God. Immediately the Bible students produced their textbooks from the Bible class and informed the professor that God does exist.

Christian Literature Sold on Plantations

In one month 720 books and Testaments were sold on eleven rubber plantations in the Pleebo-Cavalla area, Miss Johanson further reports. These included Bibles, Testaments, Bible story and study books, English primers and dictionaries.

The Assemblies of God literature department distributes literature regularly on all the rubber camps. Total population of the camps is 20,000. There is a total

of thirteen camps and all but five have established churches. Plans are being formulated to build churches on two more of the camps.

Bolivia

Catholics Oppose Evangelical Crusade

Five evangelical denominations in Santa Cruz, Bolivia, including the Assemblies of God, recently conducted an evangelistic campaign. The speaker for the ten-day meetings was an ex-priest, Jose Maria Rico, who was sent to Bolivia by the Roman Catholic hierarchy to found a Catholic youth organization. About six years ago he was converted and is now preaching the full gospel.

Missionary Sam Balius reports that the services were interrupted several times by sixty Catholic boys led by their priest. This opposition, together with leaflets opposing the campaign, gave it additional publicity and resulted in a higher attendance. Over seventy were saved the first week of the campaign.

South Africa

Light for the Lost Gospels Distributed

"Light for the Lost purchased 4,200 Gospels of John in the Zulu and Sutho languages for distribution in South Africa," writes Missionary Vernon Pettenger.

Gospel portions were given to Sunday school workers at a monthly meeting to distribute among

their Sunday schools. The workers represent more than thirty Sunday schools in South Africa with an enrollment of more than 3,000.

At Meyerton, South Africa, Evangelist Philip Molefe conducted a two-month tent revival which resulted in the establishment of a new assembly. Distribution of Light for the Lost gospels throughout the town helped stir interest in the revival.



Christian workers in South Africa ready to distribute "Light for the Lost" Gospels in their Sunday schools.

Home Front Highlights

Glimpses of Special Ministries of the Home Missions Department

AMERICAN INDIAN MINISTRY

Evangelism Report

Reports from missionaries to American Indians indicate that approximately 110 have been saved, 10 backsliders have been reclaimed, more than 30 have been filled with

several children through these classes and they have begun to attend Sunday school and Junior Church.

The Van Houtens adopted a baby boy, Jonathan David, born January 25, 1962.

Sisseton, South Dakota

The Sunday school attendance record was broken at Sisseton, where Vern McNally is pastor, with a recent attendance of 50. Thirty-nine have prayed for salvation in this Indian assembly since the first of the year.

Suquamish, Washington

Eleven qualified for certificates following the Workers Training Course in Suquamish. The people here were so stirred by the course, "Into the Highways and Hedges," they have been much more active in personal evangelism activities ever since.

LaPush, Washington

During twenty-four nights of continuous revival services in LaPush, with James Kallappa and the Earl Trefethens of Port Angeles, Wash., as evangelists, many young and old made decisions for Christ. Some were reclaimed, one was baptized in the Holy Spirit, and several were refilled. In an area where church attendance has been small, it was encouraging to see nearly 100 local folk in attendance on a weeknight. The Sunday school attendance has climbed to nearly 50. Several healings were reported, one of which was the restoration of sight to an Indian lady. Esko Rentola is pastor here.

Pocatello, Idaho

Two floods and the loss of all the goods they had stored in one of the basement rooms at the Bannock Creek meeting place has been disheartening to the John T. Kindalls, pastors at Pocatello. They had to miss five Sunday services due to the floods. The piano was floating on eight feet of water and all Sunday school supplies were ruined.

Fort Hall, Idaho

The Idaho Falls Assembly presented the first easy chair for the new Fort Hall parsonage. The John Bennetts are pastors there.

Bird Springs, Arizona

The Harry Farmers, missionary-pastors at Bird Springs, report that Sunday school attendance has reached a high of 150. They have applied for land on which to build a church. The Farmers began ministering in Bird Springs in October, 1961 and had 56 in the first service. Some of the Indian people told the missionaries they had never heard of God and Jesus except as curse words. Twenty to thirty of the new congregation are already

ALASKA MINISTRY

Wasilla

Pastor Paul Riley reports two saved and five filled with the Spirit recently in the Wasilla Assembly.

Minto

Brother and Sister Robert Lantz of Florida arrived in Minto March 21 to take charge of the work while the Olsons are on a three-month furlough.

Seward

Anna Lee, daughter of the Robert Cousarts, pastors at Seward, was one of four students chosen to represent Seward in the honor choir to sing at the Alaska State Teachers Convention. Anna Lee also won a trip to the U. N. last summer through a contest sponsored by two lodges. She is now president of the Seward chapter of the National Honor Society. The Cousarts will soon be itinerating in the Pennsylvania area after six years in Alaska.

Valdez

Duane Carriker, pastor at Valdez, reports that the church has experienced a most wonderful service. It lasted until after midnight. One was filled with the Holy Spirit and a number were reclaimed. Sunday school attendance here has also increased more than 50 per cent in three months.

New Appointees

Clive and Marylee Walton, of Seattle, Wash., have recently been appointed to serve in the Alaska field. The Waltons lived in Alaska for thirteen years, during which time they were saved. Brother Walton attended Bible School in Seattle for one year as a special student. He has had experience at constructing high explosives and has been a heavy equipment operator, a logger, and a commercial fisherman. The Waltons have three children, LeRoy Carl, Laura Jean, and Marylee.



Clive and Marylee Walton



The Claud Malcoms, former pastors at McGrath, Alaska, with the string band they organized.

McGrath

A string band, composed of young people who play guitars and ukuleles, was organized in McGrath by the Claud Malcoms. The new pastor, Kenneth Andrus, is now directing the group which at present has sixteen members.

Point Hope

Alvin Capener, missionary in Point Hope, reports he has moved into his new living quarters and is holding services in the new church auditorium. Several have made decisions for Christ.

Beaver

The Earl D. McKenzies, missionaries at Beaver, had an accident while taking off in their plane. The plane turned over completely, but the McKenzies walked away from it unhurt. Getting the plane repaired took a great deal of work and money, but it is now in flying condition.

Chugiak

Wilburn Craig reports he has air-freighted a great deal of bread which is given to them weekly for the village people. This contribution has given the missionaries an excellent contact with the nationals. Also, the Craigs have been able to distribute quite an amount of clothing sent by WMC groups.

Ketchikan

Alver Lofdahl, the new pastor at Ketchikan, is rejoicing over the growth in Sunday school attendance since Christmas, which indicates a gain of over 16 per month. Attendance has reached nearly 75.

the Holy Spirit, and several have been baptized in water from the first of the year to the middle of April. Many other reports did not give numbers, but several churches reported encouraging revivals in which persons were saved, filled with the Spirit, and healed. Recent revivals were reported by Owyhee, Nev., Tuba City, Ariz., Grants, N. Mex., Potlatch, Wash., and Sells, Ariz.

Tucson, Arizona

The Virgil Zeiglers, pastors at Tucson, report that the all-time Sunday school record was broken recently with an attendance of 52 and more coming in for the morning worship. The Zeiglers are beginning their new building now.

Kansas

The Kansas WMC's bought linoleum for the Indian church in Flagstaff, where Rowena Chaves is missionary-pastor.

Tocito, New Mexico

Gene and Betty Steele have begun hogan meetings in the Tocito-Newcomb area.

Espanola, New Mexico

Ira Van Houten, missionary in Espanola, writes that permission has been granted recently by the Santa Clara Pueblo governor for released time for religious education for Protestants. Prior to this for several years, the Roman Catholic priest has taught a class in the school without interference. Brother Van Houten has started two instruction classes in the Pueblo Day School at Santa Clara Pueblo. He has already reached

staunch Christians with a burden for their people. Seven have been filled with the Holy Spirit.

San Carlos, Arizona

The O. B. Treeces have been in revival services, using their own Apache men to preach.

Tuba City, Arizona

Attendance here has doubled in the last few months and the Sunday school now averages 150. Several members of the Mormon church have been attending the services. The little daughter of a member of the congregation recently ate enough pills to cause death, but was marvelously healed. Marguerite Shaw and Phyllis

Hammerbacker are pastors here.

Shonto, Arizona, Indian Camp

There will be an Indian camp at Shonto, Ariz., this summer. Write to Mrs. Lula Morton, Tuba City, for particulars.

Laveen, Arizona

The Harold Hansons have started services in a tent at Laveen, Ariz. Response among the Maricopa Indians here has been excellent. Attendance has reached 80. The missionaries have leased land on which to build a church.

Chandler, Arizona

Missionary-Pastor James Brown reports a recent revival with Evangelist Virgil Sampson, a Pima In-

dian, during which the church was packed out every night. They had a record attendance of 82 in Sunday school and a record average of 58.

BLIND MINISTRY

Pewaukee, Wisconsin

Mrs. E. W. Whitney, missionary who prepares Braille literature for the Blind, is thankful for workers from the Waukesha, Wis., Assembly of God who have volunteered to help set type.

The WMC's of the Wisconsin-Northern Michigan District presented Mrs. Whitney with an Elliot addressing machine recently.

JEWISH MINISTRY

Chicago, Illinois

Mrs. Gertrude Clonce recently resigned from the staff of Shalom Center, the Assemblies of God Hebrew Mission in Chicago. She is planning to begin a work among the Jews in New York.

Hollywood, California

Alice and Meyer Tan Ditter traveled 1,500 miles during March in their ministry among the Jews of the Hollywood and Los Angeles areas. Seven people were saved (three of them Jews) during that month.

Serving God and Country in Alaska

By SIDNEY FLESER, JR.

DELTA JUNCTION! THE FIRST TIME I saw the name my family and I were on our way to Fort Wainwright, Alaska, which is near Fairbanks, having been reassigned there from southern Arizona. We passed through Delta (as we came to call it) on August 9, 1961. It seemed to be a quiet, unassuming settlement situated at the fork of the Alaska and Richardson Highways. The midst of it was dotted with a few service stations and some stores. One touch of home which we were surprised to find so far north was an A & W root beer stand!

The next time Delta came to my attention was when I was asked to go there to hold services for a weekend. The missionary who had been there had had to leave unexpectedly and there was no one to take care of the work.

My wife suggested we might have been moved to Alaska for that very work. My immediate reaction to that was, "Honey, that's a hundred miles from here. It could never happen."

In spite of my reaction, the Sunday of Labor Day weekend found us arising at 5 A.M. and heading down the highway toward

Delta Junction. We arrived in plenty of time to locate the Civil Defense Hall in which the services were to be held, and anxiously awaited the arrival of the congregation. Soon they arrived, all eleven of them (seven adults and four children), and our first service began. The Spirit of God was present and ministered to us in both services of the day.

On the Tuesday evening that followed, Ben Wilson, the pastor at Fairbanks (who also is presbyter), asked me whether I could manage again the next Sunday and I readily agreed. A burden for the work was beginning to grip me.

Our hearts became heavy as we left Delta that next Sunday night and began the hundred-mile journey back to Fairbanks, thinking we had ministered there for the last time. Brother Wilson expected



Seats have been placed in the parsonage for services.

to get a missionary for Delta. But none arrived—so the following Sunday we were back again!

More than six months has now passed. A very bitter winter has finally ended. God has given both of us a tremendous burden for the work at Delta. He has shown us time and again how His hand is with us as we journey the many miles each weekend. Gone are the services at the CD Hall. They came to an abrupt end when the temperature lingered at or near sixty below zero for two weeks. The hall was not sufficiently heated; therefore we resorted to the little building which serves as our parsonage.

At times we become fairly crowded. The use of a neighbor's home has somewhat relieved the space problem for the present. We feel, however, that God will soon supply a building and a new Assembly of God will be established in Alaska.

The passing of each week brings new contacts and our little group grows. Several servicemen from nearby Fort Greely have attended services also. As we labor together in the Name of Jesus, we are believing God for a great reaping of souls and an outpouring of His Holy Spirit.



Parsonage at Delta Junction, Alaska, which serves as the church building until the small congregation can build a church on this property.

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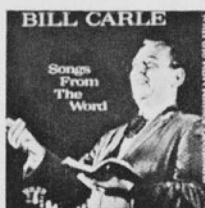
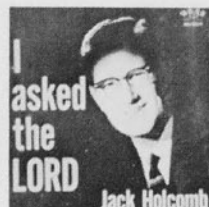
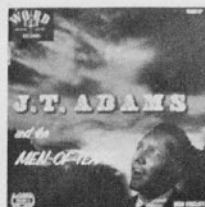
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47TH ANNUAL DISTRICT COUNCIL of the North Texas District, June 5-7 at Municipal Auditorium, Austin, Tex. C. A. Rally, Monday night, June 4. Thomas F. Zimmerman, guest speaker for council. Ordination service, Thursday evening.—by E. B. Crump, district Secretary.

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JANUARY 1-MARCH 31, 1962



ALA—1st A/G, Robertsdale	\$ 93.69	N TEX—Cement City A/G, Dallas	200.00
APP—A/G, Huntington, W. Va.	4.84	NW—A/G, Ellenburg, Wash.	244.51
ARIZ—Desert A/G, Mesa	10.00	OHIO—1st A/G, Cleveland	38.47
ARK—1st A/G, Van Buren	307.57	OKLA—Southwest A/G, Okla. City	120.00
EAST—Pent Ch, Bristol, Pa.	132.07	OKLA—Sunnyside A/G, Okla. City	120.00
GA—Wash St A/G, Atlanta	19.00	OREG—First A/G, Salem	110.00
ILL—Full Gos A/G, E. Moline	75.00	POTOMAC—A/G, Petersburg, Va.	401.15
IND—1st A/G, New Albany	27.00	RKY MT—G T A/G, Greeley, Colo.	35.00
KANS—1st A/G, Topeka	104.00	S CAR—1st A/G, Spartanburg	146.50
KY—Peniel A/G, Louisville	20.00	S DAK—1st A/G, Rapid City	327.43
LA—1st A/G, W. Monroe	229.85	S CALIF—A/G, N Hollywood	827.11
MICH—Bethany A/G, Adrian	492.22	S IDAHO—Gos Tab, Aberdeen	70.00
MINN—Fremont Tab, Mpls	80.00	S MO—Evangel Col, Springfield	678.18
MISS—East End A/G, Meridian	282.00	S N ENG—Bthy A/G, Springfield, Mass.	499.06
MONT—A/G, Butte	119.75	S FLA—G T, St Petersburg	214.00
NEBR—A/G, Burton	314.47	S TEX—A/G, Mont Belvieu	400.00
N J—A/G, Tomas River	147.00	TENN—1st A/G, Nashville	242.77
N MEX—1st A/G, Artesia	60.00	W CENT—A/G, Brookfield, Mo.	100.00
N Y—1st A/G, Utica	56.45	W FLA—Oak Gr A/G, Port St Joe	141.00
N CAR—A/G, Hertford	10.41	W TEX—1st A/G, El Paso	195.00
N DAK—Gosp Tab, Williston	31.73	WIS-N MICH—1st A/G, Green Bay	188.41
N CAL-NEV—1st A/G, Santa Cruz	250.00	WYO—A/G, Newcastle	96.79
N N ENG—A/G, Concord, N. H.	168.90		

EVANGELISTIC EVENTS

STATE CITY	ASSEMBLY	DATE	EVANGELIST	PASTOR
Ala. Chatom	Hobson	May 28—	Bobby Jackson	Leroy Beech
Ark. Helena	First	May 22-June 3	Frank Martin	Jesse C. Nichols
	Star City	June 3—	Royce L. Lowe	Ralph L. Wells
Calif. Bellflower	A/G	June 3-17	Wallace S. Bragg	David D. Pearce
	Manteca	May 29—	Jimmy & Mrs. Swaggart	Don Annas
	Modesto	May 15-28	Ernie Eskelin	Bill Lewis
	Modesto	* South Modesto	V. & Edythe Warens	C. S. O'Shields
	Ojai	June 3—	Watson Argue	Jim Argue
Colo. Pueblo	First	May 29-June 3	Don Hall	Clyde King
Fla. Jacksonville	Norwood	May 22-June 3	Calvin Melton	C. B. Wasdin
Ill. Macomb	A/G	May 22-June 3	Sara E. Sharp	C. A. Weaver
Iowa Seymour	A/G	May 13—	Knouse-Stovall Team	Grace Burggraaf
La. Lake Providence	* First	May 28-June 3	Gladys Voight	Paul Young
	Oakdale	June 3—	Joey & Mrs. Laird	C. E. Teagle
Mich. Three Rivers	First	May 31-June 3	Bob & Pat Ludwig	William Severance
Mo. Cassville	A/G	May 27-June 10	N. B. & Mrs. Rayburn	R. R. Chappell
Mont. Malta	A/G	May 29-June 10	W. Clifford Nelson	E. L. Enget
N. J. Elizabeth	First	May 29-June 3	John Wesley Briscoe	Werner M. Johnson
N. Y. Bay Shore	A/G	May 22-27	John Wesley Briscoe	E. W. Benjamin
	New York City	Glad Tid. Tab.	Bob & Lillian Watters	Brown-Berg
N. C. Wilmington	First	May 22-June 2	Jim & Tammy Bakker	Wayne D. Barkley
N. Dak. Rolla	A/G	May 29-June 10	Wes & Pat Larson	Ray Loven
Oreg. Corvallis	A/G	May 29-June 3	Wayne Fagerstrom	Nela Lien
	Pendleton	May 27—	Wesley Fleming	W. R. Wood
	Sutherlin	A/G	Bonetta C. Rabe	D. L. Nultemeier
	Sutherlin	A/G	Orville & Mrs. Phillips	D. L. Nultemeier
Pa. Mifflintown	** A/G	June 3-24	H. A. Christopher	—
	Waynesboro	Calvary	David & Mrs. Howe	George Hatchner
Tex. Abilene	Bethel Temple	June 3—	Dwight Edwards	Wilson G. Estes
Wyo. Cheyenne	First	May 20—	Charles Crank	H. J. Keener
Canada Prince G., B.C.	A/G	June 3—	John French	Michael Horban
	Hamilton, Ont.	*** Central Tab.	Jimmy & Carol Snow	J. H. Blair
P. I. Bagnio City	Bethel Temple	May 29-June 13	E. C. Lagmay	Gervacio Tovera

* Children's Revival

** Tent Revival

*** City-Wide Revival

Announcements should reach the Department of Evangelism 30 days in advance, due to the fact that THE PENTECOSTAL EVANGEL is made up 25 days before the date which appears upon it.

MISSIONARY MEETINGS—June 17-24 at new Faith Temple, 12345 8th N. E., Seattle, Wash. (World's Fair City). Watson Argue, missionary-evangelist.—James T. Hamann, pastor.

HOMECOMING AND MEMORIAL CONVENTION—June 7-10 at First Assembly of God, 23rd and Pine Sts., Wilmington, Del. Former pastors and members urged to attend.—by Jacob Heinrich, pastor.

NERVOUS ABOUT

DEATH?

By MICHAEL P. HORBAN

THE WORLD'S BEST-KNOWN LIVING PHILOSOPHER, LORD Bertrand Russell, has announced that he expects to die on June 1, 1962.

Russell considers that date "a suitable time to die." He was born on May 18, 1872, so on the day he has selected for his death he will be just past ninety.

How does he feel about it? He said, "I must confess I am becoming nervous as the time approaches."

This statement is revealing. Russell is an atheist. He does not believe in immortality. He suffers from a distorted view of Christianity. His words show that human philosophy does not have the answer, nor does it give a clear hope to one who departs this life. For all his brilliance as a thinker, Russell is a gloomy pessimist. He has thought long and anxiously about death and the plight of man, but he has found no clear-cut answers. Having rejected the Bible, he has traveled a path that leads into despair. He calls this route "confident despair."

To Russell the universe is hostile—it ultimately crushes all the hopes and joys of man in death. His hopeless outlook is shown in statements like these: "Brief and powerless is man's life: on him and on his race the slow sure doom falls pitiless and dark."

He summarizes human life thus, "The life of man is a long march through the night, surrounded by invisible foes, tortured by weariness and pain, toward a goal that few can hope to reach and where none can tarry long."

To this man who has had the advantages of a full and rich education, existence is without meaning and the

world is pointless. We quote him again, "Man's achievements must inevitably be buried beneath the debris of a universe in ruins."

Like everyone else, philosophers grope in the dark when they reject the light of God's revelation.

Contrast Paul's attitude. Confidence, not nervousness, characterized the apostle as he faced death. He wrote to Timothy, "For I am now ready to be offered, and the time of my departure is at hand. I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith: henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, shall give me at that day: and not to me only, but unto all them also that love his appearing" (2 Timothy 4:6-8).

The apostle Paul said, "For to me to live is Christ, and to die is gain." He also had a desire to depart and to be with Christ, which he said is "far better."

The way of faith is far more satisfying than the way of reason. A person who places personal faith in the Lord Jesus Christ has the assurance that at death he will be "absent from the body, and present with the Lord."

This is the Christian view of death. It is a departure to be with Christ. But before we can say that "to die is gain," we must say, "For to me to live is Christ."

Do you wish you knew Him? Well, you may. Why not let Him come into your heart today? Ten thousand years from now you will still be alive in Christ and you will only be beginning to know the glory of your Redeemer—Who is the resurrection and the life. ❧