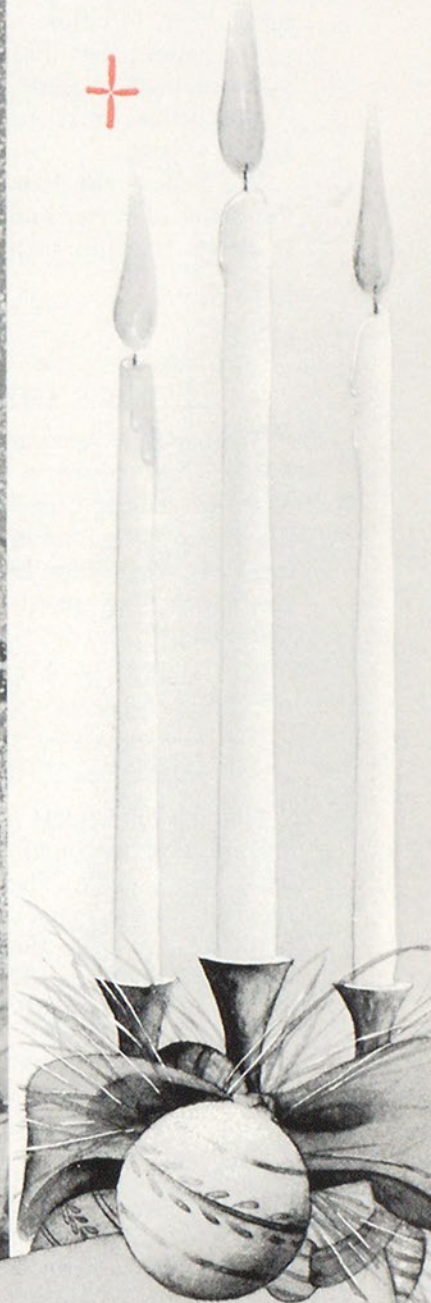


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NOT BY MIGHT, NOR BY POWER, BUT BY MY SPIRIT, WITH THE LORD



*Wishing You
a Joyous Christmas*

THE CHRISTMAS CREED

We believe that mistletoe is better than missiles; and that Bethlehem's Star outshines all man's satellites.

We believe that the Wise Men's gifts have never suffered from inflation.

We believe that the fear that came upon the Shepherds is more healthy than the fear of rockets.

We believe that Joseph's dreams will always outwit Herod's hate.

We believe the hand of God is a better defense than the arms of men; and that our journey to the Manger is more needful than a trip to the moon.

—AUTHOR UNKNOWN

ANNIE'S GIFT TO THE WORLD

Twenty-five years ago on a summer afternoon, John Jacob Niles heard a band of traveling evangelists in Murphy, North Carolina. Annie Morgan, a member of the group, sang one of the most strikingly beautiful folk melodies that Niles had ever heard. He requested that she repeat the words. Millions now hear them each Christmas:

*I wonder as I wander, out under the sky,
How Jesus the Saviour did come for to die
For poor on'ry people like you and like I,
I wonder as I wander, out under the sky.*

Despite his efforts to locate Annie, Niles was never able to find her again. Aren't there many like Annie? They live quietly. They may be unknown to most people. But yet they somehow offer God and others influences that live on after they have gone.

—DAVID A. MACLENNAN in *Be a Wonder to Yourself* (Fleming H. Revell Company.)

NO ROOM?

"Our life is full," we say. We cannot be expected to give up one of our necessary interests. There is no more room. All the chambers in the inn are taken. The best we can do—for we are kindhearted—is to arrange for Him to be housed comfortably in the manger.

Our manger is better than the one mentioned in Luke's Gospel. Instead of straw we have upholstered benches. Instead of a rude building we have one better than our own homes. We have it fixed up so that we really enjoy coming to it once a week, and meeting our Lord there. Of course, no one calls it a manger or barn...

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

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but the church is a manger to Jesus Christ if we put Him there because we have no room for Him in our business, our society, our homes, our heart.

—*Christian Victory*

CORRECT IN CREED, BUT COLD IN SPIRIT

It is tremendously important to have a right spirit. There is a determined orthodoxy in some Christians that is as cold as the tomb because it carries with it a harsh, unkind, pharisaical spirit. On the other hand, there is a spirit that is warm, kind, and alive with divine compassion—that bridges the gulf of unwise or uncultured actions and brings men to Christ.

Although it is best to have orthodoxy with a right spirit, if a choice must be made between the two I would prefer a right spirit. The Prodigal cannot be praised for his journey away from home, but when he came to himself his spirit was right toward his father and toward God. The elder son, however, was a dutiful son who lacked the right spirit—he was correct of creed, but cold as ice! May God deliver us from the spirit of the elder son.

—N. CLEO TAPP, in *Assembly Messenger*

NOT WORTH NOTICING

"Why didn't you tell her she was taking more than her share of the room and encroaching on your rights?" someone asked a young girl, who was merrily describing a woman who had taken a seat beside her in a crowded railway car, and had crammed into the small space a bird cage, a basket of apples, and numerous bundles.

"It wasn't worth while to trouble about it; we had such a little way to go together," was the reply.

What a motto that would be for a life-journey. So many little annoyances are not worth noticing; so many small unkindnesses may be passed by silently, because we have only "such a little way to go together."

—*Gospel Herald*

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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Watching For His Coming

When Jesus was born in Bethlehem only a comparatively small number of persons welcomed Him. Most of the people on earth knew nothing about His coming. Even the Jewish religious leaders seemed unaware of His arrival until wise men from the East came to Jerusalem inquiring where the King of the Jews should be born. It did not take the chief priests and scribes very long to answer, "Bethlehem of Judea," for they knew the prophecies of Micah and of Isaiah and other seers concerning the Messiah.

If the Jewish leaders knew the prophecies, why were they not watching for the Messiah? Why did God bypass them and announce His arrival to men of a foreign country? Was it because the Jews were too backslidden, too dull spiritually, too preoccupied with their own interests to hear His voice?

It is true that even the prophets themselves could not understand the full meaning of the prophecies that the Holy Spirit had caused them to utter; but if God's people had been walking in the Spirit and meditating on the Scriptures, surely they would have been looking for Christ. We wonder how many people today are watching for His *second* coming!

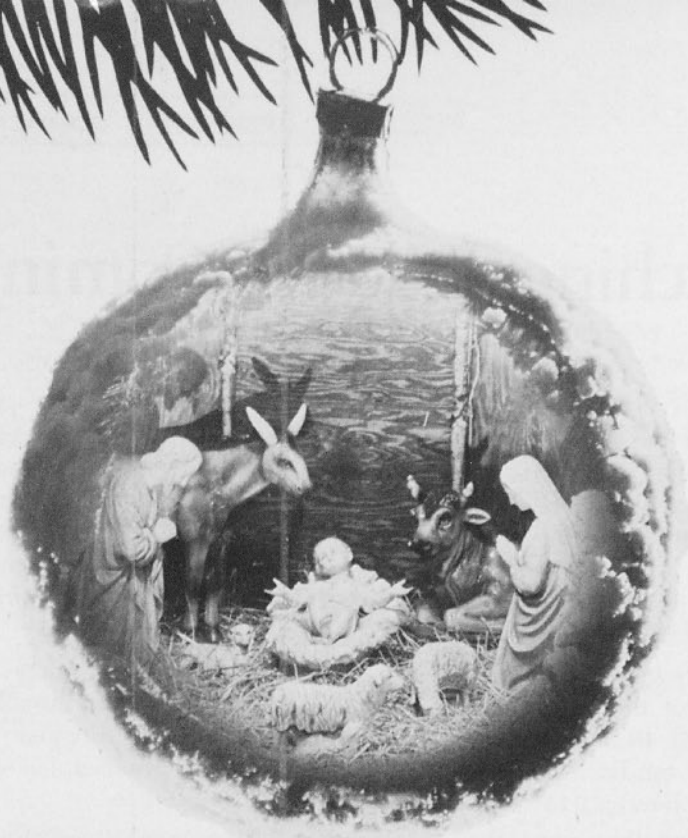
Satan was watching. He was alert to the fact that a King had been born, and he moved Herod to slaughter thousands of babies in an effort to destroy the newborn Messiah. Satan was alert but most of the Chosen People were not!

Wise men of a foreign nationality were watching. They had anticipated His coming by the sign of a star. The prophet Balaam had warned the people of the East that a Star would come out of Jacob, and a Sceptre would rise out of Israel, that would smite the Moabites and conquer the Edomites. The wise men came to worship Him. Perhaps they were converts to Judaism. Could it be that converts in foreign lands, who have been led to Christ by our missionaries, will be watching and welcoming the Lord at His second coming while some Americans who have contributed to Missions will be slumbering, oblivious to His return?

Humble shepherds were watching. Possibly they had been talking together about the sacred prophecies as they watched their flocks by night. They were poor men without very much of this world's goods, but they had treasures in heaven. God visited these "hired hands" while their wealthy, self-satisfied employers slept in comfort unaware of the angels' song!

Simeon and Anna were watching. The Bible says they were devout people, watching for the consolation of Israel. For many days they had been studying the Holy Scriptures, praying with great longing for the Redeemer to come. They were in touch with heaven; therefore when God's clock struck they heard the chime. Simeon recognized the Babe and gave thanks for Him. Anna also gave thanks and witnessed of Him to others.

God passed by the religious leaders of the day and revealed His act to a frail widow of great age who was engaged in fastings and prayers. He revealed the great event to an obscure old man named Simeon; to humble shepherds; to a little group of foreigners. He could not "get through" to His Chosen People. How many are alert to the moving of His Holy Spirit today? Are we among the faithful few who are watching for the Lord's return? —R.C.C.



God in a Stable

By JOHN C. JACKSON

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MAN LOVES TO BUILD GREAT TEMPLES OF STRIKING architecture, trim them with gold and silver, and fill them with ornate furnishings. Within these temples he devises elaborate rites, hoping thereby to impress the Almighty with his pompous and solemn ceremonies.

But when God sent His Son into the world He appeared not in any stately temple or vaulted cathedral. The Holy Babe was born among the beasts. The angelic hosts sang "Peace on earth" not to religious dignitaries but to humble shepherds who would not hesitate to enter a smelly stable, and who were not too proud to kneel upon a crude floor to worship young Emmanuel (which, being interpreted, means, *God with Us*).

They found the God-man in a stable! Why is it that whenever the Lord of Glory undertakes to reveal Himself to mankind He has to do it in a humble setting? Wesley preached some of his greatest sermons in a graveyard or in open fields. Finney preached mighty conviction upon laborers in factory workrooms. Luther (according to Thomas D'Aubigne) began the preaching of the Reformation in an ancient wooden chapel in the middle of the square at Wittenberg. It was only thirty feet long and twenty feet wide. Its walls, propped up on all sides, were falling to ruin. An old pulpit three feet high made of planks received the preacher. It was in this humble place that God chose to reveal Himself

to the masses. "Among those thousands of cathedrals and parish churches with which the world was filled, there was not one at that time which God chose for the glorious preaching of eternal life."

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It was in a humble place that God poured out His Spirit at the beginning of this twentieth-century Pentecostal revival. Eight sincere believers were praying in a home in Los Angeles (April 9, 1906) when suddenly the power of God came upon them. Seven of this little group which had been locked out of their church for wanting another Pentecost began to speak with other tongues as the Holy Spirit gave them utterance, glorifying God. Neighbors heard the joyous shouts and songs, joined the company, and they too were filled with the Holy Ghost.

A few days later, needing larger quarters for their prayer meetings, the group moved to 312 Azusa Street. It was a ramshackle old building in an industrial section. There were broken windows and doors off their hinges. The upper story was used as a tenement house and the bottom served as a livery. Carl Brumback, writing in *Suddenly from Heaven*, describes the event and asks, "Why did it have to begin in a stable?"

He quotes a prominent Methodist layman as saying: "We wanted it to start in the First Methodist Church, but God did not start it there. I bless God that He did not start it in any church in this city, but in a stable, so that we might all come and take part in it."

People of all walks of life came to those meetings—the rich and the poor, the white and the colored, the educated and the illiterate. Ministers and members of many denominations came and *met God in a stable*.

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Some years earlier, in another part of the country, there was a lonely boy named Freddy Graves. Left an orphan at the age of nine, he was taken into the home of a mercenary farmer who seemed to be interested only in the amount of work he could get out of the little fellow. Life was a dreary existence. He felt that no one cared for him.

Freddy looked forward to Christmas. Here, he thought, was one time when a little uplift of hope and good will would be felt. Early Christmas morning he ran down the stairs with the farmer's children and laughed with them as they found their stockings hanging full of candy, fruit, and toys. He smiled as he watched them empty their stockings. Then he opened his own—and found it contained nothing but wood shavings. There was not even one little present.

His tear-filled eyes looked up into the mocking face of the cruel farmer, who roared with sadistic laughter.

Unable to control the hot tears that poured from his eyes, Freddy ran from the house. He found a place in the stable where he could be alone and give vent to his broken heart.

There was One who did care for Freddy. The Lord Jesus Christ made Himself real to the boy there in the stable. Freddy was converted and became one of the first to receive the Pentecostal Baptism in Zion, Illinois. As the love and gratitude swelled up in his heart he expressed it by writing the well-known hymn:

*What a wonderful, wonderful Saviour
Who would die on the cross for me,
Freely shedding His precious life's blood
That a sinner might be made free.*

With his great talent for music his life was a blessing to many people. He was often seen on the streets of Zion pulling a portable organ in a little wagon, visiting the sick and shut-ins to give them his testimony and to brighten up their lonely lives with his singing. Christ had comforted him and he in turn shared that comfort with others. His hymn, *Honey in the Rock*, reflects his own spirit and goal:

*Then go out in the streets and byways,
Preach the Word to the many or few;
Say to every fallen brother,
"There's honey in the rock for you."*

Is it any wonder that when F. A. Graves died in 1927 some 1,000 people in Zion, a town of 5,000 population, attended his funeral? When we remember him as a brokenhearted lad of nine, friendless and forlorn, we rejoice that *he met God in a stable*, and found there was One who cared.

* * *

Let me tell you also of a seventeen-year-old boy who accepted Christ. His family considered this the most shameful disgrace ever to occur in their home. His friends dropped him! He was asked to resign from the honored position of student-body president at the local high school.

Even the church in which he had been raised and baptized asked him to leave, because of his newly acquired beliefs. He was warned that he had gone into fanaticism.

More than once he attempted to testify to his father, who was a well-read professional man well known and respected in the community. This only angered his parent, who threatened to kick him out of the house if he ever mentioned the subject again.

One day, lonely and hurt by his father's attitude, the boy went to the stable behind the house. He felt he must be alone for a while. He was wondering if he had done the right thing by crossing his family's wishes. He fell upon the straw and with a heavy heart he began to pray. Eventually he interceded for his father. In the fervor of his prayer he was crying aloud to God when suddenly the door opened and he looked up into the infuriated face of his father. His father kicked him, cursed him, and ordered him to shut up. "People will think you are crazy. Don't *ever* let me catch you again praying out here in this stable!" he said, and he ordered him outside.

Three years later in the same stable, almost in the exact spot, this father was tending his animals which he loved to do as a hobby. He was alone, for his son had left home against his parent's will to enroll in a Bible college. As the man mused on his shattered dreams (for he had hoped his son would become a surgeon) something happened. God manifested Himself to this rebellious unbeliever in a supernatural way! He heard the voice of God distinctly saying, "This is your last opportunity."

THE VIRGIN'S LULLABY

Hush, my little one, my tender Lambkin,
You hear the mild, little ass gently bray.
He is so pleased the lot thus befell him
To carry us both the long, dusty way.
Though he is dumb, he is gentle withal.
No fear did I know, his back is so strong.
Hush, then my Love, he only is sharing
His joy in serving—without a sweet song.

The patient, old ox will do Thee no harm,
You feel his soft breath for he standeth near by.
He too is so pleased to offer his stall.
Hush, then my little one, you need not cry.
No song can he give—only his manger.
God's lowly creatures will cause Thee no fear.
Hush, then my Babe, man only will harm Thee,
Love flows about Thee, and angels are near.

—John Wright Follette


Frightened and shaken, he dropped what he held in his hands and ran to the house to tell his wife what had happened. No longer was there any doubt in his mind as to God's existence. He had heard Him speak.

This proud man went to the despised little Assemblies of God church, where a revival campaign was in progress. When the altar call was given he walked down the aisle, braving the stares and whispers of the townfolk who knew him. He knelt at the altar and yielded his heart and life to God.

The prayers of his son had been answered. In a small room eight hundred miles away, the young man had felt a tremendous burden of prayer for his father, who was now over seventy years old. The Holy Spirit had laid a spirit of intercession upon the boy. He could not speak except in other tongues. He groaned and wept, praying in a language he could not understand, conscious only that it was for his father: "for we know not what we should pray for as we ought: but the Spirit itself maketh intercession for us with groanings which cannot be uttered" (Romans 8:26).

A miracle was performed. The father was genuinely converted—and statistics show that of all the people who are converted only one in 70,000 is saved after the age of sixty. I can confirm these facts, for this was my father who *met God in a stable*.

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I do not insist that you must go to a stable to meet God, nor that God will meet with a person in a stable more readily than elsewhere, but so often pride keeps men and women from God. The Bible says, "God resisteth the proud, but giveth grace to the humble." God is seeking to reach man. He finds it difficult to reveal Himself in great cathedrals or institutionalized churches; but *wherever* He can find a person with a broken and a contrite heart He will make His power known. He revealed Himself to uneducated shepherds that first Christmas and He revealed Himself to wise men too. He would like to reveal Himself to others *this* Christmas. Will you let Him do it? 

Where Shepherds Watched Their Flocks

A journey to the Fields of the Shepherds fifteen years ago — before Palestine was partitioned — was an unforgettable experience

By VERA SWARZTRAUBER
Former Missionary to Palestine



PHOTO BY THREE LIONS

Shepherds still tend their flocks in the fields outside the city of Bethlehem.

IT WAS CHRISTMAS EVE AND WE WERE GOING TO BETHLEHEM! The bus that carried us there from Jerusalem rattled briskly around the curves in the six-mile stretch of road and wheezed to a stop just off the square in front of the famous old Church of the Nativity.

Our group of about twenty-five (Arabic young people, British soldiers, and a few Americans) was only a small part of the thousands who were also going to Bethlehem this night. The place fairly hummed: cars and busses discharged their passengers and then dashed back to Jerusalem for more; milling crowds thronged the square and the Church of the Nativity, or filled the restaurants and cafes. It was the modern version of that long-ago time when the town was so filled with people that there was no room in the inn.

At the bus stand the crowds divided: some went to the square and the church; others, like ourselves, followed the road which led out to the traditional fields of the shepherds.

It was a broad, level valley which lay east of the hill of Bethlehem. Tonight, in the darkness, we couldn't see it; but in the daytime its beauty had always surprised whenever we rounded a certain curve on the outskirts of Bethlehem. There it was: the sweeping valley which seemed to reach clear over to the mountains of Moab on the other side of the Dead Sea depression; the mountains which glowed in the afternoon sun in vibrant tones of blue, mauve, violet, rose, and tawny shades of umber.

This was the country of Ruth and Boaz, of Jesse and his stalwart sons—and of those shepherds who watched their flocks by night. The army and the Royal Air Force were holding a carol-singing service out there around a great bonfire and we meant to join them.

As we started down the winding road, out of the lights and din of the square, the twentieth century dropped away. No street lights here—only the stars and

the occasional glow from a window dimly showed the outlines of flat-roofed houses. The smell of the village—a compound of dust, wood-fire smoke, sesame oil, flocks of sheep, woolen garments, and freshly baked bread—was as old as time itself.

A passer-by gravely greeted us with the ancient salutation, "Salam aleikum" (peace be upon thee), and we returned it with, "Wa aleik es salam" (and upon thee, peace).

Those walking ahead of us in the darkness were singing, "O little town of Bethlehem, how still we see thee lie," while another group behind us farther up the hill, like an antiphonal choir, echoed, "Yet in thy dark streets shineth the everlasting light."

We reached the foot of the hill and then started on the long, level stretch across the valley. The bonfire which was our goal looked very far away. The carol singing dropped off and conversation lapsed—there was plenty of time for thoughts about others who might have walked this road long ago.

No doubt Ruth (1312 B.C.) thought it was a good way back to Bethlehem when she returned after a day of gleaning under the hot sun. Perhaps David (1063 B.C.) had led his father's sheep along this path, guiding them by the strange, weird cry of the shepherd.

We joined with the army and air force as the one finished and the other began their carol singing around the big fire. It was good to forget the turmoil in Palestine, to ignore the fact that these young servicemen were away from home trying to preserve a fragile peace, to sing together about the birth of the Prince of Peace out in the fields of the shepherds. But we could not stay long, so we turned back again with the fire and singing behind us and the glow in Bethlehem's windows ahead.

Suddenly, a power failure caused all the lights in the houses to flick out and complete darkness settled down

on us—a warm, velvety, almost tender darkness with a quality of breathless expectancy. Heaven was bending near; almost any moment there might be a flash of glorious light which would startle the surrounding hills into bold relief—and angel voices would proclaim a marvelous birth!

This was as it should be—out here under the stars. The crypt in the Church of the Nativity with its silver star in the pavement, its burning lamps, the smell of incense, the thronging crowds, and the policemen to keep order, had been a keen disappointment. But this simplicity, this glory, this was how it had been almost two thousand years ago. . . .

And then, *the lights on the hill in front of us came on again!* In a moment we were catapulted back into the twentieth century of reality.

We settled down now to the business of covering the distance between us and Bethlehem, which included climbing that long hill. We trudged wearily past the silent houses—sensible people were in bed! It was near midnight, and we climbed and climbed, and the top only seemed to recede! Then suddenly we found ourselves at the square, to be met by soldier friends with steaming mugs of hot tea from a nearby canteen.

A quick ride to Jerusalem, another walk of almost a mile, and we turned in at our own gate. Were we tired? Yes, but with it was a glow, for down there in the Fields of the Shepherds we had caught some of the glory, the joy, and the abounding sense of release in the announcement of the angel to the shepherds, "For unto you is born this day, in the city of David, a Saviour which is Christ the Lord." " "

Gifts for the King

By STANLEY M. HORTON *Instructor, Central Bible Institute*



WE READ THAT WHEN THE WISE MEN FOUND THE young child Jesus they "fell down, and worshipped him: and when they had opened their treasures, they presented unto him gifts; gold, and frankincense, and myrrh" (Matthew 2:11).

No man in ancient times would think of coming into the presence of a great king without a present. When the Lord chose Saul as king of Israel, certain worthless men (children of Belial) said, "How shall this man save us?" and they despised him and brought him no present (1 Samuel 10:24, 27). Saul could have received no greater insult.

The Hebrew word for such a gift or present to a superior is *minchah*. It is used of gifts to elders, tribute to kings, and offerings to God. It was a *minchah* that Jacob sent ahead to Esau. It was a *minchah* the brothers brought down to Egypt for Joseph. Moabites and Syrians brought *minchah* to David.

If we are to understand the gift we are to present to our great King, it is important that we recognize the nature of this *minchah*. It was not charity. Esau did not need the gift Jacob gave. Neither did David or Solomon need gifts they accepted. The gifts were tokens of honor, a recognition of the superior status of the one to whom they are given. Very often the gift was given to a conquering king. By it the giver admitted his dependence, offered homage, and sought the favor of the king.

The same word *minchah* is used as a gift or offering to God, recognizing Him as the true king and Lord of all. It was *minchah* Cain and Abel offered. Abel offered the best he had—the firstlings and the fat. Cain took of the fruit of the ground—that is, he made a present of whatever was handy, probably some leftovers he did not want anyway.

In order to show proper recognition and homage, Israel was to bring a *minchah*, usually translated meat offering, offering, or oblation, with most other types of sacrifices (Numbers 15:4). The *minchah* was also of-

fered with the daily burnt offering. This daily present provided constant recognition of God as the true King of His people.

Israelites of Malachi's time brought an unacceptable *minchah* of the lame and the sick. In still another place the Lord indicates "I am sure in even the best gifts when the heart of the giver is estranged from Him. "For all those things hath Mine hand made, saith the Lord: but to this man will I look, even to him that is poor and of a contrite spirit, and trembleth at My word." The Psalmist has come to a deep understanding of this truth when he cries, "For Thou desirest not sacrifice; else would I give it: Thou delightest not in burnt-offering. The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit. A broken and a contrite heart, O God, Thou wilt not despise."

In the New Testament we receive further illumination of this truth as Jesus says, "Therefore if thou bring thy gift to the altar, and there rememberest that thy brother hath ought against thee: leave there thy gift before the altar, and go thy way; first be reconciled to thy brother, and then come and offer thy gift" (Matthew 5:23, 24).

In view of the Old Testament background we understand that the Wise Men presented their gifts as *minchah* to the infant Jesus, acknowledging Him as a superior King. At this Christmas season let us give to Him for the same reason—not because He needs our gifts, for the cattle on a thousand hills are His already. We honor Him best by giving Him ourselves, our love, our all.

What can I give Him, Poor as I am?

If I were a shepherd, I would bring a lamb;

If I were a Wise Man, I would do my part;

Yet what I can I give Him—Give my heart.

—Christina G. Rossetti.



THIS PRESENT WORLD

U. S. A.

Religious Themes Rejected for Christmas Postage Stamp

In selecting a design for the special four-cent Christmas stamp, the Post Office rejected a number of suggestions. One design it rejected was a candle burning in a window framed by a wreath. It objected to the fact that the window panes in the design resembled a Cross.

The Postmaster General said that a nationwide competition will be held next year to select a new five-cent Christmas stamp. Rules have not yet been announced but one requirement, he said, is certain: no religious symbols of any kind may be used on the design. Although Christmas is a religious festival for Christians, the Post Office Department considers it would be contrary to the U. S. Constitution for any governmental agency to promote Christianity or any other particular religion.

Goodwill Industries Expanding

Goodwill Industries of America, a Methodist Church-related project, has launched a three-year program to expand and improve its services to the handicapped in connection with its 60th anniversary.

Goals include operating at least 135 local Goodwill plants in the U.S. by the end of 1965 (at present there are 125) and increasing its overseas plants from 20 to 25. At present the Goodwill Industries are serving more than 50,000 handicapped persons annually.

Air Force Gets "Sermons from Science" Building

The Sermons from Science auditorium at the Seattle World's Fair will be used as an Air Force chapel at Paine Field near Everett, Wash. The Christ for the World Committee, sponsor of the Sermons from Science project which attracted some 400,000 visitors during the fair, voted to offer the auditorium to the U.S. Air Force which accepted the offer

and agreed to move it from Seattle to the air field where Air Force chaplains said it is urgently needed.

Liquor Stores Cash Many Relief Checks

A survey to determine where public relief checks were being cashed was initiated recently by Senator Robert C. Byrd (W. Va.). The survey was based on an examination of eighty-four percent of 12,969 relief checks cashed in September, 1961. Including checks for dependent children, aged persons, and those permanently or temporarily disabled, forty percent of the total number were cashed in liquor stores.

Germany

German Church Women Protest Rise in Abortions

Protestant church women in Westphalia, Germany, have opened a drive against a growing rate of abortions in this West German state. They have prepared 5,000 large placards spell-

ing out the commandment, "Thou Shalt Not Kill," for display in public buildings.

German Soldiers to Get Religious Identity Tags

According to a recent decree issued by the West German Defense Ministry at Bonn, West German soldiers will wear identity tags around the neck in future to show whether they are Protestant or Catholic.

In addition to the bearer's number, blood type, and "GE" for Germany, the tag will bear either "E for Evangelical" (Protestant), or "K for Catholic," if he classes himself as a Christian. In an emergency, the system will permit an immediate call for the appropriate chaplain.

Israel

Cornerstone Laid for Dead Sea Scrolls Museum

Premier David Ben-Gurion of Israel attended the laying of the cornerstone in Jerusalem for the projected Samuel Bronfman Biblical and Archeological Museum.

Named after a prominent Jewish philanthropist of Montreal, Canada, the museum will house portions of the Dead Sea Scrolls owned by Israel and archeological findings of the Biblical era. It will be built on a hill between the campus of the Hebrew University and Holy Cross Valley.

Israel's "Good Neighbor" Policy to Africa

An article in *Newsweek* (August 20) told about Israel's engineering progress, educational know-how, and scientific assistance to African nations.

Four years ago Ghana's Black Star shipping line was founded with forty percent of the capital being provided by Israel's Zim line. Within two years it was strong enough to buy out the Israeli shares, keeping Zim only as advisors.

Forty Ghanaians went to Israel to learn medicine, modern agriculture,

A GOOD WAY TO SAY, 'MERRY CHRISTMAS'

After you have read this special Christmas issue of the *Evangel*, please pass it on to a friend. You will notice a tag on the front page where you can write your name. Pass it on with a prayer that this indeed will be a blessed Christmas for your friend. Here is one of many ways to make Christmas count for Christ.

The Editor and staff would like to take this opportunity to wish every reader a truly joyous Christmas and a new year crowned with the goodness of the Lord.

and engineering. Today Israel is supplying these services all over Africa—to Liberia, Ivory Coast, Sierra Leone, Nigeria, Tanganyika, Kenya.

U.S.S.R.

New Drive Launched Against Religion in U.S.S.R.

David Miller, Moscow staff correspondent of the *New York Herald Tribune*, reports that the Presidium of the Central Council of Trade Unions has launched an intensive drive against religion in the U.S.S.R. It will reach into the believer's home and use every method possible to persuade him to give up God.

Stepped-up use of amateur drama societies, the press, radio, TV, and films are scheduled to augment factory and local committees, houses of atheism, planetariums, people's universities and faculties of atheism in the drive.

Jewish Students Barred from Moscow Seminary

The *UPI* reports that nine of the twelve students in the only Jewish seminary in the Soviet Union have been prevented from continuing their studies.

Communists have devious ways of accomplishing their purposes. In this case the nine young Jews were sent home last winter, supposedly to vote. When it was time for them to return to Moscow they were refused the necessary residence permits.

The Yeshiva in Moscow, part of the Central Synagogue, is the only training center for Jewish rabbis still open in the U. S. S. R. There are 500,000 Jews in the country needing rabbis.

In spite of numerous reports of this nature leaking out of Russia, the Soviet government still denies there is anti-Semitism behind the Iron Curtain.

Reds Remove Cross From Hearse in Rio

O Globo, an evening newspaper in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, recently published a photograph showing Soviet diplomatic personnel removing a cross from a hearse before it was used to carry the body of Russian Ambassador Ilya Chernyshev from the morgue to the Soviet embassy. Mr. Chernyshev suffered a heart attack and died while swimming at one of Rio's beaches.



Week of Prayer

IN OBSERVANCE OF THE NATION-WIDE Week of Prayer proclaimed by the Executive Presbyters of the Assemblies of God, each church is urged to organize a prayer chain so that members will be praying around the clock, if possible, or for as many hours in each day as can be arranged. Members can pray at the church or in their homes, each taking a particular thirty-minute or sixty-minute period of the day or night. If prayer can be made without ceasing by the church unto God for a new outpouring of the Holy Spirit, surely the Lord will answer by visiting His inheritance with a mighty wave of blessing at the beginning of the new year.

Another request in connection with the Week of Prayer is that all members of the Fellowship should pause at ten o'clock each morning, wherever they may be, and lift their hearts to heaven for a few moments. This 10 A.M. prayer pause will be an opportunity for thousands of God's people to pray at the same hour. Though scattered in person due to our various


responsibilities, we nevertheless can be united in spirit as we approach the Throne of Grace together to ask for revival in the Church and a spiritual awakening everywhere.


If our brothers and sisters all around the earth will observe this 10 A.M. prayer pause, it will mean that every hour on the hour there will be people praying in some time zone either on land or at sea.

Members of the headquarters staff at Springfield will be forming a chain of prayer beginning Sunday, January 6. Executives, secretaries, editors, printers, members of all departments at the church headquarters and publishing house will be taking turns—praying for all members of our Fellowship and for all branches of the Assemblies of God work.

Our watchword for the Week of Prayer will be Hosea 10:12—"Sow to yourselves in righteousness, reap in mercy; break up your fallow ground: for it is time to seek the Lord, till he come and rain righteousness upon you."

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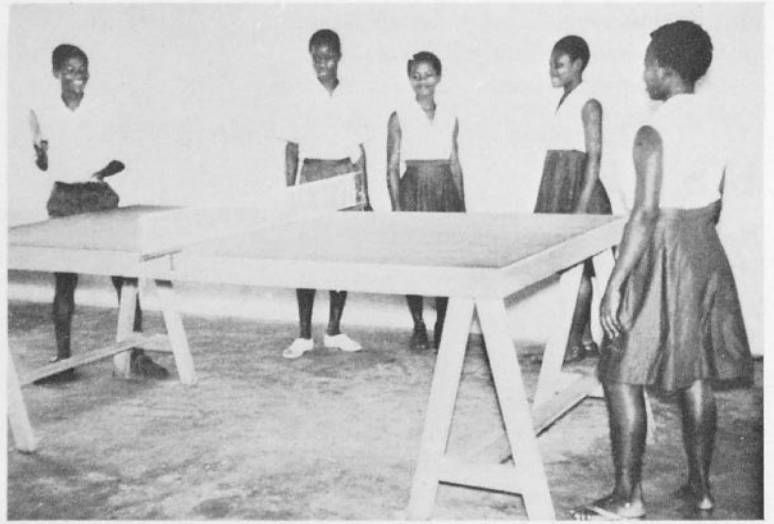
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Charlotte Dierking directs Nigerian high school students in study.



Students at Evangel High School enjoy a time of recreation.

Pentecostal High School Opened in Nigeria

By CHARLOTTE DIERKING

TORRENTS OF RAIN POUNDED ON THE zinc roof of the classroom block. Appropriately enough, the general science class was studying weather. The teacher, wishing to make the most of the situation, asked if anyone could explain the sound of thunder rumbling in the distance. Eager brown faces took on a knowing look, and a sea of hands went up.

A handsome boy in a green-and-white school uniform rose to his feet and expressed the opinion of the class: "Our people say that thunder is a white ram. It charges from the sky, often killing people with its horns." The teacher was surprised at this response, but twenty minutes later the class was well on its way to a scientific understanding of the natural phenomena of lightning and thunder. Nigerian students were bridging a 200-year gap in knowledge!

Classroom incidents of this kind are frequent at Evangel High School, a

secondary boarding school founded this year by the Iboland Division of the Nigerian Assemblies of God.

The high school, often called "college" by the Nigerians, is located on a spacious, forty-two-acre site. Although land is valuable in densely populated Nigeria (population estimated at 150 million), education is considered even more precious. To encourage the building of the high school, a village council contributed the land.

Erection of the first cement-block buildings (which include classrooms, dining hall, kitchen, dormitories, and teacher's house) called for sacrificial giving on the part of every church. A five-year building program will eventually make possible the accommodation of more than 300 students. At present sixty-two students are enrolled in the school, with sixty-two more scheduled to enter in January, 1963.

The opening of a secondary school was a big project for the indigenous church to undertake, but the need was urgent. For some time, the Nigerian Assemblies of God has operated twenty-two elementary day schools in which the Bible is taught as an important part of the curriculum. Through this medium, Assemblies of God children have become firmly grounded in their faith, and many children from pagan homes have re-



First-year students at Evangel High School return from a chapel service.

Send Foreign Missionary offerings to
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ceived Christ. On completion of their elementary schooling, these same children seek admittance to the limited number of secondary schools, most of which are operated by mission groups with religious beliefs contradictory to Pentecostal teaching. Approximately one student out of ten gains entrance; the others must face the bitter disappointment of having their educational goals thwarted. Evangel High School was established to alleviate this problem. Its purpose is to prepare young people for Christian leadership and to develop a stronger, better equipped lay membership in the church.

To aid in the spiritual and educational growth of the students, the school is fortunate in having two Nigerian Christians on the teaching staff. The curriculum includes daily courses



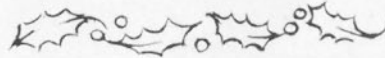
Students walk to a spring a mile away to get water for baths.

in Bible as well as the usual algebra and Latin.

Although seven denominations are represented in the freshman class, all students attend the Sunday school and worship services conducted on campus.

Shortly after it was opened the high school witnessed a revival in which several students were converted. In September the spiritual life on campus once more reached a high point. Under the ministry of the Donnell and Holler Evangelistic Team, seventeen students received the baptism in the Holy Spirit. Those receiving the Baptism included students from Anglican, Methodist, and Roman Catholic homes.

Evangel High School is fulfilling an important function educationally, bridging a 200-year gap in natural knowledge; but how much more important is its function in bridging the 2,000-year gap in the students' knowledge of God!



Dear Friends of Missions:

Christmas is not only next Tuesday: Christmas is every day of the year. When a man or woman, boy or girl anywhere in the world accepts Christ, it is Christmas all over again, for Christ is born in a new heart. Through your support of foreign missions, you are helping to perpetuate Christmas around the world and to fulfill the purpose for which Jesus Christ came: "I am come that they might have life, and that they might have it more abundantly" (John 10:10).

When you face your family across the table on Christmas Day, look beyond the familiar faces to the millions of individuals beyond your home and community--souls lost in the darkness of sin. They cannot share your Christmas joy, for they do not know the Christ of Christmas. It is for them that Jesus said, "Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature" (Mark 16:15).

When you enjoy the fellowship of your family on Christmas Day, look beyond the immediate faces to the members of our missionary family around the world. It is Christmas, too, for our 830 missionaries and their families on 73 far-flung mission fields. Our missionaries are there because God has called them and because you have sent them into the whitened harvest field. "For whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved. How then shall they call on him in whom they have not believed? And how shall they believe in him of whom they have not heard? And how shall they hear without a preacher? And how shall they preach, except they be sent?" (Romans 10:13-15).

When you kneel in prayer at the close of Christmas Day, determine in your heart to continue your part in perpetuating Christmas. Your prayers and your offerings in behalf of foreign missions are essential to our world evangelism outreach. Through your efforts the Christ of Christmas shines into darkened hearts, illuminating them with the Light of the World and hastening the day of His promised return. For "this gospel of the kingdom shall be preached in all the world for a witness unto all nations; and then shall the end come" (Matthew 24:14).

May yours be a joyous Christmas!

J. Philip Hogan





These little Indian children enjoy their part in the Christmas program.



This Indian girl radiates her happiness at receiving a Christmas package "just for her."



These Indian children surround the Christmas tree during part of their program.



Indian boys hold Christmas gifts from the WMC's.



Christmas on the Reservation

By GENE STEELE
Toadlena, New Mexico

THE MORNING WAS BLEAK AND GREY, and the air was filled with a cold drizzle. But there was something different about this particular morning deep in the heart of an Indian reservation in the southwestern part of the United States.

It was Christmas Day 1959. I had been undecided concerning where I should spend my Christmas vacation from Bible school this particular year. After much prayer, I felt the Lord was directing me to an Indian reservation to be of help to some missionaries I knew.

I contacted the missionaries and found they did need help at Christmas time. So I spent two weeks with them.

I soon found myself doing many odd jobs such as sweeping the church, disposing of trash and garbage, paint-

ing the parsonage, and sorting clothing and literature. There is much more to be done at a mission station than just preaching the Word!

Here are some of the highlights of Christmas Day as recorded in my diary.

December 25, 1959. I have just experienced one of the most precious Christmas days I ever had. After devotions this morning the missionary and I went out to distribute gifts to some Indians who had not received any.

First we went to the little Indian camp across the road from the church. The scene we saw there was heartbreaking and one that I shall not soon forget. Two little barefoot girls were standing on the muddy floor of the little one-room home eating a loaf of bread. Sitting on the bed in a dark-



The faces of these Indians register interest and anticipation during the Christmas program.

ened corner of the same room were two older Indian men drinking home-made liquor. The little ones were very happy to receive the fruit, candy, and other gifts from the kind missionary.

Our next stop was the reservation jail, where we found ten Indian women sadly looking through the bars on Christmas Day. As we drove up in the cold winter rain, we heard the cries of a darling little boy. He was begging to get inside the jail to be with his mother. The missionary gave him some candy, found the jailer who opened the door for him to go in, and then distributed treats to the rest of the prisoners.

I thought as I stood there and witnessed that scene of sadness, *"What a way for a darling little guy like him to spend Christmas Day. No toys, no tree, no warmth from a comfortable home!"*

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Many moons have passed since that Christmas, and many Indian hearts have been made happy at Christmas-time by those who really care. Women's Missionary Council groups over the nation have helped the missionaries make Christmas a happy time for those who otherwise would have no Christmas. And through these gifts of love, Indian hearts have been opened to the gospel, so that now Christmas has true significance.

As a teen-ager, I received a tremendous blessing through this experience and my heart was challenged to do more for God and His kingdom. Later, after I returned to school, God definitely called me to be a missionary.

In June 1960 my wife and I were married in the same Indian church by the same missionary. It was our happy privilege to have as our wedding guests the two hundred smiling Indians and fifty palefaces.

We are now engaged in missionary work among the Navajo Indians in northwestern New Mexico and have seen many hearts made happy through acceptance of Christ as Saviour and Lord of their lives. This is a pioneer work here in the Newcomb—Toadlena—Tocito area. Many false doctrines have come to the reservation and are speedily winning many converts. Full-gospel workers are few. But with your prayers and God's direction we shall one day see another church established for the Indian people. ❧



Awakening

A True
Christmas Story

By RUTH CONE

TWO-YEAR-OLD RUTH LIVED IN GERMANY in the home of her grandfather, Rabbi Moses Nathan. Her father had preceded the family to America to make a home for them. After he had located his factory in the city of New York and had found a house, he sent for his family.

But tragedy struck. The factory, not covered by insurance, burned down. The father then went on the road to make a living as a traveling salesman.

From time to time little Ruth was invited to Sunday school at nearby Olivet Chapel. There she memorized the Bible lessons so that the seed of the Word was sown in her young heart. At twelve years of age, as a little newsgirl, she heard the great evangelist, D. L. Moody, preach at Madison Square Garden on Jesus as the Way, the Truth, and the Life. It gripped her soul at once. Her fear of death was banished and changed to faith in this wonderful Saviour.

Shortly after this her mother was hospitalized for months and a new baby came into the family. Ruth had the care of the children. The infant needed special care, so it was placed by the interested Sunday school teach-

er in a Christian home until the mother was able to care for him.

Ruth heard her playmates talk about Christmas and stockings filled with goodies. She made up her mind that she was going to hang up her stocking, too, because this was a way of receiving some gifts. Christmas Eve came; she hung up her two clean stockings in anticipation. Imagine her dismay when at 6 A.M. she found something hard in her stocking and discovered it to be a piece of coal and a potato! When she heard her brother mocking, she burst into tears and cried out, "You mean old thing!"

Later that day while Ruth was caring for the children she suddenly heard sweet singing outside and a knock on the door. When she opened it, in came the Sunday school teacher and her class with well-filled baskets containing fruit, fowl, jellies, cookies and cake. Also they brought packages of toys and clothing for all the children.

On top of all this, the Christians had paid the month's rent, which saved the Jewish family from eviction. (The father had not been able to send money for this need.) All then joined in singing Christmas carols.

When Ruth's mother was able to leave the hospital, out of appreciation she granted permission for the children to attend the Sunday school for a while. Ruth was learning to know the meaning of real Christianity. She had heard so many of the Jews ask, "Why do Christians hate the Jews?" She was slowly becoming aware of the fact that true "born-again" Christians love Jewish people.

As a result of Christian love and interest, Ruth has been a Christian missionary for fifty-seven years, first in the Southland among the "other sheep," and for the past twenty years in Chicago laboring primarily among her own beloved Jewish people. Ruth rejoices in that her mother and father eventually were saved and two of her nieces are now in Christian work.

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Editor's Note: The main character of this story is now 91 years old. She is an aunt of Louise Kaufmann, missionary on the staff of Shalom Center, the Assemblies of God Hebrew mission in Chicago, and was once connected with the mission. A very active person, she still preaches occasionally.



Charlie's Christmas

By MARGARET TROUTT



ILLUSTRATED BY NORMAN PEARSALL

SERGEANT COOPER LOOKED UP AT US from the manager's desk in the home for the aged. The tree lights tinged his features red and green through the open doorway. "Charles West?" he repeated. "Are you friends of his?"

"No," my husband said as we exchanged glances, "but he sent us a Christmas card. We thought he must be lonely. Would you point him out to us?"

"Certainly," said the sergeant. "Mind if I tell you something about him first?" and he motioned us to a chair.

"Charlie West," he began slowly, "is lonely, all right. He's on the city welfare—has no relatives at all. During the past two or three weeks, groups from several churches visited here at the home. They left the men small gifts: soap, shaving supplies, handkerchiefs, socks, fruit and candy."

"Our church was one of them," I interjected; "we try to visit all the homes for the aging during the holiday season. Although I don't at all remember, that must be when we met him."

"Well," continued Sergeant Cooper, "the men appreciate the chance to talk to someone just as much as receiving gifts. But usually they can't wait to open their gifts and use them. I noticed, however, that Charlie didn't open his packages or eat his fruit and candy. 'Don't you like them?' I asked him the other day.

"Oh yes, sir," he replied, but I

noticed he still didn't open a package. By yesterday morning he had accumulated a little pile of small packages and quite an assortment of fruit and candy.

"About ten o'clock he came by the desk carrying a brown paper bag.

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THE BIRTH OF CHRIST

*Blessed night, when first that plain
Echoed with the joyful strain:
"Peace has come to earth again."*

*Happy shepherds, on whose ear
Fell the tidings, glad and dear:
"God to man is drawing near."*

*Happy, happy Bethlehem—
Judah's least, but brightest gem,
Where the rod from Jesse's stem,*

*Scion of a princely race,
Sprung in heaven's own perfect grace,
Yet in feeble loneliness.*

*Blessed Babe of Bethlehem,
Owner of earth's diadem,
Claim and wear the radiant gem.*

*'Tis Thy Church's voice that cries,
Rend these long unrended skies;
Bridegroom of the Church, arise!*

*Take to Thee Thy power and reign;
Purify this earth again;
Cleanse it from each curse and stain.*

*Babe of Bethlehem, to Thee,
Infant of eternity,
Everlasting glory be!*

—HORATIUS BONAR

'Merry Christmas, Sarge,' he greeted me. 'I'm going out for a little while; I'll be back for dinner, though.'

The sergeant swiveled his chair around and gazed absently out the window. "When he returned," he continued, "he was breathing heavily but looked like he'd just got a million dollars. 'Sarge,' he said, 'God is so good to me; this is the best Christmas I ever had.'

"That's fine, Charlie," I told him. Then, seeing that there was more on his mind, I added, "What did the trick?"

"I should have known better than to worry," he went on. "But I had so little money this year. I knew I couldn't buy gifts for the folks I wanted to. The Miller family especially."

"Even the children?" I asked, recalling their oversize batch of youngsters.

"Oh, yes," he said. "Guess you could say I've been blessed double this Christmas. First, I had the fun of getting all those gifts," he hesitated, "and—well—just now I took them over to the Millers. They just loved everything."

"Well, that's the story," concluded Sergeant Cooper with a back-to-business air. "Charlie didn't even keep a piece of candy for himself. But he's as happy a fellow as you ever saw."

"Now," he said, rising, "I'll take you to see him. His is bed 326. Just follow me."

A VERY LITTLE BOY, ONLY TWO AND one-half years old, once asked, "Mommy, where's Jesus' birthday cake?"

You see, it was the day before Christmas, and someone had told him Christmas was Jesus' birthday. So he naturally expected his mother to make a birthday cake for Jesus.

His mother decided it would be a very fine idea. On Christmas Eve she made a little birthday cake and put a candle on it. Then she placed it on the breakfast table on Christmas morning.

Her family enjoyed the little birthday cake more than any other part of Christmas, for it reminded them of the Saviour who was born at Bethlehem so long ago to save us from our sins.

This story happened thirteen years ago. The "little" boy is not little any more—he's now a big fifteen-year-old guy, but his mother still bakes a little cake each year, puts a candle on it, and places it on the breakfast table on Christmas morning.

A Birthday Cake for Jesus

Her name is Mrs. Edward Kiely and she is a public schools nurse at Rock Island, Illinois. A few years ago, for the first time, she told pupils in the public schools about this custom of baking a birthday cake for Jesus. The boys and girls at school asked their mothers if they would do what Mrs. Kiely does. As a result of Mrs. Kiely's example, hundreds of children in Rock Island and other places now have either a cake or cupcakes with candles at Christmas to celebrate Jesus' birthday.

Don't you think this is a good way



to remember that Christmas is not just a time to receive gifts and eat turkey, but it is a time to *think* of Jesus and to *thank* Him for coming down from heaven to die on the Cross to save us from our sins? Have you given your heart to Him?

It would be a good idea to give a gift to Jesus on His birthday, don't you think? And the best gift you ever could give Him would be your heart. That's what He wants more than anything else—He wants you to love Him, and to trust in His salvation, and to live for Him each day. Will you do it?

Smoke in the Valley

By EVELYN GUNTER

THE VERY AROMA OF THE SMOKE from Miss Neva's fireplace smelled of friendliness as from high on the hill it drifted down into our valley. As I watched I was reminded how much it was like Miss Neva and her smile—reaching to all the valley.

We all called her *Miss Neva* although she was married and the mother of wonderful children. Our little ranch joined her farm. Even before we had moved to our farm and were visiting, our next-door neighbor said, "You'll just love Miss Neva!"

When I saw her I knew why. As I followed her around her farmhouse there were apples, a jar of her new jam, a big juicy cake, and garden vegetables for me to take home. Who

would not love such a neighbor?

Although she was in her seventies, she was still president of her WMC group. Like the smoke which drifted over the countryside, she radiated good works—like a twentieth-century Dorcas in action. Endless calls she made to the sick and needy. She did not drive; she went everywhere on foot.

However, I think her most frequent ministry was prayer. Prayer turned the wheel of her life! After praying for many years she saw first one, then another of her own household saved. But—like the smoke—her prayer life did not remain on her own hearth. She included ALL of us in the neighborhood.

Personal counseling was always a

happy occasion for Miss Neva. She would sit on her front porch and, as she talked, she rocked! I do not know what the rocker had to do with it, but suddenly one felt as light of spirit as she did. She did not charge a fee for counseling—in fact, she never knew she was a psychologist or a psychiatrist! She was just her own helpful self always interested in others.

The Christmas season came again. I was busy and I missed my usual talks with her. The day before Christmas I was thinking of her. Christmas Eve was too busy for visiting, but I stepped out into the yard and looked toward her hill. Her Christmas smoke drifted toward me. It whispered, "Peace on earth, good will toward men."

Early Christmas morning, our next-door neighbor stopped by and said, "Have you heard about Miss Neva? She—she died last night."

Smoke—the smoke of others—still ascends from her chimney and descends into the valley below. And in my heart there lingers the fragrant memory of one who was so like Him that He wanted her home with Him on His birthday! ❖

TESTIMONIES OF HEALING



Jesus Christ the same yesterday, and today, and for ever (Hebrews 13:8).

Eighteen-year old Heart Condition Healed

FIRST OF ALL, I WOULD LIKE TO SAY that I am very happy to be a Christian. My husband and I gave our hearts to the Lord in February of 1961. I shall never forget the feeling there was in my heart as I asked the Lord to forgive my sins and help me start my life over again.

I knew that I would have to give up cigarettes, so right there on my knees—with tears running down my cheeks—I promised God that I would stop smoking. I have not touched a cigarette since.

Also I must thank God for sending Pastor Swanson to our home to invite us to church. Because of that visit all members of our family have become Christians.

A wonderful blessing was given to me during special services at our church a few months ago. We were having morning prayer meetings, and on the second morning I was filled with the Holy Spirit and healed of a heart condition which I had had for eighteen years.

For some four months I had been asking the Lord to fill me with His Spirit, and God knew that I really wanted this gift. Many times I would be just silent before the Lord—shutting out everything else from my thoughts and seeking to yield myself to Him completely.

At the time I was filled, I was praying for fellow Christians and for souls to be saved. I was praying for friends to be healed and never thought of asking for my own healing, when suddenly I was filled with the Holy Spirit. One cannot put into words the feeling—all I know is that a happiness and joy which I never dreamed was possible filled my whole being. My heart was so full of love.

While I was receiving the Holy Spirit the Lord healed my heart. As I was kneeling there speaking in other tongues my heart began to act very strangely and I feared that I was going to have an attack. It pounded very hard for about five minutes and then the pounding stopped. My heart became so calm that I wondered if it were still beating. I seemed to hear God say, "I have healed you." Then I began to speak in tongues again and to praise God.

Accompanied by my daughter I went to see the doctor. He told me that my heart was completely normal. I *knew* that he would, but I just wanted to hear him say it. This was a miracle. My heart formerly gave me much trouble; my family as well as my

doctor will tell you this for they have seen me pass out many times from this condition. But never since God healed me. I do thank Him for what He has done for me!—Mrs. Florence Caudill, Oakdale, California.

(Endorsed by Pastor Gordon S. Swanson, Bethel Assembly of God, Oakdale, California)

Healed of Heart Trouble

I DO WANT TO PRAISE THE LORD FOR what He has done for me. He has answered my pastor's prayers and has given me a "new heart" though I am past seventy years of age. I had suffered much with heart trouble. Some months ago Pastor Moody laid his hands on me and prayed. A few weeks later (on Sunday, February 4, 1962) the answer came.

After the altar service that evening I went home. As I went into the house I realized that I was healed. I called to my husband who was still sitting up: "I'm healed, Sam. My heart trouble is gone—no puffing, no pain, no clutching of my body!"

Through the week I told various loved ones the good news and praised God for my healing.

The next Sunday at church everyone

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Friday, 9 p.m.

told me that I looked better; I told them I was healed and felt fine.

At our little church we have many prayers answered, but that was a big order to pray for—a new heart. I still marvel at it.—Mrs. S. J. Wiltshire, Athelstane, Wisconsin.

(Endorsed by Pastor T. H. Moody, Assembly of God, Athelstane, Wis. Five months later, he writes: "I am happy to tell you that Mrs. Wiltshire has not been bothered with heart trouble since her healing. She is very faithful in church attendance.")

ON THE AIR



WITH D.V. HURST
SECRETARY
OF RADIO

THERE IS A LAW OF HARVEST! IT never fails! It always works—God wrote the law.

"He that soweth to the Spirit shall . . . reap" (Galatians 6:8). Yes, it works in matters of spiritual living and of gospel propagation, too. He that soweth to the Spirit—to the divine "wind"—shall reap!

Oh, the promise inherent in this law. If the Church would catch the vision of sowing the gospel seed—without reservation—it could change the course of human events.

We have the seed and the seed has life. The law of the harvest works. But the seed must first be sown.

The farmer has faith in the law of harvest. He knows that "he who sows shall reap." He *lives* by this law. Whether we are fully aware of it or not, the Church must *live* by this law, too!

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It sounds fantastic and I don't understand it . . . but I read it!

There is a drive under way to control light waves so that they will carry messages in a way similar to radio. Results would be unbelievable. In theory one beam would permit the transmission of 100 million telephone calls simultaneously, more than all the nation's long-distance lines combined!

This is possible because the high frequency of "LASER" light (the word is made up of the first letters of Light Amplification by Stimulated Emission of Radiation) enables it to carry great volumes of information. Signals would be static-free, jump-proof, and spy-proof.

Distance means little. A light beam could carry messages between satellites, to the moon, and to planets ten light years apart. Messages could be sent to the moon with less power than is used to light a Christmas tree bulb, and in one and eight-tenths' second of time. Controlling light in this way suggests such possibilities as *knifeless* surgery, a silent instantaneous death ray, a defense against ICBM's, and many more.

But think what such a breakthrough could mean for the gospel witness—*using the light to send the "light."* Should Jesus tarry perhaps there are still new and more unbelievably effective ways to be placed at the dis-

posal of the Church by which the message can be gotten out.

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At the time this article is being written, the entire *Revivaltime* office is in the midst of "wrap-up" operations for the prayermeeting. It's exciting to anticipate the results.

From Ontario, Canada, we just received this testimony: "I asked you to pray for my husband's salvation. He accepted the Lord just ten days before his 88th birthday. I do praise God for answering prayer." This was a real victory!

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From Trinidad, where there are many ardent *Revivaltime* listeners, we received this: "I got converted by your wonderful sermons over the radio. I was baptized last December. I was baptized in the Holy Spirit in March. Thank God for you."

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From a school of nursing in Ibadan, Nigeria: "Messages from your program have been a light to me. I have gained spiritually. I am a Christian but I never speak to others. I would like to have some of the miniature Bibles. I hope they will be a means of helping me to witness."

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And *Revivaltime* friends in Rice Lake, Wisconsin, wrote to say they were giving up "special treats" in order to help the "spiritually starved" by sending an offering to *Revivaltime* each month. Such friends share in all the results of *Revivaltime's* harvest. Have you invested in its search for souls? "

T. TEXAS TYLER-

A REDEEMED ALCOHOLIC



by C. M. Ward

God Reaches to 'Show Biz' to Save a Hell-bound Soul

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T. Texas Tyler was at the top. He thought he had everything. His record, "Deck of Cards," had hit a million. But through drink, he hit the bottom.

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Please send me the book, "A Redeemed Alcoholic." Enclosed is my sacrificial offering of \$ _____ to help *Revivaltime's* ministry

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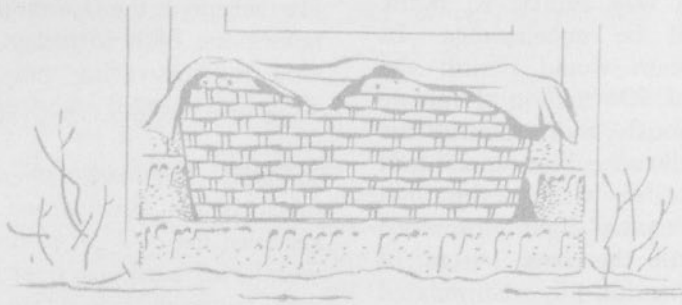
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*What We Do with the Child
Who Was Born at Bethlehem
Will Decide Our Destiny Forever*

There's a Baby



on Your Doorstep

By RALPH R. READ

STARTLED BY RETREATING FOOTSTEPS, awakened full by a distinct, though muffled cry, you hurry to the door. There on your doorstep is a baby, a tiny bundle of human life, brought to you out of the night.

The soft crying is stilled as the little one senses your presence. In that long strange moment urgent questions flood your mind. Whose is it? Who sent it? Why to *your* door?

But no answer comes. The little one's past is as silent as his future. Could it be a future of destiny with such a turbulent beginning. Every philosophy, every discovery, and every government has slept in the cradle with some child...

The crying continues. Louder now and with more insistence. Crying babies demand attention. You must reach your decision quickly. There's a baby on your doorstep!

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Even though it was probably the child of a Hebrew, Pharaoh's daughter could not delay. A baby was crying amid the rushes. Most certainly she must do something for she is a noble woman and this is a noble child. A baby on her doorstep!

Pharaoh's daughter is forever remembered as the guardian of a baby whose little hand held within its grasp

the destiny of a nation.

"The law was given by Moses. . . ."

The world was given a law *and* a Moses because someone cared enough about a baby on a doorstep.

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Silent night . . . holy night . . .

Suddenly the Judean hillside blazes with light and echoes with angel voices. "Ye shall find the Babe wrapped in swaddling clothes, lying in a manger."

The Eternal Son sleeps as any other child sleeps under a mother's watch. His cradle song is the familiar lullaby of Judean mothers. But in this cradle sleeps a cross and a throne. There He lies—wrapped in the inspired folds of prophetic utterances—a Baby on the doorstep of the world!

There is something inescapably personal about the doorstep visitation of the Almighty. Like Moses, He was the hope of Israel, but He was infinitely more. The Babe on the doorstep of the world is the hope—the only hope of every creature with whom He shared a common humanity. "For unto you," the angels declared, "is born a Saviour. . . ."

Choice is inevitable. Having once looked in His face or sensed His gentle invitation you can never be the same again. The moment you shut

the door on the Babe of Bethlehem you refuse a Saviour. And "neither is there salvation in any other; for there is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved."

Simeon saw salvation, in the face of Jesus Christ. Listen as he speaks . . . his body is trembling . . . the Holy Ghost is upon him. . . . "Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant depart in peace, *for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation. . . .*"

*O prodigious wonder!
To be sounded by the thunder—
Our God on earth a Child.*

*But as the Light, not lighting,
Attracting and affright'ning,
Earth and heaven reconciled.*

Nothing can alter the fact that God has entered the realm of human relationships. Sir Winston Churchill, discussing English-American associations in a wartime broadcast, said, "Our affairs are somewhat mixed up together." This is exactly what happened when Jesus Christ was born at Bethlehem. The affairs of heaven and earth became somewhat "mixed up together."

Let us be reminded that Jesus Christ has come to stay. His birth was no passing event. Separation by two thousand years from that point in time when He came as a Baby does not remove us from a personal decision concerning His claims. "As many as received Him, to them gave He power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on His name."

Intellectual difficulties will not excuse you. No man ever yet understood the Incarnation, the doorstep visitation of the Almighty. Here is a realm where man must believe with his heart. What will *you* do with Jesus?

"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. For God sent not His Son into the world to condemn the world; but that the world through Him might be saved. He that believeth on Him is not condemned; but he that believeth not is condemned already, because he hath not believed in the name of the only begotten Son of God."

There's a Baby on your doorstep. Your destiny depends on your choice.
—New Zealand Evangel

Made of a Woman

By FRANK J. LINDQUIST

Pastor, Minneapolis Gospel Tabernacle
Minneapolis, Minnesota

IT MUST HAVE BEEN WITH STRONG and mingled feelings that Mary and Joseph bent over the crib, and looked down on the Christ Child that lay there. They were at the ancestral home, Bethlehem, far removed from their own place of dwelling. Perhaps they realized that this was necessary to fulfill the prophecy of Micah 5:2, "But thou, Bethlehem . . . out of thee shall he come forth unto me, that is to be ruler in Israel, whose goings forth have been from of old, from everlasting."

Here now was the "seed of the woman" (Genesis 3:15) by the miracle of the virgin birth (Isaiah 7:14). Here was the fulfillment of prophecy after seven hundred years had gone by.

Mary had suffered reproach and misunderstanding from the public and even from her own husband, Joseph, but she had submitted to God's choice that through her should be born the Christ Child.

She represented all womanhood, as she submitted to this trying ordeal. Through her was born the sinless and spotless Sacrifice for all the sin of the world.

This was the "fulness of time," and now the eternal Son of God had taken upon Himself human nature and human flesh, and was "made of a woman, made under the law" (Galatians 4:4). In this way God honored all motherhood and cancelled the transgression of which Mother Eve was guilty when she was deceived by Satan in the garden. With her husband Adam

she had dragged down all humanity into the guilt and power of sin, and she suffered for it. "Notwithstanding, she shall be saved in childbearing . . ." (1 Timothy 2:14-15).

While this verse is a general promise of help to women at the time of childbirth, the Greek wording indicates that a particular "child" may be meant here; namely, the Christ Child. She shall be saved by the birth of THE child, a virgin birth, the seed of the woman.

There must have been in the heart of all enlightened women, especially those of the Hebrew race, a desire to be the mother of the Messiah. Therefore barrenness was a double curse; the lack of children by Eastern women was considered a horrible affliction. That is why Rachel came crying to Jacob and said, "Give me children, or else I die." The Messiah was the "desire of women," as mentioned in Daniel 11:37.

Let women everywhere ponder and realize what Christ and Christianity has done for them. See how a woman is downtrodden in heathendom; she is looked upon as little more than a breeding animal. See what sin has done to rob women of dignity, and



CHRISTMAS CONSECRATION

SAID the Shepherds to the Child

In the cattle shed of old:
"Angels told us of a Lamb
Born amid the winter's cold;
Born beyond a shepherd's fold,
Born where asses lie asleep;
And we come, sweet Lamb, to Thee,
Tender watch and ward to keep."

Said the Wise Men to the Child

Lying on His mother's knee,
"Over hill and over dale
A bright star has led to Thee;
Thou art poor, and well we see
Shameful death upon Thy way;
Take our gold to ease Thy want,
And our spice against that day."

—THOMAS TIPLADY

BROTHER WILLIAMS ILL

We regret to announce that Ernest S. Williams has been quite ill. He was confined to the hospital for several weeks but is now recovered sufficiently to be back in his home. Many friends sent cards, letters, and flowers which cheered him greatly.

Brother Williams says: "We have received so many cards and letters from all over the country, it is like Christmas. We deeply appreciate all the wonderful words of love and fellowship. We wish we could acknowledge personally each kindness that has been shown, but this is impossible. Would you be able to insert a little note of thanks in the *Evangel*?"

This, of course, we are delighted to do for one who is so widely known and loved as Brother Williams. We are happy to report that God has answered the many prayers that have been offered for his recovery. He is still somewhat weak but growing stronger each day by the Lord's help.

Due to Brother Williams' illness we are omitting his column of questions and answers this week. We trust the column will be back in the *Evangel* in the near future. In the meantime, Brother and Sister Williams both wish to send warmest Christmas greetings to all *Evangel* readers.

motherhood of honor. Then, after surveying the degraded state of heathen women everywhere, come back to the manger and thank God for what Christ has done for womanhood.

The Christ Child, according to the flesh, is a descendant of four especially favored women who were by nature excluded from any privilege which was strictly for Israel. They were Gentiles, yet by grace they were moved into the lineage of Jesus. These are the only women mentioned in the genealogy of Jesus as found in Matthew. See Tamar (verse 3), Rahab and Ruth the Moabitess (verse 5), and Bathsheba the wife of Urias (verse 6). Grace caused these Gentiles to partake with Israel in privilege and glory.

Let womanhood everywhere rise up and praise the Son of God who has lifted them, for if Christmas has meaning for any it must be especially for women. For Jesus is the *seed of the woman*, the Child of *virgin birth*, the *desire of women*. He was made of a woman, has lifted woman to stand side by side with the man, has honored all motherhood.

She who was deceived by Satan and fell by transgression has by God's grace become the instrument of God to produce the Saviour, our Sin Bearer. Glory to God in the highest! ❧



THE IMPORTANCE OF CHOICE

Sunday School Lesson for December 30, 1962

2 SAMUEL 24:10-17; 1 JOHN 2:1-3

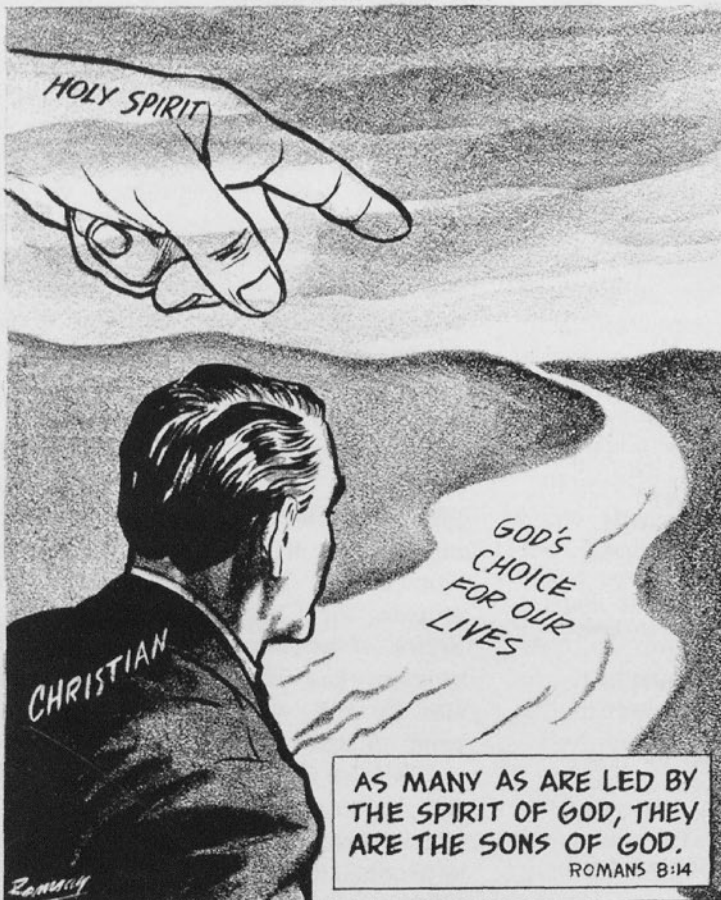
In view of the superficial and sentimental views currently held concerning sin and forgiveness, our lesson today is timely. We need reminding that "if any man sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous." And we need equally as much to be reminded that though sin surely may be forgiven, nevertheless its consequences may be far-reaching and irremediable!

DAVID'S SIN (2 Samuel 24:1, 2; see also 1 Chronicles 21:1).

What was so wrong with taking a census of the people? Had not even God commanded Moses to number Israel (Exodus 30:12)?

Sin has to do with motives as much as with actions! David's purpose in commanding that the men be numbered was to arrange them into an army organized with companies and divisions. Carnal pride lay at the bottom of all this. Elated over his military conquests, David evidently entertained the idea of further victories and

HE POINTS THE WAY



aggressive warfare. With that in mind, he wished to determine his strength.

It would be well for us to remember that many actions, apparently harmless and even good, may become sinful if we have improper motives! Even Sunday school records which may inspire one to soul-winning efforts when motivated by the love of Christ, may also produce carnal pride and become a false god!

DAVID'S OBSTINACY (2 Samuel 24:3, 4)

Joab, although an unspiritual and unscrupulous man, saw the folly of David's plan and sought to deter him. Not only Joab, but also the other army officers were reluctant to carry out the order of the king. How sad when our spiritual decline is noticeable to others but undetected by us. David refused to listen to his officers and thus heightened his own responsibility for wrongdoing.

DAVID'S REPENTANCE (2 Samuel 24:10)

Had not God's Spirit dealt with him and checked his intentions, David undoubtedly would have involved his nation in an aggressive war with all its attendant suffering—suffering by the people whose welfare he should have considered. To his credit is the fact that once again he proved to be a "good repenter" and was frank in his confession of sin.

Sin and wisdom are incompatible. "I have sinned... I have done very foolishly." The man of the world says, "It is foolish to be a Christian," and considers the Christian to be a bit "off." But the reverse is true. Sin is not merely a foolish thing; it is an *insane* thing! The truth that "the wages of sin is death" is written not only in the Bible but also in man's being and in the universe itself!

DAVID'S PUNISHMENT (2 Samuel 24:11-17)

David was given the choice of three years of famine, three months of war, or three days of pestilence. He wisely chose to fall into the hands of God rather than into the hands of men. He knew he and his people would fare better at the hands of a merciful God than at the hands of a cruel and vindictive army. As a result of the plague, seventy thousand men of Israel died. A number of practical lessons are implied in these verses:

The wrong conduct of a leader may reflect the wrong conduct of the people whose sin he shares. "The anger of the Lord was kindled against Israel." In what way were the people responsible? Evidently the answer is that there were many among them who shared David's pride and lust for war and conquest.

The punishment of sin is well suited to the sin. Famine, war, or pestilence, whichever David should choose as punishment, would strike a blow at the thing in which David prided himself—his numerical strength and his desire for conquest. Not only was his army reduced by seventy thousand, but the desire of the rest of the army was effectively squelched!

The consequences of sin are irremediable. David was freely and fully forgiven. But he experienced "a good man's hell"—the agony of seeing the innocent suffer for the sin of which he was the cause.

—J. Bashford Bishop

REVIVAL FIRES BURNING AT NBI

GREEN LANE, PA.—The young people at Northeast Bible Institute, Green Lane, are experiencing an old-time Pentecostal revival. The spiritual tide rose high during Spiritual Emphasis Week, October 30—November 2, when C. M. Ward was guest speaker.

Brother Ward poured his heart into the ministry of the Word each morning and night. The altar was filled continually with students seeking God. The prayer meetings lasted late into the night.

A number received the baptism of the Holy Spirit during this week of revival. Nearly every other member of the student body, faculty, and staff was refilled. A number testified to receiving healing. Many of the students took steps toward a greater consecration of their lives to the service of the Lord.

SOUTHWESTERN TO DISCONTINUE HIGH SCHOOL

WAXAHACHIE, TEX.—During the November meeting of the Board of Regents held on the campus at Waxahachie, it was decided that the High School Division of Southwestern Assemblies of God College would be discontinued.

Beginning September, 1963, the sophomore and junior years of high school will not be offered. The following year (September, 1964) the senior year of high school will be dropped.

All students presently enrolled in the High School Division at Southwestern will be able to finish without inconvenience. The high school courses will continue to be offered until the present group is graduated.

The high school has been a part of the Southwestern curriculum since 1932. For some time, however, there has been a feeling among leaders of the school that

this division should be discontinued due to decreasing enrollment.

Both the Bible College and Junior College Divisions of the school have had substantial increase this year. Crowded housing facilities, as well as a scarcity of sophomore and junior high school students, have influenced the decision of the boards of control.

COLLEGE STUDENTS CONTRIBUTE \$55,000 TO WORLD MISSIONS

SPRINGFIELD, MO.—Assemblies of God college students contributed more than \$55,000 to world missions during the 1961-62 school year, according to statistics compiled by the Education Department.

Approximately 3,000 students and faculty members in the organization's nine colleges made the contributions to various missions projects. Southwestern Assemblies of God College, Waxahachie, Tex. led in total giving with more than \$12,000.

Second in total was North Central Bible College, Minneapolis, Minn., with more than \$11,000 contributed.

ANNOUNCEMENT

HOME COMING commemorating the 38th anniversary of Faith Tabernacle, Dec. 31 (Watch-night). Former pastors, Thomas E. Hollingsworth and Lowell J. Underwood, guest speakers.—by Don Mallough, pastor.

WITH CHRIST

JEFF GIBBS, 52, of Silver City, N. Mex., went to be with the Lord on September 29, following a heart attack. Ordained in 1934, he served as a pastor and evangelist in Texas for several years. Other pastorates served by Brother Gibbs were in Texas and Mississippi, as

well as New Mexico. He was Mississippi District Superintendent for four years (1948-51). In 1961 he returned to Silver City, N. Mex., where he had been pastor seventeen years earlier, and served the church there until his Homegoing. He is survived by his wife, two daughters and a son.

BLANCHE M. YERGER, 87, Los Angeles, Calif., peacefully fell asleep in Jesus October 23 after a prolonged illness. An evangelist for forty years, she recorded the names of over 1500 people whom the Lord baptized in the Holy Spirit when she laid hands upon them. William D. Yerger, whom she married in 1918, died after they had served the Lord together for five years. Sister Yerger was superannuated in 1955 and had been waiting for the Lord's call to come home with keen anticipation.

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Ala.	Florence	A/G	Dec. 30-Jan. 13	B. R. Minton	Bobby Lowery
Calif.	Anderson	A/G	Dec. 30-Jan. 13	O. E. (Gene) Vaale	E. Z. Lawrence
	Carpenteria	Calvary Chapel	Dec. 30-Jan. 13	Dan & Anita Bogdan	C. Eigenhuis
	Crescent City	A/G	Dec. 30-Jan. 6	Doug Payne	D. L. Rhodes
	El Cajon	Central	Dec. 30-Jan. 13	William Caldwell	R. L. Davis
	Lodi	First	Dec. 30-Jan. 6	Ralph I. Cranston	Gene Forrest
	Tracy	North-Side	Dec. 30-Jan. 13	Marvin Schmidt	Manuel Deeds
Colo.	Montrose	A/G	Dec. 30-Jan. 13	Jerry & Mrs. Roberts	Thurl Barrett
Fla.	Eau Gallie	First	Dec. 30—	Bob & Mrs. Price	E. L. Frerking
	Kissimmee	Calvary Chapel	Dec. 30-Jan. 13	Robert Rogers	G. W. Cook
Hawaii	Honolulu	A/G	Dec. 30-Feb. 3	Stanley P. MacPherson	Harold Headrick
Ill.	Harvey	Calvary Temple	Dec. 30—	Joseph DeGrado	W. J. Sawyers
	Rockford	First	Dec. 30-Jan. 6	Arthur F. Thornton	E. A. Manley
Ind.	Noblesville	Light House Tab.	Dec. 30-Jan. 13	Cox-Brown Team	Yale Roberts
Iowa	Bettendorf	Gospel Tab.	Dec. 30-Jan. 6	The Musical Muirs	O. H. Hamilton
Minn.	Minneapolis	First Bloomington	Dec. 30-31	The Tanner Team	Arvid Kingsriter
	Worthington	A/G	Dec. 30-Jan. 13	Lowell Lundstrom Party	John Everitt
Mo.	Sullivan	First	Dec. 30-Jan. 13	Glenna Byard	A. W. Pettet
Nebr.	Kimball	First	Dec. 30-Jan. 11	William L. Schultz	R. L. Courtney
N. Y.	Schenectady	Calvary Tab.	Dec. 30-Jan. 6	Perrello Brothers	Mary Corvene
Okla.	Stillwater	First	Dec. 30-Jan. 13	W. D. Rice	Joe E. Stumbaugh
Oreg.	Eugene	First	Dec. 30-Jan. 13	Ron Prinzing	Murray McLees
Pa.	Three Springs	A/G	Dec. 18-Jan. 1	Daniel Summa	Raymond Herbert
S. Dak.	Winner	A/G	Dec. 30-Jan. 13	Jerry & Joy Spain	Wayne D. Allen
Tex.	Beaumont	Victory	Dec. 30—	Melvin McKnight	Bert Clendennen
Va.	St. Paul	A/G	Dec. 30—	John Eller	Bob McCutchen
Canada	Toronto, Ont.	Evangel Temple	Dec. 30-Jan. 13	Al & Tommy Reid	Alfred Cawston
El Salvador	Santa Ana	A/G	Dec. 30-Jan. 6	Watson Argue	Waldo Nicodemus
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