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The Bible paints a horrible future for a Christ-rejecting world. It says the human race is headed for calamities so destructive that, unless the days are shortened, mankind will not survive.

## A World Bathed

In the august 10, 1964, isSue of U.S. news and World Report there was an arresting article entitled, "Nuclear Bombs for All Nations?" With the article was a diagram depicting the possible destruction of more than four billion people in wars between A.D. 2000 and 2050.
While the article was written from a purely secular point of view, the Bible student is immediately reminded of Christ's prophecy in Matthew 24 regarding the great tribulation to come. Our Lord included in the prophecy the significant statement, "Except those days should be shortened, there should no flesh be saved."
His forecast of the tribulation days is spelled out in greater detail in the Revelation given to John on the Isle of Patmos. The same John who recorded the magnificent story of God's love to man, as expressed in John 3:16, was also given the responsibility of unfolding the details of "the wrath of the Lamb" toward those who reject that love.

After the rapture of the Church, the "Lamb as it had been slain" receives the title deed of this earth from His Father (Revelation $5: 1-7$ ). He then begins His campaign for the recovery and occupation of the earth (Revelation 6).
Jesus had said there would be wars and rumors of wars, and famines and pestilences and earthquakes. This is confirmed to John in his vision of the four horsemen in Revelation 6. To these are given the power to "conquer"; "to take peace from the earth"; and to cause famine. "And power was given unto them over the fourth part of the earth, to kill with the sword, and with hunger, and with death, and with the beasts of the earth."

Based on our present world population of approximately three billion, this first assault wave killing one fourth would result in the death of $750,000,000$ people.

A short time later the Lord will introduce a unique method of punishing wicked men. He will utilize a cloud of demon locusts from the bottomless pit (Revelation $9: 1-11$ ). Their power is not to kill, but "to hurt men five months." "And in those days shall men seek death and shall not find it."

The power of nuclear weapons is frightening to consider, but an even more fearful weapon will be unleashed on a Christ-rejecting world when the four angels, which are bound in the river Euphrates, are loosed (Revelation $9: 13-19)$. These will lead a demon army of $200,000,000$ horsemen whose fearful steeds breathe out fire and smoke and brimstone. They will "slay the third part of men" -another $750,000,000$-reducing the original world population by one half.
In this attack the Lord literally will bring hell on earth. Men today deny the reality of hell and say that a good God would not let it exist. But God can be angry, as well as good, and long ago He prepared everlasting fire for the devil and his angels (Matthew $25: 41$ ). In

## in Blood

By Ralph M. Riggs

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the day of His wrath He will demonstrate on earth three features of hell: (1) Men cannot die, or cease to exist; (2) they will be tormented by fire and brimstone (Revelation $21: 8$ ) ; and (3) they will not repent (Revelation 9:20) but will blaspheme God eternally.

In Revelation 8 and 16 we have a recitation of increasingly intensive attacks coming in quick succession on men who reject Christ. There is a parallel between several of these attacks and the plagues which God used to induce Pharaoh to let the Israelites go. In Egypt water was turned into blood; there was a scourge of locusts; sores afflicted the people and their cattle; and unnatural darkness covered the land.
In Revelation 8 we read that these things, and worse, will come upon one third of the earth; and in Revelation 16 the plagues come on all the earth. Water is made bitter and then turned into blood, so that men must drink blood to survive. Grievous sores come upon men and they are scorched with great heat. Later the sun becomes black and great darkness comes over the earth.

In Revelation 6 and again in chapter 16, a great earthquake causes the fall of all the nations, resulting in universal loss of life. Even mountains are moved out of their places and islands disappear. The moon becomes as blood (with no prediction as to whether man will have landed there!) and the stars of heaven fall upon the earth.

In these various calamities, it would not be too much to assume that another half billion people will lose their lives.


At this point the Antichrist (the anti-God man) will arise to receive the worship of the whole world. He levies his mark upon men and refuses them permission to buy or sell without the mark in their right hands or in their foreheads (Revelation 13:1-17). Of the one billion people left on the earth, we may estimate that at least $800,000,000$ will accept the mark.

But an angel announces from heaven: "If any man worship the beast and his image, and receive his mark in his forehead, or in his hand, the same shall drink of the wine of the wrath of God... and he shall be tormented with fire and brimstone ...forever and ever" (Revelation 14:9-11).

This number includes all the armies of the world which fight under the banner of the Antichrist against the Lord (Revelation $16: 14,16 ; 19: 9-21$ ). These shall be slain with the sword which proceeds out of the mouth of the King of kings and Lord of lords.

Representatives of the $200,000,000$ who are left on the earth after Armageddon (and at the beginning of the Millennium) are gathered before Christ when He comes in His glory and sits upon the throne of His glory. "And he shall separate them one from another, as a shepherd divides his sheep from the goats: and he shall set the sheep on his right hand, but the goats on the left" (see Matthew 25:31-46).

Approximately half of these (the goat nations) are sent away into everlasting fire which had been prepared for the devil and his angels. This leaves an estimated $100,000,000$ (sheep nation people) to inherit the Millennial kingdom, to be ruled over by Christ and His saints. "They lived and reigned with Christ a thousand years" (Revelation 20:4).

This is the detailed fulfillment of Jesus' words in Matthew 24:22, "Except those days should be shortened, there should no flesh be saved."
"For as the days of Noe were, so shall also the coming of the Son of man be." Eight souls out of approximately eight million antediluvians - or one out of a million-were saved from the Flood in the time of Noe (Noah). Can it be accounted strange that the same God should decimate the earth again in His wrath, destroying 29 out of every 30 inhabitants?

Comparing the Flood with the coming day of God's wrath, Peter emphasized the surety of God's Word in bringing both to pass: "By the word of God the heavens were of old, and the earth standing out of the water and in the water: whereby the world that then was, being overflowed with water, perished: but the heavens and the earth, which are now, by the same word are kept in store, reserved unto fire against the day of judgment and perdition of ungodly men. ... The Lord is not slack concerning his promise, as some men count slackness; but is longsuffering to us-ward, not willing that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance" (2 Peter 3:5-9).

The mass destruction to be accomplished by the wrath of God would be too terrible to contemplate were it not tempered by His gracious invitation to all to escape it by accepting the provision of His love.
"And the Spirit and the bride say, Come. And let him that heareth say, Come. And let him that is athirst come. And whosoever will, let him take the water of life freely" (Revelation 22:17).

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and the other to everlasting damnation.
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## Men in Action

Action MANdatory is a plan of action for Spirit-filled men who feel a divine compulsion to work for God. Though promoted by the Men's Fellowship Department it is not confined to assemblies having an organized MF group. Action M.ANdatory is a soul-winning effort in which the men of every church may engage.

Conceived four years ago as a three-month project, it is now concentrated in a single month-November-and the program has gathered new force each year since 1960. Participation in 1964 is expected to be more widespread than ever.

As Roger Babson, the great statistician, said: "It is more essential to ring door bells than church bells." Pulpit preaching is a necessary part of God's plan for His church but many souls will never be won unless they are reached through personal evangelism. The pastor cannot do it all. There are millions of people who will be lost forever unless laymen win them. Too many Christians are idly standing by, wishing for more church-going people, while God is looking for more people-going churches. As the text for Action MANdatory reminds us, we must go into the highways and byways of everyday life and "compel them to come in" (Luke $14: 23$ ).

Dr. Lyman Beecher, king of the American pulpit, was asked in his old age what he considered the greatest work a Christian can pursue. He replied, "It is not theology; it is not controversey; it is saving souls."

Another great preacher, R. G. Lee, said: "Value just one soul. One may be many. Andrew brought Simon-just one. But that one was many, for under God Simon brought three thousand in one day. Joel Stratton, a waiter in a restaurant, brought John Gough to Christ. Just one. And Gough brought many to Christ. Ezra Kimball, a shoe salesman, led a young man to Christ-just one. But that one was Moody, who rocked two continents for God. But why say more? Just as one digit is valuable in the multiplication table, and one letter in the alphabet, far more valuable is just one soul in God's sight."

The brochure Guidelines for Leaders which has been mailed to every Assemblies of God church contains a wealth of information on personal evangelism. In addition to three complete outlines for men's services there is an 11-page section on methods of soul winning which provides plenty of know-how. It suggests that the Outreach Issue of The Pentecostal Evangel (Number 2627, published September 13) will be an excellent door-opener for use in house-to-house visitation.

Every church where men dedicate themselves to definite soul-winning efforts will soon be enjoying new spiritual life and blessing. This is the way God planned for His church to grow. Christ did not expect twelve men to evangelize the world. He poured the Holy Spirit upon all believers in the upper room because He wanted all of them to witness for Him. No one can say God does not need him ; neither can he excuse himself by saying he does not know how to win souls. Personal evangelism is one person telling another that Jesus is his Saviour. It is as simple as that. And no sermon is as powerful as a man-to-man witness illustrated and corroborated by one's own spiritual experience. Henry Ward Beecher preached to multiplied thousands but he said, "The longer I live, the more confidence I have in those sermons preached where one man is the congregation."

Soul-wining action is mandatory to every born-again Christian. Compelled by love, enthused by prayer, anointed by the Holy Ghost, may the men of our movement win thousand for Christ in Action MANdatory.
-R.C.C.

God is giving His laymen an inner compulsion to win the lost to Christ.

-By BURTON W. PIERCE<br>National Secretary of Men's Fellowship

There is increased conviction in the hearts of many that the present-day outpouring of the Holy Spirit is marked by two unusual facts:

1. Its breadth-it has bridged denominational lines and has been accepted across a wide spectrum of Christianity.
2. Its depth-it is reaching down in men's hearts as though it may be the final move of the Holy Spirit previous to the coming of Christ.

The Lord showed this to the prophet, saying, "And it shall come to pass afterward, that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh" (Joel $2: 28$ ). Many believe this speaks not only of the Holy Spirit being poured out upon the lives of believers but also of unusual conviction coming on the unbelievers. There is evidence that the Holy Spirit is working in such convicting power in many unsaved lives today.

Thus, the Church stands at the threshold of her greatest spiritual opportunity. In the truest sense, the harvest is ripe; only laborers are needed. Special methods to reap the harvest are good, but first God must have men motivated by the Holy Spirit. Action MANdatory 1964 puts the spotlight upon the men whom God is calling for this ministry.

## MEN WITH A BURDEN

Sensitivity to the mind of the Holy Spirit is followed by a greater awareness of the spiritual destitution of the Church. Perhaps men of the Church, more than any others, sense the depths of this conflict. The normal function of only filling a pew and supporting the church is not enough to meet the compelling drive of the Spiritfilled man. He must be engaged in spiritual pursuits.

Almost simultaneously, a change in spiritual strategy has been revealed by the Holy Spirit to a number of individuals. This truth is brought into focus by the progression of the three invitations in the parable of the great supper, as outlined in Luke 14:15-25.

The first was an invitation to them that were bidden, "Come; for all things are now ready." Commonplace everyday duties were offered as reasons to be excused from attendance.

The second invitation was to the poor, the maimed, the halt, and the blind. This might well picture the great healing movement that has spread about the world in the last 20 years. After they responded, the report came back, "Yet there is room." So the master said, "Go out into the highways and hedges, and compel them to come in, that my house may be filled."

These are the tactics for today. The Spirit is saying, "Go out ... and compel them." There is a corresponding
compulsion in the lives of believers. God is asking both laymen and ministers to face up to the lack in their own hearts. Confession precedes empowerment by the Holy Spirit. Out of this desperate awareness of personal need comes a new sense of being sent forth under the compelling power of the Holy Spirit. This power enables them to reach the lost in their own environment.

## MEN WITH DIRECTION

Every stream must find an open channel. Finding the proper channel of spiritual power is as important as finding the proper source. The need of the Church is for in-volvement-personally contacting lost souls for Christ. Actual experience in door-to-door evangelism reveals unusual opportunities for harvesting.

An unusual experience brought this sharply into focus in my own life. It happened one evening in Springfield, Mo. The sun had slipped over the horizon a half hour before as I walked along Meadowmere Street trying to find house number 804. That was the number on my assignment card. The name was Tom Quinn. It was Tuesday night, our weekly Action night for soul winning in our Men's Fellowship group. Only a small number of men had turned out that night, so I took a few assignment cards and after prayer went out alone to make some calls. (Usually we go out two by two. How the name of Tom Quinn got into our files I do not know. Some of the cards were secured from the City Utilities listing of new people who had moved to town. Others were from previous contacts by the church. All of them represented eternal souls. Most of them needed Christ as their personal Saviour.)

I rang the doorbell and a gentleman came. I introduced myself and asked if he would have a few moments to visit with me. He graciously invited me into the home. I quickly sensed this man had a great spiritual need. In a few moments his story tumbled out. His wife had recently passed away following a lingering illness, and he repeated over and over again, "I'll never see her again."
"I have a son in California," he said. "He was notified his mother was ill, and later that she had passed away, but I never received even an acknowledgement from him. I am all alone and nobody cares."

The Spirit of God came upon me and quietly I talked to Mr. Quinn about Jesus, the One who carries our burdens, our sorrows, and our sins. Within 30 minutes a miracle had taken place for Mr. Quinn found the Saviour who truly cares for the sinner.
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Immediately after the visit I left for Dallas, Texas, On my return, my wife asked me, "Did you call on a Mr. Quinn?" After I said yes, she said, "The newspaper had a story stating that on Thursday morning Mr. Thomas Quinn was found dead at the foot of the stairs in his basement."
I was so glad the Holy Spirit had led me to this man just in time!

## MEN OF ACTION

The history of the apostolic church is recorded in the Book of Acts. The nature of that church is indicated by the name of the Book. It is the Acts of the Holy Spirit working through dedicated men. This work of Christ continues today. Acts 1:1 says, "Of all that Jesus began ...to do." The continuing ministry of Christ in the lives of His followers is stressed again in Acts 1:8, "But ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you, and ye shall be witnesses." This suggests that divine power accompanies the lives of Spirit-filled believers as they are involved in Spiritmotivated ministries.
Such action is expected in the fifth annual Action MANdatory campaign of Men's Fellowship during November. Here are provided channels into which the manpower of the Assemblies of God may be directed. Men are united to fulfill the divine compulsion. This unified program in reaching the lost can well overcome every hindrance to the soul-winning program of the local group.
Action MANdatory training provides practical methods of gaining entrance into homes or places of business. Men become acquainted with the principles of cooperating with the Holy Spirit in soul winning. They discover that barriers of denominationalism and indifference disappear and they see the harvest is ripe. Men are instructed how to lead from a general conversation into a direct presentation of the need of a Saviour. The soul winners are given practical methods of using the Word of God. Sensing the direction of the Holy Spirit the soul winners learn to press for that all-important step of faith which is necessary to salvation. They quickly learn to thrust in the sickle and reap the harvest at the strategic moment.
Most men have never experienced the thrill of winning a soul to Christ, yet they long intensely to do so. This year's Action MANdatory theme, "Compel," turns the spotlight on the place of men in this great end-time ministry of the church. Other methods have failed. Men's Fellowship believes the 1964 Action MANdatory, with its theme, "Compel," may prove to be the answer.

## CAN LAYMEN WIN SOULS?

Soul winning can become a way of life to any man who is motivated and trained for that purpose. This is the conviction today of a good many men in the First Assembly of God, Binghamton, N. Y., who might have given you an entirely different answer a few months ago. The potential was always there-as it is in any church -but not until the formation of a Men's Fellowship with a definitely scheduled "Soul-Winning Invasion" program did it really spring to life. Now it is primary to every function in which our men normally engage.

> R. D. E. Smith
> Pastor, First Assembly of God Binghanton, N. Y.

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By Evangelist Quentin Edwards

We live in a very religious world. if religion could save, the whole world would be saved. Not one of the 30 nations I visited was a nation void of religion. They are religious and proud of it. People all over the world will gladly tell you how religious they are.
Three different missionary journeys into the land of India have allowed me to observe the religion of the Hindus. Watching them in their worship reveals sincerity, dedication, and even faith in gods of wood, stone, gold and silver. One could never doubt their sincere desire to have their prayers answered.
Saddhus, Hindu holy men, roam the streets with huge metal bangles around their ankles. These bangles are jangling and clanging incessantly to awaken the gods so that the prayers of faithful worshipers can be heard and answered. One could never doubt the faith of the devotee as he makes his way into the holy water to wash his sins away. But instead of cleansing his soul of sin, the water may actually contaminate his body with its filth and disease. The worshiper goes away with his sinful heart uncleansed, his fear unchanged, and his spiritual course more uncharted than before.
Sacrificing precious meat and food to the gods is daily ritual with these sincere dedicated people. A Hindu's religion teaches him that his body must be burned at death to destroy the sins and sicknesses of this life so that when he is reincarnated he will not have the old sins and sicknesses at the beginning of his new life. With all of this religious exercise, not one Hindu has ever professed to me that he knew his sins were forgiven. Not one has ever told me that his prayers have been answered.
If religion could save, Moslems would be saved. They are very zealous. If possible they are even more dedicated than Hindus. Moslems have claimed that not one of them has ever been converted to Christ. Of course, many have been, but it is an absolute miracle when it happens. Moslems are so consecrated to their religion that some of them will go so far as to murder a son or brother if he follows Jesus Christ in baptism.
They are evangelistic. A Moslem is taught that he must win others to his religion so that when he stands before

Allah his hands will be clean of the blood of men. Moslems are intensely sincere about their religion. They are taught to pray at least five times a day no matter where or in whose company they are at the prescribed hour of prayer. I have watched them spread their prayer rugs on the ground, fall on their hands and knees, then bend over and touch the ground with their foreheads in their prayers. During an airplane flight I watched as a Moslem knelt to pray in the aisle unmindful of the passengers. Are they sincere? Yes, but sincerely following a prophet that can never lead them into life because he himself is dead.

Moslems are taught about a judgment in which all of the deeds of this life will be weighed and counted. If the good outweighs the bad he will be saved. If bad outnumbers good he will be damned. He has never learned that the blood of Jesus Christ, God's Son, cleanses from all $\sin$. Therefore, he goes on in his sin thinking that his one good deed each day will save him from the wrath of God.

If religion could save, all would be well with the Buddhists, Shintoists and others who are bowing down before hand-carved gods of wood and stone. Religious
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"CALL TO THE FELLOWSHIP"

## SERIES

# A MISSION FOR EVERYONE 

By C. M. WARD<br>Revivaltime Speaker

Jesus said, "fear not; from henceforth thou shalt catch men" (Luke 5:10).

In a sense people want to be caught. It's torture to be unnoticed, unwanted, and uncared for. Jesus revealed an attitude that has made the difference between progress and stagnation. He declared by all He did or said that every person is born with a divine intention for his or her life, a calling he or she is bidden to fulfill. Jesus made it plain that everybody counts in the sight of God.

A Christian's business is to share that truth. You have been made an ambassador to say to another, "Christ died for you." The first impact for many will be, "For $m e$ ? Surely not. I'm nobody, and nobody's ever paid me much attention before." It's a marvelous experience to be caught, to be wanted. That's the tug and power of God's great salvation. It gives dignity and value to existence.

This knowledge is too good to keep to oneself. It is so important to the welfare of the human race that there must be a penalty for negligence. The maid in General Naaman's house acted upon it. "She said unto her mistress, Would God my lord were with the prophet that is in Samaria! for he would recover him of his leprosy." Then there is the New Testament record of the lad. "There is a lad here, which hath five barley loaves, and two small fishes: but what are they among so many.... And Jesus took the loaves."

So much of the divine record concerns maids and lads. They shared with God the proposition that people mattered. And with that persuasion they wrote themselves into eternity's journal when, without such persuasion, their menial stations would have kept them unknown. They found excitement and adventure. It was something to see the General come home a well and a changed
man! It was something to see five thousand fed! It's the kind of living that is open to all of us who share God's nature.

A generation around us live in a vacuum of meaninglessness. Today's word is frustration. They are bored and dissatisfied. They ask about what they do and earn, "How important is it? How much does it really matter?" It all seems to add up to so much loss-lost time, lost effort, and lost souls. People need to be "caught" before it is forever too late for them. They need to be caught $u p$ in a personal God's purpose for their lives, caught up in a sense of living worthwhile lives, caught up in a mission that each day demands the best they have to offer, caught up in the eternal luxury of knowing other human beings, caught up in a working fellowship with God.

This kind of thing isn't just for preachers and missionaries. It is for every believer. God never intended evangelism to be difficult. "Fear not," is Christ's word, "thou shalt catch men." There wasn't any question in the Saviour's mind about their success. All that is needed is the sense of caring. The maid was concerned about her employer. The lad was concerned about hungry people.

You were "born again" to be a fisherman. You have a "catch" to make. It is your destiny. You must not fail.

Our Lord, in the most crucial moment of His life, looked directly at the man who had the power of life or death over Him and, squaring His jaw, declared: "To this end was I born, and for this cause came I into the world, that I should bear witness unto the truth."

When the believer lives that dedication-"To this end was I born, and there is a destiny for me to fulfill"then he has made the world-shaking discovery that God is already using him as an evangelist.


# What's Happening in the Old Countries? 

By Charles E. Greenaway, Resident Secretary for Europe

Last month i attended the german bible school graduation. It was a beautiful service. Brother Kolenda, our representative in Germany, spoke with great unction to the 34 graduates who lovingly refer to him as Grandpa.

The Bible school graduation at Andrimont, Belgium, was also blessed of God as the crowded little chapel
resounded with thanks to God for another year of victory. I recently returned from Athens where our representatives in Greece, Mary and Jerry Metaxatos, are working so faithfully for God. In spite of opposition and lack of finances the work is growing. We had some wonderful services and times of fellowship. While I was there


[^0]we went 22 miles from Athens to look over the property where the Assemblies of God is going to build a youth camp and Bible school.

On my way home from Greece I stopped in Rome to visit Alfred Perna, representative for Italy. I was both proud and happy to see what God had enabled him to accomplish in establishing a new Italian printing press. Just to find the building right in the heart of the city was a miracle, in light of the customary legal formalities.

The beautiful new press is already turning out literature. One of its first projects is the production of 50,000 Gospels of John for Alfred Perna and Hal Herman who have launched a city-wide campaign in Naples. Let us pray for this meeting.

The recent French General Council was well attended. The Council is making good progress toward a stronger, more closely knit Assemblies of God organization in France. The Literature Commission is forging ahead with a sound program and we hope someday to see a Gospel Publishing House in France.

On April 23 Mr . and Mrs. Gustav Kinderman arrived back in Europe. Brother Kinderman has worked many years in this field. His terms of service have extended past the normal retirement age, but his vision is undimmed.

Another couple well acquainted with the European field, the V. G. Greisens, arrived on May 23. They are living at the Bible school in Andrimont, Belgium, and will be traveling throughout Europe in camp meetings and youth camps. We welcome these veterans of faith who have taught us so many things. We pray that God will continue to give them strength for years to come as they circulate among us creating faith and courage for the great task in which we are engaged.

U. N. Gorietti, General Superintendent of the Assemblies of God in Italy, studies a map indicating locations of assemblies in Italy and Sicily.

## PRISON WALLS DID NOT PREVENT . . .

# THE RESCUE OF RICARDO 

By LOUIE W. STOKES<br>Missionary to Argentina

Rosario, argentina's second largest city, is a sprawling metropolis of a million inhabitants some 200 miles up the twisting Parana River from Buenos Aires.

In its overcrowded prison was a young criminal, Ricardo. He had time on his hands and trouble on his mind. Numerous questions occupied his thoughts. What could he do? How could he improve his situation? When would he be free like other young men and women? How would he start life anew when his liberty was restored?

One cold, unpleasant day, a day like so many that passed at a tortoise pace, Ricardo came across a magazine from the Federal Capital. He read the crime stories and scanned the gaudy announcements of the picture shows. Finally he saw something that awakened his interest. A reporter had attended the Assemblies of God Temple in the heart of Buenos Aires and had written a favorable article about the preaching, the special healing services, the radio broadcast, and other features of this large church.

Could it be true? he wondered. Were criminals actually converted? Did people who were sick improve in health? Was the gospel real and powerful? There was only one way to discover the truth. He wrote a letter to the church and inquired.

The letter came to the church radio program, La Voz de la Fe (The Voice of Faith). One of the helpers in the studio read it and replied. He affirmed that what Ricardo had read was true, then gave his personal testimony. The helper also sent some literature about the way of salvation.

A few weeks later Ricardo replied. He had obeyed instructions, his life had been transformed, and he was now an evangelical believer.

Since that time we have corresponded regularly with Ricardo. His letters are so cheerful and the evidence of his conversion is so genuine that we rejoice each time we hear from him. He is now anxiously awaiting his release so he can serve the Lord in a wider, more effective way.

# Latin America Leads the Way 

International cooperation among Assemblies of God people has reached a high level in Latin America. CADSA, formed in January, 1961, is an organization composed of church leaders from the countries in the Southern part of South America. Its most re-
cent conference convened in February, 1964, at the campus of the Bible institute in Buenos Aires, Argentina.

More than a hundred people attended, each in a position of important leadership in his own national Assemblies of God organization. Sev-


Three former Catholic priests are now Spirit-filled Assemblies of God ministers. All born in Spain, they are serving at present in Argentina, Uruguay, and Bolivia respectively.


CADSA brings together delegates from seven countries of South America.
en countries were represented: Argentina, Chile, Uruguay, Paraguay, Bolivia, Peru, and Brazil. Some were missionaries ; some were national ministers ; all benefited from the exchange of information and ideas as well as from the shared worship and fellowship. Subjects of discussion included evangelism goals and methods, Bible institute operation, youth work, and church organizational patterns.

From Springfield, Missouri, came Assemblies of God General Superintendent T. F. Zimmerman, Foreign Missions Director J. P. Hogan, and Latin American Field Secretary M. L. Hodges.

Next year will see a parallel gathering which will bring together representatives of the northern portions of Latin America. Called CELAD, this international group has its conference scheduled for December 14-17, 1965. The gathering will take place in Central America-probably Costa Rica. It will be the third time CELAD representatives have come together.

Assemblies of God workers in other parts of the world are following Latin America's lead in calling international conferences for mutual benefit. For years groups of Pentecostal believers scattered around the world have felt themselves isolated, sometimes unaware of the very existence of other such groups in neighboring countries. Now these believers have "discovered" each other and are profiting by the discovery. They are also welding a great global framework of Pentecostal testimony by uniting Assemblies of God members more fully than ever before.
"Lord, let me live until I've done for Thee my earthly work, whatever it may be. Call me not hence with mission unfulfilled; let me not leave my space of ground untilled. Impress this truth upon me that not one can do my portion that I leave undone."
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Asangalwisye Kandukongonde

## FROM <br> THE <br> SHADOWS

By Norman Correll<br>Missionary to Tanganyika

Asangalwisye kandukongonde was born in 1922. His parents could not remember the exact day nor even the month but they knew the year because that was the year the village chief died. Asangalwisye's father was a polygamist and his mother the first of three wives.

As a boy Asangalwisye herded his father's cows as did all the other boys in his tribe. He had a consuming thirst for knowledge but no opportunity to go to school. When a bush school began in his village, the temptation was too great. Against his father's orders he started attending classes. More than once he received a sound thrashing when his father found the cows unattended and Asangalwisye at his desk in school. But he was undaunted. The seeds of learning were being planted in a fertile mind, a mind that would one day be greatly used of God.

As he grew older he had an opportunity to attend a Pentecostal mission school where he continued his studies. Here he was shown the way of salvation. But he remained unconverted.

Meanwhile his sister had found Jesus. She witnessed to him and prayed
for him, but he continually resisted her efforts. Finally, in 1940, he surrendered to the Lord and was baptized in water by an Assemblies of God missionary. His conversion infuriated his father. According to their tribal religion, when his father died Asangalwisye was the member of the family who would be responsible for the prayers and sacrifices to the family ancestors. His father used threats and exerted strong pressure, but the young man chose to serve God rather than heathen gods.

In 1942 he joined the King's African Rifles and eventually was assigned to Ceylon. This was a time of severe testing for this new Christian. Satan was making a strong bid for his talents. While he was on the high seas en route to Ceylon, he was engaged in a battle. There was no sound of guns for the battle was within his own heart. The Lord won, and this African was brought a step closer to the path of service for God.

In 1945 he returned to civilian life. The following year he was filled with the Holy Spirit and received a call to preach the gospel. There was no Bible school in Tanganyika at that time, so without the benefit of proper training he began to work for the Lord as an evangelist.

The year 1953 was a turning-point in his ministry. He was chosen to be pastor of the new evangelistic center in the city of Mbeya. Then his longing for education and training was fulfilled when an Assemblies of God Bible school was established in Mbeya and he had the opportunity to attend. His keen mind and his insatiable hunger for knowledge were such that he graduated at the head of his class with honors.

From a background of ignorance and heathenism, Asangalwisye has become one of the most outstanding Assemblies of God ministers in Tanganyika. He is fluent in four languages, including English. He has served on the Assemblies of God executive committee of Tanganyika. Until 1962 he was the dean of Southern Tanganyika Bible Institute.

Now he pastors the evangelistic center in Arusha, Northern Tanganyika, and is a member of the faculty of the Northern Tanganyika Bible Institute. He is a busy man of God, preaching, teaching, witnessing, distributing liter-ature-a man with a love for the souls of his people.


60 "Giving" Days Till Christmas
The fourth of july without fireworks, Thanksgiving Day without turkey-these are commonplace to missionaries around the world. For these are strictly American holidays which mean nothing to the citizens of other countries.

But Christmas is a special holiday in a different way. It is not American; it is Christian. And wherever Christian fellowship exists there are disciples who have taken up the custom of giving and exchanging gifts in commemoration of God's own wondrous giving of His Son.

Where our missionaries are, Christmas climate may be tropical. Evergreens and fireplaces may be unknown. More than one missionary has used a broad-leafed bush to re-create for his own children some semblance of a Christmas tree in the American tradition. But somehow, with or without tinsel and trees, there is something special about Christmastime for a Christian in any country.

Through the years our American churches, especially through the WMC, have time and again sent Christmas gifts over thousands of miles to surprise and delight missionary families. It is only October, but many of you are already preparing packages for those missionaries in whose ministry you have a share. Such long-range planning is necessary because it often takes six weeks or longer for a package to reach a distant mission station.

If you have not already done something about Christmas, 1964, for the missionaries you know, why not do it now! A carefully chosen gift, though not necessarily expensive, will show your love and concern for some particular member of a missionary family. An extra contribution, either through your church or direct to the Foreign Missions Department, will help export a bit of Christmas to your substitutes abroad. Start saying "Merry Christmas" now-two months in advance!

# By chance Emilio picked up a tract entitled, "Seven Things You Need to Know." He brought it home. 

## 'Only a Tract'

By Eva M. Bauer


"I Will heal your son if you give me a cow." the crafty old jungle witch doctor squinted an evil eye as he bargained.

Juan Reynaldo's father was ready to try anything. He had seen his son offer flowers and candles before the idols. He had seen him give practically all his earnings to Saint Anthony. But his sickness became worse rather than better. The witch doctor knew that Senor Reynaldo was desperate. So he was bold enough to ask for the family's only cow for doctoring sick Juan. And Senor Reynaldo had no choice but to give the witch doctor his chance to work his medicine charm.

The bargain was made. So Juan mounted his horse, tied the cow behind, and went off leaving his wife and children at home. The witch doctor took him six days' journey into the heart of the jungle of Peru. There he was kept in a kind of prison cage built up in a tree. Roasted bananas and water was all he had to eat. At the end of two months, instead of being cured, he was almost dead from weakness. So he returned home.

Then he became worse. His legs were curved backwards so he couldn't stand on them. He was dizzy and in constant pain. His family searched for roots and herbs to cure him, but this too was in vain.

Many months passed, and he neither died nor recovered. Everyone grew tired of his lingering on. No one even bothered to give him water ; they just left him to die. When he was not unconscious Juan would cry to the idols he had served so faithfully. But they didn't answer him-not even Saint Anthony.

One day Juan's older brother Emilio was walking to Huacracucho. By chance he picked up a tract. It was entitled, "Seven Things You Need to Know." He brought it to the house and put it on Juan's pillow. Juan was unconscious. When he regained consciousness, he spied the tract and read it. Then he read it again. He said to himself: "I am a sinner, an idolater, and a drunkard and I need salvation before I die." Then he prayed: "Lord Jesus, I am a lost sinner. Have mercy on me. You can heal my body. If You do, I will serve You all the rest of my life. From now on I am Yours. I renounce all my bad habits. I will not serve Saint An-
thony and the rest of the images who have failed to help me in these trials."

From that moment his soul was filled with joy. His pains began to leave him. Peace took the place of sorrow and crying.

When his family returned from the fields, the only one who came in to see him was his father. He immediately noticed that a change had taken place. But when Juan testified that Jesus had saved him and taken away his pains, the father was furious. It meant that his son was a Protestant now. In rage he shouted that he would disinherit him and would no longer call him his son.

After his father had left the room, Juan made a great effort to rise. He knew he could trust in the Lord. He found that his legs would hold his weight so that he could walk out and get a drink of water. He grew stronger very rapidly and soon he was going from house to house testifying what the Lord had done. Everyone marveled and many decided to follow the Lord.

Every Sunday the believers would come to Juan's house and he would read the tract to them. They listened attentively. That was all, just the tract. Later on Juan went searching in other villages for someone who could teach him to sing songs. He bought a hymmbook and a New Testament from a man who sold Bibles and tracts. Now he could read a portion of the New Testament and explain it to the best of his ability. He taught his congregation the hymns. The humble little gatherings were always joyful.

As the months went by more believers were added to the number. At last, even his own family yielded to the Lord.

After some time Juan heard of the Assemblies of God Bible Institute in Lima where he could study God's Word. Overcoming all obstacles-poverty, the great distance to travel, the care of his wife and children-Juan went to Lima and studied three years in the Bible Institute. He is now preaching the gospel in eastern Peru, a faithful witness and worker for Jesus; and he is so thankful for the gospel tracts furnished by BGMC, for it was a tract that led him to the Lord.

## MISSIONS VIGNETTES--No. 1

# Our First Five Years (1914-199) 

By Noel Perkin, Foreign Missions Director Emeritus



God has provided in all living things a potentiality for development. In His creative power He does not necessarily make everything perfect at once, in the sense that the creature may be immune to failure, or may have no room for further improvement. This principle applies to our individual lives, and also to groups of people who are associated together in God's work.

In the early days of the Assemblies of God there was much that was far from perfect. We like to look back on all that was best in the good old days, but we are prone to forget the less desirable aspects. Let us take a look at the development of missionary interest, initiative, and accomplishment among us, learning from both the successes and the mistakes.

In our beginning there was lots of zeal, but much of it was without knowledge. Our founders feared that the new organization might hinder the moving of the Spirit and bring in a rule by men, which might erect doctrinal barriers hindering Pentecostal freedom of worship. Some stormy Council sessions resulted when individuals resisted innovations aimed at developing a more united effort. There was sometimes strong difference of opinions regarding the degree of administrative control, if any, that should be exercised by the officers of the newly formed Assemblies of God fellowship. One observer at
the 1919 General Council, having attended seven such gatherings in five years, said, "At last, this has been more like a Council than a battleground!"

But in spite of the problems there was the indefinable wonder of the presence of God, holding the group together and bringing order out of what was sometimes near chaos. Regardless of noise and confusion, sincere people lost themselves in audible expressions of worship from the heart. No one felt conspicuous, for everyone else was doing the same thing. It was this very real sense of God's presence that drew people from many denominations and brought in hungry unbelievers as well. People looked at our Assemblies and felt, "God is in you of a truth" ( 1 Corinthians $12: 25$ ).

From the beginning of the Assemblies of God in 1914, there was an intense desire to witness to others "that God is, and that he is a rewarder of them that diligently seek him." The compulsion to witness to the gospel gripped the believers who were associated in this new movement. And they liked to call it a "movement" rather than an organization. It was a movement of the Holy Spirit. The Spirit had made real the things of Christ. God's Word became living as never before. There was the urgent feeling that the return of the Lord was near,
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W. W. Simpson (left, with one of his outstanding students) organized an early Bible school in China.
impelling many to give up lucrative positions and devote themselves to preaching the gospel at home or in distant lands.

By the time of the first General Council in 1914 there were already hundreds of missionaries in foreign lands as a result of the Pentecostal outpouring. They had gone out from America and Europe impelled by the Pentecostal fire. They were a living fulfillment of the Scripture, "Ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost has come upon you, and ye shall be witnesses unto me, both in Jerusalem, and in all Judea... and unto the uttermost part of the earth" (Acts 1:8). Some of these missionaries became charter members of the General Council; others joined later. Only 32 missionaries were on the roster in April, 1914. By September, 1919, there were 195 on the roll. No other five-year period in our history has seen such rapid growth, percentage-wise, in our number of missionaries.

China and India were the countries of greatest missionary emphasis. Their huge populations seemed to present deepest need. But missionaries also went to Africa, Central and South America, Mexico, the West Indies, Palestine, Hong Kong, and Alaska.

It was characteristic of our early missionaries that they trusted God for support and guidance, almost completely ignoring missionary organization. W. W. Simpson (who first went to China in 1892, before the Assemblies of God was formed) became one of our first missionaries. He wrote to headquarters in 1917 as he faced a return to West China after furlough: "I don't care for a mission board to back me up with pledged financial support; but I must have people of like precious faith to uphold me with their prayers and fellowship. I know the Lord's method of sending forth missionaries (according to Acts $13: 1-4$ ) is for the Spirit to call them, then the church to send them. I want to be sent forth with the hearty cooperation, sympathy, and prayers of the people of God following me."

Brother Simpson had first gone to the Tibetan Border at the age of 22 . For years he endured unspeakable hardships-but he witnessed incredible miracles, too. His vision was characteristic of things that are still strongly in the thinking and planning of the Assemblies of God. He once wrote, "The greatest need of the work in China today is for Spirit-filled Chinese men and women who know the Bible enough to preach the gospel in its simplicity and purity." Here he struck at the heart of missions : the necessity of training local ministers in every part of the world. What China still has of gospel witness is no doubt based to some extent upon the faithful Chinese believers who were trained in God's Word in Assemblies of God Bible schools before missionaries were forced to leave the country.

Finance was not the determining factor in the going forth of missionaries in the early days. Brother Simpson wrote again, "While we expect to go forth in affiliation with the General Council of the Assemblies of God, and expect to work in harmony and fellowship with all who love and obey our Lord Jesus Christ, our dependence is on the Lord alone, whose we are and whom we serve." In 1919, when J. R. Flower was appointed missionary treasurer, he reported on the increase in missionary offerings. During 1916 headquarters had received $\$ 4,879.50$ for missions; in 1917 the figure had risen to


Pioneer missionaries George C. Slager (left), W. W. Simpson, Martin Kvamme, and Arthur Ahlberg were members of North China District Council.


Newly-baptized converts at Tsinan, China, stand with missionary Simpson (back row, second front left).
$\$ 10,223.98$; in $1919, \$ 63,548.57$ had been received. As these last figures were read in the Council gathering, the whole audience rose to praise God for His gracious provision. Brother Flower reported: "No candidates for the mission field have been refused on financial grounds. The task facing the brethren is the recognition of the Pauls and Barnabases who are called of the Lord, and the elimination of the John Marks who would likely lose heart and come back before they should. It is not the purpose of the Council to discourage any brethren who may be profitable for the ministry."

Editor's note: The story of the movings of God's Spirit in the missionary outreach of the Assemblies of God will continue in future editions of the Pentecostal Erangel. Watch for the Clip Sheet each month.

# The Sanctity of Marriage 

Sunday School Lesson for November 1, 1964 Matthew 19:3-9; Ephesians 5:22-31

BY J. BASHFORD BISHOP

Is it too much to say that the moral and spiritual disintegration of our society-its juvenile delinquency, its ever-increasing crime rate, its lawlessness and immorality -is due to the breakup of the home and to disregard of the sanctity of marriage and responsibilities that are therein involved? As the home is, so is the nation. How relevant, then, is our lesson today!

Christ's Teaching About Marriage (Matthew 19:3-9). The Pharisees, desiring to trap Jesus, asked Him a controversial question which they hoped would get Him in trouble no matter how He answered! One section among them held the view that divorce was only permissible where immorality was involved. The other-and the more popular view then as now-taught divorce was allowable for almost any conceivable cause.

Christ's answer frustrated His enemies for He denied the validity of divorce at all! However men may wish to explain it away, Christ made it clear that as far as the perfect will of God was concerned, marriage was an indissoluble relationship. He referred back to original creation, pointing out God did not make man and woman separately out of the dust; instead, He formed Adam out of the dust, then made Eve from the substance of Adam. For this reason a man and wife are said to be "one flesh" (vv. 4, 5). The moral and physical union involved in marriage is but a continuation of the original union of woman with man before she was separated from him.

The Pharisees objected, claiming Christ was at variance with the "command" of Moses which made provision for divorce. Christ countered by saying Moses did not command, but suffered-which is to say he allowed, or put up with-"the hardness" of their hearts! And since God knew men would violate the marriage relationship, in order to protect wives from ill-treatment and even murder He permitted divorce as the lesser of two evils.

Verse 9 has been the subject of much controversy. Some hold that Christ meant to say remarriage is permissible for the "innocent party" in a union where there has been infidelity. However, when all the teachings of Christ and Paul are taken into consideration, it seems clear the clause, "except it be for fornication," which gives the only valid cause for divorce, has nothing to do with permission to remarry, and remarriage for one who has a living partner is forbidden. (See 1 Corinthians 7:39; Romans 7:2, 3.)

Woman's Responsibility in Marriage (Ephesians 5: 22-24). The previous section of the lesson established marriage as a sacred institution, instituted by God Himself as an indivisible union. In the next two sections the responsibilities of the parties involved in such a union are detailed.
The duties of the wife are summed up in one word-
subjection. This does not mean she is merely a servant or slave; it means she recognizes God's order in the home - "the husband is the head of the wife, even as Christ is the head of the church." Throughout this section the relationship between husband and wife is made to parallel the relationship existing between Christ and the church. Thus, "as the church is subject to Christ, so let the wives be to their own husbands." While Christianity has resulted in what we term "the emancipation of womanhood," that emancipation must always be within the limits described here!

Man's Responsibility in Marriage (Ephesians 5:25-31). The husband has been described as the "head of the wife"; yet he is not told to govern her but to "love" her. More than that, he is told to love her as Christ loved the church! That is a big order for any man to fill-and one that will occupy him all the days of his Christian life! The responsibilities of each partner beautifully balance the other and when fulfilled result in a union blessed by the deepest of joy, strength, and satisfaction. No wife will find it difficult to be submissive and obedient to a husband who loves her "as Christ loved the church"-tenderly, constantly, and sacrificially. On the other hand, the wife whose subjection to her husband is patterned after the church's subjection to Christ, will discover her husband has little difficulty in loving her as he should!



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## REVIVALTIME WELCOMES YOU

Sign the Revivaltime Guest Book and Recieve a Frue Gift Plus Evangelist C.M Wards Latest Bulletin.

A colorful "Revivaltime Welcomes You" sign invites fairgoers to the Revivaltime tent (upper left) at the Hancock County Fair. Two years ago Pastor Malz went to the secretary of the Fair Board and was assigned a choice location for the Revivaltime tent at the intersection of the two main thoroughfares of the fairgrounds.
Personal worker Kenneth Beck (lower left) meets a local businessman at the Revivaltime tent at the fair. Congressman Betts and Representative Guyer visited the tent, as did many other county and city officials. In a poll taken by workers, it was revealed that 60 to 80 per cent of those questioned had heard Revivalime. This was a saturation that far exceeded the expectations of the local congregation.

Part of the fine corps of workers (lower left center) are shown on duty at the tent. Left to right are Leonard Badertscher, Mr. and Mrs. Simon, Floyd Yoakam, Fred Smith and Pastor Carl Malz. Others, not shown, worked hard to make the effort a success. Members found that while giving their efforts to reach the area, they received a blessing themselves.

Each visitor to the tent received a special gift packet (lower right center) containing a crusade issue of The Pentecostal

The hancock county fair, in the center of a rich agricultural and industrial area of Northwest Ohio, recently was the scene, for the second year, of an effort by the First Assembly of God of Findlay to introduce Revivaltime to non-listeners and to become better acquainted with members of the Revivaltime audience.

The Fair provides a challenging opportunity for personal work. During the 1963 Fair, more than 20,000 pieces of literature were distributed. The miniature newspaper, "Suddenly You Are Dead," gospel hand-out piece for Revivaltime's 1963 summer soul-winning crusade, was used. Across from the Revivaltime tent the Sheriff's department placed a wrecked car on display as a warning

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REVIVALTIME WELCOMES YOU

to motorists, and they permitted the miniature newspapers to be displayed on this car.

The pastor and members of the church spent hours every day inviting passers-by to the Revivaltime tent.

Pastor Carl Malz says: "Revivaltime has been one of the factors in our growth from the fourth largest to the largest Assembly of God in Northwest Ohio in the last four and one-half years. The broadcast each Sunday helps to prepare our hearts for the activities of the day. The cooperation of the Radio Department has been tremendous. The follow-up slips sent to us of those who write to Revivaltime are prime contacts for our Assembly. God bless Revizaltime in its wonderful work."

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Evangel, Evangelist C. M. Ward's Bulletin, a handbill announcing coming services at First Assembly, and a plastic letter opener engraved with the words "Come to Friendly First Assembly."

Along with receiving the special packet, those visiting the tent heard the Revivaltime choir on tape (center), were able to purchase the choir's latest record and look through or buy any of C. M. Ward's books or sermons.

Visitors to the display tent were invited to sign the guest book (upper right). More than 2,000 people, many of whom represented entire families, signed the book. Fred Smith, right, one of the most zealous volunteers, worked as high as 14 hours a day. Unemployed during the Fair, he obtained a fine job the day after it closed.

Last year the goal of the Assembly was to introduce Revivaltime to the area. This year workers introduced visitors to the Assembly and invited them to attend the Revivaltime crusade with Evangelist C. M. Ward which was held September 15-18 at the First Assembly. While presenting a free gift, workers were able to discuss spiritual needs as well as the church and its program. Here (lower right) C. A. President Errol Browne, a school teacher, presents the Revivaltime packet.


Mildred T. Smuland
National WMC Secretary
ing Assemblies of God work in Dakar, Senegal, a Moslem metropolis with only one other small Protestant church. "God marches through history with a timetable, he declared. Mr. Hogan commended the WMC's for their efficient care of the missionaries.
In the opening business session Mrs. Smuland summarized preliminary work done by a special committee which met in February. In the feature, "Checking the Layout," she reviewed the District President's Manual, made corrections and additions.
To open the Missionette workshop, National Missionette Director Charlotte Schumitsch reported on the "Missionette Pattern" as it is today. Mrs. Goldia Anderson (Northern California-Nevada) continued the discussion with a presentation titled, "Growing Up-Change of Style." She emphasized the importance of the Stairway to the Stars program by quoting a college president who said, "We can tell a tremendous difference in girls who have had Missionette training." Plans were made for advance steps in the WMC auxiliary program for girls.

Mrs. Reba Mercer (North Texas) used an acrostic to present the matter of a universal Missionette uniform. She showed samples of possible selections. Missionette uniforms are expected to be available early in 1965.
"Adjusting the Pattern Form" was a discussion of WMC reporting led by Mrs. Eula White (national office) and Miss Hazel Devore (Potomac District). They stressed the importance of a uniform plan of reporting for both WMC groups and Missionette clubs.

Mrs. Zella Anthony (Indiana) presented "Designing a District Seminar." Mrs. Vera Samuelson (Kansas) discussed "Making Models," leadership training. Mrs. Ann Ahlf (national office) spoke about "Policy Patterns" related to the district commissary. Mrs. Hermione Summers (Alabama) showed "All Seasons Styles," a plan for a yearly calendar to coordinate evangelistic efforts, membership enlistment, special Missionette emphasis and other such activities on a national basis.

Mrs. Melvin Hodges, long-time missionary in Central America and wife of the Latin American Field Secretary, used for her topic "Then and Now." She spoke about the difference in a missionary's outfit, comparing 1930 with 1964, and commended the WMC's for being responsible for that difference.

Robert T. McGlasson, R. L. Brandt, and Curtis A. Ringness, representing the Foreign and Home Missions and Benevolence Departments, formed a panel to answer questions from the group.
An evening session featured "Poster Patterns" by Lloyd Colbaugh. He displayed the art of simple poster making to be used by WMC leadership. Mrs. John Saunders followed with an artistic paint demonstration especially adaptable to WMC and Missionette work.
On Thursday afternoon district presidents presented Mrs. Smuland with a deep, white heart-shaped box containing an accordion-like arrangement of birthday cards joined with a red ribbon. In the cards were gifts of money amounting to $\$ 500$ with the suggestion that it be used for missionary field travel.

Climaxing the spiritual emphasis of the meeting was a banquet planned around the theme of the seminar with the Bible featured as The Pattern. A white Bible which was a part of the centerpiece on the speakers' table was given to Mrs. Vera Samuelson (Kansas) in recognition


District WMC presidents and staff gather in conference room for a session of instruction.
of her having been the district president for the greatest number of consecutive years.
Miriam Wright, missionary to Malawi (Nyasaland), challenged the women to use "The Pattern of Power."
A new district president remarked: "I will never forget my first seminar. It will help me immeasurably in my own district meetings which I am planning just now."
Another added: "These sessions have been superb! How will you plan a better one for next time?"

Still another expressed herself by saying: "In reviewing the materials supplied at the seminar and the discussions I shared there, the task that is laid out before the WMC and Missionettes overwhelms me. But we want to progress in our district WMC performance, so we plan to do some intensive work in our area."
The effects of the WMC District Presidents' Seminar are expected to reach every local WMC group so as to invigorate each one and to intensify participation in the total ministry of the church.

## THE GATE OF THE DAY

Morning devotion anchors the soul so that it will not readily drift away from God during the day. It perfumes the heart so that it smells fragrant with piety until nightfall. It girds up the soul's garments so that it is less apt to stumble, and feeds all its powers so that it is not permitted to faint.
The morning is the gate of the day, and should be well guarded with prayer. It is one end of the thread on which the day's actions are strung, and should be well knotted with devotion. If we felt more the majesty of life, we should be more careful of its mornings.

He who rushes from his bed to his business, and waiteth not to worship, is as foolish as though he had not put on his clothes, or cleansed his face, and as unwise as though he dashed into battle without arms or armour.

Be it ours to bathe in the softly flowing river of communion with God, before the heat of the wilderness and the burden of the way begin to oppress us.
-Charles Spurgeon

# Called to Work in the Deaf Harvest 

By Robert Nathan<br>Deaf Minister to the Deaf, Flint, Michigan

Through my childhood and teen days I claimed to believe no religion, although I observed Jewish holidays and occasionally went with my father to a synagogue.

While attending the Parker Elementary School in Chicago, Ill., I lived with other deaf children at a boarding house. There I heard some things about Jesus Christ. I heard that He is the Son of God, that He lived in Palestine, that He was said to be the King of the Jews, that He had power to heal people of bodily sicknesses, and that He was crucified. I was puzzled when I heard that my parents and other Jewish people would not believe in Him as their King.

A few months after my graduation from Gallaudet College in Washington, D. C., (the only college in the world exclusively for the deaf), my attention was called to a salvationhealing campaign in the Chicago Colosseum. At the meetings I was astounded to observe miracles of healing as the evangelist prayed for the people. In his booklet which I purchased I read, "My friends, the glorious miracles of healing you have witnessed have been wrought, not by the evangelist, but by the mighty healing power of the Lord Jesus Christ, the Son of God."

As I continued reading, I learned for the first time that Jesus suffered a painful and agonizing death for our sins-the Son of God taking all the blame for our evil deeds. His sinless body was shamefully nailed to the cross in our stead! Being unable to restrain myself, I broke into tears and accepted Jesus as my Saviour. Soon I read the Gospel of John with absorbing interest and early the next morning I looked up at Jesus' lovely face with the eyes of my heart. Suddenly my whole being trembled as the


Holy Spirit swept through me. I felt great joy and a strong love for God and all mankind.

A year later I enrolled in Central Bible Institute, Springfield, Mo. While at CBI I met Fern Rolfe, an evangelist who was preaching to the deaf in this city, and in 1954 she became my wife.

Fern was saved at the age of 11 while attending the Minnesota School for the Deaf. God called her to preach and after receiving Bible training she pastored deaf groups in various places. Fern and I have been very happy together in the ministry. In 1959 on Father's Day we were blessed with the birth of Daniel John.

There was a period of time when my wife was very sick. After about a month of failing health she sank into a coma and was rushed to the hospital. A specialist discovered she had Addison's Disease. We were ministering to the deaf in Fort Wayne at this time. Fern's parents came to help us. Her mother prayed, "Lord, if You want to take her Home, Your
will be done." But God seemed to reply, "I have work for her to do." After four weeks in the hospital she returned home and slowly regained her strength.

For the past five years we have been pastors for the deaf at Riverside Tabernacle in Flint, Mich. We have enjoyed ministering to the faithful deaf folk here.

During our pastorate in Flint we have had the opportunity to teach the Bible to the children at the Michigan School for the Deaf and to mentally retarded deaf people in the Lapeer State Home and Training School. Visual aid materials are useful in illustrating Bible lessons taught in these classes.

Our church activities include a Women's Missionary Council where deaf ladies meet to sew quilts and warm clothing. They also collect used clothing and send boxes to the needy deaf people in Jamaica, Korea and Japan. Each morning during a Sunday morning worship service we receive a missionary offering for our missionaries to the deaf in Korea and the Philippine Islands.

We are thankful for the interest of Pastor Ivar Frick and the hearing congregation at Riverside Tabernacle. Some of the hearing people have learned the sign language in a class Fern teaches. She used the new signlanguage manual, Talk to the Deaf, by Lottie Riekehof in this class. We thank God for this helpful book.

Visitation is very important in our work among the deaf. We well remember our visit to one deaf family. I explained the way of salvation clearly, and soon each member of the family expressed his desire to be saved. They all knelt with us and prayed. I had the privilege of baptizing the whole family in water several months later.

We thank God for His leading in our lives thus far. Pray with us that He will continue to lead us as we labor in the ripened harvest field of deaf souls.

Offerings for Home Missions (including Indian, Alaska, Deaf, Blind, Foreign-Language, Prison, Teen Challenge, and Jewish ministries) should be mailed to

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An Ex-prisoner's Testimony as<br>Given to Paul R. Markstrom, National Prison Chaplain for the Assemblies of God

## The Prison Division Led Me to Christ



Eight basic Bible courses which are sent free to prisoners.

When I recall my past life it think of Psalm $40: 2$, 3: "He brought me up also out of an horrible pit, out of the miry clay, and set my feet upon a rock, and established my goings. And he hath put a new song in my mouth, even praise unto our God: many shall see it, and fear, and shall trust in the Lord."
Almost nine years ago I was sentenced to a federal penitentiary for crimes committed in many states. At that time I was 27 years of age. I had been a Roman Catholic all my life but the ritual of that church had never led me close to our Lord. I did not know our Saviour and the wonderful things He can do for us.
While I was in prison a friend kept urging me to take the Assemblies of God free correspondence courses and finally convinced me I ought to do it. I went to see the Protestant chaplain and began the courses as a means of passing away time in the lonely cell after the day's work was done.
As I studied these wonderful courses, I began to see God's plan for my salvation and learned that Jesus could love a sinner like me. I discovered I did not need to confess my sins to any man, for there is only one High Priest who can take our sins on Himself and give us salvation. I learned that He also promised to leave the Holy Spirit with us; that the Spirit
will give us strength and power to live a Christlike life for God's glory.

After I found Jesus Christ, I grew in Christian strength by continued Bible study and guidance from the Prison Division of the Assemblies of God.

When I completed the eight basic Bible courses, the Prison Division offered to help me pay for three advanced courses. These courses enlightened me further and every page of study was a real blessing. I became hungry for God's Word and wanted to know all I could about His plan

The Prison Division is very grateful for the good will and acceptance we have received from leading penologists of the United States. This has been another year of victory. Over 19,400 free Bible courses have been distributed. God has helped the division to see a 23 per cent increase in the number of prisons participating in our correspondence courses. In addition to the Bible courses, the Prison Division has supplied hundreds of Bibles, Pentecostal Evangels and tracts.

The above testimony is one of hundreds which the Prison Division has received from inmates who have found freedom from $\sin$ while still confined in prisons. This ministry can continue its advance only as concerned Christians remember us in their prayers and offerings.
for my life. At this time I was working in prison industries. Through the little money I made (about 15 cents a day) I paid for the balance of the advanced courses, receiving both my standard and comprehensive diplomas before leaving prison.

When I left prison, I went to a strange city in the southeastern United States, where I did not know a soul. To my knowledge I have no living relatives, so I was entirely on my own. But I have one real Friend. He is my hope and strength. I know Jesus is with me at all times. It was hard making a living in a strange town in view of my past record, and settling down to the kind of life Jesus wanted me to live. But because of the Assemblies of God Bible courses I knew that there was Someone who cared, Someone who would help me as I had faith in Him.
I have been attending an Assemblies of God church since my release from prison, sincerely praying for the fullness of the Holy Spirit in my life.
I want to take this opportunity to thank the many people who contribute to the Prison Division of the Assemblies of God, making this work possible. It was through them that I found my Saviour. Praise God for the many blessings He has given me since that day I began to study His Word.


Sites for Souls banqueters enjoy meal at headquarters cafeteria in Springfield.

# First 'Sites for Souls' Banquet Held 

On monday, august 24 , at 6 P.m. the first Sites for Souls banquet took place. It was held in the headquarters cafeteria in Springfield, Mo., with 140 people attending. Among them were district leaders, General Council officers, the Home Missions staff, guests and interested friends.

After a delicious meal prepared under the able direction of cafeteria manager Dick Merrifield and served on tables beautifully decorated in a red, white and blue motif, the program got under way.

Special music was provided by Revivaltime soloist Denise Power, accompanied by Nancy Hobson. An interesting skit, "The Sad Story of Pas-
tor Shortsight," was presented by John Garlock, Lloyd Colbaugh and Gwen Jones.

When the spotlight was turned on Sites for Souls itself, R. L. Brandt, National Home Missions Secretary, reported that while the program is yet in its infancy it is learning to walk. He revealed that thus far 11 allocations totaling $\$ 79,000$ have been made. (Since the banquet two more allocations have been made bringing the total to $\$ 94,500$.) Districts which have already received allocations are Appalachian, Eastern, Southern New England, Tennessee, Illinois, Iowa, Northern Missouri, New York, Southern Missouri, Michigan, and Illinois.
(Alabama and Minnesota have been added since the banquet.)

Brother Brandt stated that already one new church built on a Sites for Souls location had been dedicated, and another was to be dedicated September 6. Others are in various stages of development.

Gross income for Sites for Souls to July 31, 1964, was $\$ 59,423.44$ and it was revealed that applications waiting to be honored totaled $\$ 47,000$.

Sites for Souls giving to July 31 by leading districts was as follows: Two districts have given over $\$ 3,000$ each; three districts have given between $\$ 2,000$ and $\$ 3,000$; four districts have given $\$ 1,000$ to $\$ 2,000$; six


Seated at the Sites for Souls banquet speakers' table are (left to right): Mrs. R. L. Brandt, R. L. Brandt, national Home Missions secretary; Mrs. G. F. Lewis, G. F. Lewis, executive director of Home Missions; T. F. Zimmerman, general superintendent; Mrs. T. F. Zimmerman, Earl E. Blythe, superintendent of the Tennessee District; Mrs. Wesley Hurst, and Wesley Hurst. Photo at right shows group visiting before the banquet.


Lloyd Colbaugh cartoons for the skit, "The Sad Story of Pastor Shortsight."
districts have given $\$ 500$ to $\$ 1,000$.
Following the Sites for Souls report Wesley Hurst challenged the banqueters with a stirring message entitled, "Sites Mean Souls."

As the banquet neared its conclusion district leaders were asked to set Sites for Souls goals for 1965. Almost without exception the 1964 goals were repeated and in several cases they were increased. Some districts were not represented and therefore the district goals were not finalized, but from all appearances the national goal will be near the $\$ 100,000$ mark for cash contributions, and 1,000 churches will become Sites for Souls churches by pledging a minimum of $\$ 1$ per member per year.

Of interest to all who attended was this poem which appeared on the banquet program:

## FOR THIS HOUR

The hour is late, and lengthening shadows Hint that night is nigh,
When none can gather golden grain;
"Too late," doomed souls will cry.
Today is ours! Across our land Let's reap the bending grain. Oh, heed the Master's final call To work with might and main.
"A church in each community"
Is our Assemblies goal-
Full-gospel light for every town, For every unsaved soul.

With SITES FOR SOULS, born for this hour,
We buy strategic plots;
New churches rise where once there were Only the vacant lots.
-Ruth Lyon

# Cold paker must marm 373 hearts this Christmas- 

If you and I could just go together to visit one of our home missionaries at Christmastime, you'd probably come away saying, "I just must do something special for these dedicated friends and their families!"
We can do something special, but it all has to be done by paper. On this page I tell you about the 373 home missionaries to whom we try to send a small Christmas check-something extra to brighten the season. You send your check-another piece of paper. And we forward your gracious gift by check, with a letter-yet more paper. What we'd like to do is make that visit we mentioned, so your heart could be moved as we watch the delighted faces of those who share your generosity, and receive their earnest thanks.
But God will bless and warm all our hearts, even if the whole exchange is accomplished by cold paper. Won't you send your gift today? It is needed.

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## Home Missions Seminar

On august 24, 1964, DISTRICT LEADers, Bible college presidents, and others met in the headquarters auditorium for a very profitable Home Missions seminar.

One theme impressed itself upon all who attended-the success of Home Missions is contingent upon the spiritual life of the movement. Again and again the Holy Spirit seemed to say, "Give proper attention to the spiritual, and you will find a ready solution to the other matters."

The seminar program highlighted both Church Extension and Special Ministries. Several very important addresses were given including a message on the Relationship of Spiritual Life-Evangelism to Home Missions, by General Superintendent T. F. Zimmerman. G. F. Lewis, Executive Director of the department, assisted by R. L. Brandt, national secretary, was in charge of the program and moderated several profitable discussion periods.

Watch future issues of the Evangel for some of the excellent messages delivered during the seminar.

MILLION-DOLLAR PRAYER

National Secretary of Home Missions
"I AM PRAYING FOR ONE MILLION DOIlars," someone said to me not long ago. I was especially pleased when I learned that the "million-dollar prayer" was in the interest of Sites for Souls.

The need for Sites for Souls funds continues to increase week by week. New applications for allocations are arriving constantly, but these requests can be honored only as funds become available.

We hope for the day when all legitimate requests can be honored with cash allocations covering the entire amount needed. Up to the present this has not been possible. When allocations have been made we have paid 10 per cent in cash and thereafter a minimum of one per cent of the total allocation each month. Thus on a $\$ 10$,000 allocation we send $\$ 1,000$ as an initial payment and a minimum of $\$ 100$ each month.

On numerous occasions we have been able to exceed the minimum payment. For example, the last payment on allocations was four per cent.

It would be far more satisfactory if each allocation could be made totally in cash. This would eliminate the necessity of the pioneer church having to pay interest on the unpaid balance on the site. At the same time, it would give them financial equity so that they would be in a better position to proceed with their building program.

To meet this important need we have been urging churches and individuals throughout our movement to share the burden. The response has been very gratifying. Hundreds of churches have already become Sites for Souls churches by pledging a minimum of $\$ 1$ per member per year, and thousands of individuals have contributed amounts ranging from $\$ 1$ to $\$ 1,000$.

But we have only begun. Even after the "million-dollar prayer" has been answered the need still will be great.

Will you join in the "million-dollar prayer"? And perhaps you would like to have a part in the answer. Simply designate your gift Sites for Souls.

# FOREIGN NEWS DIGEST 

## Samoa

New Life at Nu'uuli
The new church in Nu'uuli has been drawing visitors from several villages around the area. Nearly every week someone finds the Lord as personal Saviour and becomes a new person.
"I attended church (a formal church) for 36 years, but there was hardly a day I didn't go to work drunk. Now I have found something which has changed my life," testified a policeman.

An electrician said, "When I woke up in the night I used to reach under my pillow for a pack of cigarettes; now I reach under the pillow for my Bible."
-Claude Rediger

## Peru

## Seminar Successful

From June 30 to July 10, 1964, a ministers institute was held in Lima, Peru, for the advanced training of pastors and workers. Nearly 45 were able to attend regularly during the two weeks set aside for the seminar.
The special teachers represented many American countries. Monroe Grams of Bolivia, was the director. The others were Verne Warner from Argentina, George Davis from Chile, and Louise Walker from Springfield, Missouri. They dealt with Christian leadership, Christian stewardship, the work and gifts of the Holy Spirit, the ministry of teaching, and the preparation of the worker. They also presented elementary courses designed for our pastors to teach lay members in the local church.

The seminar was very successful ; our ministers are already looking forward to more of the same. This is the first time this idea has been tried by the Assemblies of God in South America, but similar institutes are already being arranged in other Latin American countries.
-Ruth and Walter Frickson

## Surinam

## Ju-Jus Destroyed

Paramaribo, with a population of 113,000 , is the capital of Surinam (formerly Dutch Guiana). This center was the scene of the first Assemblies of God citywide campaign in Surinam.
The open-air meetings were under the anointed ministry of Bob Hoskins and many people responded for salvation, healing, and deliverance. The campaign chorus, Christus Het Antwoord (Chisist Is the Answer), became a reality in many lives.

Among the testimonies of healing was that of a young girl whose one eye was crossed and the other blind. Her sight was restored and she is now attending Sunday school at the First Assembly of God, Paramaribo. A baby that was covered with eczema was instantly healed.

This revival was outstanding for the deliverance of devil-possessed people. Many of the sick had given themselves to witcheraft and idolatry. As we prayed for one woman she began screaming, biting, and clawing. The devil within her refused to go and threatened to dis-
night she destroyed her charms, ju-jus, and fetishes. She was completely delivered.

During the morning services Bob Hoskins emphasized the truths of the Holy Spirit. Several received a personal Pentecost. These morning sessions also greatly strengthened the new converts.

When the books were balanced, the entire cost of the campaign had been met by the offerings. -John Verbarendse


Missionary Louie Stokes baptizes Alfredo-third generation Pentecostal family.

## Argentina

## New Church Dynamic

In the one-year-old church in San Fernando many people have already been saved and healed. A young mother suffering with can-
tions without improvement. She was marvelously healed through the prayers of the believers in this church. In a recent baptismal service five people took this step of public consecration.

God is blessing in Argentina. I recently spoke to a group of nearly one hundred people who are meeting in a hall. They are eager to buy ground and build a permanent church.
-Louic Stokes

## Sierra Leone

## Tongues Understood

A few weeks ago we were having a day of fasting and prayer. Moses, the pastor, prayed that someone would receive the baptism of the Holy Spirit and would speak in either Kroo, Limba, or Themne-tribal languages which he understands but his congregation does not. The Lord was very precious that day and one of our young Bible school students began speaking fluently in an unknown tongue, for the first time. He spoke for over an hour. Can you guess the language? He spoke in Limba, a language of which he had no knowledge! Thank God for another proof of the reality of the Holy Spirit. -Jonathan Glover

## Colombia

## Revival Fruitful

Jose Maria Rico, former Catholic priest and now member of the Assemblies of God in Bolivia, is holding revival meetings in Colombia. It is reported that 394 people accepted Christ as a result of his campaigns in the two main Assemblies of God churches in Bogota.


Missionary John Verbarendse (left) interprets for
Evangelist Bob Hoskins during altar service.


More than 50 pastors and workers receive valuable instruction during the seminar held in Lima, Peru. A number of missionaries participated in the seminar.


## MISSIONARY NEWS NOTES

Missionaries arriving in the United States for furlough are: Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Horst (Philippines), the Arthur Sholtis family (Korea), Mr. and Mrs. James Long (East Pakistan), the Vernon Pettengers (Transvaal), the John Weidman and Herbert Butler families (Upper Volta), Mr. and Mrs. George Goomas (Greece), Olga Ollson (Germany), Ruth Weitkamp (Spain), Harley Vail (Mexico), the Earl Wilkie family (Uruguay), the Burton Arnos (Nicaragua), and the Ray Jones family (Bolivia).
Mr. and Mrs. Robert Cummings have returned to Springfield, Mo., after ministering in West Pakistan.
Mr . and Mrs. Orville Carlson have
transferred from Pakistan to Fiji. The David Williamses who formerly ministered in Nicaragua are now in Honduras. Mr. and Mrs. Bryan Mock are now serving in Venezuela. Their former field was Bolivia.
Other new appointees who have left for their fields are: Mr. and Mrs. Paul Sundell (Belgium), the Stephen Normans (Venezuela), the Ernest Bowman family (Guatemala), Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Driggers (Ghana), the Sam Sassers (Marshall Islands), the Glenn Reeves family (Nigeria), and Kenneth Ware, who has returned to his home in France. Missionaries returning to their respective fields are: Berniece Albers (Mexico), the Verlin Stewart family (Colombia), Mr. and Mrs. Walter Haydus (Guatemala), the Paul Goodwins (Jamaica), the David Guenther family
(British Guiana), Palma Ramsborg (Formosa), the Harry Petersons (Japan), Anne Eberhardt and the Paul Schoonmaker family (India), and B. T. Bard (Germany).
Returning to Africa are: Ellen Marie McCormick, Mrs. Velma Hixenbaugh, and Doris Nimmo (Liberia), the J. W. Tucker family (Congo), Mr. and Mrs. J. Monroe Robison (Nigeria), and Mr, and Mrs. Paul Wright (Malawi).

Margaret Carlow has left Korea for Hawaii, where she will be taking further studies.
The name of Cyril C. Huckerby (Jamaica) has been officially changed to Cyril C. Darrell-Huckerby.
Mr. and Mrs. Larry Cederblom (Dominican Republic) have welcomed a fourth son into their home. Teddie Leonard was born August 11.

## Homefront Highlights

## DEAF MINISTRY

## Springfield, Missouri

Addie Lee Chainey (nee Breedlove), 73, wife of Sullivan E Chainey who is an appointed missionary to the deaf, passed away August 19, 1964, in Springfield, Mo., after a brief illness. She has faithfully assisted her husband in ministry to the deaf in southwest Missouri, Kansas and Oklahoma since the beginning of his ministry in 1946.
Sister Chainey was a member of Central Assembly of God, Springfield, Mo. Surviving are her husband, four sons, two daughters, 22 grandchildren, 10 great-grandchildren, one brother and two sisters. Mrs. Chainey was dearly loved and will be greatly missed by all who knew her.

## FOREIGN LANGUAGE MINISTRY

## Los Angeles, California

George Adams of Los Angeles, leader of 75,000 gypsies in America, was laid to rest July 30. A caravan of 200 automobiles preceded thousands of gypsies in the funeral procession. Before Brother Clement LeCossec, director of the French gypsy work, returned to France, he wrote: "In Los Angeles we had a wonderful meeting with the gypsies in the George Adams home. Several gypsies and George Adams himself received the gospel with open hearts." How wonderful to know that this influential gypsy king was converted before his death.

## Los Angeles, California

Billy Wofford, director of the Chinese Mission in Los Angeles, says they are much in need of a
place of worship. At present they of
are using the facilities of Bethel are using the facilities of Bethel Temple.

## Miami, Florida

The Andres Romans, directors of the Spanish Bible school in Miami, are also pioneering a Spanish work at Hialeah, Fla. Rena Meyers, who was sponsored by the Campus Missionary Fellowship of Central Bible Institute, Springfield, Mo., has been a great help to the Romans. She brought five new families to church in three weeks' time.

## San Francisco, California

The Sunday afternoon services of the Chinese Christian Center in San Francisco have been a time for hungry hearts from various denominations to gather to hear deeper teachings from the Word. The attendance at these services operated by the Vallance Bairds now averages from 35 to 40 .
The Center's first adult convert was Mr. Yee Wah Sing. He was also the first to receive the baptism of the Holy Spirit. God healed him and he is now able to work again. Several other adults, as well as several children, have been saved. Young people from Oakland First Church assisted with the VBS which resulted in the salvation of six teen-agers.

## Turlock, California

A Spanish literature booth was featured at the Stanislaus County Fair at Turlock, Calif., this summer.
Herbert B. Felton, for more than 30 years an Assemblies of God missionary in South America, displayed and sold more than 100 titles printed in Spanish. The retired minister said his collection

Herbert B. Felton, former missionary to South America, operates a Spanish Literature booth at the Stanislaus County Fair at Turlock, Calif.

of Spanish books is one of the
most complete in the country.
"There seemed to be so many Mexican people at the fair, and no special booth for them," he said.
The Feltons operated bookstores in Peru and Argentina. In recent years they have taken their books to Mexican labor camps in the area and conducted free Spanish lessons in their home.
The missionary says there are no bookstores for Spanish-speaking people in the area, or even in San Francisco.
Brother Felton's books include, besides evangelical titles, science, poetry and novels. His booth was sponsored by Bethel Temple of Turlock and several business firms.

## TEEN CHALLENGE MINISTRY

## Brooklyn, New York

The bloody violence in New York and especially in the Bedford Stuyvesant section of Brooklyn this summer has alarmed the world. Four nights in a row sirens screamed, pistol shots echoed up and down the streets and looters were on the rampage. The Teen Challenge cook was mugged and robbed and a convert of the Center was held up right at the Teen Challenge doorstep. Some of the workers were chased and threatened.
In spite of all this, Teen Challenge workers are continuing to see results on the street corners. Desperate youth are still coming to them for help.
The school for girls sponsored by the Center is in operation. A beautiful 100 -acre estate has been purchased from the Astors. The
school will eventually be able to take care of 60 to 75 girls. The Allen Mitchells of Worcester, Mass., are superintendents.

## AMERICAN INDIAN MINISTRY

## Phoenix, Arizona

Mrs. Alta Washburn recently injured her lungs and her left foot in a fall, and is hospitalized. Please pray that God will heal her and remove the infection that has developed in both lungs.
The All Tribes Bible School, of which Mrs. Washburn is director, is in need of canned fruit, vegetables, cake mixes and other foods.

## Lumberton, North Carolina

R. W. Buchanan, missionary in Lumberton, reports that as a result of revivals 50 people have been saved, five filled with the Holy Spirit and 50 baptized in water since April.

## Canyon Day, Arizona

The revival spirit so prevalent at the Apache Indian Camp Meeting is continuing in the Apache churches. At Canyon Day, five were saved and 10 received the baptism of the Holy Spirit following the camp.

## Owyhee, Nevada

Alfred Elgin, missionary at Owyhee, reports excellent attendance at a three-day fellowship meeting in June. Local Indian people and others from Oregon, California, Nevada and Idaho attended. George Effman of Sacramento, Calif., and George Forrest of Nixon, Nev., were special speakers. The services were a great spiritual uplift.


Sunday afternoon services in the Chinese Christian Center in San Francisco offer a time of Bible study for people of various denominations.

## Albuquerque, New Mexico

The Paul Evanses resigned their pastorate at Whiteriver, Ariz., to become pastors of the All Tribes Indian Mission in Albuquerque, N . Mex.

## Cuba, New Mexico

Wilson Nelson of Milan, N. Mex., conducted a good revival for Thomas Koons at Cuba in August. The missionaries obtained permission to use the Ajo Encino Trailer School for the services. Attendance was excellent, reaching a high of 75. Several were saved and some were healed. Others were seeking to be filled with the Spirit. Brother and Sister Koons taught 18 Navajo young people to read their own language this summer.

## ALASKA MINISTRY

## Haines

The Charles O. Hirschys, who recently became pastors at Haines, report that in spite of the fishing season they have had good attendance in church services. They go to Klukwan, an Indian village of about 75 people, each Monday evening. Over half of the residents attend the services conducted in the Tribal Community House. This is a colorful building with its totem pole background. These totems are over 300 years old and have real hair on their heads taken from the heads of Russian slaves.

Another village of 50 people is open for the Hirschys' ministry as soon as they can spare the time to evangelize this section.

## Juneau

Three teen-age boys of the Juneau Children's Home were drowned in a tragic accident August 27.

While hunting frogs in the shallows of the lake, Jimmy Fawcett, 15 , slipped into a deep pool. Bobby Oyler, 15, and Jack Nelson, 13, attempted to rescue Jimmy and were apparently pulled down in the struggle. A fourth boy, Tim Morgan, 13, who also jumped into
the water to save the drowning boy made it to shore. Mrs Georganna Roberson, the supervisor, sent him to summon aid while she attempted unsuccessfully to rescue the boys.

## Kenai

The Wesley D. Hansens, who had to leave Alaska for a time due to Brother Hansen's health, are back now and pastoring at Kenai. They formerly pastored the Haines Assembly.

## Minto

Missionary Gordon Olson writes that they have cut and rafted logs to the village for a new church which is near completion.

## Petersburg

The Bernard Tewells are the new pastors at Petersburg, following the C. L. Stroms who recently resigned. The Tewells pastored the Chugiak Chapel for seven years.

## Anderson

Darrell Redfearn reports that they arrived in Anderson, July 8, and are busy getting set up for the winter. The church building is progressing well. They have moved out of the old tent building even though the new building is unfinished. Paula Thomas and Audrey Deal from Southwestern Bible College, Waxahachie, Tex., conducted excellent "Kids Krusade" at Anderson and Brown this summer.

## Fairbanks

Members of the Fairbanks Assembly and helpers from various places have been working feverishly to complete the new church. T. C. Cunningham, assistant superintendent of the Southern California District, has greatly helped the Butterfields by interesting district churches in this urgent project. Workers from Alaska churches have also helped. Mrs. Willard Blackington, wife of one of the pilots who flew helpers in, assisted Sister Butterfield with the cooking.


Pictured is the group of workers from Southern California District who flew to Fairbanks, Alaska, to help with construction of a new church. Left to right: George Niccum, Pilot and Mrs. W. S. Blackington, Mark Kopitz, Charles Muse, Pilot Clark Blackington, Jim Ward and Howard Graves.

# If Religion Could Save 

## (Continued from page seven)

devotees everywhere are praying to personalities long dead. Adhering to man-made philosophies they continue in the darkness of physical, mental, and spiritual slavery. Religious, yes, but craving a reality found only in a living, loving, life-giving Saviour whom they do not know and therefore cannot worship.

My spirit is heavy as I think about this sick and suffering world. There is neither mockery nor amusement in my spirit; only an aching, yearning burden to awaken people to their need of regeneration, instead of reformation, to help them find new life instead of turning over a new leaf.
In Russia a man told me that the state is god. There the people worship an ideology, but they are worshipers just the same. I talked to young people in Russia who had never even heard of church. Religious because they worship, but what a religion! I not only saw but felt their utter emptiness of life. The police state of Russia teaches that Jesus Christ is only an American lie to win the world. Bound by fear and suspicion they continue on, not knowing whether their neighbor is friend or enemy. Religious, but worshiping an impossible, impractical ideology.
If religion could save, nearly everyone in America would be saved. The average American feels secure because he has some religious beliefs and considers himself religious. He is insulted if anyone suggests otherwise.
What does God say about it all? Does it mean anything to you that God has something to say about this? God says that we are saved through a person, the Lord Jesus Christ. We cannot even approach God except through Jesus Christ. Have you personally come to Him in true repentance? Have you confessed your sins to Him, and your need of Him? Have you known the joy of sins forgiven that comes when Christ, and not religion, enters one's heart?
During a recent evangelistic campaign in India, an army officer came to speak privately with me. He told me that he was a Brahman and sincerely wanted to be righteous.
"When I get up each morning I spend one hour seeking after God," he poignantly declared. "I pray to the gods of my religion. I go to the Hindu temple and sacrifice to the gods. I go to the Catholic cathedral and bow before Mary. After doing all this, I return home and pray to a picture of your God, Jesus. His picture is on my wall with pictures of other gods. When I leave home for the day I am always determined to forsake my $\sin$ and to live right. But I end the day with the same sins and fears. My heart remains empty and sad. There is no peace. I have not found God. What can I do?" It was a great thrill for me to point him to the Christ of Calvary.
What did I tell him? Simply what I am telling you, that there is no salvation in any religion-Indian, Russian, or American. Religion cannot save, but Jesus Christ can. Religion cannot bring peace to the heart in the midst of a troubled world, but Jesus can.
"Acquaint now thyself with him, and be at peace" (Job 22:21).

## BOB WAY

NAMED NATIONAL SERVICEMEN'S

## REPRESENTATIVE

SPRINGFIELD, MO.-Robert R. Way, former Michigan District C. A. President, has been named Servicemen's Representative of the Assemblies of God. The appointment was announced last month by Owen Carr, National C. A. Secretary.
Brother Way succeeds Warren McPherson who resigned the office to become pastor of First Assembly of God in Parsons, Kans. Brother McPherson served as Servicemen's Representative and Promotions Director in the National C. A. (Youth) Department for the past 10 years.
The new Servicemen's Representative began his ministry in 1951 and was pastor in Cadillac, Harrison, and Saginaw, Mich. He was ordained in 1954.
Since 1958 Brother Way has been associated with the Youth Department of the Michigan District. He has served as sectional representative, state treasurer, and president.

A native of Detroit, Bob Way served in the U.S. Navy for three years. He and Mrs. Way and two daughters are now living in Springfield, Mo. As head of the Servicemen's Division he will be ministering to servicemen all over the world.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

17TH ANNUAL CONVENTION of the Pentecostal Fellowship of North America, Oct. 27-29, at Central Assembly of God, Springfield, Mo. For information write: T. F. Zimmerman, PFNA Convention Coordinator, 1445 Boonville, Springfield, Mo. HOMECOMING-Nov. 29 at Niles Assembly of God, Bakersfield, Calif.-by Johnnie Smith, pastor.
32ND ANNIVERSARY-Nov. 4-8 at Assembly of God, Hartshorne, Okla. The following former pastors will be speaking: Charlie Clay, Charles Taylor, Alton Parker, George McGee, and B. W. Morgan.-by Burl Rogers, pastor.
HOMECOMING DAY AND BOND BURNING SERVICE-Nov. 1 at Calvary Temple, Seattle, Wash. Former pastor R. J. Carlson will speak at 11 a.m. There will be a musical program at 3 p.m., followed by a fellowship meal at 5 p.m. Mortgage bonds will be burned at the closing rally at 7 p.m., with Dr. Henry Ness speaking. -by Glenn M. Horst, pastor.
MINISTERS' INSTITUTE-Nov. 2-4 at Assembly of God Tabernacle, Thief River Falls, Minn. R. S. Peterson speaking. Ray Collver is district presbyter and host pastor.

## WITH CHRIST

G. RICHARD JONES, 55, drowned September 9 while with his Royal Ranger group on an outing. Licensed with the Michigan District, Brother Jones served as pastor of the St. Clair Assembly of God Church, Marysville, Mich. He is survived by his wife and eight children.

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## Do the Rigbt People Like You?

## By LON WOODRUM

In the longest psalm in the bible i ran across these words: "They ... will be glad when they see me" (Psalm 119:74).

Now the man who wrote those words was quite aware that any number of people would not be glad to see him. In his poem he tells of people who spatter his name with lies. Some dig pitfalls for him. Others lie in wait to kill him. Still others set snares for him. His pursuers, he says, draw near to him in malice. Even men in high places persecute him dreadfully.

So we can see that there were some folk who would not have been glad to see this poet!

One cannot follow closely the ways of God without making a few enemies. Jesus was anxious that His disciples should grasp this fact. He told them once, "Woe unto you, when all men speak well of you!"

Some folk are out to make everybody think well of them. They cultivate an agreeable personality, side with popular views, and go along with the group. They never affront the wrongdoer because they don't know when they may need him on their side! But it is no credit to a churchman if hypocrites pat him on the back, or if the men who give vent to their lower instincts hail him as a "great fellow." The hypocrites didn't pat Jesus on the back. They voted for Him to be sent to a cross.

Somewhere we heard of a minister who went into a wicked western town where there was no church, and
began to preach the gospel. A cowboy said to him: "Parson, if you really want these people on your side, drink with them, gamble with them, fight with them! Then they'll listen when you preach." But the minister had other ideas. He preached Christ, condemned evil, and lived as a Christian. He made enemies. His life was threatened. But he continued declaring the gospel of Christ. People became Christians. He left a church in the town when he went away.

Making people dislike you is no sign that you are a Christian, of course. But on the other hand, popularity is no such sign either. All through the ages, men who were loyal to God's kingdom have found difficulties with some of their fellowmen.
Do you remember Hananiah? He lived in 593 B.C., in the days when Jeremiah was disturbing Judah with his preaching. The people liked Hananiah better than Jeremiah because he prophesied smooth things. When Jeremiah bent himself under a yoke, declaring that God would bow the nation under the yoke of Babylon, Hananiah yanked the yoke from Jeremiah's neck and snapped it, shouting, "Thus saith the Lord: Even so will I break the yoke of Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon from the neck of all nations within the space of two full years" (Jeremiah 28:11).

The folk liked this. But Jeremiah went off to pray and when he returned to face the people he had the word of the Lord. He proceeded to cry doom on the men who had broken God's laws, and predicted that Hananiah would be driven from the face of the earth. Jeremiah wasn't popular. They imprisoned him. But God vindicated him and his message.

The writer of the 119th Psalm had enemies because he had respect to God's commandments. He kept God's statutes. He rejoiced in God's testimonies. He was shocked when other men violated God's orders. But the Psalmist also had friends. "They ... will be glad when they see me; because I have hoped in thy word."

It is a high compliment when "men of the Word" think well of us. Happy is the man of whom it can be said that those who fear God do not fear him! It is far better to be popular with a godly minority than to be lionized by the wicked majority.

For ages there has been a comradeship among people of the Word. The Truth has its own fine fraternity! The heart of a Christian always lifts to the testimony of another believer. A man can have few honors greater than this, that the people dedicated to God are pleased to call him brother.

The first disciples had their foes, as did the Psalmist. They were met with prison and the sword. But they were invincible. Bastion after bastion fell to them. It is thrilling to take up the Bible and read: "The word of God gained more and more ground" (Acts 6:7, Phillips).

All people who hope in God's Word as did the Psalmist and the early Christians will find opposition. But they will also find a fine comradeship in the company of others who love the Truth. And they will have God's Spirit. Finally, after their battle for Truth is finished, all the people of the Word will gather above in a fellowship that will never end. They will be with Him whose very name is "The Word of God."
No man can be popular with everyone. Let's be sure the right people like us!


[^0]:    Charles E. Greenaway (right) reports to Evangel Editor R. C. Cunningham (center) and Layout Editor Leslie W. Smith on Assemblies of God progress in Europe. Right photo: Mrs. Bert Webb (front row) with her husband visits the Assemblies of God congregation in Zagreb, Jugoslavia, early this year.

